

INSPIRED WORD November 11, 2020

IMAGE

I saw an image of a marathon runner, like the one who ran to proclaim the victory of the marathon in Greece. However, it represented us running to proclaim that the Lord is victorious. We need not fear; He is victorious over fear, doubt, all circumstances in life.

EXHORTATION

A few songs ago we sang “the earth is filled with His glory”. And the Lord is inviting us, asking us to open our hearts, to stop right now and open our hearts, maybe even open our hands, and feel His glory.

CONFIRMATION / SENSE

I just want to confirm that. I’ve been getting an image these last few minutes, something was brought to mind of something called a king tide in Oregon. A regular tide makes waves go from anywhere from 2 feet high to maybe 6 feet high on a big tide. A king tide has waves of 35 feet high that smash up against the rocks in a big explosion over and over again. And I said, “Lord, why did You tell me about this? Why is this in my head?” And I kept trying to give it all sorts of meanings and I was just like, “No, that’s not it, that’s not it.” And when you said “the earth is filled with my glory”, it was like “that’s it.” God said, “I am the king tide and you keep expecting me, looking at me saying, ‘Oh, my God is a three foot wave God.’” And God is like, “No, I’m a 35-foot wave God, thank you very much. The earth is filled with MY glory.”

SCRIPTURE / PRAYER

From **Psalm 23:2-4**: *Beside restful waters he leads me; he refreshes my soul. He guides me in right paths for his name’s sake. Even though I walk in the dark valley, I fear no evil; for you are at my side. Your rod and your staff, they give me courage. And so tonight, God, we are so grateful You are with us in the king waves and the mighty crashes of the water, and You are also with us in the still streams that refresh our soul in the quietude. We ask You for courage tonight because we are walking through a dark valley and everywhere we turn we see people suffering. We see illness and death and confusion and chaos. And we are afraid, Lord, so we come to You, our Shepherd and our God, our God of might and our God of quiet. We ask that You fill us with trust, that regardless of what is going on around us, that we can follow You, that we can trust in Your guidance through this dark valley. We can trust in the victory that You announce and proclaim, that You send Your messenger before us. Help us to be open to receive the message, to believe the message and to pass the message on, the message of hope, the message that is You, Jesus Christ our Savior.*

SCRIPTURE / PRAYER

When you were all talking about king tide, I was reminded of Ezekiel’s river of healing (**Ezekiel 47:1-7**). *So in my vision, the man brought me back to the entrance of the*

temple. There I saw a stream flowing east from beneath the door of the temple and passing to the right of the altar on its south side. The man brought me outside the wall through the north gateway and led me around to the eastern entrance. There I could see the water flowing out through the south side of the east gateway. Measuring as he went, he took me along the stream for 1750 feet, then led me across. The water was up to my ankles. He measured off another 1750 feet and led me across again. This time the water was up to my knees. After another 1750 feet, it was up to my waist. Then he measured another 1750 feet and the water was too deep to walk across. It was deep enough to swim in but too deep to walk through. He asked me, "Have you been watching, son of man?" Then he led me back along the river bank. When I returned, I was surprised by the sight of many trees growing on both sides of the river. And then it goes on about fish. Fish will abound in the dead sea for its water will become fresh. Life will flourish wherever this water goes (v. 9). Lord Jesus, we look not to man for our salvation. We lift our eyes up to You. We lift our eyes to this temple and we see what this river of life can bring to us and to everyone across the face of the earth.

SCRIPTURE / WORD OF WISDOM

I don't have my bible with me right now but I keep getting this image of the scripture when King David is anointed by Samuel. At the time he was just a shepherd and he was the youngest son out in the fields and they knew that the prophet was coming and that he was going to anoint someone. So all of the sons came in and were ready to go. They said, "We need someone to stay out in the fields and watch the animals so you don't get to come. You aren't going to get picked anyway. So you stay here." And Samuel goes through each son – the brave one, the tall one, the cute one – you know, all of the sons that you would expect would have God's blessing. And he's like, "No, this isn't it. Is there any more? I'd really like to anoint someone today. I came all this way. Is there anyone else?" Well, there's David (**1 Samuel 16**). And I think sometimes in our lives we feel like "Well, there's David." And that's us, and we're not in the right place, it's not the right time, nothing seems right. And that's who God wants to anoint. He wants to anoint us because we don't have it on our own. We would need to depend on Him to get the work done. 100 percent. We don't have it on our own. And so He calls us from where we are and anoints us for His mission.

PROPHECY

Yes, my beloved, I do call you. My beloved, I say to you I love you. Will you let me be your light in the darkness? Will you let me be your companion? Will you let me be your healing in the pain? Will you allow me to walk with you? My beloved, there is darkness in the world; there is also light in the world. And I say to you, look not at the darkness, rather see my light. Look not at the loneliness, rather my presence. Look not at the fear, rather let me be your courage. Look not at the sadness; let me be your joy. I have told you often and I shall tell you again. My name is greater than any of these. When you face them, say my name. When you are lonely, say my name. When you are afraid, say my name. When you can take no more, say my name. My beloved ones, often I say to you I love you. But do you really understand what my love is? My love overcomes everything. My love overcomes everything.