



Revival is here! The rain is falling! The harvest is being prepared.

Be patient therefore, brethren, unto the coming of the Lord. Behold, the husbandman waits for the precious fruit of the earth, and has long patience for it, until he receives the early and latter rain. James 5:7.

"Where is the promise of His coming?" cries the scorn of Peter. "Be patient," says James 5:8 "the coming of the Lord draws close." Faith embraces the time of harvest to come. We need the faithful patience of an Israeli farmer, waiting for both the early and latter rains; in preparation for the harvesting of the fruit of the earth.

God is the Israeli farmer of James 5. He has completed a season as a sower going forth to sow, and now he is waiting for the harvest. He will not turn his attention elsewhere until the full harvest is in.

The harvest has to be completely in. We are the workers and harvesters. If not us, who? He declared in Matthew 24:14 that the Gospel must be preached in all the world before the end can come. Peter tells us that the Lord is willing that none should perish and is only waiting. Are we going into the highways and byways? Are we instant in and out of season? Are we reaching out to the homeless, the sick, the spiritually broken, the poor, the unloved, and the blind? Do we actively seek out opportunities to witness and share the love of God? Do we have a false sense of security because we go to church on Sunday mornings! Is that all there is? Jesus will not come again until the crop is *fully* ripe and ready. He is not willing to miss even one ear of corn or person by beginning the harvest even a few days early. He is never late or early.

He prophesied of the great revival which is to come upon all the earth in the last days. James 5:7.

This is the most exciting aspect of the end-time. Don't fixate about the antichrist; the menacing growth of the occult, new age churches, false prophets, homosexuality, and the devil masquerading as an angel of light; entering into the ranks of the believers. Or those who ignore the signs of the time. We need to be careful that we don't cast our pearls before swine, but we also need to reach out. Jude 1:23 This isn't something new. The professing church has always been full of the doctrines of devils. Apostasy, Nicolaitanism, Jezebelism, and Laodiceanism, have all been around since the First Century. The church; except for the remnant involved in the current revival has always been in the process of backsliding. But revival has begun!

# SIGNS OF THE TIME

This is the seeding process until the rains begin to fall. The latter rain is much heavier than the early rain, and compared to the rainy season, it was a deluge. The crops grew by leaps and bounds during this time, and the harvest immediately followed. We all need to be a "pouurer" to the nations, our communities, and our families.

The doctrine of the Nicolaitans was a form of antinomianism. Nicolaitans of the 2nd century have continued and extended the views of the 1st-century adherents, holding to the freedom of the flesh, and teaching that the deeds of the flesh had no effect upon the health of the soul and consequently no relation to salvation."

#### Doctrine of Jezebelism

"Jezebel" is the teaching of seducing people into grave sins that condemn them to eternal damnation-hell. The seducing doctrine of eternal salvation without sanctification is the spirit of Jezebel; seducing professing Christians to commit fornication and other sins with the false promise of eternal security. Simply put, the spirit of Jezebel teaches it is OK to disobey God's Law of righteousness; "you are still saved and will not suffer the wrath of God." Many churches today subscribe to the seducing doctrine of unconditional eternal security which is spreading like wildfire. Many false prophets preach this damnable heresy. For example; this is Jimmy Swaggart's "new" revelation of the cross. His excuse for falling from grace is to simply deny the truth and need for sanctification and holiness.

Apostasy (denial) means to fall away from the truth. Therefore, an apostate is someone who has once believed and then rejected the truth of God. Their faith and love of God has grown cold. Apostasy is rebellion against God because it is a rebellion against truth. In the Old Testament God warned the Jewish people about their idolatry and their lack of trust in him. In the New Testament the epistles warn us about not falling away from the truth.

Apostasy is a very real and dangerous threat.

#### Laodiceanism

The word laodiceanism normally refers to a spiritual state of "luke-warmness" and complacency. It comes from Jesus' letter to the church of Laodicea (Rev. 3:15-22) where He rebukes a self-contentment, but spiritually bankrupt people who are unwittingly near to being vomited out by him. In today's time, there is little debate that this description fits the present western cultural church. We agree that we are living in the Laodicean Age, and that the Laodicean church in Revelation represents the final church age prior to the coming of the Lord.



# APOSTASY



Prophetically, the early rain corresponds to Pentecost and the First Century Church. The Apostle Peter stood up in Acts chapter two and declared that "this is that" which was spoken of in Joel chapter two, the outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon all flesh; the throwing wide of heaven's gates, and the invitation for all to call upon the name of the Lord, to be saved, and partake of the powers of the world to come.

As the rainy season followed, the church grew and spread, revivals (showers) came now and again, but they were nothing like the original outpouring of Pentecost. At times, pests multiplied the palmerworms, locusts, cankerworms, etc. mentioned in Joel chapter one and the crop languished, dried up, and nearly perished. But in more recent times God has been restoring the years that the devourers have eaten (Joel 2:25), by gradually returning us to *a more biblical understanding of the church and its role*. Gone are the days of playing church; being polished on the outside but tarnished on the inside.

What's next on the calendar? The fullness of the latter rain, Hallelujah! What's it going to be like? Joel says it's going to make Pentecost and the Book of Acts look "moderate," or tame, by comparison! And compared to the revivals of church history, there is no comparison between the light showers of the rainy season and the tremendous downpour of the harvest rain. The Wesleyan Revival, the Great Awakening, the ministry of Charles Finney, will seem as nothing compared to the scope and magnitude of the Latter Rain Revival. *We have yet to see the greatest outpouring of the Holy Spirit the world has ever experienced. It will be epic!*

Joel goes on to say, "and the floors shall be full of wheat, and the vats shall overflow with wine and oil," (verse 2:24). Can there be any mistake as to the interpretation? The wheat is the church, and souls saved, as in the parables of the sower; *the wine and oil represent the joy and healing of the Holy Spirit, as they always do in scripture.*

We can't obsess and focus on what the devil is doing in the last days, but we should get excited about what God is doing! The enemy has unleashed his deceiving spirits as never before. Joel mentions the cankerworm and the palmerworm; but their effect will be greatly overshadowed by the powerful effects of the latter rain. And the sincere believers who were momentarily lured away by the enemy's counterfeits may very well be drawn back into the fold by the Great Shepherd in that day when He puts forth His final; mighty effort to draw this erring world to Himself. The floors will be full of wheat, and the oil and wine shall flow freely in that day!

In the last days, when the very abomination of desolation is on the scene, it is spoken of the people that know their God performing great exploits, (Dan. 11:32). The Latter Rain Revival is the major theme of Habakkuk. *"Behold ye among the heathen, and regard, and wonder marvelously; for I will work a work in your days which you will not believe, though it be told you, though it tarry, wait for it. for the earth shall be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the Lord, as the waters cover the sea." (Hab 1:5, 2:3,14).*

# PROPHECY

Matthew 24 is a reference of the Lord's discourse to His disciples on the subject of the last days. False prophets will arise, and persecutions will take place, iniquity will abound, and Christians will be hated of all nations, but, nevertheless, *"this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come," (Matt 24:14).*

The Gospel will be preached! Every nation, every tongue, and every tribe will have opportunity to hear the Good News before the end comes; before Jesus returns to this earth. No longer will there be a vast multitude of those who have not heard, as is the case today. They will hear, and they will respond as well, and that multitude shall soon be found standing before the throne of God, clothed in white robes as they lift up their voices in praise.

Are you equipped? Are you ready? Are you trusting God for amazing things. Don't miss it!

Don't be lukewarm. Use what you have to increase, or what you do have will be taken from you. Mt. 5:29 For to everyone who has, more will be given, and he will have abundance; but from him who does not have, even what he has will be taken away.

Don't take the path of least resistance!

How long will you slumber, O sluggard?  
When will you rise from your sleep?  
A little sleep, a little slumber,  
A little folding of the hands to sleep—  
So shall your poverty come on you like a prowler,  
and your need like an armed man. Prov. 6: 9-11

Some say that the Prophecy of the latter rain or revival in the last days is just an allegory (a generalization, symbolic or fictional). This belief is just more deception. In the last days, God says, I will pour out my spirit upon all people, your sons and daughters will prophesy, and your old men will dream dreams. Acts. 2 17:18.

A fire has been kindled, and is spreading across the world. Every nation will be shaken to its very roots, no matter how successfully it has resisted in times past.

Godless governments will rant and rave; instituting persecutions of true Christians, but they will not be able to stop this move of the Holy Spirit.



You may as well try to stop the fury of a hurricane, or a racing locomotive as to lift up your hand against the deluge of the Latter Rain. This is what the apostles and prophets and revivalists of the past have been looking forward to since the days of the Old Testament! And it's upon us today! Let's make sure we are completely involved in it, that we don't miss a thing. Let's get out there and get good and wet in the Latter Rain Revival!

# READINESS

Let us make sure that we are listening to what the Spirit is saying.

*After this I beheld, and, lo, a great multitude, which no man could number, of all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues, stood before the throne, and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, and palms in their hands; Revelation 7:9.*

The latter rain has begun! The Holy Spirit is starting to be poured out in places that seem totally impossible. *God is beginning to equip and send out a mighty army of laborers to go into the fields in this hour.* Prepare ye the way of the Lord. I will send my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way, a voice of one calling in the wilderness.

Godless governments will institute persecutions of various kinds against Christians and churches. Sin will be praised and righteousness condemned, but they will be unable to stop the move of the Holy Spirit. There is an expression “they don’t have sense to come in out of the rain” but I would say, have enough sense to get into the rain! It’s beginning to pour! Prepare the way of the Lord.

Those that have ears. Don’t be deceived. Mt. 12:39 But He answered and said to them, an evil and adulterous generation seeks after a sign, and no sign will be given to it except the sign of the prophet Jonah.

Proverbs 14:12 There is *a way* that seems right to man, But its end *is* the way of death.

Jude 1:12 (*Apostates Depraved and Doomed*) These are spots in your love feasts, while they feast with you without fear, serving only themselves. They are clouds without water, carried about by the winds; late autumn trees without fruit, twice dead, pulled up by the roots.



## LET IT POUR

Hallelujah! This is what the apostles and prophets of the past have been looking forward to since the days of the Old Testament! The end times are upon us today! Make sure we are completely involved in it, that we don't miss a thing. Let's get out there and get good and wet in the Latter Rain Revival. Let it pour!

The rainy season follows a time of steady, but not heavy rains. Finally, in late March or April; the deluge of latter rain comes. We just had our healing service and then Easter. This is very significant because it truly marks the time of a new thing, a fresh outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon the church. Can you see it? Can you feel it? Can you smell it? Will you respond to it? Open up your senses and discern what God is doing.

## RAINS OF REVIVAL



Psalm 29:2-4 Give unto the LORD the glory  
due to His name; Worship the LORD in the beauty of  
holiness.

The voice of the LORD *is* over the waters;  
The God of glory thunders;  
The LORD *is* over many waters.  
The voice of the LORD *is* powerful;  
The voice of the LORD *is* full of majesty.

Jer. 10:13 When he thunders, the waters in the heavens roar;  
he makes clouds rise from the ends of the earth. He sends  
Lightning with the rain and brings out the wind from his  
storehouses. The revival deluge of rain will come with both  
blessing and cleansing. Zec 10:1 (*The LORD Will Care for Judah*)  
Ask the LORD for rain in the springtime; it is the LORD who  
sends the thunderstorms.

Don't miscarry what God is doing in our lives; let it grow and mature. Bring it to fruition.

Play it forward!

As I was meditating on the outpouring of the revival rain I visualized and could hear the loud crashing of thunder and see lightening illuminating the sky as it was striking the earth in different places. I Samuel 12:17 Is it not wheat harvest now? I will call on the Lord to send thunder and rain. And you will realize what an evil thing you did in the eyes of the Lord when you asked for a king."

The revival is twofold. It is a blessing to those who truly follow God, but also a clear warning to those that know God but have chosen to serve other gods in his place.

Jude 1:23 Keeping yourselves in the love of God, looking for the mercy of our Lord unto eternal life. And on some have compassion, making a distinction; but others save with fear, pulling them out of the fire, hating even the garment defiled by the flesh.

**Antidote** More than ever in these times we need to *discern and neutralize* between good and evil. As the fullness of revival approaches we will receive power from God to do exploits and perform miracles. We, the church will destroy the works of the devil. We will seek out the devil as he hides in dark places under the rocks. We will kick over and destroy his hiding places, and he will scatter as cockroaches being brought to the light and exposed for who they are. Greater is he who is in us, than he that is in the world. 1 John 4:4 Miska Ferrier

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