



God's Layered Love VI
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TUESDAY, JANUARY 1

Scripture: Mark 1:9-11

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

The beginning of Jesus' ministry was marked by knowing the Father's will. Verses 9-11 says, *"It came to pass in those days that Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee, and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And immediately, coming up from the water, He saw the heavens parting and the Spirit descending upon Him like a dove. Then a voice came from heaven, 'You are My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.'" If we live in such a way that we please God, then we have a foundation to walk with God toward fullness. The season that we are entering requires faith from a platform of knowing that we have pleased the Lord. It requires that we live in such a way that our hearts do not condemn us. We please God because we love and serve Him. The church in our generation has never before faced persecution as we see it coming in the days ahead. The Bible says the last days will be like Sodom and Gomorrah and we see similarities unfolding before our very eyes. It is time we realize we are walking in days of unfolding persecution but also of great harvest. Our preparation has to be a biblical bootcamp where we prepare people for war. To be a witness in these days is every bit as difficult as it had to be for Noah when he built the ark. He faced mockery, ridicule and persecution but he was faithful. We find distinct promises of God about this season that also offer us measures of victory. This season is not to be feared, but literally to be embraced as a time when the church can shine brighter than it ever has before. If we know in our hearts that we have pleased God, we have full, covenantal access to everything Jesus bought and paid for. It is obvious we are going to need it! One realization has to arise in us. The end-time church has an assignment that exceeds any other season. It is marked by dramatic judgments as God responds to rising rebellion. We must put these judgments in the context of current events and warn of worse things to come if man refuses to repent. Are we prepared to war and offer salvation in the midst of great devastation?*

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 2

Scripture: Mark 1:12-15

Mark 1:12-15 states, *"Immediately the Spirit drove Him into the wilderness. And He was there in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan, and was with the wild beasts; and the angels ministered to Him. Now after John was put in prison, Jesus came to Galilee, preaching the gospel of the kingdom of God, and saying, 'The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel.'" Jesus brought a message of the Kingdom. He did not bring a message of devastation or a message of surrender. What He brought was a message of the Kingdom. The Greek word is **bas-il-i-ah** and it literally means, 'dominion or rule of a higher power.' The church is supposed to represent the dominion and rule of a higher power. So when government begins to advance what is biblically abominable, the church has an obligation to bring the Hand of God's governmental dominion on those people who promote what will destroy society. To do anything less is to forfeit our harvest field to demons. Jesus did not forfeit any territory to demons. And yet when we look at the church, it appears that we are forfeiting territory one day after another. But that happens when we do not know the dimensions of God's love that arrest evil. If all we ever do is "turn-the-other-cheek" we enable evil to advance until it fully dominates in our society. The dominion of the Living Christ is to be prayed, declared and decreed. When we get to Layer Five of God's love, we see a love that preserves a nation and judges the perpetrators that would destroy it. It is a different dimension to walk in. When all our tradition has settled for Layer One, which teaches "turn-the-other-cheek," we have consistently walked away from confrontation and enabled evil. But Jesus did not do that unless He was paying the price to birth salvation. God has a plan for a victorious end-time*

church that does not bow to evil, but arrests it with the anointing of God. The witnesses of Revelation dispense justice as they will! That may be the greatest transition in Scripture! Would our theology allow us to justify such ministry? How well do we know the judicial Christ? What degree of surrender will be required to walk with Him? Our first goal is salvation, but judgment is sometimes necessary to demonstrate the need for salvation!

THURSDAY, JANUARY 3

Scripture: Revelation 11:1-7

Revelation 11:1-7 describes the anointing that will be available in the end-times. Apparently to walk in this anointing, the witnesses have to embrace martyrdom. The Scripture is clear that they do not enable evil, but judge it! There are those that believe the two witnesses are two individuals. There are others who believe that the two witnesses are the witness of salvation and the witness of judgment. If the two witnesses are the salvation anointing and the judicial anointing, then we have some growing to do judicially. If, however, we view the two witnesses as two individuals, then we escape the responsibility of preparation! The nature of the battle is what I believe is more important to the church. God does not “turn-the-other-cheek” to evil! In Revelation 2, He rebuked the church at Thyatira for it and told them if they continued, He would kill their disciples with death. *That* is fairly significant. What is our attitude toward evil? Are we prepared, by the direction of the Spirit, to pray against judges and politicians who advance it? Do we ask for the judicial Hand of God to come and remove them? In every Christian to which that concept is foreign, we find the essence of why evil is growing and prevailing. Layer Five of God's love provides an anointing for His people to finish their testimony. The witnesses finished their testimony. Every one of us should understand that God's covenant enables us to finish our testimony. No one can take our life before we have finished our race. Finishing our testimony and the anointing to walk it out should be our goal for this year. It should be possessed, it should grow and it should strengthen until we come into the full measure of what God has for the last great harvest!

FRIDAY, JANUARY 4

Scripture: Luke 4:16-20

In Luke 4:16-20, we find Jesus growing and developing in His understanding and expression of God's anointing and His purpose. In verses 16-20, Jesus proclaimed the fulfillment of Isaiah 61:1,2a. Jesus declared it was fulfilled and handed the book back to the attendant and sat down in the synagogue in His own home town. This picture in the early ministry of Jesus provides us with a glimpse of His development. He had to grow in wisdom, knowledge and stature with God and man. If Jesus had to grow, we certainly have to grow also. What this passage reveals is how He grew. The real question most believers have to answer is, are we willing to pay the price to grow in order to accomplish the full measure of God's assignment on our lives in our generation. Fulfilling our call takes considerable growth. Jesus understood that we grow by discovering a revelation of God's Word that applies in our generation. We put it in our heart and water it until faith rises to act on it. That is precisely what Jesus did. He lived the parable of the sower. He sowed the seed of God's Word in His own heart, He watered it and let it grow until the Holy Spirit activated it. Through faith, He declared what the Spirit prompted and the He acted on it. God gave the results. Jesus is revealing a pattern that all of us can follow. It is a growth pattern and it is one we need to embrace.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 5

Scripture: Luke 4:21-30

In this growth pattern, there is tremendous opposition. Jesus' message was so popular in His own home town, the people decided they wanted to kill Him. They threw Him out of the city, led Him to the top of the hill and suddenly every single person lost their grip. Isn't it nice to know there is a salvation anointing where people lose their grip and can no longer hang onto, hold or resist us? They cannot resist us because suddenly they lose their grip. Now that is a worthwhile anointing and every one of us can expect its availability until we finish our race! God and God alone decides when that is and sometimes He lets us know to prepare. God's grace allows us to finish our race whether it's a few months or ninety-plus years. This grace that saves us kills our enemies if they do not relent. Covenant grace in Scripture has always been a two-edged sword. Beware of those who present grace with only one edge – they counterfeit the gospel!

SUNDAY, JANUARY 6

Scripture: Matthew 10:5,6

I have often wondered in reading Scripture, what Bible did Jesus preach from? His interpretation and the actions He took seem to be very, very different from our interpretation in our culture today. Matthew 10:5,6 says, "These twelve Jesus sent out and commanded them, saying: *"Do not go into the way of the Gentiles, and do not enter a city of the Samaritans. But go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel."* When Jesus sent out the Twelve, He told them not to go to where most of the people were. He instructed them to not go to the Gentiles or to the city of the Samaritans. The Jewish people have always been a minority. Do we even ask the Lord about boundaries? Yet Jesus drew strict boundaries and limitations for the Twelve. That makes me wonder if there are any boundaries or limitations that God has for us that we have not heeded? Our New Testament culture is to go to everyone, but what is God's focus for each of us personally? God's personal boundaries keep us fruitful. One primary issue in a transitional season is to ask again about boundaries, "Lord, do You have any specific boundaries for me in the next season?" We have not even asked because we have assumed we know. For example, are there boundaries on when and to whom we should turn the other cheek? If there are, it means we must transition into different layers of God's love and that means there are a variety of responses to evil when we confront it! "Turn-the-other-cheek" is, by far, the least controversial but it is also the most passive. Jesus already has a passive church – He needs a powerful, active one!

MONDAY, JANUARY 7

Scripture: Matthew 10:24-28

In Matthew 10:24-28, Jesus said, *"A disciple is not above his teacher, nor a servant above his master. It is enough for a disciple that he be like his teacher, and a servant like his master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebub, how much more will they call those of his household! Therefore do not fear them. For there is nothing covered that will not be revealed, and hidden that will not be known. 'Whatever I tell you in the dark, speak in the light; and what you hear in the ear, preach on the housetops. And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. But rather fear Him who is able to destroy both soul and body in hell.'" Jesus did give some boundaries to the Twelve. He said, "You have to preach what you hear. And what I speak to you in the dark, you have to shout from the housetops." He said not to fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Jesus was telling them they walked with a God who is able to kill in two dimensions – physically and spiritually. He can, He will, He does and He is available for those who are willing to walk with Him. It is obvious that the witnesses of Revelation 11 find this God and walk with Him everywhere they go. What if those 'witnesses' represent believers in the last days? If the witnesses represent believing saints, then part of the harvest of nations and the grafting in of the Jewish people is the demonstration of the judicial Christ. If that is true, then we have some growing to do. Because we face a formidable enemy, it does not feel as if we should allow more time to pass before we grow up into this Christ. There are many who will meet the Ultimate Judicial Master while they are walking on earth because they are defiling the land with iniquity. When fullness arises, their judgment will be released. Will we be there in such a season? It certainly seems like preparation is in order!*

TUESDAY, JANUARY 8

Scripture: Exodus 4:22,23,

Exodus 4:22,23 says, *"Then you shall say to Pharaoh, 'Thus says the Lord: "Israel is My son, My firstborn. So I say to you, let My son go that he may serve Me. But if you refuse to let him go, indeed I will kill your son, your firstborn.'" We serve a God who dispenses double-death. He did it in Egypt and He brought His people out as a testimony. He also found an individual to declare it and proclaim it. He gave the Egyptians the opportunity to turn, but they did not. And then, the Destroyer came. Judgment fell. The God who dispenses double-death manifested. Doesn't it seem wise to get to know this Jesus because it is entirely possible we may have to represent Him in parallel circumstances? As a former military officer leading a crew in war, to me the incident in Bengazi represented treason of our Commander in Chief. He ordered troops to "stand down" when those troops could have saved an American ambassador and several in his protective detail. To me, there could be no treason in the White House if there were not first passivity in the pulpit! When men and women of God stop watering down truth and begin speaking about the evil of political parties and politicians trumpeting evil, then and only then will we see the church reemerge as God's representatives in the earth!*

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 9

Scripture: Exodus 11:4-7

Exodus 11:4-7 says, *“Then Moses said, ‘Thus says the Lord: “About midnight I will go out into the midst of Egypt; and all the firstborn in the land of Egypt shall die, from the firstborn of Pharaoh who sits on his throne, even to the firstborn of the female servant who is behind the handmill, and all the firstborn of the animals. Then there shall be a great cry throughout all the land of Egypt, such as was not like it before, nor shall be like it again. But against none of the children of Israel shall a dog move its tongue, against man or beast, that you may know that the Lord does make a difference between the Egyptians and Israel.””*” When judgment came, we find that it did not touch the believers. They were safe. God makes a difference between those who believe and those who do not. It is time we see a difference. It feels like it is time we prepare the Body of Christ to confront evil and give voice to the judicial Hand of God. Growing in this dimension is necessary if we are going to walk through the last days. Mature believers cannot be silent in the midst of unspeakable evil. Some believers lose their lives to fill the cup that gains a new heavens and earth! And unspeakable evil is rising in our land. Jesus guaranteed that every believer could access the Judicial Throne! He purposed to take *“judgment to victory”* and He did. The victory is our access to the Father’s Judicial Throne. Access through prayer is guaranteed by the Blood of Christ. Have we walked through that door?

THURSDAY, JANUARY 10

Scripture: Exodus 14:26-31

In Exodus 14:26-31 we are told, *“Then the Lord said to Moses, ‘Stretch out your hand over the sea, that the waters may come back upon the Egyptians, on their chariots, and on their horsemen.’ And Moses stretched out his hand over the sea; and when the morning appeared, the sea returned to its full depth, while the Egyptians were fleeing into it. So the Lord overthrew the Egyptians in the midst of the sea. Then the waters returned and covered the chariots, the horsemen, and all the army of Pharaoh that came into the sea after them. Not so much as one of them remained. But the children of Israel had walked on dry land in the midst of the sea, and the waters were a wall to them on their right hand and on their left. So the Lord saved Israel that day out of the hand of the Egyptians, and Israel saw the Egyptians dead on the seashore. Thus Israel saw the great work which the Lord had done in Egypt; so the people feared the Lord, and believed the Lord and His servant Moses.”* Again, we find a God who kills twice. And in this action, He saves His people. The Israelites undoubtedly walked over the dead Egyptians on the seashore. What are we to do in the days ahead? Can we pray and expect God to move in such a way as to remove an unrepentant enemy who will not relent? We certainly have examples of David and others praying it in Scripture and getting those results. We serve a God who saves, but we also serve a God who sanctifies and kills. James died at Herod’s hand! Herod died at God’s Hand. Getting to fully know Him is preparation for the rising tide of evil in the land. Anything less makes us a part of the church at Thyatira, an enabler of evil, and that is dangerous for our eternity. Jesus made it clear – *“Fear the Lord!”* How much fear of the Lord do we find in the church today? What if God decides to restore it this year? What if the fear of the Lord begins to rise this year because He starts judging evil and compromisers in the church? What if Ananias and Sapphiras begin to happen in the church this year? Will we be ready? I trust, we will. In the last days, we must prepare to be change in God’s pocket, spent as He chooses!

FRIDAY, JANUARY 11

Scripture: Exodus 15:7

Exodus 15:7 declares a Judicial Savior! It says, *“And in the greatness of Your excellence You have overthrown those who rose against You; You sent forth Your wrath; It consumed them like stubble.”* Do we know the God who sends forth His wrath and consumes the enemy like stubble? Can we pray a judicial visitation on those whose actions hinder our harvest? At the Spirit’s direction, can we pray God’s visitation on those who rise against us? Growing in this realm should be a main focus in our preparation for persecution!

SATURDAY, JANUARY 12

Scripture: Exodus 33:1-4, Psalm 143:11-12

Exodus 33:1-4 says, *“Then the Lord said to Moses, ‘Depart and go up from here, you and the people whom you have brought out of the land of Egypt, to the land of which I swore to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, saying, ‘To your descendants I will give it.’ And I will send My Angel before you, and I will drive out the Canaanite and the Amorite and the Hittite and the Perizzite and the Hivite and the Jebusite. Go up to a land flowing with milk and honey; for I will not go up in your midst, lest I consume you on the way, for you are a stiff-necked people.’ And when the people heard this bad news, they mourned, and no one put on his ornaments.”* The reason we need to maintain intimacy is because God's Sword of Justice cuts both ways! Only the innocent can stand in the fire they call down! Verses 3,4 sum up and make clear that the boldness of the Israelites was the fruit of seeing their enemies burying their dead. Why would God birth boldness this way? It seems a little hard but that is how our God works! King David learned to pray judicial prayers that were heard and answered. Maybe we should start by praying His prayers. Psalm 143:11-12 is perfect – all we have to do is plug in the appropriate names. Absalom stole David's nation and David's prayer brought judgment on Absalom. Verses 11,12 state, *“Revive me, O Lord, for Your name’s sake! For Your righteousness’ sake bring my soul out of trouble. In Your mercy cut off my enemies, And destroy all those who afflict my soul; For I am Your servant.”*

SUNDAY, JANUARY 13

Scripture: Luke 9:51-56

How we respond when people do not receive our testimony, words or witness, has very much been shaped by “turn-the-other-cheek,” and reinforced in Luke 9:51-56. This passage says, *“Now it came to pass, when the time had come for Him to be received up, that He steadfastly set His face to go to Jerusalem, and sent messengers before His face. And as they went, they entered a village of the Samaritans, to prepare for Him. But they did not receive Him, because His face was set for the journey to Jerusalem. And when His disciples James and John saw this, they said, ‘Lord, do You want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them, just as Elijah did?’”* But He turned and rebuked them, and said, *‘You do not know what manner of spirit you are of. For the Son of Man did not come to destroy men’s lives but to save them.’ And they went to another village.”* James and John got offended when Jesus was not received. They were ready to call down fire. But Jesus told them they did not know what spirit they were of and the Son of Man came to save and not destroy men’s lives. For many, this seems to be the model by which they walk with the Lord, but in Chapter 10, Jesus changed the charge to a strong warning! If James and John had called down fire, nobody in their right mind would have testified against Jesus, knowing James and John were there to toast them! This has been taught in a way which pretty much denigrates anyone who wants to take a judicial stand. The problem here is, Jesus did not stop with the Luke 9 admonition! He almost immediately addressed not being received in the next chapter. The judicial anointing exists to save the life and harvest of believers and preserve their destiny. It manifested for that purpose with Peter and Paul. Revelation 11 says it will manifest in the last days dramatically. So it is time to begin thinking in those terms.

MONDAY, JANUARY 14

Scripture: Luke 10:10-12

Jesus prepared and sent out the Seventy to go into all the cities He was planning on visiting. It is interesting that right after declaring they did not know what spirit they were of, Jesus tells them, *“But whatever city you enter, and they do not receive you, go out into its streets and say, ‘The very dust of your city which clings to us we wipe off **against you**. Nevertheless know this, that the kingdom of God has come near you.’ But I say to you that it will be more tolerable in that Day for Sodom than for that city.”* If we emphasize Luke 9:51-56, we make people utterly passive in the face of evil. But if we take Luke 10:10-12 in the context of Luke 9:51-56, we realize that there are times we must confront evil and declare God's judgment on it. But which of the two responses rule our thinking? When is the last time we declared, where Jesus was not received, that there was a judgment and it would be more tolerable for Sodom and Gomorrah than for those people? As we mature, we need to begin to think in these terms.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 15

Scripture: Matthew 10:12-14,15, Luke 10:1-8

In both Matthew and Luke, Jesus told the Twelve and then the Seventy essentially the same thing. When their word was not received, they were to shake the dust from their feet and make a declaration of judgment. That declaration in Matthew 10:15 was very strong. It says, *“Assuredly, I say to you, it will be more tolerable for the land of Sodom and Gomorrah in the day of judgment than for that city!”* How often do we warn people about the judgment of God? Have we ever warned them? Let’s face it, the answer for our generation is that we rarely warn anyone. We give them a witness about Jesus and then leave it at that. So we are, in fact, not doing what Jesus told us to do. And because we are not warning as Jesus told us to warn, is there any doubt about why there is no fear of God in the land? How much devastation will God have to create before the fear of God returns?

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 16

Scripture: Matthew 10:29-34

Matthew 10:29-34 says, *“Are not two sparrows sold for a copper coin? And not one of them falls to the ground apart from your Father’s will. But the very hairs of your head are all numbered. Do not fear therefore; you are of more value than many sparrows. Therefore whoever confesses Me before men, him I will also confess before My Father who is in heaven. But whoever denies Me before men, him I will also deny before My Father who is in heaven. Do not think that I came to bring peace on earth. I did not come to bring peace but a sword.”* If we fail to warn people when they oppose Jesus and His purposes, have we denied that aspect of who He is? What part does the Holy Spirit play in warning? The same Spirit who initiates witnessing is responsible for leading us to warn, but if leaders do not teach it, the church never considers it an option!

THURSDAY, JANUARY 17

Scripture: Matthew 10:34-39

Matthew 10:34-39 states, *“Do not think that I came to bring peace on earth. I did not come to bring peace but a sword. For I have come to ‘set a man against his father, a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law’; and ‘a man’s enemies will be those of his own household.’ He who loves father or mother more than Me is not worthy of Me. And he who loves son or daughter more than Me is not worthy of Me. And he who does not take his cross and follow after Me is not worthy of Me. He who finds his life will lose it, and he who loses his life for My sake will find it.”* How is it that Jesus said He did not come to bring peace, but a sword? The Jesus we hear about is always offering love and blessing. If Jesus came to bring a sword, where is that sword in the church today? Is it accessible by the Holy Spirit? Can we swing it in prayer? Can we move the Hand of God and see the sword? A church that cannot move the Hand of God and bring forth the sword probably does not know the Judicial Jesus of the New Testament. Everyone needs a Savior, but increasingly we need a Judge to deal with sin threatening our harvest field. By over-emphasizing Jesus the Savior, we have chosen to limit Him to this role. We have ignored who He is as a Kingdom Judge. The essence of the Kingdom is the authority to judge wickedness and evil and to bring God’s covenant justice to those who promote it. Anything less is not biblical Christianity. And if there is one thing we need in this season, it is an outpouring of biblical Christianity that will go straight to the top of nations! Can we bring a sword? David prayed and God manifested a sword! The early church prayed the sword on Herod and it came in the form of worms. There is a reason why Jesus said those who find their life will lose it and those who lose their life will find it. Are we willing to lose our life to find this dimension of who God is so we can deliver cities and nations from the grip of the enemy? The time is here – how will we respond?

FRIDAY, JANUARY 18

Scripture: Luke 22:35,36

Jesus makes it clear that every one of us have to come to a transition and that transition involves buying a sword. When we buy a sword we literally engrave His covenant promise that His judicial sword will move in our behalf when we are threatened. When an enemy comes in to threaten our harvest field, it is our job by the Spirit to pray the

Hand of God and the Sword of the Lord on the enemy. It is our job to ask that if they will not relent, God Himself will remove them. For most Christians, that is a hard thing to do because it utterly goes against our traditions and what we have been taught. When we look at the ascendancy of evil in one nation after another, it should not be hard to ask for covenant justice.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 19

Scripture: Luke 22:37,38, Psalm 55:15, 2 Samuel 17:23

Luke 22:37,38 state, *“For I say to you that this which is written must still be accomplished in Me: ‘And He was numbered with the transgressors.’ For the things concerning Me have an end.’ So they said, ‘Lord, look, here are two swords.’ And He said to them, ‘It is enough.’”* The disciples found two swords. I believe that represents the double-edged sword of the covenant of Sure Mercy. Edge One cuts away all sin and personal failure. Edge Two is applied to our enemies who will not relent when they try to destroy our harvest field. For every believer, the double-edged sword is absolutely essential. The Twelve had to buy it and so did the Seventy. You and I are no different – we must buy it also. It is time to make the ‘purchase’ and start praying the Hand of God in action to save our harvest field. Buying the sword means embracing the Christ who judges and walking with Him in that judgment. Jesus killed Ananias and Sapphira. Jesus told the Twelve not to fear those who could only kill the body but to fear Him who kills twice. David specifically prayed this double judgment for a traitor in Psalm 55:15, *“Let death seize them. Let them go down alive into hell, for wickedness is in their dwellings and among them!”* David prayed death and then hell! God answered in 2 Samuel 17:23.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 20

Scripture: Revelation 19:11-13

In Revelation 19:11-13 we find Jesus clothed in a robe, dipped in blood, and His name is called the Word of God. What if the church is responsible for supplying the names of those whose blood covers Jesus’ robe? Is it possible that Jesus the Judge in the last days has a robe dipped in blood because of the church’s prayers from the persecution they are enduring? Context determines meaning. God's response to persecution is the context! Is it possible that the only way for the church to get its harvest field in the last days is for Jesus to remove that resistance? If that is the case, some of us have some serious praying to do! Mystery Babylon, the mammon-based religion, political puppets and businesses who keep them in power stain the Master’s robe as He swings His Heavenly Sword!

MONDAY, JANUARY 21

Scripture: Revelation 5:8-10

Revelation 5:8-10 says, *“Now when He had taken the scroll, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb, each having a harp, and golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints. And they sang a new song, saying: ‘You are worthy to take the scroll, And to open its seals; For You were slain, And have redeemed us to God by Your blood Out of every tribe and tongue and people and nation, And have made us kings and priests to our God; And we shall reign on the earth.’”* Jesus is the One who takes bowls full of incense which are the prayers of the saints and then He begins to open seals as a result of those prayers. And He declares that we have been made Kings and Priests and we shall reign/**bas-il-yoo-o** on the earth. We shall exercise Kingly authority on the earth. Perhaps believers are exercising Kingly authority when praying over those people whose blood ends up on Jesus’ robes. Can we walk with the Jesus who swings a sword? Come, King Jesus, and execute the treasonous among us!

TUESDAY, JANUARY 22

Scripture: Hebrews 1:13,14

Hebrews 1:13,14 provides a picture of what happens when we pray. It says, *“But to which of the angels has He ever said: ‘Sit at My right hand, Till I make Your enemies Your footstool’? Are they not all ministering spirits sent forth to minister for those who will inherit salvation?”* God has angels that move into action based on our prayers. The angel who struck Herod moved as a result of the prayers of early church. Are the angels waiting on us to pray? Is God waiting on us? We have an obligation to resist evil! Prayer for God's intervention can be our most effective form of resistance!

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 23

Scripture: Hebrews 10:12-14, Psalm 110

Hebrews 10:12-14 says, *“But this Man, after He had offered one sacrifice for sins forever, sat down at the right hand of God, from that time waiting till His enemies are made His footstool. For by one offering He has perfected forever those who are being sanctified.”* This passage clearly deals with Love Layer Five and the issue of terminating evil-workers. The reason we know this is the context of origin. The remainder of Psalm 110 explains how God accomplishes it! We know that because of how Psalm 110 progressively unfolds. This makes it obvious what happens to the enemies and how God makes them our footstool. Jesus was making it clear to everyone who knew the Scripture that He is the God of believers. He is the End-time Terminator who would justly deal with all who resisted His purpose!

THURSDAY, JANUARY 24

Scripture: Psalm 58:1-3

Psalm 58:1-3 says, *“Do you indeed speak righteousness, you silent ones? Do you judge uprightly, you sons of men? No, in heart you work wickedness; You weigh out the violence of your hands in the earth. The wicked are estranged from the womb; They go astray as soon as they are born, speaking lies.”* Every generation of believers have wicked emissaries who assault them for the destruction of their harvest field. In Psalm 58, there is a plea that God will weigh them and He will justly deal with the violence of their hands. David goes on to say that the wicked are even estranged from the womb – as soon as they are born they start to speak forth lies, deception and destruction. In the face of such enemies, the only way to redeem our harvest field is to pray the judgment of God on their lives until they are removed. David understood that and that is why the Kingdom advanced in his days. But in our day, the Kingdom seems to be losing ground. I suspect once we find the judicial Christ, that may well stop.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 25

Scripture: Psalm 58:4-8

Psalm 58:4-8 says it like it is. These are the kind of Psalms that we should be putting in our spirits and our hearts. We should be memorizing these so they can be prayed in intercession. Verses 4-8 state, *“Their poison is like the poison of a serpent; They are like the deaf cobra that stops its ear, Which will not heed the voice of charmers, Charming ever so skillfully. Break their teeth in their mouth, O God! Break out the fangs of the young lions, O Lord! Let them flow away as waters which run continually; When he bends his bow, Let his arrows be as if cut in pieces. Let them be like a snail which melts away as it goes, Like a stillborn child of a woman, that they may not see the sun.”* This is the Heart of God. The Heart of God cries out for their teeth to be broken in their mouth. It cries out that their fangs be broken out and that they flow away as waters which run continually. God has a bow and arrows. He shoots His arrows at enemies of the Kingdom. God is a Judge and it is time to ask Him to visit our enemies – even if they reside in some of the highest offices in the land. Let God arise and His enemies be scattered!

SATURDAY, JANUARY 26

Scripture: Psalm 58:9-11

Psalm 58:9-11 says, *“Before your pots can feel the burning thorns, He shall take them away as with a whirlwind, As in His living and burning wrath. The righteous shall rejoice when he sees the vengeance; He shall wash his feet in the blood of the wicked, So that men will say, ‘Surely there is a reward for the righteous; Surely He is God who judges in the earth.’”* Do men say there is a reward for living righteous? Do men say there is a God who judges in the earth? Do we see any fear of God in our political leaders? Do we see any fear of God in the church? Even in the church, there is a surprising lack. The fear of God is lacking because the church does not carry and implement the Layers of God's love. We must believe, know and act on all five of them! Layer Four is called Affliction and Layer Five is called Termination. Psalm 58 expects believers to exhibit the judicial Christ enough so that men will say, *“God is a Judge in the earth!”* is it not time we started to agree with Scripture and call justice into existence? We have the tools to do it! We have five Layers of God's love we can move in. It looks like God is waiting on us.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 27

Scripture: Jeremiah 11:18-21

Jeremiah 11:18-21 states, *“Before your pots can feel the burning thorns, He shall take them away as with a whirlwind, As in His living and burning wrath. The righteous shall rejoice when he sees the vengeance; He shall wash his feet in the blood of the wicked, So that men will say, ‘Surely there is a reward for the righteous; Surely He is God who judges in the earth.’”* Jeremiah was under assault. He was commanded not to prophesy anymore. So how does God respond when the enemy says, “You cannot pray in school. You cannot pray in public. You cannot post signs of Christianity on government grounds. Nativity scenes are not allowed.”? How does God respond and how should we respond when the enemy commands us to bow? We know how God responds! But what is our part in it? There is a Judge, but does anyone see Him? Does anyone see the judgment that is coming? Is the church even asking? Or are we turning our cheek and letting things unfold as they will? Perhaps we need to change what we are praying.

MONDAY, JANUARY 28

Scripture: Jeremiah 11:22,23

Jeremiah 11:22,23 says, *“Therefore thus says the Lord of hosts: ‘Behold, I will punish them. The young men shall die by the sword, their sons and their daughters shall die by famine; and there shall be no remnant of them, for I will bring catastrophe on the men of Anathoth, even the year of their punishment.’”* God's Word is forever. It has not changed and it never will change. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today and forever. It is obvious that He is the same and He has promised to intervene! God looked at Jeremiah's enemies and saw all those trying to steal His harvest and God said, “I will remove them. You will see them no more. This shall be the year of punishment.” Is it possible to pray and have God respond, making this the year of the punishment of the wicked who are destroying our harvest? I believe it is! I believe there is a God who wants to show His Hand in our behalf! Let the church arise and begin to declare the judgment of the Lord on the wicked. We have a harvest field and going after that harvest means not only bringing a message of salvation but declaring God's judicial Hand against those who reject it. Jeremiah saw the Judge and it is time we see Him too!

TUESDAY, JANUARY 29

Scripture: Psalm 68:19-23

Many ask, “How should we pray against the evil we see?” The answer to that, I believe, is that we pray the Word. The book of Psalms is the Prayer book and Psalm book of the Bible. As the Spirit leads, we go to Psalms and find a Scripture that fits what we are dealing with. Psalm 68:19-23 says, *“Blessed be the Lord, Who daily loads us with benefits, The God of our salvation! Selah Our God is the God of salvation; And to GOD the Lord belong escapes from death. But God will wound the head of His enemies, The hairy scalp of the one who still goes on in his trespasses. The Lord said, ‘I will bring back from Bashan, I will bring them back from the depths of the sea, That your foot may crush them in blood, And the tongues of your dogs may have their portion from your enemies.’”* This is a passage that guarantees victory over the enemy. This is a passage that guarantees God will put the enemy under our feet. How do we go wrong with praying what the New Testament promises – that God will put our enemy under our feet? This is how our God works. He expects us to pray these things. It is time we stepped up and started asking God to give us victories. Even if people vote the wrong man into office, God can remove him! God gives second chances!

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 30

Scripture: Proverbs 4:20-23

In Proverbs 4:20-23, we have the principle upon which we stand. It says, *“My son, give attention to my words; Incline your ear to my sayings. Do not let them depart from your eyes; Keep them in the midst of your heart; For they are life to those who find them, And health to all their flesh. Keep your heart with all diligence, For out of it spring the issues of life.”* It is obvious according to this passage that what we put in our hearts comes out when it is needed. The Hebrew word **to-tsaw-aw** is a word that is used to describe the biblical boundaries as they were set by Joshua, who brought people into the Promised Land. The biblical boundaries of our covenant promises are set in place when we speak them

and declare them. When we pray a Psalm 58, we are establishing a biblical boundary around the enemy. A boundary that demands his removal. A boundary that calls out to God to make our enemies our footstool. A boundary that demands if the enemy will not relent God will visit him like Herod. Do we know this Jesus? Do we know the Lord who operates this way? Do we know the God of the Bible who is both Savior and Judge? In order for God to save Jeremiah, He had to kill his enemies! In order for God to save Mordecai and Esther in Israel, He had to judge and destroy Haman. What is the difference in what we face today? Who does God have to judge and destroy in order to save Canada? Who does God have to judge and destroy in order to save the United States of America? What enemy does God have to visit in order to save our nation? When the church prays and asks God to have mercy on the nation by cutting off the enemy and putting them under our feet, that is biblical Kingdom in action. That is the love of God in action. God loves His people enough to save them from the enemies that want to destroy them. Pray, pray, pray! Let Jesus' robe be covered in blood!

THURSDAY, JANUARY 31

Scripture: 2 Chronicles 13:1-18

In 2 Chronicles 13, we find Abijah, King of Jerusalem, is at war with King Jeroboam. And Abijah stood on Mount Zemaraim and brought this exhortation. Verse 5 says, *"Should you not know that the Lord God of Israel gave the dominion over Israel to David forever, to him and his sons, by a covenant of salt?"* verses 8-11 state, *"And now you think to withstand the kingdom of the Lord, which is in the hand of the sons of David; and you are a great multitude, and with you are the gold calves which Jeroboam made for you as gods. Have you not cast out the priests of the Lord, the sons of Aaron, and the Levites, and made for yourselves priests, like the peoples of other lands, so that whoever comes to consecrate himself with a young bull and seven rams may be a priest of things that are not gods? But as for us, the Lord is our God, and we have not forsaken Him; and the priests who minister to the Lord are the sons of Aaron, and the Levites attend to their duties. And they burn to the Lord every morning and every evening burnt sacrifices and sweet incense; they also set the showbread in order on the pure gold table, and the lampstand of gold with its lamps to burn every evening; for we keep the command of the Lord our God, but you have forsaken Him."* Finally in verse 12 he says, *"Now look, God Himself is with us as our head, and His priests with sounding trumpets to sound the alarm against you. O children of Israel, do not fight against the Lord God of your fathers, for you shall not prosper!"* Abijah warned Jeroboam, "You have rejected God and refused His council. Therefore if you go to war, God will war against you." And that is precisely what happened. Verses 17-18 record that Jeroboam lost 500,000 choice men of Israel. They died, but they did not have to. Abijah warned them and God honored his warning. Jesus commanded us to warn people who reject the Gospel. Jesus commanded us to warn people who rebel against God and reject Him. This may well be the toughest time the church has ever faced. And yet, it may well bring the greatest anointing we have ever seen. Are we willing to pay the price to say what God wants said? There is not much time to prepare and there is not much time to act. The time is nearly here. It is time to pray that God will put our enemies under our feet and give us our harvest field.

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