

**WORD OF GOD**

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We read of a last day people described in Revelation as having the testimony or witness of Jesus, which is the spirit of prophecy. This is their distinguishing mark. Rev. 12:17; 19:10; 1:2,9.

Therefore Christ is the Word of God in person, and from Him proceeds the spoken Word of God. And by that spoken Word have all His activities come forth in the creation, in the regeneration when He was on earth, in the restoration now going on and in the millennium soon to dawn. So it is by His own mouth, by the mouth of His prophets or in His Church. It follows, therefore, that those of the Bride or ruling class must be prophetically endowed.

The Lord's workshop or prophet's school: the place where spiritual powers, abilities, enablements, kinds of prophecies and gifts are imparted, developed and perfected, is the true supernatural Church of Jesus Christ. No other institution of like kind could be found in heaven or earth. Here and now are the place, time and essential tools. When this true Church of Christ is not functioning, the work of God is shabbily done. "Ye are God's husbandry, ye are God's building." "Ye are the Body of Christ and members in particular." "We are His workmanship created in Christ Jesus unto good works." "He gave some Apostles, .... for the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the Body of Christ." "An habitation of God through the Spirit." I Cor. 3:9-16; 12:27; Eph. 2:20,10; 3:10; 4:11-15.

How dreadfully has the Church fallen and those sacred powers been lost! Thanksgiving and praise to God that they have begun to be restored. Acts 3:19-22.

In the several ages of earth's history, God has had His prophets. Enoch and Noah before the flood; Abraham, Moses and Samuel, as well as a great group from the flood to Christ; Jesus and John in the New Era; and the Apostles and prophets to begin the Spirit Age. Since then the Church lost the Spirit and His powers. But now they are being mercifully restored. Jude 14; II Pet. 2:5; Acts 3:24.

We have been directed herein to write of the Spoken Word. The Scriptures are the record of God's speaking through men moved by the Holy Spirit. They are of great value; though they do not shut out revelation and in-

spiration, or the continued speaking of God, the Word of God. Acts 4:31; 6:7; 13:7, 44,46; Rom. 10:17; Eph. 6:17.

Prophecy is for preaching the Gospel. In the Church it is for profit, edifying, revealing secrets, government and direction. I Thess. 2:8-13; I Pet. 1:12; I Cor. 14:5, 6, 24, 25; Acts 13:2; 2 Tim. 2:1,2.

Another use of the Word of God is determinate foretelling prophecy, which is of great and far reaching importance. By it have come God's wrath and judgments on the ancient nations. As it is written, "Therefore have I hewed them by the prophets; I have slain them by the Words of My mouth: and thy judgments are as the Light that goeth forth." "The prophets that have been before me and before thee of old, prophesied both against many countries; and against great kingdoms of war, and of evil and of pestilence." These and later prophecies turned nations to destruction and changed the whole course of the world. Acts 2:23; 3:18; 4:28; Luke 22:22; Jer. 28:8.

Isaiah, Jeremiah and Ezekiel are great examples of God's Word against wicked nations. The three books contain 166 chapters. One hundred fifteen or more of them are foretelling prophecies of wrath and judgment against wicked nations. They have long ago been fulfilled in their destruction. They also contain outline prophecies against last time modern nations, now about to be fulfilled, in this the Day of the Lord. Isa. 13:6-13; 24:1-6.

The minor prophets contain many similar prophecies against ancient and modern nations. Jesus Christ, Peter and Paul uttered foretelling determinate prophecies. Revelation is of this kind. Zeph. 1:14-16; Zech. 14; Luke 19:41-44; II Thess. 2:2-10; II Pet. 3:10.

After apostolic times prophecy mostly disappeared, especially the foretelling kind. But now it is being restored. The details of prophecies uttered by Bible prophets against the wicked nations of Gentile times are to be carried out by.

**The Prophetic Army**

of the Lord, in the time of the end, the Day of the Lord. This prophetic army, or army of the voice is minutely described in Isa. 13:2-11; Joel 2:1-11; 3:11-16; Jer. 25:30-33; Isa. 34:1, 2, 8; Zeph. 1:14-16. We quote a few extracts:—"Lift ye up a banner upon the high mountain, exalt the voice unto them." "I have commanded My sanctified ones, I have

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### A Revival

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worldly and devilish must take place. God cannot bless where sin is hidden.

The fourth verse tells of Hezekiah's commanding the people to give the priests and Levites their portion, that they might be encouraged. As a result the tithes of corn, wine, oil, honey, etc., began to come in abundantly. From the third month till the seventh this continued till there were heaps. When Hezekiah saw the heaps, he blessed the Lord and his people Israel. Azariah, the chief priest, answered the king and said, "Since the people began to bring in the offerings into the house of the Lord, we have had enough to eat and have left plenty, for the Lord has blessed His people: and that which is left is this great store." Bringing in the tithes and offerings always accompanies a revival and when the people sacrifice, the blessing of God flows. We cannot get ahead of God; for when we are true to the Lord in giving to Him His portion, there is bound to be an increase.

The thirteenth chapter finishes with these words, "So there was great joy in Jerusalem." "The priests and Levites arose and blessed the people and their voice was heard and their prayer came up to His holy dwelling place, even into heaven."

Dear reader, the great Latter Rain revival is coming and the same things will take place as in Hezekiah's day, and many more of God's mighty workings.

Let us be true to Him and meet our part of the conditions so that He can work.

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also called My mighty ones for My anger." "And the Lord shall utter His voice before His army: for His camp is very great." "The Lord also shall roar out of Zion, and utter His voice from Jerusalem." "The Lord shall roar from on high, and utter His voice from His holy habitation. He shall mightily roar." "The slain of Jehovah shall be in that day from one end of the earth even unto the other end of the earth."

It is by this army of prophets, Daniel's Stone, that the image is smitten and broken in pieces like the chaff, and carried away by the wind. The God of Heaven sets up a kingdom which breaks in pieces and consumes all these kingdoms, the saints of the Most High shall

take the kingdom and possess the kingdom." Dan. 2:34,35,44,45; 7:18,22,27.

The mighty aggressive prophetic army, the stone kingdom, the saints of the Most High, roar in the voice of the Lord Divine judgments upon the Gentile nations, bringing terrific destruction.

Since, O God, "Thou hast magnified Thy word above all Thy Name," and by Thy Word have come all Thy Mighty Acts in the creation, in Thy earthy ministry, in Thy Spirit ministry through Thy servants, ancient, apostolic and modern, the word of prophecy being the witness of Jesus, therefore once more, "Let the Word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom." Col. 3:16; Eph. 5:27.

And now that Thou art raising up the Army of Thy Voice, sons of God led by the Spirit, made up of overcoming ones; out of whom Thou wilt appropriate the Manchild Bride Company, consort of Him who is called the Word of God, grant us grace and intervention to receive also this ministry of the Word of God, that we may make ourselves ready, and sit down with Thee. Rev. 2:27; 3:12,21; 19:7.

### He Loved Me

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be chemically extracted in the form of carbon; and so the rose can truly say—"I live, yet not I, but the sun liveth in me." John Wesley, after seeking religion for thirty-nine years, when in a little room in Aldersgate Street, London (he says):—"I felt a strange warmth at my heart, and a blessed persuasion wrought into me that the Son of God loved me and gave Himself for me."

So now we reach the amazing sequel, the exquisite summary, for each one of us alone. "He loved Me." The love of the Lord Jesus embraces the race, and yet it singles me out, and concentrates on me. It is only God who can love forward to a non-existent person; and it comes home to us with extraordinary force that our Lord proved His love to you—to me—by Calvary nineteen centuries before we existed. As an old saint once said:—"If He had not loved me before the foundation of the world, I cannot think He would have ever loved me since." "He"—the Almighty—"loved Me"—one of two thousand millions now alive, not to speak of the countless millions of the dead. As a matter of fact the sun warms two thousand millions, but it also warms me as much as if there were not another man existing: so