

Forerunners for Christ Los Angeles

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Recovering the Maranatha Cry

Study on the return of Jesus, from the book entitled, *Sinai to Zion* by Joel Richardson.

We began our journey on the cry of the bride in the end times. We looked at this cry from the point of view of the end times.

THE CRY OF THE BRIDE IN THE END TIMES

GATHERING TO MAKE LOUD THE CRY OF THE BRIDE IN THE END TIMES

We are gathering to prepare the bride for her final destiny through:

- ❖ Understanding times and seasons.
- ❖ Understanding the signs of the times by understanding Israel as a key signpost in the return of Jesus.
- ❖ Understanding a revival of the first and greatest commandment.
- ❖ Understanding revival for intercessors and intercession to release the cry of the bride.
- ❖ Understanding the great harvest in the end times.
- ❖ Understanding the return of Jesus, our cry!

During the 21 days of fasting and praying for Israel based on Isaiah 62, we saw, we heard, and we took faith as we joined the many voices of those who said yes to the call for a solemn assembly for 21 days.

We were stirred in our spirit man. We gained a deeper understanding of the call of God to Israel. We gained perspective as to the centrality of Israel in the return of our Lord Jesus. We started to grasp the reality of Jesus returning to Jerusalem; that He will rule and reign here. As get this part, we realize the massive response of the global Gentile Ekklesia in her wholehearted partnership with Holy Spirit for such a time as this.

We also realize the hatred of the many nations and peoples surrounding Israel. These nations are really aimed at the total annihilation of Israel given the chance.

With fear and trembling, we realize the power of God's covenant. We are convinced of His faithfulness to His promise and to His people.

These past 21 days caused a shift in the history of mankind, as well as a shift in our individual and corporate paradigm. Going forward we will think differently and posture ourselves loyally to God's people. There is a sobering warning and reminder that we are coming to a very crucial time in our lives. We see the necessity of a changed lifestyle equivalent to the times at hand.

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Our prayer has changed. How we pray has become more from a place of understanding and unselfishness. Hearts arewhelmed by the mightiness of God in our midst.

We now see things with resolve to make the things God call major, to be major. We are set to see change from glory to glory. We will see the earth filled with His glory as the water covers the sea.

“For the earth shall be filled with the knowledge of the glory of Jehovah, as the waters cover the sea.”

Habakkuk 2:14 ASV

THE NEED FOR “SKILL” TO UNDERSTAND

“In the third year of Cyrus king of Persia a thing was revealed unto Daniel, whose name was called Belteshazzar; and the thing was true, even a great warfare: and he understood the thing, and had understanding of the vision.

In those days I, Daniel, was mourning three whole weeks.

I ate no pleasant bread, neither came flesh nor wine into my mouth, neither did I anoint myself at all, till three whole weeks were fulfilled.

And in the four and twentieth day of the first month, as I was by the side of the great river, which is Hiddekel,

I lifted up mine eyes, and looked, and, behold, a man clothed in linen, whose loins were girded with pure gold of Uphaz:

his body also was like the beryl, and his face as the appearance of lightning, and his eyes as flaming torches, and his arms and his feet like unto burnished brass, and the voice of his words like the voice of a multitude.

And I, Daniel, alone saw the vision; for the men that were with me saw not the vision;

but a great quaking fell upon them, and they fled to hide themselves.

So I was left alone, and saw this great vision, and there remained no strength in me; for my comeliness was turned in me into corruption, and I retained no strength.

Yet heard I the voice of his words; and when I heard the voice of his words, then was I fallen into a deep sleep on my face, with my face toward the ground.

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And, behold, a hand touched me, which set me upon my knees and upon the palms of my hands.

And he said unto me, O Daniel, thou man greatly beloved, understand the words that I speak unto thee, and stand upright; for unto thee am I now sent.

And when he had spoken this word unto me, I stood trembling. Then said he unto me, Fear not, Daniel; for from the first day that thou didst set thy heart to understand, and to humble thyself before thy God, thy words were heard: and I am come for thy words' sake.

But the prince of the kingdom of Persia withstood me one and twenty days; but, lo, Michael, one of the chief princes, came to help me: and I remained there with the kings of Persia.

Now I am come to make thee understand what shall befall thy people in the latter days (speaking of the end times);

for the vision is yet for many days. And when he had spoken unto me according to these words, I set my face toward the ground, and was dumb.

And, behold, one in the likeness of the sons of men touched my lips: then I opened my mouth, and spake and said unto him that stood before me, O my lord, by reason of the vision my sorrows are turned upon me, and I retain no strength.

For how can the servant of this my lord talk with this my lord? for as for me, straightway there remained no strength in me, neither was there breath left in me.

Then there touched me again one like the appearance of a man, and he strengthened me. And he said, O man greatly beloved, fear not: peace be unto thee, be strong, yea, be strong. And when he spake unto me, I was strengthened, and said, Let my lord speak; for thou hast strengthened me.

Then said he, Knowest thou wherefore I am come unto thee? and now will I return to fight with the prince of Persia: and when I go forth, lo, the prince of Greece shall come.

But I will tell thee that which is inscribed in the writing of truth: and there is none that holdeth with me against these, but Michael your prince.

Daniel 10:1-21 ASV

- ❖ Find scriptures dealing with understanding.
- ❖ Tell us why this gift is going to be very important in the end times.
- ❖ How is your understanding of the end times on a scale from 1-5, 5 being the highest?