

Battle Plan, week 4

This weekend is an Easter celebration unlike any I have experienced. I am certain God is not unaware or distracted. I suspect our circumstances this Easter better reflect our brothers and sisters throughout the earth than our previous habits.

God is responding to our prayers. The data being reported is vastly better than the projections of 3 or 4 weeks ago. It is not sufficient to say "the models were wrong". I believe God is moving before our very eyes. I choose to see His handiwork and give Him glory. Hundreds of thousands of people have been spared.

We need to continue to seek Him. The path forward is critical. We must emerge from this season with new patterns and habits. If we see the economy restored and we return to our old habits, we will have missed the discipline. **I want to be trained by this season, not simply endure.**

God is preparing His people for what is coming on the earth. Let us choose to cooperate with the Holy Spirit.

Weekly Reading Assignment: Judges (see how many names of Judges you can identify)

Prayers: Let's return to our

- 1) Proclamation of Faith, in the morning
- 2) Blood of Jesus confession, at noon
- 3) Declaration of Truth, in the evening

Galatians 6:9 (NIV)

⁹ Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up.

A Proclamation of Faith

Stanza #1 --- A Sovereign God & His People

God has uniquely blessed us --- the best is yet to come.

The earth is the Lord's and everything in it.

He is the sovereign creator of all things.

Nothing is too difficult for Him, His love sustains us.

Jesus, His only son, is our savior, Lord & King.

We live in a season of shaking. God is shaking the earth.

He is restoring the Jewish people and purifying His Church.

If we look at the things which can be shaken we will be filled with terror.

If we look at the eternal Kingdom of our Lord, we will be filled with anticipation.

Our determination as we gather today is to declare before one another & Almighty God

WE WILL NOT STOP.

Isaiah 59:1 (NIV)

¹ Surely the arm of the LORD is not too short to save, nor his ear too dull to hear.

Nehemiah 9:5-6 (NIV)

"Stand up and praise the LORD your God, who is from everlasting to everlasting." "Blessed be your glorious name, and may it be exalted above all blessing and praise. ⁶ You alone are the LORD. You made the heavens, even the highest heavens, and all their starry host, the earth and all that is on it, the seas and all that is in them. You give life to everything, and the multitudes of heaven worship you.

Stanza #2 --- Faith & Perseverance

We are not satisfied.

We are not distracted.

We are not weary in doing good.

We are not discouraged.

We have our eyes on the cross and our hearts set on the prize.

We believe the One who has promised is Faithful.

We believe the Holy Spirit is our Helper.

We believe that what we ask in Jesus' name our Father provides.

We believe that the King of Kings is returning to the earth in all of His glory ---

and we intend to be about His business until that moment in time.

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James 1:2-4 (NIV)

² Consider it pure joy, my brothers, whenever you face trials of many kinds, ³ because you know that the testing of your faith develops perseverance. ⁴ Perseverance must finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything.

Hebrews 6:12 (NIV)

¹² We do not want you to become lazy, but to imitate those who through faith and patience inherit what has been promised.

1 Timothy 6:12 (NIV)

¹² Fight the good fight of the faith. Take hold of the eternal life to which you were called . . .

Philippians 3:12 (NIV)

¹² Not that I have already obtained all this, or have already been made perfect, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me.

Hebrews 12:2-3 (NIV)

² Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. ³ Consider him who endured such opposition from sinful men, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart.

Stanza #3 --- Jesus our Savior, Lord & King

We have cast our lot with the Prince of Peace,
We have yielded our will to the Lord of Lords,
We are servants of the King,
We reflect the beauty of the Lily of the Valley,
We stand in the strength of the Lion of Judah,
We live in health through the Great Physician,
Our needs are met because He is Our Abundance.
We know our path because we follow the Great Shepherd,
We are participants in the Kingdom of God because we found THE Door,
We are righteous because of His Sacrifice,
We have taken hold of true life because He is risen.
His name is Jesus of Nazareth, He is Christ, our Lord & our King.
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Psalms 23:1 (NIV)

¹ The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not be in want.

John 10:9 (NKJV)

⁹ I am the door. If anyone enters by Me, he will be saved, and will go in and out and find pasture.

Revelation 5:12-13 (NIV)

"Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and praise!" ¹³ Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and on the sea, and all that is in them, singing: "To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and honor and glory and power, for ever and ever!"

Psalms 103:2-3 (NIV)

² Praise the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits-- ³ who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases,

Stanza #4 --- The Church

We believe The Church is His Body.
Our presence on planet earth is ordained by Almighty God.
We are empowered by Spirit of the Living Christ.
The angels are ministering Spirits sent forth on our behalf.
Our reward is sure.
Our inheritance is unfading.
Our treasure is secure ---it will not diminish.
Our role is pivotal.
Our faithfulness is required.
Together we stand, united in heart and purpose to accomplish the purposes of God in our generation.
WE WILL NOT STOP.

Matthew 16:18 (NIV)

I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it.

Revelation 1:20 (NIV)

²⁰ The mystery of the seven stars that you saw in my right hand and of the seven golden lampstands is this: The seven stars are the angels of the seven churches, and the seven lampstands are the seven churches.

Matthew 6:20 (NIV)

²⁰ But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moth and rust do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal.

Hebrews 1:14 (NIV)

¹⁴ Are not all angels ministering spirits sent to serve those who will inherit salvation?

Hebrews 11:26 (NIV)

²⁶ He regarded disgrace for the sake of Christ as of greater value than the treasures of Egypt, because he was looking ahead to his reward.

Hebrews 6:12 (NIV)

¹² We do not want you to become lazy, but to imitate those who through faith and patience inherit what has been promised.

Stanza #5 --- The Faithfulness of God

We know not all will go with us; the journey is long, there is a price to pay.

We are aware of an adversary.

We wrestle with the inconsistency of our own hearts.

We weep for the pain and suffering around us.

Our plans are made, our course is charted & our heart is fixed.

The one who promised is Faithful.

The author of our faith is also the completer of our story.

His strength is sufficient.

His wisdom is unassailable.

His presence is permanent.

His joy is our strength.

WE WILL NOT STOP.

Deuteronomy 31:6 (NIV)

⁶ Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid or terrified because of them, for the LORD your God goes with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you."

Hebrews 10:23 (NIV)

²³ Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful.

Habakkuk 3:19 (NIV)

¹⁹ The Sovereign LORD is my strength; he makes my feet like the feet of a deer, he enables me to go on the heights.

Nehemiah 8:10 (NIV)

This day is sacred to our Lord. Do not grieve, for the joy of the LORD is your strength."

The Blood of Jesus Confession

I testify as to what the Word of God says the blood of Jesus does for me;
Through the blood of Jesus, I am redeemed out of the hand of the devil;
Through the blood of Jesus, all my sins are forgiven;
The blood of Jesus Christ, God's Son, continually cleanses me from all sin;
Through the blood of Jesus I am sanctified, made holy, set apart to God;
Through the blood of Jesus I am justified, made righteous, just as if I'd never sinned.
My body is a temple of the Holy Spirit, redeemed, cleansed by the blood of Jesus;
Therefore, Satan has no place in me, no power over me, through the blood of Jesus.

Revelation 12:11

They (the believers on earth) overcame him (satan) by the Blood of the Lamb (Jesus Christ), and by the word of their testimony.

Ephesians 1:7

In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace.

Psalms 107:2

Let the Redeemed of the Lord say so, whom he hath redeemed from the hand of the enemy.

I John 1:7

But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanses us from all sin.

Romans 5:9

Much more then, being now justified by his blood, we shall be saved from wrath through him.

Hebrews 13:12 (NASB)

Therefore Jesus also, that He might sanctify the people through His own blood, suffered outside the gate.

I Choose the Truth . . .

My choice is to be a disciple of Jesus Christ, to live for His honor. Father, I pray that I may know the truth. I choose your freedom in my life, for my family and in my home.

John 8:31-32

To the Jews who had believed him, Jesus said, "If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples. [32] Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free."

Lord, guide me in your truth. May my entire family be led by your truth.

Psalm 25:5

guide me in your truth and teach me, for you are God my Savior, and my hope is in you all day long.

May I continually walk in your truth – in my marriage, in my business, in all of my relationships, throughout my entire life.

Psalm 26:3

for your love is ever before me, and I walk continually in your truth.

Psalm 43:3

Send forth your light and your truth, let them guide me;

Father, wherever I may have strayed from your truth, teach me. My desire is to walk before you in truth. Wherever my heart is divided, teach me to fear your name.

Psalm 86:11

Teach me your way, O Lord, and I will walk in your truth; give me an undivided heart, that I may fear your name.

Psalm 119:30

I have chosen the way of truth; I have set my heart on your laws.

I thank you that you hear my prayers, that you are attentive to my life, that I am not alone.

Psalm 145:18

The Lord is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth.

I choose to invest my life, my resources, my energy – all that I am, in the pursuit of your truth. Father, bring wisdom, discipline and understanding to my life.

Proverbs 23:23

Buy the truth and do not sell it; get wisdom, discipline and understanding.

Father, I choose to be led by your Spirit of Truth. Help me to recognize His leading, to discern His voice, to understand His direction. My desire is to honor the Spirit of Truth in my life.

John 14:17

the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be in you.

John 15:26

"When the Counselor comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who goes out from the Father, he will testify about me.

John 16:13

But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all truth. He will not speak on his own; he will speak only what he hears, and he will tell you what is yet to come.

I pray that I would in no way suppress the truth. In my home and life may your truth have free reign – in Jesus' name may godlessness and wickedness be cast out and truth be triumphant.

Romans 1:18

The wrath of God is being revealed from heaven against all the godlessness and wickedness of men who suppress the truth by their wickedness

May your truth find full expression in my life, my home and my family. Direct my steps that I may obey your truth and grow up into all you created me for. I choose to stand firmly with the belt of truth in place in my life. Thank you for your truth and the freedom it is bringing into my life.

1 Cor. 13:6

Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth.

Galatians 5:7

You were running a good race. Who cut in on you and kept you from obeying the truth?

Ephes. 4:15

Instead, speaking the truth in love, we will in all things grow up into him who is the Head, that is, Christ.

Ephes. 6:14

Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled around your waist, with the breastplate of righteousness in place,

