

Notes of Floyd E. Taylor for Feb. 15, 2011 Teleconference Bible Study

More on Enabling Good Works - Elisha, Elijah, the Meaning of Roll; for example: in the Way of the Rolled up Garment.

We will pick up on things left off with last night and consider the Word Roll and the meaning of the Scroll.

First let's look briefly again at Mt. 25:6-8 the Ten Virgins and the command to come forth relating to obtain a garment as is revealed in Joel 2:16.

→ **Matthew 25:1-13** ¹Then shall the Kingdom of Heaven be likened unto ten virgins, which took their lamps, and went forth to meet the bridegroom. ²**NOW FIVE OF THEM WERE WISE, AND FIVE WERE FOOLISH.** ³Those who were foolish took their lamps, and received no oil in them: ⁴But the wise received oil in their vessels of their lamps. ⁵While the bridegroom delayed, they all nodded and slept. ⁶**AND AT MIDNIGHT A CRY OCCURRED, "BEHOLD, THE BRIDEGROOM COMES! GO FORTH TO A MEETING OF HIM".** ⁷**THEN ALL THOSE VIRGINS AROSE, AND TRIMMED THEIR LAMPS.** ⁸**AND THE FOOLISH SAID UNTO THE WISE, "GIVE US OF YOUR OIL; FOR OUR LAMPS HAVE GONE OUT."** ⁹**BUT THE WISE ANSWERED, SAYING, "LEST THERE BE NOT ENOUGH FOR US AND FOR YOU: BUT RATHER YOU GO TO THEM THAT SELL, AND BUY FOR YOURSELVES."** ¹⁰**AND WHILE THEY WENT TO BUY, THE BRIDEGROOM CAME; AND THEY THAT WERE READY WENT IN WITH HIM TO THE MARRIAGE: AND THE DOOR WAS SHUT.** ¹¹**AFTERWARD CAME ALSO THE OTHER VIRGINS, SAYING, "LORD, LORD, OPEN TO US."** ¹²**BUT HE ANSWERED AND SAID, "VERILY I SAY UNTO YOU, I KNOW YOU NOT."** ¹³**WATCH THEREFORE, FOR YOU KNOW NEITHER THE DAY NOR THE HOUR WHEREIN THE SON OF MAN COMES.**

→ **Joel 2:11-33** ¹¹The Lord gives voice before His army, for His camp is very great; for strong *is the One* who executes His Word. For the Day of the Lord *is* great and very terrible; who can endure it? ¹²"Now, therefore," says the Lord, "Turn to Me with all your heart, with fasting, with weeping, and with mourning." ¹³So rend your heart, and not your garments; return to the Lord your God, for He *is* gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness; and He relents from doing harm. ¹⁴Who knows *if* He will turn and relent, and leave a blessing behind Him -- a grain offering and a drink offering for the Lord your God? ¹⁵**BLOW THE TRUMPET IN ZION, CONSECRATE A FAST, CALL A SACRED ASSEMBLY;** ¹⁶**GATHER THE PEOPLE, SANCTIFY THE CONGREGATION, ASSEMBLE THE ELDERS, GATHER THE CHILDREN AND NURSING BABES; LET THE BRIDEGROOM GO OUT FROM HIS CHAMBER, AND THE BRIDE FROM HER DRESSING ROOM.** ¹⁷**LET THE PRIESTS, WHO MINISTER TO THE LORD, WEEP BETWEEN THE PORCH AND THE ALTAR; LET THEM SAY, "SPARE YOUR PEOPLE, O LORD, AND DO NOT GIVE YOUR HERITAGE TO REPROACH, THAT THE NATIONS SHOULD RULE OVER THEM. WHY SHOULD THEY SAY AMONG THE PEOPLES, 'WHERE IS THEIR GOD?'"** ¹⁸**THEN THE LORD WILL BE ZEALOUS FOR HIS LAND, AND PITY HIS PEOPLE.** ¹⁹**The Lord will answer and say to His people, "Behold, I will send you grain and new wine and oil, and you will be satisfied by them; I will no longer make you a reproach among the nations.** ²⁰**BUT I WILL REMOVE FAR FROM YOU THE NORTHERN ARMY, AND WILL DRIVE HIM AWAY INTO A BARREN AND DESOLATE LAND, WITH HIS FACE TOWARD THE EASTERN SEA AND HIS BACK TOWARD THE WESTERN SEA; HIS STENCH WILL COME UP, AND HIS FOUL ODOR WILL RISE, BECAUSE HE HAS DONE MONSTROUS THINGS."** ²¹**FEAR NOT, O LAND; BE GLAD AND REJOICE, FOR THE LORD HAS DONE MARVELOUS THINGS!** ²²Do not be afraid, you beasts of the field; for the open pastures are springing up, and the tree bears its fruit; the fig tree

and the vine yield their strength. (*He will even deliver the trees and animals in this Day and restore the earth, for it is the time that we will be able to enable the return of the Garden of Eden for it comes with the Gift of the inheritance of the Kingdom of God.*) ²³Be glad then, you children of Zion, and rejoice in the Lord your God; for He has given you the former rain faithfully, and He will cause the rain to come down for you-- The former rain, and the latter rain in the first month. ²⁴**The threshing floors shall be full of wheat, and the vats shall overflow with new wine and oil.** ²⁵So I will restore to you the years that the swarming locust has eaten, the crawling locust, the consuming locust, and the chewing locust, My great army which I sent among you. ²⁶**You shall eat in plenty and be satisfied, and praise the Name of the Lord your God, who has dealt wondrously with you; and My people shall never be put to shame.** ²⁷Then you shall know that I *am* in the midst of Israel: I am the Lord your God and there is no other. My people shall never be put to shame. ²⁸And it shall come to pass afterward that I will pour out My Spirit on all flesh; your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions. (*This is as He has promised in Ezekiel 36:22-38.*) ²⁹And also on My menservants and on My maidservants I will pour out My Spirit in those days. ³⁰And I will show wonders in the heavens and in the earth: Blood and fire and pillars of smoke. ³¹The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before the coming of the great and awesome Day of the Lord. ³²**AND IT SHALL COME TO PASS THAT WHOEVER CALLS ON THE NAME OF THE LORD SHALL BE SAVED.** For in Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there shall be deliverance, as the Lord has said, among the remnant whom the Lord calls.

Here are Prophetic Words for today and a few from recent days:

Spot Cleaning

February 15, 2011

In a vision, I saw someone diligently cleaning a small spot.

I am at work in your heart, beloved. I am busily cleaning those spots that you thought I had missed. My intent has always been to go back and clean those small areas, those areas that have had you concerned.

I am at work in that precious heart that I prize so highly. I am bringing about a glorious sheen to those particular areas. **Look on My work, beloved, and rejoice, rejoice in My truth, rejoice in Who I am to you.** I am your loving God, your protector, and **My plan is to bring about a glorious work within your heart, a work that I am proud to call My own.**

Look on this work with a heart of gratitude and know that I do it because I care deeply about the success of your walk, I care deeply about that heart that I so highly prize. Yes! I care deeply about YOU!!!

Discover the Power of My Grace

February 15, 2011:

For those who are willing to let go of past disappointments and offenses, this is a new day in which you can rediscover the power of My grace. Launch out into the depth of My love and be filled with the wonder of My work of sanctification in you. You have been in a time of preparation and are about to be released into a time of spiritual discovery and adventure that will bring restoration and renewal. You are about to be rejuvenated in ways you could not have anticipated, says the Lord. Rejoice! *Psalms 51:12 Restore to me the joy of Your salvation, and uphold me by Your generous Spirit.*

Come and Rise Up

February 14, 2011:

So come and arise My children **and let your light shine. Receive the revelation of this hour.** Arise to your place within the kingdom, where your understanding is nourished by My presence. When I bring the revelation of the times and the seasons in which you live, it is not only to give you life but it is to prepare the path that is before you that you may walk on this path with great joy. You know that when I establish a path before you that I will direct you to where your destiny is fulfilled. Do not worry about what is behind you for I am your rear guard. I have not only protected that which is before you but I have protected that which is behind you. You will come to a position of clarity and revelation and the understanding **that I am indeed with you preparing the way that leads into the glory of the kingdom.** I am calling unto you today to make your way nearer and closer to Me than you have ever been before, says the Lord.

Valley of Worshipers

February 14, 2011:

In a vision I saw a valley begin to fill up with people. **At first I thought they were warriors, but then I saw that they were worshipers. And, I heard some of them tuning their instruments.** And, I hear the Lord saying that He has called those who are in the Valley of Baca

(the place of weeping) to worship their way to victory. *Psalms 84:6 As they pass through the Valley of Baca, they make it a spring; the rain also covers it with pools.*

Separate Yourself from Everything that Instills Fear as it Brings Confusion

February 11, 2011:

Beloved, separate yourself from everything that instills fear and brings confusion. Refuse to allow anything to undermine your peace and stability in Me. If you will do this, you will be able to see clearly the attack of the enemy against you, which will then position you to resist him while you maintain spiritual integrity. I will give you this insight if you will set your heart to see, says the Lord. *1 Peter 5:8-9 Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour. Resist him, steadfast in the faith, knowing that the same sufferings are experienced by your brotherhood in the world.*

Step Back from Things that Trouble You

February 10, 2011:

You will need to step back from the things that trouble you in order to see more clearly and to perceive My work in the midst of all that is happening in and around you. This has to be a deliberate decision on your part if you are to gain a broader perspective. Keep in mind that this too shall pass. Time and chance will not allow you to stop the progression of life, says the Lord. *Ecclesiastes 9:11 I returned and saw under the sun that—the race is not to the swift, nor the battle to the strong, nor bread to the wise, nor riches to men of understanding, nor favor to men of skill; but time and chance happen to them all.*

Let us look at the story of Elijah dividing the Jordan by the rolled garment, the 50 prophets, the directions traveled, and the anointing request of Elisha, as well as Elisha enabling the Words to split the Jordan.

→ **2 Kings 2:1-18** ¹And it came to pass, when the LORD was about to take up Elijah (*This name means "God the Lord", or "the strong Lord"*) into heaven by a whirlwind, that Elijah went with Elisha (*This name means "salvation of God"*) from Gilgal (*This name means "wheel", or "rolling". Gilgal is where God figuratively "rolled away" the reproach of Egypt after the children of Israel crossed the Jordan into the Promised Land as is recorded in Joshua 5:9.*) ²Then Elijah said to Elisha, "Stay here, please, for the LORD has sent me on to Bethel." (*This name means "the house of God"*) But Elisha said, "As the LORD lives, and as your soul lives, I will not leave you!" So they went down to Bethel. ³Now the sons of the prophets who were at Bethel came out to Elisha, and said to him, "Do you know that the LORD will take away your master from over you today?" And he said, "Yes, I know; keep silent!" ⁴Then Elijah said to him, "Elisha, stay here, please, for the LORD has sent me on to Jericho." (*This name means "his moon", "his sweet smell", or "his month"*) But he said, "As the LORD lives, and as your soul lives, I will not leave you!" So they came to Jericho. ⁵Now the sons of the prophets who were at Jericho came to Elisha and said to him, "Do you know that the LORD will take away your master from over you today?" So he answered, "Yes, I know; keep silent!" ⁶Then Elijah said to him, "Stay here, please, for the LORD has sent me on to the Jordan." But he said, "As the LORD lives, and as your soul lives, I will not leave you!" So the two of them went on. **And fifty men of the sons of the prophets went and stood facing them at a distance**, while the two of them stood by the Jordan (*This name means "River of Judgment"*). ⁸**Now Elijah took his mantle, ROLLED IT UP, and struck the water; and it was divided this way and that, so that the two of them crossed over on dry ground.** ⁹And so it was, when they had crossed over, that Elijah said to Elisha, "Ask! What may I do for you, before I am taken away from you?" Elisha said, "Please let a double portion of your spirit be upon me." ¹⁰So he said, "You have asked a hard thing. Nevertheless, if you see me when I am taken from you, it shall be so for you; but if not, it shall not be so." ¹¹Then it happened, as they continued on and talked, that suddenly a chariot of fire appeared with horses of fire, and separated the two of them; and Elijah went up by a whirlwind into heaven. ¹²And Elisha saw it, and he cried out, "My father, my father, the chariot of Israel and its horsemen!" (*Take notice of verse 11 and do you discern what horsemen?*) So he saw him no more. And he took hold of his own clothes and tore them into two pieces. ¹³He also took up the mantle of Elijah that had fallen from him, and went back and stood by the bank of the Jordan. ¹⁴Then he took the mantle of Elijah that had fallen from him, and struck the water, and said, "Where is the LORD God of Elijah?" And when he also had struck the water, it was divided this way and that; and Elisha crossed over. ¹⁵Now when the sons of the prophets who were from Jericho saw him, they said, "The spirit of Elijah rests on Elisha." And they came to meet him, and bowed to the ground before him. ¹⁶Then they said to him, "Look now, there are fifty strong men with your servants. Please let them go and search for your master, lest perhaps the Spirit of the LORD has taken him up and cast him upon some mountain or into some valley." And he said, "You shall not send anyone." ¹⁷But when they urged him till he was ashamed, he said, "Send them!" Therefore they sent fifty men, and they searched for three

Words based on Galal (To Roll)	
גָּלַל	Galal: To Roll, Revolve
גָּלִיל	Galeel (Galilee): Circuit, Circle, Ring.
גִּלְגֹּלְתָא	Gulgotha (Golgotha): The Place of the Skull where Jesus was crucified.
גִּלְגֹּלֶת	Gulgoleth: Skull
גִּלְגָּל	Gilgal: Wheel, Rolling
גִּלְגָּל	Galgal: Wheel, Rolling, Circle, Cycle, Whirlwind

days but did not find him. ¹⁸ And when they came back to him, for he had stayed in Jericho, he said to them, "Did I not say to you, 'Do not go'?"

The following chart on the left is the 66 books of the Bible rolled up like a Scroll and assigned to the 22 letters of the Hebrew Alphabet. The chart on the right is the titles of the sections of the Scroll where the books fit. It is interesting that the books easily fit - they align - into "patterns". Remember from last night that the Hebrew word "Alphabet" has a Gematria of 528 and that is the same as Gematria as the Hebrew word for "the Key" that is found in Isaiah 22:22. The Key is also associated to Rev. 3:7, as we discussed last night.



Take a look at the word "Golgotha". It is also of the same verb root of galal (to roll) because a skull is round like a ball, sphere, or globe. Golgotha means "a heap of skulls" or "something skull-shaped".

→ **John 19:17** And he bearing his cross went forth into a place called **THE PLACE OF A SKULL, WHICH IS CALLED IN THE HEBREW GOLGOTHA**: Where they crucified him, and two other with him, on either side one, and Jesus in the midst. And Pilate wrote a title, and put it on the cross. And the writing was, JESUS OF NAZARETH THE KING OF THE JEWS. This title then read many of the Jews: for the place where Jesus was crucified was nigh to the city: and it was written in Hebrew, and Greek, and Latin.

Also the name of Galilee is because the area consisted of a circuit (galeel) of border towns in the northernmost region of Israel (Joshua 20:7). The Lord did much of His ministry all around the Sea of Galilee. The Hebrew Word for circuit, or circle, is related to "compass". This is showing the revelation of the Ways of the Times of God.

Faith Persevering in Trial (*Ps. 70:1-5*). To the Chief Musician. A Psalm of David.

↪ **Psalm 40:1-17** ¹I waited patiently for the LORD; And He inclined to me, And heard my cry. ²He also brought me up out of a horrible pit, Out of the miry clay, and set my feet upon a rock, And established my steps. ³He has put a new song in my mouth — praise to our God; many will see it and fear, and will trust in the LORD. ⁴Blessed is that man who makes the LORD his trust, and does not respect the proud, nor such as turn aside to lies. ⁵Many, O LORD my God, are Your wonderful works which You have done; and Your thoughts toward us cannot be recounted to You in order; if I would declare and speak of them, they are more than can be numbered. ⁶Sacrifice and offering You did not desire; my ears You have opened. Burnt offering and sin offering You did not require. **7 THEN I SAID, "BEHOLD, I COME; IN THE SCROLL OF THE BOOK IT IS WRITTEN OF ME.** (*The Hebrew word "megillah" that is translated here as scroll is the same meaning of the word "volume" that comes from the Latin word "volume" that means "scroll". It is referring to the total volume of the Scroll - the Bible. Of course the original manuscripts of the Old Testament were all written on scrolls. This is the meaning of the Hebrew "megillah", translated as either "volume" or "scroll" in this verse 7 of Psalm 40. The Hebrew word megillah is from the root of "galal" that means to roll. Thus, we can see that since the Bible was meant to be rolled up and sealed, and since our garment is the symbol of the knowledge of His words and His works that we are obtaining from Him, then we can discern since a rolled up Prayer Shawl - our garment - is likened to His Scroll "rolled up." Galal is also the root of the Hebrew word "galgal" which means wheel. The wheel is the symbol of the geometric structure of the Bible. The word "volume" which is from the Latin word "volume" that means "scroll" is in turn based upon the root of the verb "volvere" that means "to roll".*) **8 I delight to do Your will, O my God, and Your Law is within my heart** (*In Psalm 119:142 we learn that His Law is Truth.*) ⁹I have proclaimed the good news of righteousness in the great assembly; indeed, I do not restrain my lips, O LORD, You Yourself know. ¹⁰I have not hidden Your righteousness within my heart; I have declared Your faithfulness and Your salvation; I have not concealed Your loving kindness and Your Truth from the great assembly. ¹¹Do not withhold Your tender mercies from me, O LORD; let Your loving kindness and Your Truth continually preserve me. ¹²For innumerable evils have surrounded me; My iniquities have overtaken me, so that I am not able to look up; they are more than the hairs of my head; therefore my heart fails me. ¹³Be pleased, O LORD, to deliver me; O LORD, make haste to help me! ¹⁴Let them be ashamed and brought to mutual confusion who seek to destroy my life; let them be driven backward and brought to dishonor who wish me evil. ¹⁵Let them be confounded because of their shame, who say to me, "Aha, aha!" ¹⁶Let all those who seek You rejoice and be glad in You; let such as love Your salvation say continually, "The LORD be magnified!" ¹⁷But I am poor and needy; yet the LORD thinks upon me. You are my help and my deliverer; do not delay, O my God.

Prayer for relief from adversaries (*Ps. 40:13-17*). To the Chief Musician. A Psalm of David. To bring to remembrance.

↪ **Psalm 70:1-5** ¹Make haste, O God, to deliver me! Make haste to help me, O LORD! ²Let them be ashamed and confounded who seek my life; let them be turned back and confused who desire my hurt. ³Let them be turned back because of their shame, who say, "Aha, aha!" ⁴Let all those who seek You rejoice and be glad in You; and let those who love Your salvation say continually, "Let God be magnified!" ⁵But I am poor and needy; make haste to me, O God! You are my help and my deliverer; O LORD, do not delay.

Consider the requirements of God to humble ourselves and to "do" (by wisdom and understanding) that which enables His Good Works for others.

- Micah 6:8 He has shown you, O man, what *is* Good; and **WHAT DOES THE LORD REQUIRE OF YOU BUT TO DO JUSTLY, TO LOVE GOOD DEEDS, and TO WALK HUMBLY WITH YOUR GOD?**
- Hosea 6:6 For I DESIRE "GOOD DEEDS" AND NOT SACRIFICE, **AND THE "KNOWLEDGE OF GOD" MORE THAN BURNT OFFERINGS.**
- John 8:47 "He who is of God hears God's Words; therefore you do not hear, because you are not of God."
- John 12:48, 50 ⁴⁸HE WHO REJECTS ME, AND DOES NOT RECEIVE MY WORDS, HAS THAT WHICH JUDGES HIM--THE WORD THAT I HAVE SPOKEN WILL JUDGE HIM IN THE LAST DAY. ⁵⁰AND I KNOW THAT "HIS COMMAND IS EVERLASTING LIFE". THEREFORE, WHATEVER I SPEAK, JUST AS THE FATHER HAS TOLD ME, SO I SPEAK."

Let's review a view of the teachings of God's Will within the Ways of doing the Scroll - doing the Ways of His Words - to roll - to uncover His Truth for the increase in knowledge for the gain of others and for the Glory of the Lord.

- Joshua 10:18 So Joshua said, "Roll large stones against the mouth of the cave, and set men by it to guard them.
- 1 Samuel 14:17 Then Saul said to the people who were with him, "Now call the roll and see who has gone from us." And when they had called the roll, surprisingly, Jonathan and his armor bearer were not there.
- 1 Samuel 14:33 Then they told Saul, saying, "Look, the people are sinning against the LORD by eating with the blood!" So he said, "You have dealt treacherously; roll a large stone to me this day."
- 2 Chronicles 26:11 Moreover Uzziah had an army of fighting men who went out to war by companies, according to the number on their roll as prepared by Jeiel the scribe and Maaseiah the officer, under the hand of Hananiah, one of the king's captains.
- Job 30:14 They come as broad breakers; Under the ruinous storm they roll along.
- Proverbs 26:27 Whoever digs a pit will fall into it, And he who rolls a stone will have it roll back on him.
- Jeremiah 6:26 O daughter of my people, Dress in sackcloth and roll about in ashes! Make mourning as for an only son, most bitter lamentation; For the plunderer will suddenly come upon us.
- Jeremiah 25:34 "Wail, shepherds, and cry! Roll about in the ashes, You leaders of the flock! For the days of your slaughter and your dispersions are fulfilled; You shall fall like a precious vessel.
- Jeremiah 51:25 "Behold, I am against you, O destroying mountain, Who destroys all the earth," says the LORD. "And I will stretch out My hand against you, roll you down from the rocks, And make you a burnt mountain.
- Ezekiel 27:30 **They will make their voice heard because of you; they will cry bitterly and cast dust on their heads; they will roll about in ashes;**
- Mark 16:3 And they said among themselves, "Who will roll away the stone from the door of the tomb for us?"

Discerning the Ways of the Judgment on Israel - Meaning His judgment on us of this Day that is made known in Micah chapter 1. Consider the words of Micah 1:10 "Tell it not in Gath, weep not at all; in Beth-Aphrah roll yourself in the dust."

↪ **Micah 1:1-16** ¹The Word of the LORD that came to Micah (*This name means "poor" or "humble"*) of Moresheth (*It is believed that this name means "those who cause you to inherit" or "to inherit"*) in the days of Jotham (*This name means "the perfection of the Lord"*), Ahaz (*This name means "one that takes" or one that possesses"*), and Hezekiah (*This name means "strength of the Lord"*), kings of Judah (*This name means "the praise of the Lord" or "the confession of the Lord"*), which he saw concerning Samaria (*This name means "watch-mountain"*) and Jerusalem (*This name means "vision of peace"*). ²HEAR, ALL YOU PEOPLES! LISTEN, O EARTH, AND ALL THAT IS IN IT! LET THE LORD GOD BE A WITNESS AGAINST YOU, THE LORD FROM HIS HOLY TEMPLE. ³FOR BEHOLD, THE LORD IS COMING OUT OF HIS PLACE; HE WILL COME DOWN AND TREAD ON THE HIGH PLACES OF THE EARTH. ⁴The mountains will melt under Him, and the valleys will split like wax before the fire, like waters poured down a steep place. ⁵All this is for the transgression of Jacob and for the sins of the house of Israel. What *is* the transgression of Jacob (*This name means "one that supplants", "one that undermines", or "one of the heel" - meaning "zealous to obtain"*)? *Is it* not Samaria? And what *are* the high places of Judah? Are they not Jerusalem? ⁶"Therefore I will make Samaria a heap of ruins in the field, places for planting a vineyard; I will pour down her stones into the valley, and I will uncover her foundations. ⁷All her carved images shall be beaten to pieces, and all her pay as a harlot shall be burned with the fire; all her idols I will lay desolate, for she gathered it from the pay of a harlot, and they shall return to the pay of a harlot." Mourning for Israel (*This name means "he who prevails with God"*) and Judah ⁸therefore I will wail and howl, I will go stripped and naked; I will make a wailing like the jackals and a mourning like the ostriches, ⁹for her wounds are incurable. For it has come to Judah; it has come to the gate of My people— to Jerusalem. ¹⁰Tell it not in Gath (*This name means "a wine-press"*), weep not at all; in Beth Aphrah (*The name "Beth" means "My God is a vow" or "house"; and the meaning of the name "Aphrah" is "dust"*) roll yourself in the dust. ¹¹Pass by in naked shame, you inhabitant of Shaphir (*This name means "delightful" or "precious gem"*); the inhabitant of Zaanan (*This name means "sheep country", "outback", or "those asleep"*) does not go out. Beth Ezel (*This name means "a neighbor's house"*) mourns; its place to stand is taken away from you. ¹²For the inhabitant of Maroth (*This name means "bitterness"*) pined for Good, but disaster came down from the LORD to the gate of Jerusalem. ¹³O inhabitant of Lachish (*This name means "impregnable"*), harness the chariot to the swift steeds (She was the beginning of sin to the daughter of Zion), for the transgressions of Israel were found in you. ¹⁴Therefore you shall give presents to Moresheth Gath (*This name means "an inheritance of the wine-press"*); the houses of Achzib (*This name means "liar", "lying", or "one that runs"*) shall be a lie to the kings of Israel. ¹⁵I will yet bring an heir to you, O inhabitant of Mareshah (*This name means "from the beginning", or "an inheritance"*); the glory of Israel shall come to Adullam (*This name means "their testimony", "their prey", or "their ornament"*). ¹⁶Make yourself bald and cut off your hair, because of your precious children; enlarge your baldness like an eagle, for they shall go from you into captivity.

These are related to the warning of the Lord in 2 Peter 3 of the rising of His Light in our heart and the melting of the elements - all the knowledge of His Words being poured out into our hearts - the entrance of His Words gives His Light in our hearts, while He takes away the authority over the elements to all those who have rejected His knowledge. Remember that every morning the Lord causes His knowledge to be made known, and that is why He is said to be rising as the Morning Star on our hearts because the Father is causing at this time for His Words to be made known.

→ **2 Peter 3:1-9** ¹Beloved, I now write to you this second epistle (in both of which I stir up your pure minds by way of reminder), ²THAT YOU MAY BE MINDFUL OF THE WORDS WHICH WERE SPOKEN BEFORE BY THE HOLY PROPHETS, AND OF THE COMMANDMENT OF US, THE APOSTLES OF THE LORD AND SAVIOR, ³KNOWING THIS FIRST: THAT SCOFFERS WILL COME IN THE LAST DAYS, WALKING ACCORDING TO THEIR OWN LUSTS, ⁴AND SAYING, "WHERE IS THE PROMISE OF HIS COMING? For since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as they were from the beginning of creation." ⁵FOR THIS THEY WILLFULLY FORGET: THAT BY THE WORD OF GOD THE HEAVENS WERE OF OLD, AND THE EARTH STANDING OUT OF WATER AND IN THE WATER, ⁶BY WHICH THE WORLD THAT THEN EXISTED PERISHED, BEING FLOODED WITH WATER. ⁷BUT THE HEAVENS AND THE EARTH WHICH ARE NOW PRESERVED BY THE SAME WORD, ARE RESERVED FOR FIRE UNTIL THE DAY OF JUDGMENT AND PERDITION OF UNGODLY MEN. ⁸But, beloved, do not forget this one thing, that with the Lord one day is as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day. ⁹THE LORD IS NOT SLACK CONCERNING HIS PROMISE, AS SOME COUNT SLACKNESS, BUT IS LONGSUFFERING TOWARD US, NOT WILLING THAT ANY SHOULD PERISH BUT THAT ALL SHOULD COME TO REPENTANCE.

→ **2 Peter 3:10-13** ¹⁰BUT THE DAY OF THE LORD WILL COME AS A THIEF IN THE NIGHT, IN WHICH THE HEAVENS WILL PASS AWAY WITH A GREAT NOISE, AND THE ELEMENTS WILL MELT WITH FERVENT HEAT; BOTH THE EARTH AND THE WORKS THAT ARE IN IT WILL BE BURNED UP. ¹¹THEREFORE, SINCE ALL THESE THINGS WILL BE DISSOLVED, WHAT MANNER OF PERSONS OUGHT YOU TO BE IN HOLY CONDUCT AND GODLINESS, ¹²LOOKING FOR AND HASTENING THE COMING OF THE DAY OF GOD, BECAUSE OF WHICH THE HEAVENS WILL BE DISSOLVED, BEING ON FIRE, AND THE ELEMENTS WILL MELT WITH FERVENT HEAT? ¹³NEVERTHELESS WE, ACCORDING TO HIS PROMISE, LOOK FOR NEW HEAVENS AND A NEW EARTH IN WHICH RIGHTEOUSNESS DWELLS.

→ **2 Peter 3:14-18** ¹⁴THEREFORE, BELOVED, LOOKING FORWARD TO THESE THINGS, BE DILIGENT TO BE FOUND BY HIM IN PEACE, WITHOUT SPOT AND BLAMELESS; ¹⁵AND CONSIDER THAT THE LONGSUFFERING OF OUR LORD IS SALVATION—AS ALSO OUR BELOVED BROTHER PAUL, ACCORDING TO THE WISDOM GIVEN TO HIM, HAS WRITTEN TO YOU, ¹⁶AS ALSO IN ALL HIS EPISTLES, SPEAKING IN THEM OF THESE THINGS, IN WHICH ARE SOME THINGS HARD TO UNDERSTAND, WHICH UNTAUGHT AND UNSTABLE PEOPLE TWIST TO THEIR OWN DESTRUCTION, AS THEY DO ALSO THE REST OF THE SCRIPTURES. ¹⁷You therefore, beloved, since you know this beforehand, beware lest you also fall from your own steadfastness, being led away with the error of the wicked; ¹⁸BUT GROW IN THE GRACE AND KNOWLEDGE OF OUR LORD AND SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST. TO HIM BE THE GLORY BOTH NOW AND FOREVER. Amen.

→ **1 Thessalonians 5:1-10** ¹But concerning the times and the seasons, brethren, you have no need that I should write to you. ²For you yourselves know perfectly that the Day of the Lord so comes as a thief in the night. ³For when they say, "Peace and safety!" THEN SUDDEN DESTRUCTION COMES UPON THEM, as labor pains upon a pregnant woman. AND THEY SHALL NOT ESCAPE. ⁴But you, brethren, are not in darkness, so that this Day should overtake you as a thief. ⁵You are all sons of light and sons of the Day. We are not of the night nor of darkness. ⁶Therefore let us not sleep, as others do, but let us watch and be sober. ⁷For those who sleep, sleep at night, and those who get drunk are drunk at night. ⁸But let us who are of the day be sober, putting on the breastplate of faith and love, and as a helmet the hope of salvation. ⁹For God did not appoint us to wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, ¹⁰who died for us, that whether we wake or sleep, we should live together with Him.

Consider the rolled Scroll and the ways the design is made manifest in the sound of "rolling thunder", and even the winding of the "whirlwind". It is testified to in Ezek. 1:24.

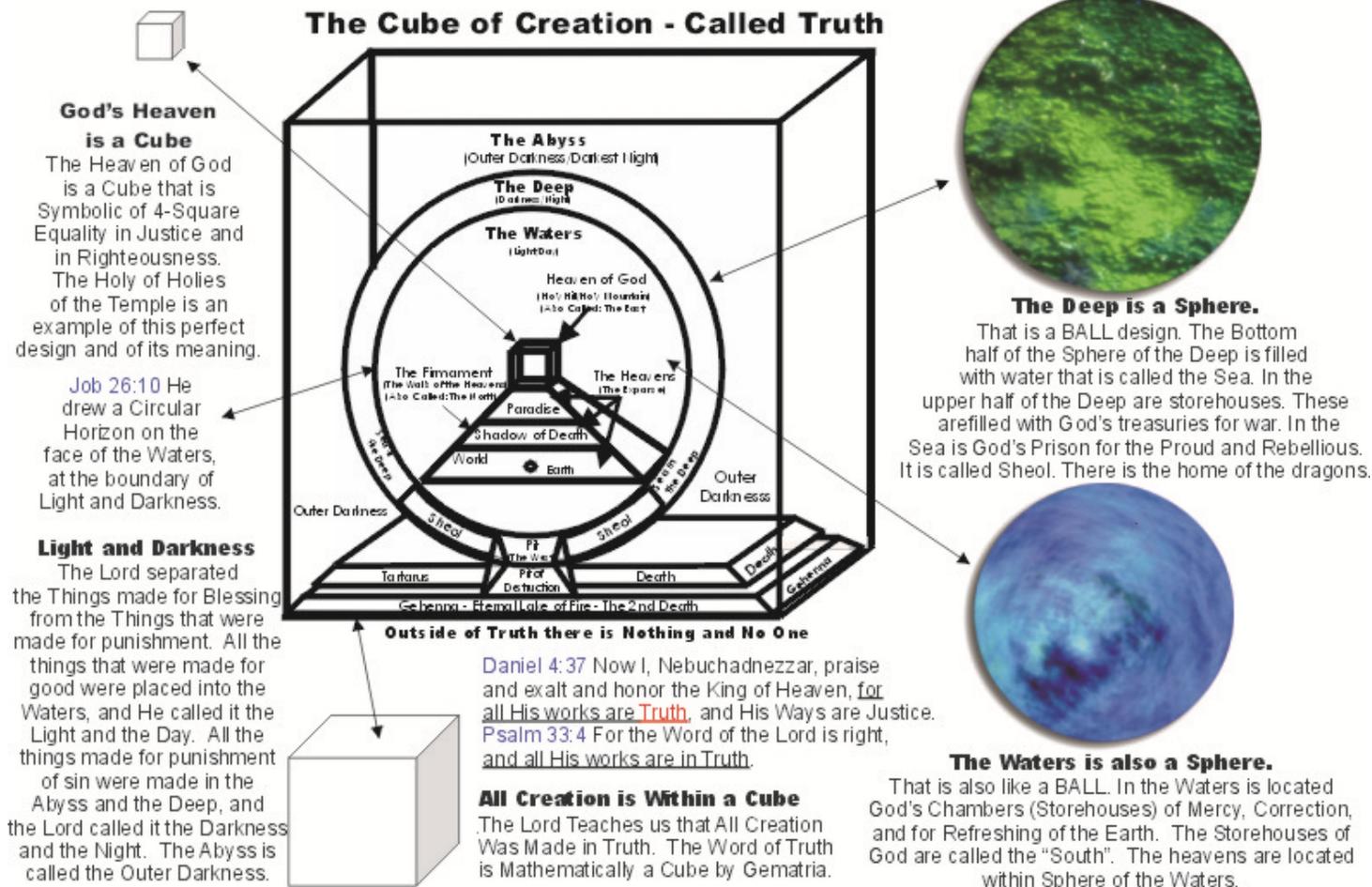
→ **Ezekiel 1:24** When they went, I heard the noise of their wings, like the noise of many waters, like the voice of the Almighty, a tumult like the noise of an army; and when they stood still, they let down their wings.

Here is the explanation of this verse per the meanings of the Hebrew words. Take notice that they eliminate the wording "the voice of speech" after the "voice of the Almighty" in many Bibles such as the NKJV. It is included in the KJV. But, this is important for what it reveals to you is that the "rolling" sound is likened to the Promises of God that are in the Words of God being remembered. For example: The sound of thunder. Take note that Ezekiel testifies these sounds are His Words of His Pure Speech being caused to be made manifest.

And when they went,	H3212	ילך <i>yalak</i>
I heard	H8085	שמע <i>shama`</i>
the noise	H6963	קול <i>qowl</i>
of their wings,	H3671	כנף <i>kanaph</i>
like the noise	H6963	קול <i>qowl</i>
of great	H7227	רב <i>rab</i>
waters,	H4325	מים <i>mayim</i>
as the voice	H6963	קול <i>qowl</i>
of the Almighty,	H7706	שדי <i>Shadday</i>
the voice	H6963	קול <i>qowl</i>
of speech,	H1999	המלה <i>hamullah</i>
as the noise	H6963	קול <i>qowl</i>
of an host:	H4264	מחנה <i>machaneh</i>
when they stood,	H5975	עמד <i>amad</i>
they let down	H7503	רפה <i>raphah</i>
their wings.	H3671	כנף <i>kanaph</i>

Remember that I have shown you that the Lord intentionally designed the Creation so that the heavens are located within His Storehouses that are intriguingly designed as two spheres called the Deep and the Waters. These are likened to the fullness of His Scrolls and they are also revealing that all that is necessary has already been created for the fullness of His plan. So unlike the screaming for global warming or asteroids coming, or fear of giants, etc., people should be clamoring for the knowledge of Truth - the awareness of the plans of God that were put in place from the beginning of the creation. Nothing that the One World Order does can change that plan - it only takes us to open our eyes.

The Simplicity in the Master Design of the Creation



We will look into these following verses and more of the Works of Elisha on the 16th of February.

Elisha Performs Miracles

- **2 Kings 2:19-25** ¹⁹Then the men of the city said to Elisha, "Please notice, the situation of this city is pleasant, as my lord sees; but the water is bad, and the ground barren." ²⁰And he said, "Bring me a new bowl, and put salt in it." So they brought it to him. ²¹Then he went out to the source of the water, and cast in the salt there, and said, "Thus says the LORD: 'I have healed this water; from it there shall be no more death or barrenness.'" ²²So the water remains healed to this day, according to the word of Elisha which he spoke. ²³Then he went up from there to Bethel; and as he was going up the road, some youths came from the city and mocked him, and said to him, "Go up, you baldhead! Go up, you baldhead!" ²⁴So he turned around and looked at them, and pronounced a curse on them in the name of the LORD. And two female bears came out of the woods and mauled forty-two of the youths. ²⁵Then he went from there to Mount Carmel, and from there he returned to Samaria.

Elisha and the Syrians

- **2 Kings 6:1-7** ¹And the sons of the prophets said to Elisha, "See now, the place where we dwell with you is too small for us. ²Please, let us go to the Jordan, and let every man take a beam from there, and let us make there a place where we may dwell." So he answered, "Go." ³Then one said, "Please consent to go with your servants." And he answered, "I will go." ⁴So he went with them. And when they came to the Jordan, they cut down trees. ⁵But as one was cutting down a tree, the iron ax head fell into the water; and he cried out and said, "Alas, master! For it was borrowed." ⁶So the man of God said, "Where did it fall?" And he showed him the place. So he cut off a stick, and threw it in there; and he made the iron float. ⁷Therefore he said, "Pick it up for yourself." So he reached out his hand and took it.

The Blinded Syrians Captured

- **2 Kings 6:8-23** ⁸Now the king of Syria was making war against Israel; and he consulted with his servants, saying, "My camp will be in such and such a place." ⁹And the man of God sent to the king of Israel, saying, "Beware that you do not pass this place, for the Syrians are coming down there." ¹⁰Then the king of Israel sent someone to the place of which the man of God had told him. Thus he warned him, and he was watchful there, not just once or twice. ¹¹Therefore the heart of the king of Syria was greatly troubled by this thing; and he called his servants and said to them, "Will you not show me which of us is for the king of Israel?" ¹²And one of his servants said, "None, my lord, O king; but Elisha, the prophet who is in Israel, tells the king of Israel the words that you speak in your bedroom." ¹³So he said, "Go and see where he is, that I may send and get him." And it was told him, saying, "Surely he is in Dothan." ¹⁴Therefore he sent horses and chariots and a great army there, and they came by night and surrounded the city. ¹⁵And when the servant of the man of God arose early and went out, there was an army, surrounding the city with horses and chariots. And his servant said to him, "Alas, my master! What shall we do?" ¹⁶So he answered, "Do not fear, for those who are with us are more than those who are with them." ¹⁷And Elisha prayed, and said, "LORD, I pray, open his eyes that he may see." Then the LORD opened the eyes of the young man, and he saw. And behold, the mountain was full of horses and chariots of fire all around Elisha. ¹⁸So when the Syrians came down to him, Elisha prayed to the LORD, and said, "Strike this people, I pray, with blindness." And He struck them with blindness according to the word of Elisha. ¹⁹Now Elisha said to them, "This is not the way, nor is this the city. Follow me, and I will bring you to the man whom you seek." But he led them to Samaria. ²⁰So it was, when they had come to Samaria, that Elisha said, "LORD, open the eyes of these men, that

they may see." And the LORD opened their eyes, and they saw; and there they were, inside Samaria! ²¹Now when the king of Israel saw them, he said to Elisha, "My father, shall I kill them? Shall I kill them?" ²²But he answered, "You shall not kill them. Would you kill those whom you have taken captive with your sword and your bow? Set food and water before them, that they may eat and drink and go to their master." ²³Then he prepared a great feast for them; and after they ate and drank, he sent them away and they went to their master. So the bands of Syrian raiders came no more into the land of Israel.

Syria Besieges Samaria in Famine

- **2 Kings 6:24-32** ²⁴And it happened after this that Ben-Hadad king of Syria gathered all his army, and went up and besieged Samaria. ²⁵And there was a great famine in Samaria; and indeed they besieged it until a donkey's head was sold for eighty shekels of silver, and one-fourth of a kab of dove droppings for five shekels of silver. ²⁶Then, as the king of Israel was passing by on the wall, a woman cried out to him, saying, "Help, my lord, O king!" ²⁷And he said, "If the LORD does not help you, where can I find help for you? From the threshing floor or from the winepress?" ²⁸Then the king said to her, "What is troubling you?" And she answered, "This woman said to me, 'Give your son, that we may eat him today, and we will eat my son tomorrow.' ²⁹So we boiled my son, and ate him. And I said to her on the next day, 'Give your son, that we may eat him'; but she has hidden her son." ³⁰Now it happened, when the king heard the words of the woman, that he tore his clothes; and as he passed by on the wall, the people looked, and there underneath he had sackcloth on his body. ³¹Then he said, "God do so to me and more also, if the head of Elisha the son of Shaphat remains on him today!" ³²But Elisha was sitting in his house, and the elders were sitting with him. And the king sent a man ahead of him, but before the messenger came to him, he said to the elders, "Do you see how this son of a murderer has sent someone to take away my head? Look, when the messenger comes, shut the door, and hold him fast at the door. Is not the sound of his master's feet behind him?" ³³And while he was still talking with them, there was the messenger, coming down to him; and then the king said, "Surely this calamity is from the LORD; why should I wait for the LORD any longer?"

→ **Exodus 30:14** "EVERYONE INCLUDED AMONG THOSE WHO ARE NUMBERED, FROM TWENTY YEARS OLD AND ABOVE, SHALL GIVE AN OFFERING TO THE LORD.

→ **Genesis 6:3** And the LORD said, "My Spirit shall not strive with man forever, for he is indeed flesh; **YET HIS DAYS SHALL BE ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY YEARS.**"

The four punishments of the Night that are now upon us and are coming more. Judgment on Persistent Unfaithfulness. The Lord is saying that as it is right now only the few who keep His Plan of His Words and do Righteousness would be delivered.

- **Ezekiel 14:12-23** ¹²The Word of the LORD came again to me, saying: ¹³"Son of man, when a land sins against Me by persistent unfaithfulness, I will stretch out My hand against it; I will cut off its supply of bread, send famine on it, and cut off man and beast from it. ¹⁴Even if these three men, Noah, Daniel, and Job, were in it, they would deliver only themselves by their righteousness," says the Lord GOD. ¹⁵"If I cause wild beasts to pass through the land, and they empty it, and make it so desolate that no man may pass through because of the beasts, ¹⁶even though these three men were in it, as I live," says the Lord GOD, "they would deliver neither sons nor daughters; only they would be delivered, and the land would be desolate. ¹⁷"Or if I bring a sword on that land, and say, 'Sword, go

through the land,' and I cut off man and beast from it, (The Second Seal Judgment.) ¹⁸even though these three men were in it, as I live," says the Lord GOD, "they would deliver neither sons nor daughters, but only they themselves would be delivered. ¹⁹"Or if I send a pestilence into that land and pour out My fury on it in blood, and cut off from it man and beast, ²⁰even though Noah, Daniel, and Job were in it, as I live," says the Lord GOD, "they would deliver neither son nor daughter; they would deliver only themselves by their righteousness." ²¹For thus says the Lord GOD: "How much more it shall be when I send My four severe judgments on Jerusalem—the sword and famine and wild beasts and pestilence—to cut off man and beast from it? ²²Yet behold, there shall be left in it a remnant who will be brought out, both sons and daughters; surely they will come out to you, and you will see their ways and their doings. Then you will be comforted concerning the disaster that I have brought upon Jerusalem, all that I have brought upon it. ²³And they will comfort you, when you see their ways and their doings; and you shall know that I have done nothing without cause that I have done in it," says the Lord GOD.

Remember from past two nights that Jesus is coming suddenly - like Lightning. Lightning is wisdom being revealed.

→ **Matthew 24:27** "For as the lightning comes from the East and flashes to the West, so also will the coming of the Son of Man be."

Jesus Rejoices in the Spirit (*Matt. 11:25-27*)

→ **Luke 10:21-24** ²¹In that hour Jesus rejoiced in the Spirit and said, "I thank You, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that You have hidden these things from the wise and prudent and revealed them to babes. Even so, Father, for so it seemed good in Your sight. ²²All things have been delivered to Me by My Father, and no one knows who the Son is except the Father, and who the Father is except the Son, and *the one to whom the Son wills to reveal Him.*" ²³Then He turned to His disciples and said privately, "Blessed are the eyes which see the things you see; ²⁴for I tell you that many prophets and kings have desired to see what you see, and have not seen it, and to hear what you hear, and have not heard it."

The Parable of the Good Samaritan (*Matt. 22:34-40; Mark 12:28-34*)

→ **Luke 10:25-37** ²⁵And behold, a certain lawyer stood up and tested Him, saying, "Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?" ²⁶He said to him, "What is written in the law? What is your reading of it?" ²⁷So he answered and said, "You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength, and with all your mind, and 'your neighbor as yourself.'" (No options and ifs were given in this by the Lord.) ²⁸And He said to him, "You have answered rightly; do this and you will live." (*This is important in this Time of the Great Tribulation if we want to live through and fulfill what the Lord has called us to do. We cannot say that we serve Him and then disobey Him in this that He says is what is required of us in order to obtain Eternal Life. The Lord says that we are required to show Mercy even on all those who have fallen under the curse of the thieves of Babylon, as we will see in verses 29-37, for they were only taught wrongly, just like us.*) ²⁹But he, wanting to justify himself, said to Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" ³⁰Then Jesus answered and said: "A certain man went down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell among thieves, who stripped him of his clothing, wounded him, and departed, leaving him half dead. ³¹Now by chance a certain priest came down that road. And when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. ³²Likewise a Levite, when he arrived at the place, came and looked, and passed by on the other side. ³³But a certain Samaritan, as he journeyed, came where he was. And when he saw him, he had compassion. ³⁴So he went to him and

bandaged his wounds, pouring on oil and wine; and he set him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. ³⁵On the next day, when he departed, he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said to him, 'Take care of him; and whatever more you spend, when I come again, I will repay you.' ³⁶So which of these three do you think was neighbor to him who fell among the thieves?" ³⁷And he said, "He who showed mercy on him." Then Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

Mary and Martha Worship and Serve

→ **Luke 10:38-42** ³⁸Now it happened as they went that He entered a certain village; and a certain woman named Martha welcomed Him into her house. ³⁹And she had a sister called Mary, who also sat at Jesus' feet and heard His Word. ⁴⁰But Martha was distracted with much serving, and she approached Him and said, "Lord, do You not care that my sister has left me to serve alone? Therefore tell her to help me." ⁴¹And Jesus answered and said to her, "**Martha, Martha, you are worried and troubled about many things. ⁴²But one thing is needed, and Mary has chosen that good part, which will not be taken away from her.**"

The Parable of the Rich Fool

→ **Luke 12:13-21** ¹³Then one from the crowd said to Him, "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me." ¹⁴But He said to him, "**Man, who made Me a judge or an arbitrator over you?**" ¹⁵And He said to them, "**Take heed and beware of covetousness, for one's life does not consist in the abundance of the things he possesses.**" ¹⁶Then He spoke a parable to them, saying: "**The ground of a certain rich man yielded plentifully. ¹⁷And he thought within himself, saying, 'What shall I do, since I have no room to store my crops?' ¹⁸So he said, 'I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build greater, and there I will store all my crops and my goods. ¹⁹And I will say to my soul, "Soul, you have many goods laid up for many years; take your ease; eat, drink, and be merry."**" ²⁰**BUT GOD SAID TO HIM, 'FOOL! THIS NIGHT YOUR SOUL WILL BE REQUIRED OF YOU; THEN WHOSE WILL THOSE THINGS BE WHICH YOU HAVE PROVIDED?'**" ²¹**SO IS HE WHO LAYS UP TREASURE FOR HIMSELF, AND IS NOT RICH TOWARD GOD."**

Do Not Worry

→ **Luke 12:22-34** ²²Then He said to His disciples, "Therefore I say to you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat; nor about the body, what you will put on. ²³Life is more than food, and the body is more than clothing. ²⁴Consider the ravens, for they neither sow nor reap, which have neither storehouse nor barn; and God feeds them. Of how much more value are you than the birds? ²⁵And which of you by worrying can add one cubit to his stature? ²⁶If you then are not able to do the least, why are you anxious for the rest? ²⁷Consider the lilies, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin; and yet I say to you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. ²⁸**If then God so clothes the grass, which today is in the field and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, how much more will He clothe you, O you of little faith?**" ²⁹**And do not seek what you should eat or what you should drink, NOR HAVE AN ANXIOUS MIND. ³⁰For all these things the nations of the world seek after, and your Father knows that you need these things. ³¹But seek the kingdom of God, and all these things shall be added to you. ³²**DO NOT FEAR, LITTLE FLOCK, FOR IT IS YOUR FATHER'S GOOD PLEASURE TO GIVE YOU THE KINGDOM.**" ³³Sell what you have and give alms; provide yourselves money bags**

which do not grow old, a treasure in the heavens that does not fail, where no thief approaches nor moth destroys. ³⁴For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

The Light, the hate, and the basket Scriptures and Parables of hidden revelation are interesting. We must be careful, for He sees and reveals.

- **Mark 4:21-25** ²¹Also He said to them, "Is a lamp brought to be put under a basket or under a bed? Is it not to be set on a lampstand? ²²For there is nothing hidden which will not be revealed, nor has anything been kept secret but that it should come to light. ²³If anyone has ears to hear, let him hear." ²⁴Then He said to them, "Take heed what you hear. With the same measure you use, it will be measured to you; and to you who hear, more will be given. ²⁵For whoever has, to him more will be given; but whoever does not have, even what he has will be taken away from him."
- **Luke 8:16-21** ¹⁶"No one, when he has lit a lamp, covers it with a vessel or puts it under a bed, but sets it on a lampstand, that those who enter may see the light. ¹⁷For nothing is secret that will not be revealed, nor anything hidden that will not be known and come to light. ¹⁸Therefore take heed how you hear. For whoever has, to him more will be given; and whoever does not have, even what he seems to have will be taken from him." ¹⁹Then His mother and brothers came to Him, and could not approach Him because of the crowd. ²⁰And it was told Him by some, who said, "Your mother and Your brothers are standing outside, desiring to see You." ²¹But He answered and said to them, "My mother and My brothers are these who hear the word of God and do it."
- **Luke 12:1-3** ¹In the meantime, when an innumerable multitude of people had gathered together, so that they trampled one another, He began to say to His disciples first of all, "Beware of the leaven of the Pharisees, which is hypocrisy. ²For there is nothing covered that will not be revealed, nor hidden that will not be known. ³Therefore whatever you have spoken in the dark will be heard in the light, and what you have spoken in the ear in inner rooms will be proclaimed on the housetops.

The Faithful Servant and the Evil Servant

- **Luke 12:35-48** ³⁵"Let your waist be girded and your lamps burning; ³⁶and you yourselves be like men who wait for their master, when he will return from the wedding, that when he comes and knocks they may open to him immediately. ³⁷Blessed are those servants whom the master, when he comes, will find watching. Assuredly, I say to you that he will gird himself and have them sit down to eat, and will come and serve them. ³⁸And if he should come in the second watch, or come in the third watch, and find them so, blessed are those servants. ³⁹But know this, that if the master of the house had known what hour the thief would come, he would have watched and not allowed his house to be broken into. ⁴⁰Therefore you also be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect." ⁴¹Then Peter said to Him, "Lord, do You speak this parable only to us, or to all people?" ⁴²And the Lord said, "Who then is that faithful and wise steward, whom his master will make ruler over his household, to give them their portion of food in due season? ⁴³Blessed is that servant whom his master will find so doing when he comes. ⁴⁴Truly, I say to you that he will make him ruler over all that he has. ⁴⁵But if that servant says in his heart, 'My master is delaying his coming,' and begins to beat the male and female servants, and to eat and drink and be drunk, ⁴⁶the master of that servant will come on a day when he is not looking for him, and at an hour when he is not aware, and will cut him in two and appoint him his portion with the unbelievers. ⁴⁷And that servant who knew his master's will, and did not prepare himself or do according to his will, shall be beaten with many stripes. ⁴⁸But he who did not know, yet committed things deserving of stripes, shall be

beaten with few. For everyone to whom much is given, from him much will be required; and to whom much has been committed, of him they will ask the more.

Christ Brings Division

- **Luke 12:49-53** ⁴⁹"I came to send fire on the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! ⁵⁰But I have a baptism to be baptized with, and how distressed I am till it is accomplished! ⁵¹Do you suppose that I came to give peace on earth? I tell you, not at all, but rather division. ⁵²For from now on five in one house will be divided: three against two, and two against three. ⁵³Father will be divided against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law."
- **Matthew 10:34-38** ³⁴"Do not think that I came to bring peace on earth. I did not come to bring peace but a sword. ³⁵For 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'; ³⁶and 'a man's enemies will be those of his own household.' ³⁷He 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. ³⁸And he who does not take his cross and follow after Me is not worthy of Me. ³⁹He who finds his life will lose it, and he who loses his life for My sake will find it.

Discern the Time

- **Luke 12:54-56** ⁵⁴Then He also said to the multitudes, "Whenever you see a cloud rising out of the west, immediately you say, 'A shower is coming'; and so it is. ⁵⁵And when you see the south wind blow, you say, 'There will be hot weather'; and there is. ⁵⁶Hypocrites! You can discern the face of the sky and of the earth, but **HOW IS IT YOU DO NOT DISCERN THIS TIME?**

Make Peace with Your Adversary - consider that the Lord has now come to render the Judgment upon us.

- **Luke 12:57-59** ⁵⁷"Yes, and why, even of yourselves, do you not judge what is right? ⁵⁸**When you go with your adversary to the magistrate, make every effort along the way to settle with him, lest he drag you to the judge, the judge deliver you to the officer, and the officer throw you into prison.** ⁵⁹I tell you, you shall not depart from there till you have paid the very last mite."

The Salt verses are interesting for they reveal some intriguing things. Also remember Lot's wife.

- **Matthew 5:13-16** ¹³"You are the salt of the earth; but if the salt loses its flavor, how shall it be seasoned? It is then good for nothing but to be thrown out and trampled underfoot by men. ¹⁴"You are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hidden. ¹⁵Nor do they light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a lampstand, and it gives light to all who are in the house. ¹⁶Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.
- **Luke 14:34-35** ³⁴"Salt is good; but if the salt has lost its flavor, how shall it be seasoned? ³⁵It is neither fit for the land nor for the dunghill, but men throw it out. He who has ears to hear, let him hear!"
- **Mark 9:38-50** ³⁸Now John answered Him, saying, "Teacher, we saw someone who does not follow us casting out demons in Your name, and we forbade him because he does not follow us." ³⁹But Jesus said, "Do not forbid him, for no one who works a miracle in My name can soon afterward speak evil of Me. ⁴⁰For he who is not against us is on our side. ⁴¹For whoever gives you a cup of water to drink in My name, because you belong to Christ, assuredly, I say to you, he will by no means lose his reward. ⁴²"But whoever causes one of these

little ones who believe in Me to stumble, it would be better for him if a millstone were hung around his neck, and he were thrown into the sea. ⁴³If your hand causes you to sin, cut it off. It is better for you to enter into life maimed, rather than having two hands, to go to hell, into the fire that shall never be quenched— ⁴⁴where 'Their worm does not die and the fire is not quenched.' ⁴⁵And if your foot causes you to sin, cut it off. It is better for you to enter life lame, rather than having two feet, to be cast into hell, into the fire that shall never be quenched— ⁴⁶where 'Their worm does not die and the fire is not quenched.' ⁴⁷And if your eye causes you to sin, pluck it out. It is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye, rather than having two eyes, to be cast into hell fire— ⁴⁸where 'Their worm does not die and the fire is not quenched.' ⁴⁹"For everyone will be seasoned with fire, and every sacrifice will be seasoned with salt. ⁵⁰Salt is good, but if the salt loses its flavor, how will you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and have peace with one another."

Report from Mike Adams website today on the fake rice supplied in at least one city in China, as it was reported this past week from Korea:

Chinese companies mass producing fake rice out of plastic

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Learn more: http://www.naturalnews.com/031344_plastic_rice.html#ixzz1E2PCUT50



(NaturalNews) The Chinese food contamination freak show is back in full swing with new reports out of Singapore indicating that certain Chinese companies are now mass producing and selling fake rice to unwitting villagers. According to a report in the Korean-language *Weekly Hong Kong*, the manufacturers are blending potatoes, sweet potatoes, and plastic industrial resin to produce the imitation rice.

A report in *Very Vietnam* states that an official from the Chinese Restaurant Association has announced that eating three bowls of this fake rice is the equivalent of eating an entire plastic bag. Consuming such plastic material is obviously a serious health hazard, and officials are allegedly gearing up to conduct an investigation into the factories accused of producing the phony rice.

The scandal is not a surprise when considering China's long legacy food problems, including the 2008 melamine-tainted milk incident where roughly 300,000 people were injured and at least six infants died as a result of being poisoned by the toxic chemical (http://www.naturalnews.com/024837_f...). Other tainted food from China has included melamine-tainted pet foods, lead-tainted children's cups, and even another fake rice case where a Chinese company added synthetic flavorings to ordinary rice to trick people into thinking it was the more expensive "Wuchang" variety.

Some media commentators have already begun to run wild with the fake rice story, comparing the imitation rice to what they say is the imitation reality in which the world lives.

"Fake stimulus, fake money printing, fake GDP growth, fake goods and services being produced, is ... forcing us to consume fake food because we can't afford real food, because we have no real growth, we have no real economy, we have no real industry, we only have fake stuff," bemoaned talk show co-host Stacy Herbert from *Russia Today*. "So it makes sense that we're only eating fake food."

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Produce prices skyrocket with freeze in Mexico, Southwest

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PORTLAND -- Get ready to pay double or even triple the price for fresh produce in the coming weeks after the worst freeze in 60 years damaged and wiped out entire crops in northern Mexico and the southwestern U.S.

The problem started less than a week ago, when our nation was focusing on the Superbowl and sheets of ice falling from Texas Stadium.

Farmers throughout northern Mexico and the Southwest experienced unprecedented crop losses. Now devastation that seemed so far away, is hitting us in the pocketbooks.

"We've had to double and triple some prices and consumers come in and it's quite a shock to them," said Rusty Peake, GM of Food4Less in Southeast Portland.

"Increase, increase, increase," said produce manager Troy Winterhalter as he watched urgent messages coming across his laptop computer. "Peppers, zucchini, cucumbers, asparagus, the entire asparagus crop was wiped out," said Winterhalter.

Roma tomatoes have more than doubled in price since Thursday and very soon they may not be available at all.

About the only produce not impacted by the freeze in the coming weeks are things grown right here in the Northwest like potatoes, onions and apples.

The situation is so dire, some stores can't honor certain advertised prices, which were ordered in local newspapers long before the freeze.

"Now I'm in a tough situation where I can't really support ads and I try to do the best I can letting the consumers know what's going on in the markets," said Peake.

He said this is the worst produce situation he's seen in 25 years in the business.

Next week, lettuce and spinach prices are expected to rise. Normal prices likely won't return until new crops in Mexico start producing again in late March and early April.