

WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY NOTES

Grace and Peace be multiplied to you in the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord;... 2 Peter 1:2

Let God Arise

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Psalm 68:1-3 ... Let God arise, let His enemies be scattered, And let those who hate Him flee before Him. **2** As smoke is driven away, [so] drive [them] away; As wax melts before the fire, [So] let the wicked perish before God. **3** But let the righteous be glad; let them exult before God; Yes, let them rejoice with gladness.

This is the result of true revival, a true outpouring of God's Spirit upon the earth as Joel prophesied:

- 1. The wicked will be driven away**
- 2. The righteous will rejoice with gladness**

David begins his psalm with the marching cry of Moses- Let God arise, let His enemies be scattered:

Numbers 10:35-36 KJV - And it came to pass, when the ark set forward, that Moses said, Rise up, LORD, and let thine enemies be scattered; and let them that hate thee flee before thee. **36** And when it rested, he said, Return, O LORD, unto the many thousands of Israel.

- **This was a marching cry, this was a battle cry**
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- **This was the intentional vocalization of the advancement of the presence of God**
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- **Israel sojourned through the land of their enemies**
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- **Just like you and I sojourn through a world filled with darkness and fueled by the spirit of Antichrist**
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- **And like Moses, we should recognize and yearn for the presence of God**
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- **And like Moses, we should all be praying for the presence of God to rest upon His true church**

The modern church has been way too passive in their attitude toward the Lord God almighty, and toward those who are His enemies

- **We forget that our Lord is called the Lord of Hosts, the Lord of Angel Armies**

Let God arise, let His enemies be scattered:

- **We have not been called to live in harmony with those who oppose God**
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- **We should be an aroma of life to those who long for salvation and we should be source of conviction to those who oppose God**

2 Corinthians 2:15-16 NKJV - For we are to God the fragrance of Christ among those who are being saved and among those who are perishing. **16** To the one [we are] the aroma of death [leading] to death, and to the other the aroma of life [leading] to life. And who [is] sufficient for these things?

2 Corinthians 2:17 NKJV - For we are not, as so many, peddling the word of God; but as of sincerity, but as from God, we speak in the sight of God in Christ.

- **For we are Not...**

Let God arise, let His enemies be scattered:

Enemy: *ech-thros* – Those who oppose God

- **Enemies fall into two categories:**
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- **Those who oppose God, His word, His people, and flee from His presence**
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- **Those who are drawn to His presence and are reconciled to a loving and merciful God**

Romans 5:10 For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God through the death of His Son, much more, having been reconciled, we shall be saved by His life.

David goes on to say:

Psalm 68:4 KJV - Sing unto God, sing praises to his name: extol him that rideth upon the heavens by his name JAH, and rejoice before him.

- **Yah, is the shortened version of His covenant name, Yahweh**
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- **It is part of the compound word- Hallelu-Yah**
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- **Which means, “you must all praise Yah”**

Yah- means Lord: You cannot praise the Lord unless He is your Lord...

- **Today what passes for church is offensive to God**

Amos 5:23 "Take away from Me the noise of your songs; I will not even listen to the sound of your harps.

David goes on to say:

Psalm 68:15-16 A mountain of God is the mountain of Bashan; A mountain [of many] peaks is the mountain of Bashan. **16** Why do you look with envy, O mountains with [many] peaks, At the mountain which God has desired for His abode? Surely the LORD will dwell [there] forever.

Bashan- Referring to Mount Hermon – Hermon comes from the Hebrew root meaning set-apart, signifying a Holy Place for God to dwell

Psalms 68:18 You have ascended on high, You have led captive [Your] captives; You have received gifts among men, Even [among] the rebellious also, that the LORD God may dwell [there.]

- **Paul quotes this march of triumph, regarding God ascending to His throne on earth with Jesus's triumphant ascension to His throne in heaven**

Ephesians 4:8 Therefore it says, *"WHEN HE ASCENDED ON HIGH, HE LED CAPTIVE A HOST OF CAPTIVES, AND HE GAVE GIFTS TO MEN."*

Here is a list of the gifts He gave to men:

Ephesians 4:11-13 *And He gave some [as] apostles, and some [as] prophets, and some [as] evangelists, and some [as] pastors and teachers,* **12** for the equipping of the saints for the work of service, to the building up of the body of Christ; **13** until we all attain to the unity of the faith,...

- **Sadly, much of the modern-day church has rejected these gifts Jesus gave to His church for the purpose of building it up, and bringing it into the Unity of the Spirit**
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- **The church no longer recognizes the Five-Fold ministry of the Apostle, the Prophet, and the Pastor**
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- **Regarding the office of Apostle, they believe that died with the original 12 Apostles...**
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- **Regarding the prophet, to the modern-day church anyone who prophesies is a false prophet...**
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- **Regarding the Pastor, they are just one of the guys... "don't call me Pastor, call me Bob"... in so doing, they reject the office of Jesus as leader of His church...**
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- **For Jesus is the Good Shepherd, the Pastor of His church**
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- **And Pastors are those who are called to hear what the Spirit is saying to His church, and say it...**

Jesus said in John 10:27:

John 10:27 "My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me;

- **One of the chief ways the church is supposed to hear Jesus' voice is through the office of Pastor...**
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- **If one does not give honor to the Pastor, then the authority of the Pastor to protect God's sheep is almost non-existent...**
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- **The title Pastor comes from the Latin word, *pastor*, which means shepherd**
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- **Even nature teaches us that sheep never treat their shepherds as just another sheep...**
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- **In Matthew when Jesus is referring to His return, He speaks of the Pastors as Stewards who must give an account of how they led His church**
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- The writer of Hebrews refers to Pastors as your “leaders” who must give an account to how to God, and one whom you should obey:
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- For how you treat your leaders will have an effect on how you are treated at the judgment seat of Christ

Hebrews 13:17 Obey your leaders and submit [to them,] for they keep watch over your souls as those who will give an account. Let them do this with joy and not with grief, for this would be unprofitable for you.

- Now, how the modern-day church justifies the retaining of the Evangelist and the Teacher, while yet dismissing these other offices of the church is far beyond me...

Why is this so important:

2 Timothy 3:1 KJV -This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come.

Perilous: *chalepos*- hard to bear, troublesome, dangerous, harsh and savage

- These days are here

2 Timothy 3:2 KJV - For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy,

2 Timothy 3:3 KJV - Without natural affection...

- In these last days we as believers must be prepared to face an overwhelming deluge of ungodliness
- Ungodliness, unlike God
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- Without natural affection means more than just homosexuality and lesbianism, or the LGBTQ assault
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- Without natural affection Grk word, *astorgoi*, means “without family affection”
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- This will manifest in the lack of the natural feelings of tenderness and love that comes from the institution of family
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- This is the manifestation of the enemies of God
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- Those who oppose God, for God created the institution of marriage and the family, not man

Genesis 1:27 NASB95 - 27 God created man in His own image, in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them.

Genesis 1:28 NASB95 - 28 God blessed them; and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth,...

Genesis 2:24 NASB95 - 24 For this reason a man shall leave his father and his mother, and be joined to his wife; and they shall become one flesh.

- The LGBTQ community cannot fulfill this
- The act of abortion seeks to destroy this

The legalization of abortion as a legal way to destroy children opened up the portals of hell to release a spirit of insanity upon civilization:

- It is all part of the master plan to destroy the human race, which is manifesting through the release of plagues, the poisoning of water, and the corruption of the food chain
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- This results in the massive increase of diseases, depression and suicide upon mankind
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- It then increases to the spirit of murder

Without natural affection manifests itself in these ways:

- Fathers who abandon families
- Mothers who reject their children
- Mothers who murder their children in the womb
- Mothers that murder their children that they should be loving and protecting...
- A Society that sympathizes with mothers who murder their children
- Loving parents will be replaced by those who are selfish and detest the idea of parenthood and the self-sacrifice that having a family requires...