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The Three Battlegrounds by Francis Frangipane

Chapter 12 - Repairers of the Breach (Part 2)

Do Not Criticize The Breach, Repair It!

[3] Thus says the Lord God: "Woe to the foolish prophets, who follow their own spirit and have seen nothing! [4] O Israel, your prophets are like foxes in the deserts. [5] You have not gone up into the gaps to build a wall for the house of Israel to stand in battle on the day of the Lord. Ezekiel 13:3-5 NKJV

God needs people who, when they see a gap in the citywide church wall, will go up into the breaches and rebuild the wall so that the church will stand in the day of battle. In every city, town and village, each of us needs the other churches if we are going to stand in the day of battle.

You may be thinking, "You don't understand, I have revelation of the end-time move of God. These churches barely believe in Jesus." The Word tells us that "without any dispute the lesser is blessed by the greater" (Hebrews 7:7). If you are truly "greater," without a hint of pride you will seek ways to be a blessing to other churches. Your Christlike love will cast out fears. You will sincerely have a burden to see the entire body of Christ brought forth, not just your local assembly; you will respect the diversity of ways through which Christ reveals Himself in the church. In truth, Jesus said that the greatest among us would become the "servant of all" (Mark 9:35).

If a church in your city holds to and confesses Jesus as their Lord and Savior, then that church is needed to complete God's work in the city. As you join one another for daily or weekly prayer, you will be blessed and surprised by God's preparation of others. Do not come with an attitude to teach or lead, but to love and serve. In this, God is not looking for leaders but followers of the Lord Jesus Christ.

If we do not adjust to His will, we will be unable to stand against the enemy. Indeed, the day in which we live is not a day of peace, it is a time of war. God is gathering us together not only to Him and each other but also against the spiritual forces of wickedness in every region. Therefore, the breaches between us must be filled, the walls built, and we must learn to stand together in the day of the Lord.

You Be The People

You do not have to go to Bible college to find fault with the church. In fact, if you remember, you could find fault with the church even before you were a Christian. You do not need skill to find fault. But if you want to be like Christ, you have to be an intercessor who “stands in the gap.” The “gap” is the distance between the way things are and the way things should be. You stand in that space, cast down the accuser of the brethren, and intercede! Have you seen something that is wrong? It is only because Jesus wants you to stand in the gap and pray to see it changed.

Some of us have cried for years, “Where are those who will lead us into Christ’s fullness?” We have assumed that God had others in mind. What the Lord is saying, however, is, *You be the men and women that others are looking for*. You be the peacemakers, the sons and daughters of God that bring healing, honor and order to His church.

The responsibility is upon each of us. There is a tremendous job ahead, but the Lord Himself has promised, “Those from among you will rebuild the ancient ruins; you will raise up the age-old foundations; and you will be called the repairers of the breach, the restorer of the paths in which to dwell” (Isaiah 58:12).

Let us lay our lives down in committed faith, believing that in our lifetimes, on this earth and in our communities, the corporate church of Jesus Christ will be restored, united and made ready as a bride for her Beloved!