DISCERNING THE TIME

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PROPHECY - BROTHER BURT ASBILL

For surely... the messenger of the covenant. Yea, He shall come suddenly. He shall sit within His temple as a refiner's fire and as a fuller's soap, that He might purge the house of Eli, that He might bring sanctification to the service of the Most High God. Surely, even as it hath been spoken, yea, that judgment must first begin at the house of God, which house ye are. For surely I say unto thee, if thou wouldst judge thyself, then thou wouldst not be judged. For I say, I am bringing a Word of deliverance; I am bringing a Word of clarity; I am bringing a Word of definition, saith the Lord. If thou cannot hear, and if thou cannot see, then thou art blind and thou art deaf; and if thou art blind and if thou art deaf, thou must but ask of Me and I shall heal thee, saith the Lord. I shall bring purity into thy heart. I shall bring purity into thy soul, for thou hast even spoken with thy lips this day, that I might re-establish myself in that place of preeminence before thee, and in the place of preeminence within thy house. For surely I must work within thee and I must walk within thee, but I must have thee submit thyself unto Me. Thou must submit thyself unto the covenant that thou hast made with Me in the very beginning, saith the Lord.

Yea, I say unto thee, My people, it is time for thee to flee out of that Holy Place. It is time for thee to flee unto the mountains, saith the Lord. For it is the mountain that thou fleest to from whence cometh thy salvation. For I say unto thee, trouble and tribulation doth abide and doth wait. Yea, even now is it being held back, saith the Lord. And I am going forth that I might mark My servants. Yea, that I might seal them, saith the Lord. For surely it is the hour of tribulation and trouble, and surely it hath been prophesied down through the ages by My prophets, saith the Lord: the time of anguish, the time of sorrows, the time of great tribulation, saith the Lord. But I would that I could cover thee, even that thou might come and abide under the shadow of My wings, saith the Lord. But I say unto thee, thou must be pure, thou must be cleansed, thou must be sanctified, and surely I have sent forth the Spirit of sanctification by the power of the Word that I have brought unto thee. I have given thee the ability to wash thyself, saith the Lord, in waters that thou might be clean, in waters that thou might be sanctified, that thou might be purified and that thou might enter into that place of rest, saith the Lord, under the shadow of My wing. Thou must abide in Me and I in thee, saith the Lord.

It is the time of the coming forth. It is the time, saith the Lord, of the bringing forth of the fruit, saith the Lord. It is time for the sons that I have desired from the very beginning to begin to rise up in the midst of My house, saith the Lord, and begin to proclaim the acceptable day – the acceptable day of the Lord is here. I say unto thee,

surely, come out from among them. As I have ministered unto thee in times past, so I would minister unto thee this day that thou would come out. That thou would come out from among them and partake not of the plagues that would come upon this people. Oh, I say unto thee, be not of hard heart, be not of hard mind, but I say, look unto Me that I might purge thee, that I might bring forth that fruit of righteousness, saith the Lord.

PRAYER - BROTHER BURT ASBILL

Father, we want to humble ourselves before You this morning. Our place of humanity is not something that we want to parade into the presence of the living God, but we want to be covered with the Blood of Jesus Christ. Father, we want the Spirit of God that worketh the remission of sins working within the fabric of our soul, bringing down every idol that would exalt itself; every throne that would have a position, a place of preeminence within our soul. Whether it be our mind, our emotions or our desires, Lord, we would that You would begin to dissimulate that position, that place of dominion, that You would bring an end to self and exalt the Kingdom of God. We would that You might be lifted up in a position, a place of preeminence, that You might bring forth a revelation of Your inheritance which was in Your saints. My God, it is not by might, and it is not by power, but it is by My Spirit, saith the Word of the Lord. And so it is that we would this day want to submit ourselves to the power of the Spirit and to the power of the Word.

Father, Paul testified to the power of the Word working mightily within him. So I would that we could have that position of experience. Oh God, that we might find ourselves in a similar position of servitude with an attitude that is conducive to life and liberty. Not that we might make it in, but that those that are round about us and those that are lost, those that are entangled within the bondage of humanity might be loosed, my God, to rise up and to move into that position, that place of safety that Thou hast created for us from the beginning of time.

My God, it was in the thought of God from the very beginning, that we should be, as it were, and as the terminology issues, sons of God. And so it is, God, that we would want to submit ourselves to that Spirit this morning, that we might have the fullness of Your Word, and that we might have the fullness of Your Spirit. Father, we are not talking about a measure or a part. But we are asking, God, for the fullness therein that Thou said is a portion unto those that believe. And so it is, God, we would that we could be in that position of faith, be in that position of saying, "I believe."

Oh God, help us this morning I pray, in Jesus' name – in Jesus' name.

WORD - BROTHER BURT ASBILL
DISPENSATION OF THE FULLNESS

Praise the Lord. I have a few thoughts I want to share with you this morning before Brother duCille comes. I trust it is a prelude to the Word that he will bring, and that it will help, compliment, and confirm. Hallelujah!

You know, I have just returned from Europe and I'm here to tell you that the beast is alive and well. It has an insatiable appetite, and it is gobbling up nation after nation to fulfill its destiny, to fulfill the Word that has been prophesied in the Bible. Hallelujah! We go about our business as though nothing has changed, because we can't see it, we can't hear it, and we really don't know what is going on except for that which is related to us in the scriptures. But what I'm telling you, is that what we see in the papers isn't even a piece or a part of what is actually happening in the realm of the spirit over there. As Satan begins to set up his hierarchical command, the devotees to that purpose are sacrificing themselves for the sake and the will of hell. Hallelujah! We need to be a praying and a fasting people. We need to be a people that are on fire for God. Not in the fact of trying to establish a church, or establish a work, but that the will and the intent of God that He intended from the very beginning might be made manifest within the realm of our humanity, as well as in the realm of the world. Hallelujah!

If you have your Bibles, open them to Jeremiah chapter 4 and listen to the Word of the Lord. Jeremiah 4:1, If thou wilt return, O Israel, saith the LORD, return unto me: and if thou wilt put away thine abominations out of my sight, then shalt thou not remove. 2And thou shalt swear, The LORD liveth, in truth, in judgment, and in righteousness; and the nations shall bless themselves in him, and in him shall they glory. 3For thus saith the LORD to the men of Judah and Jerusalem, Break up your fallow ground, and sow not among thorns. 4Circumcise yourselves to the LORD, and take away the foreskins of your heart, ye men of Judah and inhabitants of Jerusalem: lest my fury come forth like fire, and burn that none can quench it, because of the evil of your doings. 5Declare ye in Judah, and publish in Jerusalem; and say, Blow ye the trumpet in the land: cry, gather together, and say, Assemble yourselves, and let us go into the defenced cities. 6Set up the standard toward Zion: retire, stay not: for I will bring evil from the north, and a great destruction. 7The lion is come up from his thicket, and the destroyer of the Gentiles is on his way; he is gone forth from his place to make thy land desolate; and thy cities shall be laid waste, without an inhabitant. 8For this gird you with sackcloth, lament and howl: for the fierce anger of the LORD is not turned back from us. 9And it shall come to pass at that day, saith the LORD, that the heart of the king shall perish, and the heart of the princes; and the priests shall be astonished, and the prophets shall wonder. 10Then said I, Ah, Lord GOD! surely thou hast greatly deceived this people and Jerusalem, saying, Ye shall have peace; whereas the sword reacheth unto the soul. 11At that time shall it be said to this people and to Jerusalem, A dry wind of the high places in the wilderness toward the daughter of my people, not to fan, nor to cleanse, 12Even a full wind from those places shall come unto me: now also will I give sentence against them. We are living on the brink of destruction, we are living in the time of the manifestation of the wrath of God. But in the midst of the wrath of God, God is desirous to raise up a people, to raise up a church that is called the First Fruits, the 144,000. He wants these people that have the nature of God within them to begin to manifest that nature within them, as well as within their set of circumstances.

The Word that came to me this morning is the Word that God began to prophesy to the church over 40 years ago when I came into this message. That Word was "Come ye out from among them." That Word is just as pertinent for this time, for this church, for this hour as it was for the church in the dispensation that I grew up in. We were living in a dispensation that was looking for the fullness of time. But we are now living in a dispensation of the coming of that fullness of time. The Word of the trumpet that was being sounded at the time of the dispensation of the church was, "Come out from among them lest ye be partakers of her plagues." And you become, as it were, desolate, and come under the hand of authority of the living God. Hallelujah!

The time of church and the place of playing is finished. This is a true saying. Hallelujah! It means that there is something of a seriousness that God is laying before us. The gospel of the world, the gospel that is being preached is, "He that whosoever would! He that will! Let them do as they will!" You cannot go about your business leaving God out of that position, out of that place of authority over your life if you are hearing this Word. This word calls for total sanctification and consecration of yourself unto the plan and the purposes of God.

What I am saying to brethren is that the beast is rising up. It is setting itself. It has an agenda. It has a Constitution, and that Constitution is to eradicate God. They are gobbling up men! They are gobbling up nations! They are gobbling up dominions and thrones! Hallelujah! Its mouth is open to gobble up this people. It is not a time, it is not a place for us to sit and contemplate. It is not a time to be on our lees. It is a time to be on our knees before the Lord in humble contrition and brokenness, asking God to work out the will of sanctification and purification. Hallelujah!

Go over to Jeremiah 4:19 where it says, *My bowels*, *my bowels*! This is God's lament over the church; God's lament over His chosen. Judah is a type of the called out. Jerusalem is a called out of the called out. Jeremiah 4:19, *My bowels*, *my bowels*! *I am pained at my very heart*; *my heart maketh a noise in me*; *I cannot hold my peace*, because thou hast heard, O my soul, the sound of the trumpet, the alarm of war.

We go to bed and we get up and we think that because the things that are today are the same as yesterday, that they are going to be the same tomorrow. But it says in a moment, in a twinkling of an eye. It says destruction cometh upon the land, and my people are destroyed for lack of knowledge (Hosea 4:6). Hallelujah! Glory to God.

Jeremiah 4:21, How long shall I see the standard, and hear the sound of the trumpet? 22For my people is foolish, they have not known me; they are sottish children, and they have none understanding: they are wise to do evil, but to do good they have no knowledge.

We are more interested in the preservation of our personal position, our personal preference with regard to ministry and church and theology and terminology than we are in fulfilling and becoming the will of God. Do you want to know something? It doesn't make any difference what your opinion is. It doesn't make any difference what your theology is. If your theology is not in line with the end-time gospel that is coming forth in this hour, by the unction and the anointing of the Spirit that God has set in the earth to bring forth the revelation of His coming, then you and I will suffer the consequences of that position. There was sent a man called John the Baptist. It was his sole responsibility

to usher in the dispensation of grace as God came. So it is in this hour; there is a ministry that God is raising up in the land with the Word they are once again heralding that He is coming! As it was in the dispensation of grace, God chose to use a man. That man was despised; he was rejected; he ended up in jail and his head was taken off by a legalistic, preferential society that preferred comfort and a place of solace, and the opportunity to fulfill their lust!

My God, <u>is it any different in this hour</u>? Oh no. You know that it is not just that time is repetitive. Time is coming to fullness, and as it was in the demonstration on a singular, natural level, with natural men working out their position of salvation, so it is on a collective basis on the ushering in of the dispensation of the fullness of time.

Jeremiah 4:22, For my people is foolish, they have not known me; they are sottish children, and they have none understanding: they are wise to do evil, but to do good they have no knowledge. 23I beheld the earth, and, lo, it was without form, and void; and the heavens, and they had no light. There is a Word that is coming in this hour if we have ears to hear, if we have hearts to perceive, if we have a will to submit and determine that we are deciding and determining to be the Sons of God. There is a Word that is coming in the midst of this chaos and confusion that is saying, "LET THERE BE LIFE!"

It makes no difference whether you see it or not. It makes no difference whether you believe it or not! On the negative sense, you can go to bed tonight and get up in the morning, and think things are the same. Hallelujah! But I'm telling you that they are not the same. The "machine" is moving ahead, and the "beast" is coming to a place of preeminence, and we are all going to be coming under the domination of the world, the world system that Satan has desired from the very beginning. He desired a manifestation of himself in the midst of all humanity. He wanted to bring forth the nature of that "son of perdition"! Hallelujah.

Jeremiah 4:24, I beheld the mountains, and, lo, they trembled, and all the hills moved lightly. 25I beheld, and, lo, there was no man, and all the birds of the heavens were fled. 26I beheld, and, lo, the fruitful place was a wilderness, and all the cities thereof were broken down at the presence of the LORD. We are more concerned with our own place, our position of theology, our own position of preeminence, our place of personal ministry, than we are with the culmination of the ages that are coming upon the land and the people that are being swallowed up by death and hell. "If my people will humble themselves." It says in II Chronicles 7:14, If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land.

It is time! It is time! We are in the communion of the Lord for the last days, brethren. We are in communion with the Father and the body. We are drinking of His Blood; we are breaking His Body. Hallelujah! What is it that you are going to do with those articles that are being consumed and taken in this type of environment with the characteristic of this Word which comes out unto you? You are not free! You are not free of blood-guiltiness! It says that he that drinketh unworthily, drinketh damnation unto himself (I Corinthians 11:29). There was a position, there was a place when God

tolerated our laziness, our humanness, our position of selfishness. There was a time and a place that He winked at our foolishness, but – **NO MORE IS GOD WINKING!** Hallelujah!

There was an interesting verse that we read the other day. What was it? Isaiah said, "Command ye me." Isaiah 45:11, Thus saith the LORD, the Holy One of Israel, and his Maker, Ask me of things to come concerning my sons, and concerning the work of my hands command ye me. There is another place in the Bible where the writer of Ephesians wrote this. He said the same thing, but with different words. Ephesians 1:18, The eyes of your understanding being enlightened... as to know what? The gift of the inheritance that is Christ's inheritance that is in His saints! ...that ye may know what is the hope of his calling, and what the riches of the glory of his inheritance in the saints.

Are you weak? Are you lazy? Are you despicably contrary to righteousness? Hallelujah! "Ask ye Me concerning the will and things that I have with regard to My sons" (Isaiah 45:11).

May God have mercy on us! May we be obedient to the Word, to the calling and to the election!