

SUBJECT: SPIRITUAL WARFARE

TITLE: THE DAYS OF RESTORATION

A DEFINITION OF RESTORATION:

(1) A RETURN OF SOMETHING OR SOMEONE TO A FORMER, ORIGINAL, NORMAL, OR UNIMPAIRED CONDITION.

SCRIPTURE: ACTS 3:19-21

NOW REPENT OF YOUR SINS AND TURN TO GOD, SO THAT YOUR SINS MAY BE WIPE AWAY. THEN TIMES OF REFRESHMENT WILL COME FROM THE PRESENCE OF THE LORD, AND HE WILL AGAIN SEND YOU JESUS, YOUR APPOINTED MESSIAH. FOR HE MUST REMAIN IN HEAVEN UNTIL THE TIME FOR THE FINAL RESTORATION OF ALL THINGS, AS GOD PROMISED LONG AGO THROUGH HIS HOLY PROPHETS.

- Repentance – **Luke 5:31-32**
- Refreshment – giving of fresh mental or physical strength or energy
- Restoration – **Rom. 8:18-25**

**Q: IF THESE ARE THE DAYS OF RESTORATION, WHAT SHOULD WE EXPECT?
I BELIEVE, THE LORD WANTS TO DO SOMETHING NEW IN US (ISA.43:19)**

TEXT: PSALM 51:1-13

MAIN TEXT: JOHN 18:1-6

NOTES:

- When Jesus made himself known to the enemy, they submitted to Him.
- YOUR IDENTITY TODAY – IS UNDER ATTACK [**KNOW WHO/se YOU ARE**]
- THE BIBLE SAYS, YOU ARE A CHILD OF GOD (JOHN 1:12-13)
- AS A CHILD OF GOD, YOU SHARE HIS DIVINE NATURE (2 PET. 1:4)
- YOUR PURPOSE – IS UNDER ATTACK [**KNOW WHY YOU ARE CREATED**]

TO FIND YOUR PURPOSE IN THE WORLD, AS A CHILD OF GOD –LOOK TO JESUS!

- CHRIST’S PURPOSE, “THAT HE MIGHT DESTROY THE WORKS OF THE DEVIL.”
(1 JOHN 3:8)
- JESUS TELLS US, WE SHARE THAT SAME PURPOSE (**JOHN 20:21**) – TO DESTROY THE WORKS OF THE DEVIL
- CHRIST’S MISSION - TO RENDER THE DEVIL POWERLESS & FREE THOSE SUBJECT TO SLAVERY (**HEB.2:14-15**)

SATAN'S STRATEGY

1. TO KEEP CHRISTIANS BLIND TO THEIR PURPOSE AND UNAWARE OF THE WAR WAGED AGAINST THEM.
2. TO ATTACK US AT EVERY OPPORTUNITY AND ON EVERY POSSIBLE FRONT WITH THE INTENT TO DESTROY US, OR AT LEAST RENDER US INEFFECTIVE.

- JESUS SAYS, WE ARE HATED BY THE ENEMY (**JOHN 15:18**)
- JESUS SAYS, IN THE WORLD WE HAVE TRIBULATION (**JOHN 16:33**)

OUR LOVE, JOY, PEACE, FELLOWSHIP & EVEN PROVISION – IS UNDER ATTACK.

WE HAVE THE SAME MISSION AS CHRIST, BUT ALSO THE SAME POWER, AUTHORITY AND RESOURCES TO CARRY OUT THAT MISSION

- HIS POWER OPERATES IN US, (**EPH. 1:19-21**)
- WE HAVE CHRIST'S AUTHORITY (**MAT. 28:18-20**)
- WE ARE HEIRS OF CHRIST (**ROM. 8:17**) – WHAT'S HIS IS MINE!
- ALL SPIRITUAL BLESSINGS IN THE HEAVENLY PLACES (**EPH. 1:3**)

YET, WE HAVEN'T ASKED IN HIS NAME (JOHN 16:24)

LET US REALIZE THE POWER, AUTHORITY AND RESOURCES WHICH WE HAVE ACCESS TO THROUGH CHRIST JESUS.

LET US NOT BE AFRAID OF THE CONFLICT/ BATTLE BEFORE US – FOR EACH ENCOUNTER MEANS ANOTHER VICTORY, SOMEONE OR SOMETHING ELSE LIBERATED FROM SATAN

SUMMARY: WHAT'S AT STAKE TODAY?

Your salvation, clarity of purpose, your identity as God's own, a relationship, living united as the family of God – knowing the truth that our enemy is already defeated because God is still on the throne!

LET US REPENT AND BE RESTORED TO CHRIST JESUS AND TO ONE ANOTHER!