2 Corinthians 8:9 **For ye know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that, though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, that ye through his poverty might be rich.**

Ecclesiastes 9:14-16 **There was a little city, and few men within it; and there came a great king against it, and besieged it, and built great bulwarks against it: Now there was found in it a poor wise man, and he by his wisdom delivered the city; yet no man remembered that same poor man. Then said I, Wisdom is better than strength: nevertheless the poor man's wisdom is despised, and his words are not heard**.

Christ himself is the poor wise man. When we minister the Gospel to the spiritually impoverished, we are ministering the Gospel to Christ himself.

Matthew 25:31-40 **When the Son of man shall come in his glory, and all the holy angels with him, then shall he sit upon the throne of his glory: And before him shall be gathered all nations: and he shall separate them one from another, as a shepherd divideth his sheep from the goats:**

And he shall set the sheep on his right hand, but the goats on the left. Then shall the King say unto them on his right hand, Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world: For I was an hungred, and ye gave me meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave me drink: I was a stranger, and ye took me in: Naked, and ye clothed me: I was sick, and ye visited me: I was in prison, and ye came unto me. Then shall the righteous answer him, saying, Lord, when saw we thee an hungred, and fed thee? or thirsty, and gave thee drink? When saw we thee a stranger, and took thee in? or naked, and clothed thee? Or when saw we thee sick, or in prison, and came unto thee? And the King shall answer and say unto them, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me.

God has given a mandate to the believers to send the Gospel into all the world, and to lay down our lives on the altar of service that others might be saved.

Romans 12:1 **I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service.**

Luke 19:13 **And he called his ten servants, and delivered them ten pounds, and said unto them, Occupy till I come.**

Joel 2:1-2 **Blow ye the trumpet in Zion, and sound an alarm in my holy mountain: let all the inhabitants of the land tremble: for the day of the LORD cometh, for it is nigh at hand; A day of darkness and of gloominess, a day of clouds and of thick darkness, as the morning spread upon the mountains: a great people and a strong; there hath not been ever the like, neither shall be any more after it, even to the years of many generations.**

Today, God is revealing new truths which have been kept sealed until the end times.

Daniel 12:9-10 **And he said, Go thy way, Daniel: for the words are closed up and sealed till the time of the end. Many shall be purified, and made white, and tried; but the wicked shall do wickedly: and none of the wicked shall understand; but the wise shall understand.**

The Bible provides adequate information to know that Creation occurred in the year 11,013 B.C., and that the flood occurred in 4,990 B.C. If we project 7,000 years from the flood, we land on 2011 A.D.

2 Peter 3:8 **But, beloved, be not ignorant of this one thing, that one day is with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day.**

God told Noah in Genesis 7:4 **For yet seven days, and I will cause it to rain upon the earth forty days and forty nights; and every living substance that I have made will I destroy from off the face of the earth.**

One day is as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day, therefore, seven days = 7,000 years, bringing us to 2011 A.D. What happened in that year?

We can look to the account of Jonah 3:4 for our answer. **Jonah cried, and said, Yet forty days, and Nineveh shall be overthrown.**

What was the reaction of the people of Nineveh? Jonah 3:5-10 **So the people of Nineveh believed God,**

and proclaimed a fast, and put on sackcloth, from the

greatest of them even to the least of them. For word came unto the king of Nineveh, and he arose from his throne, and he laid his robe from him, and covered him with sackcloth, and sat in ashes. And he caused it to be proclaimed and published through Nineveh by the decree of the king and his nobles, saying, Let neither man nor beast, herd nor flock, taste any thing: let them not feed, nor drink water: But let man and beast be covered with sackcloth, and cry mightily unto God: yea, let them turn every one from his evil way, and from the violence that is in their hands.

Who can tell if God will turn and repent, and turn away from his fierce anger, that we perish not? And God saw their works, that they turned from their evil way; and God repented of the evil, that he had said that he would do unto them; and he did it not.

The salvation of Nineveh is a blueprint for the salvation of the elect in our day. Even as Nineveh was completely outside the nation of Israel, so, too, the elect are being saved completely outside the local congregations.

Psalm 80:3,7,19 says, **Turn us again, O God, and cause thy face to shine; and we shall be saved.**

Salvation did not end in 2011, why? simply because there were still God's elect who, in time, would repent at the preaching of the Gospel, because Christ has already made payment for their sins and obligated himself to save them. Isaiah 60:10-11 **And the sons of strangers shall build up thy walls, and their kings shall minister unto thee: for in my wrath I smote thee, but in my favour have I had mercy on thee. Therefore thy gates shall be open continually; they shall not be shut day nor night; that men may bring unto thee the forces of the Gentiles, and that their kings may be brought.**

The gates of salvation shall be open as long as the earth remains. But there is no guarantee of tomorrow.

2 Corinthians 6:2 **(For he saith, I have heard thee in a time accepted, and in the day of salvation have I succoured thee: behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation.)**



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DID YOU KNOW GOD IS ONLY SAVING OUTSIDE THE CHURCHES??

Fear God, and give glory to him; for the hour of his judgment is come:
Revelation 14:7

Dearly Beloved:

We are living at a most dangerous and propitious time in history, when the Bible's prophecies concerning the end times are coming to pass before our very eyes!

Revelation 3:10 **Because thou hast kept the word of my patience, I also will keep thee from the hour of temptation, which shall come upon all the world, to try them that dwell upon the earth.**

The hour of temptation, or testing, which shall come upon all the world to try them that dwell upon the earth, is a reference to the great tribulation period, which began, as best we can learn from the Bible, in the year 1988.

Revelation 20:1-3 **And I saw an angel** [Greek: *angelos*, **messenger,** the Lord Jesus Christ] **come down from heaven, having the key of the bottomless pit and a great chain in his hand. And he laid hold on the dragon, that old serpent, which is the Devil, and Satan, and bound him a thousand years** [the completeness of God's timetable]**, And cast him into the bottomless pit, and shut him up, and set a seal upon him, that he should deceive the nations no more, till the thousand years** [completeness of God's timetable] **should be fulfilled: and after that he must be loosed a little season** [little season = great tribulation].

Satan has been loosed to rule in the local congregations worldwide in accordance with 2 Thessalonians 2:1-4 **Now we beseech you, brethren, by the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, and by our gathering together unto him, That ye be not soon shaken in mind, or be troubled, neither by spirit, nor by word, nor by letter as from us, as that the day of Christ is at hand. Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition; Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called** God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God.

The man of sin, the son of perdition, is Satan, who comes peaceably, with deception, looking just like Christ.

2 Corinthians 2:13-15 **For such are false apostles, deceitful workers, transforming themselves into the apostles of Christ. And no marvel; for Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light. Therefore it is no great thing if his ministers also be transformed as the ministers of righteousness; whose end shall be according to their works**.

Daniel 8:23-25 **And in the latter time of their kingdom, when the transgressors are come to the full, a king of fierce countenance, and understanding dark sentences, shall stand up. And his power shall be mighty, but not by his own power: and he shall destroy wonderfully, and shall prosper, and practise, and shall destroy the mighty and the holy people. And through his policy also he shall cause craft to prosper in his hand; and he shall magnify himself in his heart, and by peace shall destroy many: he shall also stand up against the Prince of princes; but he shall be broken without hand**.

Jeremiah 25:29 **For, lo, I begin to bring evil on the city which is called by my name, and should ye be utterly unpunished? Ye shall not be unpunished: for I will call for a sword upon all the inhabitants of the earth, saith the LORD of hosts.**

The city upon which the LORD of hosts is bringing evil in our day is the house of God, as externally represented by the churches and congregations worldwide.

Jeremiah 7:4-11;14-16 **Trust ye not in lying words, saying, The temple of the LORD, The temple of the LORD, The temple of the LORD, are these. Behold, ye trust in lying words, that cannot profit. Will ye steal, murder, and commit adultery, and swear falsely, and burn incense unto Baal, and walk after other gods whom ye know not; And come and stand before me in this house, which is called by my name, and say, We are delivered to do all these abominations? Is this house, which is called by my name, become a den of robbers in your eyes? Behold, even I have seen it, saith the LORD. Therefore will I do unto this house, which is called by my name, wherein ye trust, and unto the place which I gave to you and to your fathers, as I have done to Shiloh. And I will cast you out of my sight, as I have cast out all your brethren, even the whole seed of Ephraim. Therefore pray not thou for this people, neither lift up cry nor prayer for them, neither make intercession to me: for I will not hear thee.**

God's judgment has fallen today on the churches and congregations worldwide; the believers must flee *spiritual Babylon* to remain obedient to God's commandments.

Revelation 18:4-5 **And I heard another voice from heaven, saying, Come out of her, my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues. For her sins have reached unto heaven, and God hath remembered her iniquities**.

Jeremiah 51:6 **Flee out of the midst of** [spiritual] **Babylon, and deliver every man his soul: be not cut off in her iniquity; for this is the time of the LORD'S vengeance; he will render unto her a recompence.**

Jeremiah 21:8-10 **And unto this people thou shalt say, Thus saith the LORD; Behold, I set before you the way of life, and the way of death. He that abideth in this city shall die by the sword, and by the famine, and by the pestilence: but he that goeth out, and falleth to the Chaldeans that besiege you, he shall live, and his life shall be unto him for a prey. For I have set my face against this city for evil, and not for good, saith the LORD: it shall be given into the hand of the king of Babylon, and he shall burn it with fire.**

Matthew 24:15-22 **When ye therefore shall see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, stand in the holy place, (whoso readeth, let him understand:) Then let them which be in Judaea flee into the mountains: Let him which is on the housetop not come down to take any thing out of his house: Neither let him which is in the field return back to take his clothes. And woe unto them that are with child, and to them that give suck in those days! But pray ye that your flight be not in the winter, neither on the sabbath day: For then shall be great tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be. And except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved: but for the elect's sake those days shall be shortened.** The mountains are a figure of the kingdom of God

Psalm 121:1-2 **I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help. My help cometh from the LORD, which made heaven and earth.**

Luke 21:20-22 **And when ye shall see Jerusalem compassed with armies, then know that the desolation thereof is nigh. Then let them which are in Judaea flee to the mountains; and let them which are in the midst of it depart out; and let not them that are in the countries enter thereinto. For these be the days of vengeance, that all things which are written may be fulfilled.**

Revelation 13:7 **And it was given unto him** [Satan] **to make war with the saints, and to overcome them: and power was given him over all kindreds, and tongues, and nations.**

Micah 4:10 **Be in pain, and labour to bring forth, O daughter of Zion, like a woman in travail: for now shalt thou go forth out of the city** [Jerusalem, churches and congregations worldwide]**, and thou shalt dwell in the field** [the world]**, and thou shalt go even to** [*secular*] **Babylon** [*north country*]**; there shalt thou be delivered; there the LORD shall redeem thee from the hand of thine enemies.**

God is saving in our day *outside the churches*! Jeremiah 31:6-12 **For there shall be a day, that the watchmen upon the mount Ephraim shall cry, Arise ye, and let us go up to Zion unto the Lord our God.**

For thus saith the Lord; Sing with gladness for Jacob, and shout among the chief of the nations: publish ye, praise ye, and say, O Lord, save thy people, the remnant of Israel. Behold, I will bring them from the north country, and gather them from the coasts of the earth, and with them the blind and the lame, the woman with child and her that travaileth with child together: a great company shall return thither. They shall come with weeping, and with supplications will I lead them: I will cause them to walk by the rivers of waters in a straight way, wherein they shall not stumble: for I am a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my firstborn. Hear the word of the Lord, O ye nations, and declare it in the isles afar off, and say, He that scattered Israel will gather him, and keep him, as a shepherd doth his flock. For the Lord hath redeemed Jacob, and ransomed him from the hand of him that was stronger than he. Therefore they shall come and sing in the height of Zion, and shall flow together to the goodness of the Lord, for wheat, and for wine, and for oil, and for the young of the flock and of the herd: and their soul shall be as a watered garden; and they shall not sorrow any more at all.

Today, the prophecy of Matthew 13:34-39 regarding the end-time *harvest* is being fulfilled.

All these things spake Jesus unto the multitude in parables; and without a parable spake he not unto them: That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophet, saying, I will open my mouth in parables; I will utter things which have been kept

secret from the foundation of the world. Then Jesus sent the multitude away, and went into the house: and his disciples came unto him, saying, Declare unto us the parable of the tares of the field. He answered and said unto them, He that soweth the good seed is the Son of man; The field is the world; the good seed are the children of the kingdom; but the tares are the children of the wicked *one*; The enemy that sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the world; and the reapers are the [Greek: ***angelos*, messengers**].

The end of the world is the period of time in which we are now living. The *messengers* are the true believers who are outside the churches, remaining on the housetops, sharing the Gospel of judgment and of salvation. This end-time harvest is of two kinds. There is the binding of the tares, those who externally appear as believers and yet are not saved, and there is the harvesting of the wheat, typifying the elect of God. One of the primary ways that God is testing those who call themselves believers today is by our love for the spiritually impoverished, which finds its highest expression in sharing the Gospel.

Deuteronomy 15:7-11 **If there be among you a poor man of one of thy brethren within any of thy gates in thy land which the LORD thy God giveth thee, thou shalt not harden thine heart, nor shut thine hand from thy poor brother: But thou shalt open thine hand wide unto him, and shalt surely lend him sufficient for his need, in that which he wanteth. Beware that there be not a thought in thy wicked heart, saying, The seventh year, the year of release, is at hand; and thine eye be evil against thy poor brother, and thou givest him nought; and he cry unto the LORD against thee, and it be sin unto thee. Thou shalt surely give him, and thine heart shall not be grieved when thou givest unto him: because that for this thing the LORD thy God shall bless thee in all thy works, and in all that thou puttest thine hand unto. For the poor shall never cease out of the land: therefore I command thee, saying, Thou shalt open thine hand wide unto thy brother, to thy poor, and to thy needy, in thy land.**

In these verses in Deuteronomy 15:1-11, the poor are the poor in spirit, the elect, whose sins were paid for from before the foundation of the world.

Matthew 5:3 **Blessed are the poor in spirit: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.**

Psalm 34:6 **This poor man cried, and the LORD heard him, and saved him out of all his troubles.**