

Why the Church Must Reclaim the Power of Warfare Prayer

Pastor Jack Hibbs didn't hold back in a fiery and urgent video message this week, sounding the alarm on America's spiritual decline and the rising threats facing both the U.S. and Israel. As war reignites in the Middle East and Islamic extremism gains ground domestically, Hibbs called on believers to take action before it's too late.

"Have you taken a look at what's going on in the world right now?" Hibbs asked, opening the video with a sobering question. "As the news is breaking this morning... the war is heating up again [in Israel]," he warned. "The Islamic world wants to see the destruction of Israel. And that chant, that cry has been renewed."

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But Hibbs said the battle isn't just overseas. He pointed to a development in Josephine, Texas, where "There's such a great push to establish Sharia law and Islam that they have bought over 200 acres of land and they're going to be creating an Islamic city." He likened it to "the Old Testament establishment of high places in pagan worship centers," and urged, "Will Texans stand for their Judeo-Christian worldview values? Because it's either going to be the Constitution in Texas or Sharia law. They are incompatible, folks."

Hibbs also highlighted what he sees as the moral unraveling of America. "Minnesota just passed a law that it's OK and non-offensive, but rather celebratory for women to go topless," he said, referencing a call he received from former Congresswoman Michele Bachmann. "We are on the brink of insanity... It is absolutely insane the direction this country is going."

He made it clear that no political figure can save a nation that refuses to repent.

“Forget about government right now. If we, the people of God, do not turn back to God in short order, I don’t believe there’s hope for America,” he declared. “We’ve had a political revival. That’s great. Where’s the church?”

In California, Hibbs warned of continued legislative decay: “California has yet again lessened laws against pedophilia,” a move he believes will spread to other states. “Evil is advancing. What are we going to do about it?”

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His answer is direct: “We need to fast. We need to pray. And we need to speak up on the word of God... Will you be able to stand in the last days? Because they’re here.”

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With unmistakable urgency, Hibbs closed by calling Christians to live out the Great Commission and hold the line in the culture war. “Let’s repent. Let’s preach the gospel. Let’s make disciples. And let’s stand strong for what is right and true. Let’s speak up in Jesus name.”

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'The Chosen' Actor Details Terrifying Demonic Encounter That Drove Him to God

When it comes to understanding the darkness of our times, few voices cut through the chaos like Jan Markell. Founder of Olive Tree Ministries, Markell joined Tim Moore and Nathan Jones on the television program Christ in Prophecy to deliver an urgent message: things aren't falling apart—they're falling into place.

In her conversation with Moore and Jones, Markell didn't mince words about the world's spiritual condition. "What's wrong with a society that cheers for Hamas?" she asked, referencing the brutal October 7, terrorist attack against Israel. "They torture anything they can get their hands on, and the world has sympathy for them. Is that not... a sad statement of where we are here in the beginning of 2025?"

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During the interview, Markell described those who remain faithful to biblical truth as "remnant believers"—a shrinking yet resolute body of Christians who refuse to compromise on doctrine and prophecy.

"They're longing for the truth," she explained. "They're longing for the return of the Lord Jesus Christ. And probably they're in a church that's pretty silent about that."

For these believers, Markell emphasized the importance of viewing current events through a biblical lens.

"The world does make sense when you look at it through a biblical lens," she said. "And that gives us hope." That hope,

she insisted, is what sustains the faithful remnant in the face of growing hostility from a confused and increasingly godless world.

Much of the conversation centered on a recurring theme: silence in the church. Markell lamented the absence of biblical teaching on prophecy, particularly regarding Israel.

“My church still hasn’t mentioned it,” she quoted one frustrated Christian after the October 7, attack. “My church still hasn’t prayed for Israel.” The problem, she says, lies in bad theology. “There’s a large segment of them who are mishandling the theology as it concerns Israel and Jewish people.”

Markell also warned of the rise in demonic activity, especially through technology like artificial intelligence.

“This artificial intelligence... is going to run the beast system,” she said, referencing the end-times system described in Revelation. “It allows us to see the setup.” She continued, “God gave mankind the ability to pull all that together... but someday it’s going to be used for evil—total evil.”

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Despite the sobering realities, Markell’s message was far from hopeless.

“We don’t live in uncertain times,” she quoted a pastor in her book. “These times are as certain as any time in all of human history.” For the remnant believers—those isolated, often ridiculed, yet determined to stay true—Markell urged them not

to despair. “Don’t believe that your enthusiasm for the soon return of Christ is misguided,” she said. “Don’t let naysayers discourage you.”

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Her call to action? Get serious. Be bold. Recognize the lateness of the hour. “Look at the headlines,” she said. “They’re staggering... overwhelming... totally depressing. If we can’t be about encouraging one another, that’s pretty disappointing.” And her final charge: “Be about your Father’s business while we have time.”

The world may be descending into spiritual darkness, but as Markell reminded viewers, God’s prophetic word is not gloom and doom—it’s hope and light for those willing to see. The remnant is not alone. They are watchmen on the wall. And the King is coming soon.

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Burning Bush to Pentecost Flames: The Mystery of Holy Fire Unveiled

In a passionate message aired May 1, Sid Roth declared Israel’s 77th anniversary a prophetic milestone brimming with supernatural meaning.

“This is a show of miracles,” Roth said. “Get ready. This is a historic day.” He emphasized that the number 77 is far more

than symbolic: it holds deep Hebrew and biblical weight tied to strength, completeness, and divine purpose.

“In Jewish tradition, the number 77 corresponds to the Hebrew word ‘oz,’ which means strength,” Roth explained. “So this is a year of strength. It’s a year of strength for Israel. It’s a year of strength for you.” He noted how the number seven alone represents “perfection, completion and divine wholeness,” making this double-seven moment profoundly significant.

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Roth tied these numbers directly to the promises of God regarding Israel, referencing Psalm 105:8–11 as a covenant declaration. “‘He has remembered His covenant forever... the word which He commanded to a thousand generations... an everlasting covenant,’” Roth quoted. “He says it three ways: a thousand generations, forever, and everlasting. If God says something three times in one verse, you better listen.”

Citing Isaiah 66:8, Roth reminded viewers of Israel’s miraculous rebirth as a nation in a single day, as prophesied in Scripture. “Who has heard such a thing? Who has seen such things? Shall a nation be born at once? And in one day, a nation, Israel, was born at once,” he said. He pointed to this fulfillment as one of the clearest demonstrations that “the Bible is from God.”

Roth also warned of the consequences of standing against God’s covenant people. “He that touches Israel pokes God in the pupil of His eye,” he quoted from Zechariah 2:8, describing it as a warning few heed. “Who would be , to poke God in His eye?”

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Despite the current conflicts and fires spreading across the region, Roth remained unwavering in his faith that what's coming is not destruction, but revival. "That's the devil's best effort to imitate the Holy Spirit," he said. "Next thing on the calendar for Israel is not forest fires or home fires, but it's the fire of the Holy Spirit. I see Israel ablaze with the fire of the Holy Spirit any second now."

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According to Roth, this prophetic moment, the 77th anniversary, is a signal of incoming global revival beginning in Israel. "The greatest display of God's glory in history is about to begin," he said. "I call it the greater glory."

In Roth's words, the number 77 signals more than a calendar date, it marks a divine call to strength, wholeness and fulfillment of ancient promises.

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Prophetic Vision Reveals Demonic Battle Over America and the Rise of God's Army

During a powerful interview on Charisma, Pastor Mike Thompson opened up about a series of prophetic visions God gave him—visions that have become the foundation for his latest

book, *The Lion's Army*. The revelations center around spiritual warfare, national deception and the authority believers must reclaim in these final days.

"I felt the vision coming," Thompson said, recalling the moment it all began. "I began to see into the spiritual realm. For me, it's a feeling like lifting starting to overtake me as a spirit of God pulls me into the spiritual realm."

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From there, he described being caught up into a lofty vantage point, where he witnessed three waves of demonic forces assaulting America and the body of Christ:

1. **The Shriers and Screamers** – "They just made so much noise they just scared the bejabs out of everybody. It was intimidation, fear tactics."
2. **Lying Unity** – "This was not the unity of the spirit, [but] lying unity of the flesh. It was man's unity. It was deception. They looked almost normal... Only when I looked at their face, there was a smirk on the corner of their mouths."
3. **Punishers and Enforcers** – "The punishers were like a blood lust... [and] the enforcers were more calculated. It was to devise plans to now cast a net over people of control."

In a recent teaching, Bible scholar John Barnett laid out two compelling views on the prophetic "battle of Gog" and its placement within end-times chronology.

"There are two places that this battle of Mog could be," Barnett said. "One could be right here, uh, right at the front end that launches the tribulation... the other half believe it's right here, this Jerusalem attack, and it's right at the end

of the tribulation time.”

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Either way, Barnett emphasized, what we do know is clear: “God is headed toward this, the Second Coming of Christ and the launching of Israel as the center of the world and the beacon of hope.”

Barnett pointed to real-world developments aligning with the prophetic timeline found in Ezekiel 38–39.

“Yesterday, Iran displayed the largest collection of armed drones they’ve ever seen in a military parade,” he said. “They are working as fast as possible to develop an atomic bomb.”

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With Russia, China and Iran increasingly aligned, Barnett warned, “It could be very soon this whole thing is going to ignite and God is going to climactically intervene and save Israel.”

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Regardless of when Ezekiel’s war occurs, Barnett concluded with a sobering reminder: “The next prophetic event for us that we’re looking for is Jesus to return, the judgment seat of Christ.”

If you want to hear more about this fascinating topic, watch the video above.

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I Was in Hell: Pastor Says Jesus Saved Him After Near-Death Ordeal

In 1998, Steve Kang, a former Buddhist, lay dying in a California hospital after a suicide attempt. But while his body remained on the operating table, he says his spirit was dragged into a realm of eternal torment—a place he now knows is called hell.

In an exclusive interview with the Daily Mail, Kang recalled, “It’s not a place you want to go. I wouldn’t wish it on my worst enemies—not Kim Jong-il, not Hitler. It’s a place of unimaginable suffering.”

The nightmare began after years of battling addiction and spiritual darkness. Kang said he believed an evil spirit had been pushing him to end his life. One day, he gave in—inflicting knife wounds to his neck and stomach. While surgeons worked to save him, Kang said his soul entered another world.

“There was no light, no plants, not even a blade of grass,” he said. “The ground was jagged, and cliffs of a sickly purplish-red hue jutted out everywhere. When you looked up, there was no sky—just an oppressive, moonless darkness, like the blackest night you can imagine.”

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He described the realm as a lifeless wasteland—full of people, yet utterly void of hope.

“There were so many people, just standing there, chained together,” Kang said. “But there was no connection, no ability to speak or comfort one another. It was like we were all isolated in our own suffering.”

The emotional pain, he said, was even more severe than the physical surroundings.

“It was like every negative emotion I’d ever felt was magnified a thousand times,” he said. “The fear of condemnation, the anxiety—it was suffocating. There was no escape, no reprieve.”

Over the chained masses, demonic figures stood watch.

“They were massive, three to five stories tall, wearing dark, flowing capes,” Kang said. “Their presence was menacing, and I knew instinctively they were in charge of this place. They just stood there, watching us suffer.”

Scientific studies have noted similar descriptions among near-death experiencers. Research from NYU’s Grossman School of Medicine found that many survivors report entering a distinct realm accompanied by a review of their life’s actions. The experiences are often “vivid and coherent,” leading some researchers to suggest that a dying brain may access “new dimensions of reality.”

For Kang, time seemed to stretch endlessly. While medical records confirmed he was unconscious for eight hours, he said he perceived it as around 20 minutes. That perception aligns with 2017 findings from psychologist Marc Wittmann, who

theorized that NDEs can distort the brain's sense of time.

Kang believes he would have remained trapped in that realm—if not for divine intervention.

“I was in so much pain, and I thought it would never end,” he said. “But something—Someone—was watching over me, pulling me out of that place.”

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When he finally awoke, everything had changed. He left behind not only his addiction but also his past as a Buddhist monk—and committed his life to following Jesus Christ.

“I don't want anyone to go through what I did,” Kang said. “If my story can save even one person, it's worth telling.”

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Now serving as an evangelical pastor, Kang openly shares his testimony to offer hope. He doesn't present his experience to frighten people but to point them toward redemption. He says the darkness was real—but so was the deliverance.

Kang's story is a powerful testament to the saving grace of Jesus Christ—who has the power to rescue a lost soul from the depths of hell and offer eternal hope to anyone who calls on His name.

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Tom Horn's Prophetic Warnings Ring Louder in the Chaos of 2025