

# **New Music Video Goes Behind the Scenes of Hillsong's International Tour**

Hillsong Young & Free's new music video for "Every Little Thing" offers a behind-the-scenes perspective of the Millennial worship group's recent international tours. The video—which uses actual documentary footage of the group from February 2017 to August 2018—catalogs some of the group's highs and lows during that span. Watch the new video [here](#).

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## **Pentecostal Preacher: America Needs 'Nothing Less Than an Exorcism'**

Pentecostal preacher Jonathan Martin says in late 2016 the Holy Spirit impressed Hosea 2:6-7 on him as a message for the church. The verse addresses how God can use turbulent seasons of shaking for His glory. Martin says the Holy Spirit wants to use shaking today to reveal hidden giftings in some and to exorcise sins in others.

"I am at heart very much a Hillbilly Pentecostal," Martin says. "I believe that America is in need of nothing less than an exorcism from a very old principality of white supremacy. ... I want to share a text with you briefly that I felt like the Holy Spirit gave to me in 2016, actually about a week before the election. It is not in any way a partisan word."

Martin says the verses the Holy Spirit gave him were Haggai 2:6-7: "For thus says the Lord of hosts, 'Once again in a little while I will shake the heavens and the earth and the sea and the dry land and I will shake all the nations so that the treasure of all nations shall come, and I shall fill this house with splendor.'"

"I've been fascinated by this idea that God sends a shaking that will come to all the nations," Martin says. "No one is exempt. Ecclesiastical systems are shaking. Political systems are shaking. Foundations are shaking. Some things are shaking that we think ought to be shaken. Other things are shaking that we don't think should be touched. It's indiscriminate. The shaking comes to us all. The people of God are not exempt from the shaking. As a matter of fact, what God says here is that he has a unique purpose for his people in the shaking."

Martin says God reminded him of Acts 16, in which Paul and Silas are freed from prison after an earthquake shook the prison's foundations and loosened their shackles.

"The earthquake that would seem to threaten Paul and Silas, the earthquake that would seem to threaten to kill them at the end of what has already been a long and difficult season, is actually the thing that God uses to set them free," Martin says. "What is an earthquake for everyone is going to be a jailbreak for some. ... [And] the same earthquake that God uses to set free the oppressed is able to redeem the oppressor. This gospel is so good and so beautiful that it's not only good news for the imprisoned. It's good news for the jailer. If it's not, it's not yet good news."

Click on the embedded video to watch Martin's full sermon.

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# Parents Beware: 'Aladdin' Remake Features 'Evil Sorcery'

Focus on the Family's Plugged In recently gave a four out of five stars review for Disney's new live-action 'Aladdin' remake, but added an important caveat that the movie features "evil sorcery," among other inappropriate content.

Plugged In's online review goes into more detail: "Genie's called the most powerful being in the universe a couple of times (with no reference to where or how God might fit into that understanding of things), though the ultimate source of his power is never identified. ... [In addition], the Sultan's sorcerer hypnotizes and manipulates various characters with his magical, cobra-shaped staff ... [and] uses his powers to imprison and physically torment others. He also says that he can kill someone with his abilities whenever he feels like it."

The review does praise the film for elevating the value of truth and wisdom, but for believers, should that outweigh the magic and sorcery on display? Watch the review and let us know what you think in the comments.

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## Vineyard Director: Why Your Prayers for Healing Didn't

# Work

Phil Strout, national director of the Vineyard, says the Vineyard teaching of “the already and the not yet” can explain why sometimes our healing prayers don’t work.

“For example, when we pray for sick people like we’re commissioned to do and they’re not healed,” Strout says in the video. “I don’t know about you, but ... many people that I pray for don’t get healed. Some of them do. How do I explain that? Do I blame it on the people that don’t get healed? Do I blame it on them? I mean, we may see a demonic influence or something and nothing happens with that. How do we explain that? Why is it that sometimes something happens [and] sometimes it doesn’t happen?”

“Well in very simple terms, the kingdom has come. In the coming of Christ, the kingdom came. And at the second coming of Christ, the kingdom will be consummated. We live in the tension of His coming and He is still coming. He came, and He’s coming again. The already—He’s here—and the not yet—He’s not here. The kingdom has come, but not yet fully.”

Strout discusses the tension and frustration of this theological concept, as well as the importance of understanding this distinctive, in the video. Watch it [here](#).

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## **Spirit-Filled Pastor Shares Powerful Parable for Today’s**

# Church

Gateway Church pastor Robert Morris recently used a story from his early years of marriage to illustrate a powerful point about the Holy Spirit. Morris discusses how his wife would have comforters and towels that were only for show and not to be used.

Then Morris turns the story back on the audience: “How many Christians today have a Holy Spirit that’s not for use, [where] He’s just for looks?”

In the video, you can practically hear a pin drop in the convicted silence afterward.

Does Morris’ message convict you?

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## **What Every Christian Must Do to Prepare for the 2020 Elections**

Lance Wallnau says the 2020 U.S. presidential election will be one of the “most contentious” elections in American history: “It will be like when [Abraham] Lincoln was elected in the Civil War.” In an interview on *The Jim Bakker Show*, Wallnau said believers must exercise their authority to shift the spiritual atmosphere in advance of the 2020 election.

“As believers, we actually have to take ownership of the spiritual atmosphere over America,” Wallnau says. “Instead of

worrying about the future, we've got to recognize we have authority in the spirit realm. We have to start using it. I'm convinced there's underutilized potential in the body of Christ that's got to come to the surface within the next 16 months."

Wallnau also says the Democratic party is going through a power struggle for the soul of the party, between the radical left elements and the more conventional Democrats of past generations.

"The Democratic party—and we need to know this—has been taken over," Wallnau says. "It's not the Democratic party of your mama's day. My mom could be a Kennedy Democrat and a Reagan Republican, all at the same kitchen table. Because she loves the Kennedys and she loved Ronald Reagan. But now ideologically, the left has a movement within it that has gone into the Democratic Party to seize power. So what you've got is the radical new element that is taking over the party and pulling it in their direction. That's where the socialism comes from. So they're throwing [Joe] Biden out there, saying, 'Let's get somebody who represents the normal Democrat,' because the left in their party has taken over. But he's not going to be able to handle it."

Watch the video to see the full clip.

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**If Space Aliens Are Real,  
Does That Disprove**

# Christianity?

Russell Moore, president of the Ethics and Religious Liberty Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention, just posted a nine-minute video to YouTube discussing the theological implications of discovering extraterrestrial life.

“Imagine alien spaceships show up in the sky tomorrow,” Moore says. “What are the challenges to Christianity as we think this through? I think there are a few of them.”

Though aliens have been a subject of science fiction for years, Moore says encountering actual aliens would raise plenty of doctrinal questions. Do aliens have souls? Does the Incarnation of Christ as a human—and the accompanying offer of salvation—extend to aliens? Does original sin affect aliens?

“We have intelligent beings in the text of Scripture, some of whom are not fallen, and for them, there is no atonement needed in the sense of blood atonement,” Moore says. “And then there are others that are fallen for whom there is no atonement offered there. So if we were to discover alien beings, how would we know that those beings are fallen? Maybe they’re not necessarily acting morally perfect, but maybe they’re as the animals are: not accountable before God in that way. There’s not a sense of moral agency that is there. I don’t know. What I would know is if they are intelligent beings, we would want them to worship their God, even if they’re not created for immortality through the death and resurrection of Christ.”

Watch the video to hear Moore’s full discussion of this unusual topic. Do you agree with his thoughts on alien life? Do you think alien life even exists? Let us know in the comments.

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# How Measles Outbreaks and the Crisis in Venezuela Prove We're in the End Times

Jim Bakker and Mondo De La Vega said on a recent episode of *The Jim Bakker Show* that measles outbreaks in the U.S. and civil unrest in Central and South America are signs that Matthew 24's prophecies are happening today. In a video clip from the show, Bakker remarks that Matthew 24:7 points to conflicts in which nation will rise against nation and kingdom against kingdom. De La Vega then connects that prophecy to current events.

"It's happening right now," De La Vega says. "You're seeing it with Venezuela. You're seeing it with Honduras, El Salvador, Mexico. You see Guatemala. You're seeing the clash of the titans so to speak of cultures coming against one another so I think we are where we are right now according to the Bible."

Bakker also notes that pestilence and epidemics are prophesied in Matthew 24:7 as a sign of the end times—and that long-dormant diseases are beginning to return.

"All these diseases and all these things—they're being transferred around," Bakker says. "It's horrible what's happening. ... Last week there's a cruise ship that they had so many people with the measles that they won't let it dock. ... There's going to come a time when a fourth of the world will be destroyed by a disease from the animals."

Watch the video to hear their full remarks.

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## **WATCH HERE: Spontaneous Holy Spirit Worship Breaks Out at Bethel**

Worship leader Hunter Thompson recently led Bethel Church in a moment of spontaneous Spirit-led worship.

In a clip posted Wednesday by Bethel Church, Thompson sings, "There has never been another oh quite like you/ Oh, you never failed me once and you won't start now/ ... The promises of heaven are raining down now."

Watch the clip [here](#).

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## **Pat Robertson Calls Alabama Pro-Life Bill 'Extreme': 'Alabama Has Gone Too Far'**

On Wednesday, Alabama governor Kay Ivey signed into law the Alabama Human Life Protection Act, which bans all abortions except in cases of ectopic pregnancy, lethal anomalies to the unborn child, or "serious health risk to the unborn child's mother." Though many Christian leaders have praised the bill's passage, Pat Robertson criticized the bill on Wednesday's episode of *The 700 Club* as "extreme," saying it will lose any

Supreme Court challenge.

“I think Alabama has gone too far,” Robertson said. “They’ve passed a law that would give a 99-year prison sentence to people who commit abortion. There’s no exception for rape or incest. It’s an extreme law. They want to challenge Roe v. Wade, but my humble view is that this is not the case we want to bring to the Supreme Court, because I think this one will lose.”

Robertson’s remarks begin at the 9:36 timecode. Watch [here](#).