

Intercession That Will Change The World

In this series of articles on intercession we will discuss the different aspects of prayer and intercession, but in particular we will focus on the type of prayer and intercession I believe the Holy Spirit wants to lead us into as we enter the final days before Yeshua's return.

However, before I start, the question I feel compelled to raise is, "Do you think that you have a part and role to play out in God's end-time plan, or will the end just happen without our involvement?" These are rhetorical questions, as I believe God always chooses to work through His body to achieve His goals and purposes for the world; this has always been the case. Has this not already happened throughout mankind's history, from Adam to Noah, Abraham and Moses, David and to Jesus Himself and then through His Jewish Apostles, God always works His plans for mankind through humanity, which He alone has created? So why would the end be any different from the beginning?

God's End-Time Glory Plan

But these questions beckon answers that should evoke a response in us, which is honestly the main reason for me writing these articles. I believe God is calling His body into His end-time fight, His end-time Glory Plan through prayer and intercession that actually will require great commitment, dedication and earnest involvement on our behalf, so that His purposes and plans may be achieved through us; that the end may come and that Mashiah will return to establish His kingdom upon the earth that the Bible refers to as His Millennial reign.

So you might ask, what is God's end-time glory plan?

His end time glory plan is to show Jesus to the world and to finally establish His Kingdom upon the earth. To uproot the devil and his demonic powers that have had principality over the earth since Adam and Eve fell to sin, and to cast him out of the heavens and down to the earth into the greatest ever battle the world has witnessed. Not only will this culminate with the greatest show of God's power the world has ever seen, but you definitely would not want to be opposed to Him at this time, or His plans for Israel as by then your fate will be permanently sealed (See Rev.9:20).

His end-time glory plan is also seen in the preparation of His bride, which is made up of both Jewish and Gentile believing children. So as we begin to enter this time, the Holy Spirit is shifting to once again re-include His Jewish family, along with Israel's physical restoration to the land, now already-fulfilled Scripture. This is also quite evident, not only in the natural with this little piece of real estate no greater than the size of the State of New Jersey appearing almost daily in all world news headlines, but also in the church's association and fascination with Israel, as well as its reconnection to its Jewish roots.

However, to fully embrace God's end-time plan we must go to His word that compels us to pray for the peace of Jerusalem (Psalm 122:6). But do we honestly know what this means? For peace will never come to this land until the King of peace returns to it. So indeed when we pray for the peace of Jerusalem, it should lead us to pray for all the events that must take place that His word reveals to us for both Israel and the nations to come into His perfect plan and timing to reveal Himself to the world, AMEN!

Having said that, does this not mean that we are now entering into the time of the fullness of the Gentiles, possibly the greatest spiritual awakening and revival we have ever seen or witnessed? Does this not mean that Israel's spiritual awakening is intricately linked and related to the same, that

their hardening, which has been temporary, will be lifted during these days (see Romans 11:25-26)? So as we pray for revival and awakening shouldn't Israel's spiritual awakening take center stage so that the outpouring to the nations may also come? Even though the Spirit has been focused on gathering His children from the nations these past 2,000 years, this kingdom principle has never changed. Indeed, there is great power for us to be loosed from the heavens in our evangelism to the world, as we look to realign ourselves and the gospel to the Jew first.

Especially now that Israel is about to be awakened and must, in order for Yeshua to return to us and take final dominion. So I feel compelled to ask the pastors of the American church, where almost half of the Jewish population in the world resides, what are you doing about this?

Go with me to Ezekiel 36:23-28. Here God is foretelling His glory plan through Israel's awakening: "I will show the holiness of my great name, which has been profaned among the nations, the name you have profaned among them. The nations will know that I am the Lord, declares the sovereign Lord, when I show myself holy through you before their eyes. For I will take you out of the nations; I will gather you from all the countries and bring you back into your own land. I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you will be clean; I will cleanse you from all of your impurities and from all your idols. I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit in you; I will remove from you a heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh. And I will put my Spirit in you and move you to follow my decrees and be careful to keep my laws. You will live in the land I gave your forefathers; you will be my people, and I will be your God."

We Have A Role To Play

Beloved, I lovingly submit to you that all of these events

that I have just described are intricately linked to another, and that indeed the Lord will not return until the enemy has been cast down to the earth and until His firstborn are spiritually awakened along with the end-time harvest of the nations—three of the greatest spiritual battles that the kingdom and His church must be fully immersed in, in order for the end to come. The fact that most of Israel's spiritual awakening may not actually come down to the end does not separate us from our call to pound the heavens for their rebirth, which is the fiery intercession God is wanting from us at this time.

In the words of one of my spiritual fathers, Pastor Gil Kaplan, in this next awakening, we will see many more believers on their faces, as opposed to their backs on the floor. Not that this is bad, because we all need personal ministry to remain strong in the faith, and we need the full power of the Holy Spirit in our lives. But He wants to increase our focus to include heartfelt supplication with a great cry and weeping for the mercy of God to come upon us for those that are still lost and face a fiery torment, without being awakened from the curse of sin and death. For the heart of our Father is that none would perish!

This issue will also divide us. You must think very seriously with whom you will take your stand, because every evil force will be loosed to keep us separate and apart from our calling and the final conclusion of the prophecies of God's word to restore Israel spiritually (Ezekiel 37:9-11). Just look at how the homosexual issue is dividing us presently.

Do you honestly think that the devil is going to be cast down from the heavens without a major fight or that we we as Christ's body are separated from this? Or are we brought into the Father's plan as a catalyst for end-time prayer, intercession and evangelism that will indeed play a major role in changing the world? Someone please say Amen! And so it is

the same with Israel's spiritual awakening—is the Father going to do this on His own, like all our books and DVDs seem to suggest? Or, will the mercy and breath of God be released through us in accordance with Romans 11:29-32? And if this is the case, shouldn't we be giving it our full and utter attention, and shouldn't it be taking pole position in all that we do in our supplication for Israel and the nations?

After all isn't the gospel to the Jew first and then to the Gentile? Hello! Does someone else need to be awakened here, before Israel is able to see? We must begin to see Israel's spiritual awakening as the golden key to the end-time power and glory of God, as well as our own intricate role (the Church), to take hold of that precious key to unlock its unquenchable power through effective and fervent prayer and intercession, that His end-time power would be loosed upon all.

Praying For The Peace Of Jerusalem

Therefore, in aligning ourselves with this type of intercession for the peace of Jerusalem, we must be willing to pray for all events to come into line with God's end-time plan, in order that His will may come to pass. As a result, if the church is the catalyst that the Holy Spirit wants to move through, don't we need to shift our focus first to pray for the church's awakening here regarding its role toward awakening Israel? Before the veil can come up from Israel, it must first come up from the church. I fully address this topic in my latest book, *The Ezekiel Generation*, which I encourage you to read.

I humbly submit to you that before Israel can be restored to God, the sleeping giant (the church), must be awakened into its own salvific role to release the mercy of God back to Israel. I always say that if we truly knew the significance of this transaction in us, how we would run to it with all of our hearts and all of our strength. We would have the revelation

and the understanding that as we move into the Father's heart to reawaken His firstborn son and our first born brother, that their spiritual awakening is indeed the missing link and piece of the end-time puzzle for the final outpouring of God's Spirit to come upon the earth. Church, can you hear what the Spirit of the Lord is saying?

What will this intercession look like?

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