

The Last Days Anointing



A Compilation of Teachings from the January 2014

Ministry Training School Including:

- The Same Anointing Jesus Had
- The Coming of The Lord
- A Journey through the Feasts
- Reaching Nations

Revival Ministries Australia

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Introduction: Revival

We are entering a new season of revival. At the time of the January 2014 apostolic training school God has been speaking to us about “revival”. This has been a much used term as people have been praying for “revival” for a long time, looking for “revival” and wanting to experience “revival”.

We have realised that before Jesus comes we are to ***“repent and be converted, that our sins may be blotted out, so that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord, and that He may send Jesus Christ” Acts 3:19-20a.*** We are to experience ***times of refreshing*** from the presence of the Lord that will prepare us for God to send Jesus. Jesus’ coming will be preceded by refreshing and revival.

The Hebrew word which is translated **“revive”** and **“reviving”** in the King James version is the word **“chayah”** which means: **to live, to revive** and has been translated as:- **keep (leave, make) alive, give life, live, nourish up, preserve, quicken, recover, repair, restore (to life), revive, save (alive, life, lives), be whole.**

This word appears in the Old Testament **262 times!** God is serious about revival, life, restoration and quickening us to walk in His life! The word **“chayah”** is used in **Habakkuk** when the prophet says ***“the just shall live by his faith” (2:4).*** This is a cornerstone verse for the New Testament believing church. The just, or the righteous, will live, be revived, be quickened, restored and repaired by a life of faith in Jesus the Messiah! The whole New Testament church is a people who have been and are continuing to be **revived** until Jesus comes!

We are in a period of history where Jesus is preparing His church for His coming. He is releasing His anointing in these last days to revive, restore and make His people alive to the things of God. True revival is living by faith, hearing the voice of God speak to us, being continually filled with the Holy Spirit, being changed into the image of God from glory to glory, being empowered to reach nations and receiving the same anointing that Jesus had to fully represent Him in the earth!

It is time for revival! **Psalms 119** says on nine different occasions that we are to be revived or **“quicken”**: ***“according to Your word” (vv.25,107,154), “in Your way” (v.37), “in Your righteousness” (v.40), “according to Your lovingkindness” (vv.88,159), “according to Your justice” (v.149), “according to Your judgements” (v.156).***

It is time for revival. Be quickened by the Spirit-empowered Word. It is time to receive this anointing for the last days!

Nicholas Jackson

Session 1

Paul Galligan, apostle

Come Follow Me

Theme of the School

Zechariah 12:10 – I will pour on the house of David...the Spirit of grace and supplication

To focus on Jesus, to see Him

House of David in days of Zechariah was a very small remnant

Prophetically today, house of David is those who belong to Messiah Jesus

Inhabitant of Jerusalem = today a born again, baptised, Spirit-filled child of God

We are of this house, this seed, we belong to the Jerusalem which is above

We are to become citizens of the kingdom of heaven

We are to always remember the essential foundation – Jesus the Messiah, crucified, dead, buried, risen and ascended and pouring out the Holy Spirit

We are entering in to the last days revival, we are declaring we want to be involved and included – the last days revival that will go out from Australia into all nations, preparing the church for His coming

We believe Australia will be used as a model nation – seeing the church obediently praying according to **1 Timothy 2:1-12**

How will the message of Jesus be known in Australia – somebody needs to testify, speak forth and declare who Jesus is and what He has done

The message of who Jesus is has not gone too far yet

Who is Jesus?

Matthew 16:16 – “You are the Messiah, the Son of the Living God”

“Messiah” – the Anointed King – when we start to preach who He is it causes kings to be troubled (Matthew 2:1-8 – like King Herod)

Psalms 110:1-7

“Son of the Living God” – God manifested in the flesh (1 Tim.3:16).

This Jesus is calling to us afresh “Come Follow Me”

Do not join any church or any ministry – follow Jesus!

This is the call to be a disciple

Matthew 4:18

Jesus saw 2 brothers, Simon and Andrew

v.19 – Come and I will make you fishers of men

v.20 – they immediately left what they were doing, their livelihood and followed Jesus

v.21 – John and James did the same

We are called to follow a Person – Jesus

Hebrews 3:1

Consider Jesus the Apostle

- ❖ as the apostle, Jesus is going somewhere, they are on the move, He has a mission, Follow Jesus, join the mission

Consider Jesus the High Priest

- ❖ He has done something wonderful for us
- ❖ Receive what I have done for you
- ❖ He has redeemed us from all sin and unrighteousness, He saves us
- ❖ This will enable us to follow Him as the apostle

How to follow Jesus

1. a Radical shift - Abraham

- ❖ **Genesis 12:1**
- ❖ Get out of your country (national identity), family, father's house (culture, lineage) – forsake your life and follow Him
- ❖ God will take us to a new "country, family and father's house"
- ❖ God told Abram "I will make you a blessing to all nations/families"
- ❖ We are to be a blessing to the nations

2. Total Commitment - Nehemiah

- ❖ **Nehemiah 1** – Nehemiah had a "cushy" job, he was the king's cupbearer, the king's counselor, a privileged position, intimacy with the king, a luxurious job
- ❖ He was a man of integrity, a man of God – had kingdom priorities in his heart, was not a "sook"
- ❖ Was willing to give up his position of luxury due to news of Jerusalem
- ❖ Total commitment – turned his back on prominence and privilege

3. A different lifestyle - Paul the apostle

- ❖ True discipleship, Christianity is a lifestyle
- ❖ Jesus warned that even in our families there would be division over this different lifestyle
- ❖ Paul – he had a major change of lifestyle
- ❖ a Pharisee, persecuting Christians, to a preacher of the gospel
- ❖ was a PHD type of educated man
- ❖ **Acts 9:26-30** – all the disciples were afraid of Paul
- ❖ declared his testimony to the apostles
- ❖ spoke boldly in the name of Jesus

4. Total Submission - Esther

- ❖ Esther – willing to submit totally
- ❖ she made a decision of total submission
- ❖ it won her the queenship
- ❖ submitted to an alien situation, the chief eunuch became her best friend and helped her
- ❖ **Esther 4:14-16** – Esther's willingness to submit brought her to the place of making the right choice – even if it cost her life
- ❖ **Submitting** - is dealing with pride, trusting God even when situation seems crazy, it is a character quality – like Shadrach, Meshack and Abed-Nego, they were submitted but not obedient, submission is of the heart
- ❖ To follow Jesus requires total submission

5. The Greatest Challenge - Moses

- ❖ **Exodus 4:13** – Moses was sure he was the wrong person to be called – “just don’t send me”
- ❖ God’s response – He was angry, He had already spoken to Aaron’s heart and he would be a helper
- ❖ Moses was rebellious to the call and was slack in obeying God to circumcise his son, God was even going to kill him
- ❖ Let’s desire to perfectly obey God
- ❖ Greatest challenge is to lay down our life to be obedient to Jesus

6. Greatest Reward – Peter

- ❖ Peter seeing Jesus on Mount of Transfiguration
- ❖ **2 Peter 1:16-20** – “with Him on the holy mountain”
- ❖ Also Paul “saw the Lord”
- ❖ seeing Jesus in His glory

What God is doing in the church today is different to revival in the past – we are in today

Examine your heart to how much you trust in riches, rely upon family and prioritise them, depend on culture/language and trust in our own achievements

We must back away from our achievements and failures and find ourselves in Jesus

Discipleship is not based on what we have done

Genesis 24 – servant of Abraham given a very important task – find a wife for Isaac (he is the heir of God in the earth)

- ❖ “I being in the way, God led me”
- ❖ Put ourselves in the position we need to be and then allow God to lead us

Last year’s plans and priorities have already been left behind

Now is a new opportunity to follow Jesus in 2014

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Session 2

Nicholas Jackson

Aussies for Jesus

"The love of Messiah compels (has gripped) me" (**2 Corinthians 5:14**)

Are you gripped by the love of Messiah, so that you realise you have no choice anymore but to live for Him and lay down your life for others

Let our hearts break for the souls of the nation with the heart and love of Jesus

Adopt Jesus' heart for the nation

- ❖ we are in a nation that needs saving, deliverance and discipling

1 Chronicles 12:32

- ❖ The sons of Issachar had understanding of the times they were living in.
 - ❖ A prophetic declaration over Australia – 'The great South Land of the Holy Spirit'
 - ❖ You are in Australia for His purpose
 - ❖ We need to have understanding of the times we are living in
 - ❖ 1920, Smith Wigglesworth prophesied over Australia 'the last great revival would come forth from Australia, would reach every nation of the earth and usher in the coming of the Lord'
 - ❖ The times are upon us!!!
 - ❖ He is preparing us for His coming
 - ❖ **Don't despise the day of small things**
 - ❖ Sep 2013, Nick had a dream – he was sharing the need for the church to be built on the foundations of apostles and prophets – according to the pattern. The pastor in the dream hearing was not very interested. The dream shifted and Nick was standing before Smith Wigglesworth. Nick said, "I need the anointing". Smith held his hands up and released the anointing. He then saw a royal coloured clock and heard 'it is a royal anointing'
 - ❖ The pastor's response in the dream has been the general state and attitude of the church.
 - ❖ Smith Wigglesworth had prophesied over the nation of Australia
 - ❖ The Clock speaks that 'it is time'
- (**Daniel 8:2-5** – Daniel knew the prophesy of Jeremiah, he knew the time)
- ❖ Daniel sought God and was in prayer and supplication (Asking God for His favour and grace).

❖ God wants to pour the Spirit of grace and supplication on His people (**Zechariah 12:10**) to prepare us to see Jesus when He comes

❖ It is a royal anointing. He puts a royal robe on us – to rule and reign with Him

Luke 11:9-13 – ‘Ask and keep on asking, and it shall be given to you. Seek and keep on seeking and you shall find. Knock and keep knocking and the door will open for you’

❖ This is the heart we are to have.

❖ God will give us the Holy Spirit

❖ In this nation there have been many crazy ideas, ‘anti-Christ’ decisions especially from the left side of politics

❖ Danny Nalliah and the Rise Up Australia Party is not just a political party but a move of God in this nation

❖ God is giving a strategy to reach this nation with the gospel – ‘Aussies For Jesus’

❖ Calling for Australians to live for Jesus

❖ Most denominations in Australia originated from other countries.

❖ God is releasing His church and purpose in Australia. Australia being called forth for Him. It is not man made. It is all about Jesus.

❖ God is building His body and His Church – the Holy Nation.

❖ It is for this nation to come under the reality of heaven in every sphere of life

❖ He is calling us to see nations. It is not about denominations. Our vision is to see nations now, for our vision to grow and change.

❖ Jesus desires nations and He wants us to adopt His heart for the nation we live in. Does your heart beat with the heart of Jesus for this nation?

❖ Sometimes we get complacent in our hearts for people of our own nation. We need to see ourselves as sent into the nation in which we live. You are on mission to your people, your nation even as if you were sent from another place. Do you love your nation?

❖ Jesus died for us and we also are to die with Him so that we would no longer live for ourselves but for Him who died and rose again.

(**2 Corinthians 5:14-17**) – no longer seeing people in your nation according to the flesh but as someone made in the image and likeness of God. Somebody who Jesus loves.

- ❖ Nation GK 'ethnos' – a race, a people of the same habit, a tribe

Genesis 22:18

'In Abraham all the nations of the earth will be blessed'

- ❖ It is in the seed of Abraham that all the nations are blessed. (**Gal 3:16**)
- ❖ In Christ, you are the seed of Abraham that is the blessing to your nation. You are the blessing in your nation

Psalm 22:27-28

- ❖ Because of the death and resurrection of Jesus all the ends of the earth shall turn to Jesus.
- ❖ All nations shall worship Jesus and lay down our lives for Him

Revelation 7:9 – the fulfilment of Psalm 22

'All nations, tribes, peoples and tongues standing before the throne and before the Lamb'

- ❖ They are worshiping before the throne
- ❖ Nations turning to God
- ❖ In every sphere in our society there are to be people testifying of Jesus – living for Jesus, speaking righteousness in this nation
- ❖ In every public sphere there are people speaking of Jesus – politics, media
- ❖ In our families and households there is to be a witness of Jesus in the midst

We are to evangelise (win new Aussies for Jesus) and apostolise (Bring people into the church that Jesus is building)

Acts 17:26-27

'He has made from **one blood** every nation of men...'

- ❖ He has determined their pre-appointed times and the boundaries of their dwellings
- ❖ God has preserved Australia for these last days
- ❖ Why? So that they should seek the Lord, that they should grope for Him and find Him
- ❖ The nations as they exist in their boundaries is the plan of God and for the purpose of God

- ❖ God has always desired to be revealed through a nation (**Exodus 19:5-6**)

1 Peter 2:9- 'you are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation...'

- ❖ God's constitution: is God writing His law on our hearts and minds
- ❖ The Holy nation God is raising up in every nation is His government. (**Matthew 16:18**)
- ❖ Through prayer and the proclamation of His word

(**Matthew 21:42-44** – The Kingdom of God will be given to a nation bearing the fruits of it)

It is a nation/kingdom built upon the Stone that the builders rejected and that Stone is the chief cornerstone

1 Peter 2:4-5 – we need to come to the living Stone – chosen by God and precious

❖ When we touch the Living Stone we become living stones. We take on His nature.

1 Peter 2:6 - Isaiah 28:14-17

- ❖ God puts the Stone right in the midst of the nation, in the midst of the problems. He is a tried stone, a sure foundation.
- ❖ In the midst of a people who make lies their refuge, hiding under a false covering, God puts His Stone and His “living stones”
- ❖ “Justice the measuring line and righteousness the plummet” – Righteousness and Justice are the foundation of His Throne (**Psalms 89:14**)
- ❖ ‘The hail will sweep away the refuge of lies, and the waters will overflow the hiding place’
- ❖ Australia you can no longer hide!
- ❖ The living stones in the nation are called to speak and release “hail and water”
- ❖ Because of you, the living stones, there is no place to hide
- ❖ There is no where to hide from the wrath of the Lambkin (the Lamb) **Revelation 6:16**

We are to be:

1. The Voice of the Lord in the nation
2. The government of God in the nation
3. The army of the Lord in the nation following the Word into battle (**Revelation 19:13-14**)

Session 3

Paul Galligan

WAITING UPON GOD

Who is the Holy Spirit?

1. The Spirit of God
2. The Spirit of grace and supplication
3. Spirit of revival
4. Spirit of truth
5. Spirit of Jesus
6. Spirit of Christ
7. Spirit of YAHWEH
8. Spirit of joy
9. Spirit of love
10. Spirit of peace
11. Spirit of intercession
12. Spirit of unity
13. Spirit of wisdom
14. Spirit of understanding
15. Spirit of counsel
16. Spirit of might
17. Spirit of knowledge
18. Spirit of the fear of the Lord
19. Spirit of revelation

Waiting upon God

Psalm 1:2

- ❖ man/woman of God who delights in law of YAHWEH
- ❖ he/she **meditates** on the law day and night

- ❖ v.3 – the result will be you will be like a tree planted by the rivers of waters...

Word wealth on **“meditate”** = reflect, moan, mutter, ponder, make a quiet sound such as sighing, contemplate something as one repeats the words abandoning outside distractions, fully focus on the Word

Joshua 1:8

- ❖ This Book of the Law (instruction, teaching) shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall **meditate** on it day and night
- ❖ Result of meditating on Word you will be prosperous

“meditate” – active recitation, re-speaking God’s Word, speak it over and over

- ❖ Psalms, hymns and spiritual songs help us recite, meditate on the Word

Isaiah 26:3

- ❖ You keep him in perfect peace whose mind is stayed on You, because He trusts in You

“mind” – creative imagination, seat of plans and ideas

- ❖ We will enjoy Shalom (health, happiness, well being, peace) when our creative imagination and seat of planning and ideas is on Jesus

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Session 4

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Introduction to Patience and Longsuffering

The theme of the school is to receive the Spirit of grace and supplication

Asking God for more grace, endowing us with power to change and do His will

As an apostolic base we are calling for this Spirit of grace and supplication

Luke 18:1-7 – We should not give up in prayer

God is not an unjust magistrate, He will answer justly

We have a right to speak out for truth and decree that we do not want a mosque in Toowoomba – we are the “ecclesia”, the church

We have a right to speak the truth – the truth is “There is One God and One Mediator...to be testified in due time” **1 Timothy 2:5-7**

Everything does not happen in one prayer meeting, so relax and be persistent

At the same time, everything does happen in the prayer meeting because God’s Word is released

God came in the flesh, and now God manifests in His Body, the Body of Messiah, so people can see, experience, and feel God through His people

Word of the Lord from a brother– “King Tide”

- ❖ higher than a normal high tide
- ❖ the Word is coming to flood the earth like it has never flooded before
- ❖ Cleansing like never before
- ❖ Before the coming of the day of the Lord

❖ It will be a "King's Tide"

God will have His way as we continue to give our lives/bodies as a living sacrifice (**Romans 12:2**)

Many nations in Jerusalem for Feast of Tabernacles in 2012 – even the nations of "Laos", "Algeria", "Bulgaria"

God makes us aware that He is up to something

What can come out of this school over 2 weeks? God already knows, let's hang in there and see

Continue to wait on God, press in...

When Jesus ascended on high, He led captivity captive and given gifts to men (**Ephesians 4:8**) – receive His gift for you

He took captive everything that was trying to hold you in bondage, many prisons only exist in your imagination, you can step out!!

He screwed the neck of the devil, destroyed the devil

So we are to resist the devil steadfast in the faith (**1 Peter 5:8-9**)

Little girl in our midst saw the Lambkin (little Lamb) step on the snake that was charging and it turned into a worm! The Lamb said "You're welcome" and trotted off

You need to look the snake in the eye, stand up and resist

Sneaky thoughts come to us and if we listen it opens up more thoughts – this is where we need to stop it, take captivity captive

Patience and Longsuffering

Being prepared for the glory

The reward for being patient and longsuffering is that you are being prepared for His glory

The Coming of the Lord is that He is coming in glory

Every eye that is prepared and ready will see Him when He comes in glory

When we see Him we will be changed to be like Him

2 Thessalonians 1:10 – when He comes in that day to be glorified in the saints

- ❖ the glory is revealed in His saints
- ❖ same day in which He comes in flaming fire taking vengeance on those who do not know God (idol worshipers) and those who disobey the gospel (refused to believe)

Context of Paul receiving this word was travelling through nations with difficulty

Colossians 1:11-12

- ❖ strengthened with might – to work patience and longsuffering in your life according to His glorious power
- ❖ causes us to receive inheritance of saints in the light
“Longsuffering” – do not blow up quickly, long wick

v.9 - in the context of wanting to be filled spiritual understanding and wisdom

v.10 - in context of wanting to increase in knowledge of God

We must be strengthened with might – it is a supernatural working

“might” – Gk ‘dunamis’ – miraculous power, supernatural power of God, infusion of His power

- ❖ it is not a grind it is an adventure with the Lord – grin and enjoy it
- ❖ we need to hate impatience, we have a choice

- ❖ we can no longer excuse ourselves
- ❖ impatience is trying to put our fleshly expectations on other people

Key to learning patience and longsuffering

- ❖ to be **strengthened** with **might** (power), according to His **glorious power**
- ❖ this is all of God
- ❖ it is the power of His glory
- ❖ this power is full of glory
- ❖ His power fills us with glory to be patient and longsuffering with joy

“Joy” – Gk ‘Chara’ – cheerfulness, calm delight, it is in your stomach even when you receive bad news, it is part of the very nature of God (love, joy, peace are 3 essential parts of God’s being **Galatians 5:22**)

“Patience” – Gk. ‘hupomone’

ww. **Hebrew.10:36** – constancy, endurance, perseverance, continuance, bearing up, steadfastness, holding out (hang in there), patient endurance

‘hupo’ – under; ‘mone’ – remain

Bearing up under difficult circumstances, not with a passive complacency, but with a hopeful fortitude that actively resists weariness and defeat

Embrace the sufferings and go through it, not running away from problems – be an overcomer and inherit the promises

This governs our life all the time – how do we respond to unreasonable people?

Luke 21:19

- ❖ by your **“patience”** possess your souls
- ❖ Jesus had just been talking about terrible things about to take place
- ❖ **v.16-18** – betrayal, put to death, hated for Jesus name sake
- ❖ in midst of tragedy Jesus makes this statement
“possess” – to gain mastery over (our biggest enemy is our own soul that keeps tripping us up and wants to sit on the throne of your life)

“possess” means: to purchase, buy back, acquire, to provide

Patience is our decision to “remain under” and not try to escape our own circumstances, to become the master of our own soul

What is the soul?

Gk '**psuche**' – soul as distinguished from the body (invisible), "eye is window of the soul", "face is the reflection of the soul", the seat of the affections (like 'mind' in Isaiah 26:3, faculty of imagination), will, desire, emotions, mind, reason and understanding, the inner self, the essence of life

Related to Heb. '**nephesh**' – **Genesis 2:7** – man became a "**living being/soul**" (nephesh) by God breathing life into man

Soul = the person, ego, self(ish)

"all of my ambitions, hopes and dreams I surrender"

Soul (psuche) is not dissolved at death, you cannot destroy it, this is terrible

Body and soul may be separated (through death) but spirit and soul only distinguished (**Hebrews 4:12** – by the Word)

By your patience, possess your souls – get in charge of your soul (self) – get out of Generation Y and into Jesus' generation and receive His inheritance

You do not need to die to go and be with Jesus, you can be with Jesus now in your soul

What is God's purpose in creating me? He put us on the earth

We still tend to think we are going somewhere instead of understanding eternal life in our soul

What is the inheritance? It is receiving His glory in our souls, changing into His image

The issue in the Bible is not going to heaven but knowing Jesus the Messiah – He is the final word

The future is not heaven – Jesus is the Beginning and the End, the Author and Finisher of faith – He is our inheritance

The inheritance is in the Light – God judges the heart

Matthew 24:13

- ❖ He who "**endures**" to the end will be saved

- ❖ Same word as “patience”
- ❖ He who...“waits calmly and quietly, bravely endures, resisting weariness and defeat” will be saved
- ❖ We are all called by Jesus to go on and allow His power, which is full of glory, to bring us to His determined end
- ❖ Jesus will get us there by strengthening us with might....

“Longsuffering” – gk ‘makrothumia’

‘makro’ – long, big

‘thumia’ – wick

Takes a long time to erupt in anger

Every wick, no matter how long, will run out

1 Peter 3:20 – “Divine Longsuffering waited” God waited 120 years to bring flood on world in Noah’s day

Even God’s longsuffering is not forever

James 1:2-4

Patience perfects Christian character

- ❖ The Lord wants to develop character with us
- ❖ Patience is to have its perfect work in you so that you will be perfect and complete, lacking nothing
- ❖ How we handle trials works patience, patience works perfection
- ❖ Patience is the perfecter of our souls

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Session 5

Nicholas Jackson

Being a Believing People

Believing comes from your 'inner man'

Numbers 14:10

- ❖ The children of Israel were being unbelieving and wanted to stone Joshua and Caleb who believed God.
- ❖ **V11.** Unbelief is rejecting God
- ❖ God wants us to trust Him
- ❖ Not believing ends up in all sorts of sin
- ❖ In the garden of Eden, Adam and Eve began to believe the devil instead of believing God
- ❖ What we do is the fruit of what we believe

Matthew 17:14

- ❖ Jesus had just been transfigured on the mountain
- ❖ The disciples were not able to heal the epileptic boy, they could not cast out the demon
- ❖ **V17.** Jesus said to them, 'O faithless (unbelieving) and perverse generation...' – it came down to their faith, Jesus was expecting them to be believing
- ❖ **V18.** Jesus believed and cast out the demon from the boy

John 20:24

- ❖ Thomas one of Jesus' disciples was not with the twelve when He appeared to them
- ❖ **V 25.** The other disciples testified to him 'we have seen the Lord'
- ❖ Thomas did not believe them even though he had walked with the other disciples for 3 years. 'Unless I see in His hands the print of the nails....I will not believe' - a strong statement
- ❖ Jesus came to the disciples when Thomas was with them – It should encourage us that Jesus can still work with a Thomas!
- ❖ **V27.** Jesus spoke to Thomas, 'Reach you finger here, and look at my hands...**do not be unbelieving but believing**' – this is what Jesus is saying to us also
- ❖ Thomas answered 'My Lord and my God'. He yielded to God and submitted to Him. He was saved by believing in His heart and confessing with His mouth (**Romans 10:9-10**)
- ❖ **V29.** 'Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed' – we are more blessed by believing when we have not even seen

'Believing' Gk – 'Pistos': Trustworthy, faithful, actively means believing, trusting

Comes from Gk. 'peitho': to convince, rely upon by an inward assurance and certainty, to persuade, to win over

- ❖ This is a characteristic of God
- ❖ God is believing
- ❖ God does not doubt Himself, He is fully convinced about who He is and what He can do

1 Thessalonians 5:23-24

- ❖ 'He who calls you is **faithful** ('pistos' is believing)
- ❖ God believes that He can sanctify you completely and make you faultless and blameless at His coming
- ❖ God puts His faith in us – His believing nature (**Ephesians 2:8**. His faith is a gift to us)

2 Thessalonians 3:1-3

- ❖ Pray that we are delivered from unreasonable and wicked men
- ❖ Not all have faith but the Lord is faithful (is believing) – He remains believing!!
- ❖ The Lord being believing will establish you

1 Corinthians 1:8-9

- ❖ In the context of confirming us to the end and presenting us blameless in the end, God is faithful, He is believing. He knows He can do it.

Hebrews 10:23

- ❖ Hold fast to the end
- ❖ He who promised is faithful – He is believing
- ❖ God speaks what He believes.

Galatians 2:20

'...I have been crucified with Christ and the life I live in the flesh, I live by the faith of the Son of God' (King James version)

- ❖ We live by His faith, not our own. This is wonderful. We do not need to conjure up our own faith but simply receive His faith.
- ❖ God is releasing the Spirit of faith in our hearts. That what we speak we believe.

Hebrews 12:2

'Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of (*our* – not in the original) faith'

- ❖ Jesus is the originator and source of faith
- ❖ He is the Beginning of faith. Faith comes from Him.

'**Believed**' GK. 'pisteuo': **to have faith in**, upon or respect in that person, by impl. to entrust yourself

- ❖ We are to have faith into Jesus
- ❖ The faith we have moves us into Him – we end up moving with Jesus

- ❖ Believing is always an inward certainty not based on what we see but based on an inward conviction of truth.
- ❖ It is not just credence to a set of doctrines from a particular 'church' – this will not save anybody

1 Peter 1:6-9

- ❖ In this salvation that is ready to be revealed in the last time (**v5.**)
- ❖ You greatly rejoice in the various trials you experience because the genuineness of your faith is being refined in you – God wants authentic faith, like pure gold
- ❖ **V8.** '...Whom having not seen you love, though now you do not see Him, **yet believing**, you rejoice with joy inexpressible and full of glory'
- ❖ When we believe in Him – He releases His glory in us (**John 11:40**)
- ❖ This is the faith that overcomes the world (**1 John 5:4-5**) – the world does not understand how you can rejoice even through difficulties – it is because you believe!
- ❖ **V9.** 'receiving the end of your faith, the salvation of your souls' – the goal of faith is to save your soul, to deliver your soul

Hebrews 10:36-39

- ❖ Faith purifies our souls (**Acts 15:8-9**)
- ❖ 'The just shall live by faith'
- ❖ 'We are not of those who draw back to perdition, but of those who believe to the saving of the soul'
- ❖ A saved soul is a believing soul
- ❖ A saved soul does not draw back but steps forward toward God in the midst of shaking

Genesis 15:1-6

- ❖ God tells Abram who He is. The Word came to Abram.
- ❖ Abram converses with God
- ❖ **V4-5.** The word came again to Abram and God brought him outside and said 'look up and count the stars... so shall your descendants be'
- ❖ Abram believed in (into) Yahweh. He trusted God, considered Him faithful and trustworthy to perform what He had just promised
- ❖ Abram's faith was not in the promise itself but in the Person who made the promise.
- ❖ **V7-18.** God then cuts a covenant with Abram
- ❖ Abram was now in a right relationship with God
- ❖ Believing brings us into a covenant relationship with God.

2 Chronicles 20:20

'....Believe in the LORD your God, and you shall be established (be believing), believe His prophets, and you shall prosper'

Believe, 'aman': to be firm, stable, established, to be firmly persuaded, to build up, support, permanent, true, certain

- ❖ this was the faith Abraham had

Mark. 5:36

'Do not be afraid only believe'

- ❖ Faith comes by hearing and hearing by the word of God (**Romans. 10:17**)
- ❖ Faith is infused into us when we are in a position to hear the Word of God

Luke. 18:7

'When the Son of man comes will He find faith on the earth?'

- ❖ When Jesus comes are you going to be found as a believing person.
- ❖ Jesus is coming and He is looking for faith!

NOTES

Session 6

Paul Galligan

Workshop

Seeing/Hearing in the Spirit

- ❖ It is to be normal in our Christian life to see and hear in the Spirit
- ❖ Sometimes we can have an impression of what Jesus is doing, vaguely knowing and sensing what He is doing
- ❖ When you see Jesus in the prayer meeting it makes it easier to pray, as you are talking to Him
- ❖ **Not visualisation** but we should have a humble expectation to see with our spiritual eyes

2 Kings 2:9-12

- ❖ If you **see** me taken from you, it shall be so for you (you will receive double portion of spirit)
- ❖ If you can see who and what it is that takes me, you will understand who it is who has endowed me with the anointing
- ❖ seeing into the realm of heaven, seeing the presence of YAHWEH that is drawing Elijah up in the whirlwind
- ❖ Paul said to **desire** earnestly spiritual gifts, this is a good thing
- ❖ suddenly the chariot of Israel was seen, with horsemen
- ❖ this was a picture of God
- ❖ Elisha then also picked up the mantle of Elijah

Jeremiah 1:4-10

- ❖ Call and commissioning of Jeremiah
- ❖ v.11 – “What do you see?” Jeremiah answered and saw correctly
- ❖ you have seen well

John 20:29

- ❖ More blessed are you who believe if you do not see
- ❖ Do not be upset with yourself if you do not see

Hebrew 2:9

- ❖ **“But we see Jesus”**
- ❖ Let your holy mind/imagination paint a picture of what you read

Session 7

Janet Galligan

Called to be Sons

This is a breakthrough message, causing change, transformation in our hearts

2 Tim.1:9

- ❖ called and saved with a holy calling
- ❖ called for a purpose
- ❖ being "saved" is only the beginning of the story

Eph.1:17-18

- ❖ God desires us to know His calling, the hope of His calling

The calling is to grow up, not remain babies, walk in maturity, experience the inheritance He has for us in the earth

Ephesians 1:4-5

- ❖ called and chosen before time began
- ❖ predestined to "**adoption**" as sons by Jesus Christ to Himself
- ❖ "**adoption**" – Gk 'huiiothesia' – the placement of a son (a mature son able to receive the inheritance – age of maturity)
- ❖ E.g. Roman had no son to give inheritance – he could get a slave who was at the age of maturity and "adopt" him to receive his inheritance
- ❖ When born again, we are a "child of God", even could call yourself a "son of God" however we begin as babies

Ephesians 4:14

- ❖ children (of God) can be easily swept away by every wind of doctrine – we are not to stay children

Ephesians 4:15

- ❖ we are to **grow up** into all things into Him, the head, Christ

Galatians 4:1-2

- ❖ children do not differ from slaves in that they both cannot inherit
- ❖ child will inherit when they grow up but while still a child = no inheritance

- ❖ God will not give us the inheritance if we remain babies in Christ
- ❖ There is a time **appointed by the Father** to give the inheritance

v.4-5

- ❖ God's purpose in sending Jesus was for us to be placed as sons to Himself

v.6-7

- ❖ the Spirit of the Son Himself comes into us, placing us into Sonship
- ❖ same relationship Jesus had with the Father
- ❖ no longer slaves, but sons and heirs

Sonship is understanding your placement in the Body of Christ and occupying that place He has for you

1 Corinthians 12:18

- ❖ each member is set in the Body just where He pleased
- ❖ we need to recognize the place God has for us is the best place for us
- ❖ sonship releases us to know our place and fill out our place in the Body – this is part of our inheritance!!
- ❖ when we understand sonship we know our place in the Body and we become secure, no longer comparing with others, competing etc...
- ❖ sons have "**come home to Father's house**", releasing security in our hearts
- ❖ spirit of sonship (adoption) releases a deeper grace in our lives

Romans 8:15

- ❖ We did not receive spirit of bondage to fear
- ❖ We are no longer subject to fear (of failure, alone)
- ❖ We received spirit of sonship – receive our identity from our Father

Jesus is perfect picture of Son to a Father

Jesus is the Pattern Son

- ❖ drew aside to Father
- ❖ spoke to Father
- ❖ obeyed
- ❖ spoke of the Father
- ❖ pointed others to Father
- ❖ represented Father
- ❖ glorified by Father
- ❖ received inheritance from Father
- ❖ He is seated with the Father
- ❖ Reigning in Father's kingdom
- ❖ Did the work of the Father

Jesus had to grow up

- ❖ when 12 years old "Did you not know I had to be about My Father's business?"
- ❖ Jewish boys were taught by mother until 12 years old, then went to be with Father to learn the father's trade
- ❖ When 30 years, enter into inheritance

Jesus at 30 years

- ❖ Baptism at Jordan
- ❖ received honour and recognition from Father
- ❖ this was His "adoption" into sonship
- ❖ then Jesus taken to wilderness to overcome temptation – this was first part of His inheritance as a Son = victory over devil in the earth – Sons know their authority

John 14:21

- ❖ if love Jesus, Father will love us

v.23 – if keep Jesus' word, Father will love us, and Father and Son come to make home in us

Father's are proud of sons who are doing what the Father has told them

Our inheritance as sons is receiving Jesus and the Father into us

Sonship speaks of permanent relationship

Servants are insecure

Sons abide in the house forever

Inheritance is for sons

Deuteronomy – written to generation of sons

Joshua was Moses' spiritual son and was the one to lead Israel into inheritance

Children of Israel who came out of Egypt never broke free from servant/slave spirit, they died in the wilderness (even after seeing many signs and wonders and power)

The Wilderness experience is Pentecost – many today are still caught at Pentecost, filled with Spirit, seeing signs and wonders but are still not satisfied

The call is to go on, to enter the land, to grow up as sons, receiving sonship

Hebrews 3:2-3

- ❖ Moses was the faithful servant of God – even he died in the wilderness, outside of the inheritance
- v.6** – but Christ is a **Son** over His own house

Servants have no ownership of the house, just do what Master says

Sons have ownership, responsibility of the house, part of the family

There are many, many faithful servants of God all over the world, doing all they can to serve God, doing it well

They become tired, worn out, burnt out, doing things out of their own strength

Sons enter the rest of God

Hebrews 4:10

- ❖ sons have ceased from own works
- ❖ we now serve with a different heart and attitude
- ❖ sons work the works of God – He does the works in us and through us

Time for men and women of God to cease being servants and receive spirit of Sonship

John 5:19

- ❖ sons only do what they see Father do

Sons receive inheritance at time appointed by Father – there is an appointed time for you!!

The authority of Sons

- ❖ there is a greater authority for sons to walk in and take hold of
- ❖ we are to rule and reign with Jesus as sons

1 Kings 17:1

- ❖ Elijah is a good example of a son, knowing his authority
- ❖ he was secure in his relationship with God, knew God's heart
- ❖ Elijah talks to king Ahab – "as YAHWEH lives, before whom I stand, there will not be rain...**except at my word**"
- ❖ this is the authority of sons
- ❖ decreeing in the earth for God what is to happen
- ❖ sons are to experience this authority, to see change in the nations and the earth
- ❖ it is the inheritance of sons to rule and reign

John 5:19-20

- ❖ Son can do nothing of Himself but what Father does

- ❖ Whatever Father does, Son does in like manner
- ❖ Father loves Son and shows Son all things
- ❖ Sons know the Father's heart, know what Father is calling them to do, what to speak

Matthew 3:17

- ❖ Father identified Jesus as the Son
- ❖ Began walk as mature Son

Matthew 17:5

- ❖ on Mount of Transfiguration
- ❖ Father said "This is My Son. Hear Him"
- ❖ Father testifying that the Son's word is to be heard – He has authority

Jesus stood on earth representing Father so He could speak for the Father

Represents Father

Listens to Father

Does what Father tells Him to do

Elisha was servant and then son to Elijah

Elisha poured water on hands of Elijah (**1 Kings 3:8**)

Elisha became a son when he saw Elijah taken up in chariot of Israel – He saw Father! He became a son!

Elisha then picked up the mantle (of sonship) and walked as a son

The prophets then saw "the spirit of Elijah now on Elisha"

People will see Spirit of Sonship on us, identifying us as sons to the Father

The reality of Sonship

Hebrews 2:10

- ❖ fitting for God to bring many sons to glory through Jesus
- ❖ Jesus is perfected (**Hebrews 5:9**)
- ❖ Many sons to **glory** (not heaven)
- ❖ The glory is to manifest in the earth
- ❖ Sons manifest the glory!!!!

Our walk as sons begins by being born again

Stages of growth

1 John 2:12-14

- ❖ v.12,13 – “**little children**” – know forgiveness, know Father (part of family)
- ❖ 2) v.13,14 “**young men**” – overcome wicked one through abiding word of God, victory, been disciplined, sharing with others
- ❖ 3) v. 13,14 “**fathers**” – know Him, the Eternal One, the I AM, deeper revelation of who Jesus is, have entered sonship, the rest, know the Father

Sons receive inheritance which is stored up for them

- ❖ inheritance is laid up in heaven, but is for us to receive in the earth (**1 Peter 1:4-5**)

Sonship is a work of the Spirit

- ❖ **Ephesians 1:5-6** – it is an act of grace for us to be brought into sonship

When we were first born again – it was by grace through the Spirit

When we were baptised in Holy Spirit – it was by grace through the Spirit being empowered by the Spirit for service

When we receive adoption as son – it is a work of grace by the Spirit, an operation of His Spirit working in our hearts to know we are a son, knowing Father in a mature way

- ❖ mature son relates to dad as a peer, asking for advice
- ❖ our relationship with Father in heaven changes as we grow into maturity as a son
- ❖ perfect peace and security with God

The ‘threes’ in God

1 John 2:12-14 –

a) little children, b) young men, c) fathers

Tabernacle of Moses – a) outer court, place of sacrifice (Jesus on Cross), water for baptism

b) Holy Place, clothed with Holy Spirit, ministry to God, Table of Lord, Lampstand, Altar of incense (prayer and worship)

c) Most Holy Place – the Ark, the Shekinah, the Presence and Glory of God, where God speaks with us, meets with us, fullness of inheritance

Egypt, Wilderness, Land of inheritance

The adoption of a son is a further work and manifestation of Spirit in our lives as believers

7 points of Why Sonship

- 1) God's purpose is to bring many sons to glory through Jesus (**Hebrews 2:10**)
- 2) born again to become sons of God (**John 1:12-13, Galatians 3:26**)
- 3) release of Spirit of Sonship is a sign we are coming to the end of the age (**Malachi 4:5-6**) – fathers and sons restored, is being fulfilled now
- 4) Predestined to be conformed to the image of His Son (**Romans 8:29-30**)
- 5) children do not inherit (**Galatians 4:1-2**)
- 6) all of creation is waiting for the manifestation for the sons of God (**Romans 8:19-21**) – creation will be delivered by the sons of God manifesting His glory!!!!
- 7) the finality of adoption as sons is the redemption of our bodies (**Romans 8:23**)
 - ❖ placement into sonship will bring redemption of our bodies (**Ephesians 1:13**)
 - ❖ **Romans 8:11, Philippians 3:20-21**

We are all heirs of God through Jesus Christ

God has done the work, we need to walk in it

There will be pain, there will be suffering

Hebrews 12:3-12 – Father chastens sons, scourges them

- ❖ As we grow up, God expects more from us and will deal with deeper issues in us, exposing hidden things

Foundations must be properly laid to go on to perfection (**Hebrews 6:1-3**)

We are no longer to be children (**Ephesians 4:14**) – not chasing conferences and speakers and other doctrines

It is time to receive our spiritual inheritance

It is time to become mature and find our place as sons in the Body of Christ

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Session 8

Paul Galligan

Sonship & Inheritance

The Word is so powerful – it gets inside our bones and marrow – it discerns all our thoughts
(**Hebrews 4:12**)

- ❖ keep short accounts with the Word
- ❖ The Word judges negative thoughts
- ❖ Be willing to be cut off from unrighteousness by the Word of God

Jesus as **Son of God** did nothing of Himself or for Himself

He only did what Father showed Him

He only spoke what Father told Him

“Sonship” – ‘a son in relationship with Father’

1. Spirit of Adoption

Romans 8:15 (NIV) – spirit of sonship/adoption enables us to cry ‘Abba, Father’

- ❖ a personal and revelational understanding of God as your Father – in a mature

Luke 1:35 – The One to be born will be called the “Son of God”

Luke 2:49 – at 12 years “I must be about My Father’s business”

- ❖ then became subject to His parents
- ❖ till age of 30 He was a carpenter in the village of Nazareth

The Spirit of Adoption God grants to us

Galatians 4:5

- ❖ He redeemed us so we might receive the adoption as sons, sonship
- ❖ Jesus died on the Cross to make it possible for us to become sons
- ❖ It is a supernatural operation of God to move us into sonship

What does it mean to become sons?

We inherit

2. Inheritance

1 Peter 1:3-5

- ❖ v.3 – begins by being “begotten again”, through the resurrection of Jesus the Messiah from the dead
- ❖ it is experiencing eternal, resurrection life
- ❖ new creations
- ❖ **v.4 – to an inheritance** – there is an inheritance for you
 - a) incorruptible and undefiled – it does not change, you cannot ruin it, it remains

b) it does not fade away – **2 Corinthians 3** – the glory Moses had faded away, the giving of the Law was not the inheritance, it was the tutor to bring us to Christ so we could receive the inheritance

c) v.5 ready to be revealed in the last time

- ❖ God is going to reveal His salvation which is reserved in heaven in the sons in the inheritance
- ❖ **Hebrews 9:28** – Jesus will appear a second time apart from sin for SALVATION
- ❖ sin is not an issue in this final salvation
- ❖ He will fully disclose His sons walking in the inheritance

3. Call to maturity

- ❖ babes do not receive the inheritance
- ❖ if you do not grow up you will never reach the age of inheritance

Call from servanthood to sonship

All serious Christians are to learn to be servants

Very often new believers just want to serve

God watches over our servant heart

We are all predestined to be sons

From serving to ruling

- ❖ this affects the way we pray
- ❖ servants petition a lot
- ❖ sons declare the will of the Father

From denominational church to kingdom

- ❖ "church government" (man's) to kingdom
- ❖ True church is kingdom government
- ❖ Jesus preached the kingdom – the authority is in the kingdom, the king, not the man appointed pastor, pope, priest etc.
- ❖ **1 Corinthians 12:28a** – God appoints

4. Many sons coming to glory

Hebrews 2:10-11

- ❖ through Jesus being perfected He is bringing many sons to glory
- ❖ the clear intention of God is bringing many sons to glory
- ❖ the Sanctifier and those being Sanctified are all of One – it is being totally one with God
- ❖ Jesus said "I and Father One" (**John 10:30**)
- ❖ Total union and immersion in Him!!
- ❖ **Colossians 2:9-10** – complete in Him

The goal is the glory

Romans 8:19

- ❖ all creation is waiting for this manifestation of sons in the glory
- ❖ when creation is restored, no animals will perish
- ❖ Creation responds to the glory manifesting in sons
- ❖ God has all the answers, the ideas and He wants His sons to get moving

Sons manifest in the world

Matthew 13:36-43

- ❖ v.37 The Sower is the Son of Man
- ❖ v.38 The field is the world
- ❖ Good seeds are the sons of the kingdom (not the servants of the church! Servants cannot represent Father, Sons represent Father, sent out into the world)
- ❖ Tares are the sons of the wicked one (they come to maturity and discriminate against godliness)
- ❖ V.39 – Devil is Sower of Tares
- ❖ Harvest is the end of the age
- ❖ Reapers are the Messengers (Gk. 'aggelos' = messengers) the sent ones that Jesus has raised up
- ❖ V.40 – Tares are gathered and burnt in fire
- ❖ Fire burns up sin, wickedness
- ❖ V.41 – Son of Man will send out messengers

- ❖ Messengers will gather out of His kingdom (which is in the world) all things that offend
- ❖ This is a big task to take out of the kingdom in the world all that offends the King
- ❖ Those who practice lawlessness will get taken out of kingdom (which is in the world)
- ❖ Lawlessness is among many Christians and ministers even
- ❖ Lawless and offenders will be cast into the fire (hell fire, not physical fire)
- ❖ Hell fire is the suffering, the stress coming on you when you are doing wrong
- ❖ When sons are planted in the world, they through their words and actions release fire of conviction to the world around them
- ❖ Sons do not smoke, we have to be sons, examples of walking in the inheritance
- ❖ There will be wailing and gnashing of teeth – they are suffering and in trouble but do not want to change – they are in regret and angry they are losing their sin, they cannot find repentance (like Esau **Hebrews 12:16-17**)
- ❖ Then the righteous will shine forth like the sun in the kingdom of our Father

5. Six points on the inheritance

a) Holy Spirit – Matthew 3:16-17

The fullness, without limit (**John 3:34**)

b) Victory over the devil in the earth by a Man

- ❖ God had to come as a man and take on the devil in the world
- ❖ Adam had given the world to the devil
- ❖ Jesus was second Adam and He took back the authority as a Man
- ❖ Holy Spirit took Jesus into wilderness to be tempted by the Devil – it was set up by God
- ❖ sons have victory over the devil in the earth

c) the Glory revealed

- ❖ the glory revealed in me and you
- ❖ Grace and Truth in a man (**John 1:14**)
- ❖ the deeper wisdom, the mystery (**1 Corinthians 2:6-7**)

d) Creation restored

e) Sons to the Father

- ❖ we can be sons to the Father
- ❖ predestined to be adopted as sons by Jesus Christ

f) The Coming of the Lord

- ❖ this is the final instalment of our inheritance as sons
- ❖ it includes the redemption of the body, a new resurrected body!!!!

What is sonship?

It is relationship with the Father

It is corporate – we are sons

John 5:16-19

- ❖ Jesus had just healed a paralysed man
- ❖ Jews wanted to kill Him, He did the healing on the Sabbath
- ❖ V.17 Sons only do the work of the Father, they work with the Father
- ❖ V.18 Jesus said "God is My Father" – this made Himself equal with God – we are one with God as sons – if you touch me you touch God
- ❖ V.19 – We are created in image and likeness of God – sons do what Father does in like manner
- ❖ V.20 – Father shows sons greater works, loves His sons, and shows us all things

7. Inheritance

Matthew 19:28-29

- ❖ We have left all to follow Jesus
- ❖ "What shall we have?"
- ❖ In regeneration (being born again), when Jesus is on the Throne of His glory (He is on Throne now!)
- ❖ You who have followed Jesus, will sit on 12 thrones (talking to the 12 but is also speaking to you now)
- ❖ The reward is to sit on thrones judging the people of God – you will rule among My people
- ❖ Everyone who has left all these things for Jesus – will receive a hundred fold and inherit eternal life
- ❖ Sons are prosperous, they are not in want
- ❖ Our prosperity is in being a son to the Father
- ❖ Everything becomes possible to sons

Session 9

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What do you think of Christ?

Matthew 22:41-46

- ❖ Jesus is nailing the Pharisees
- ❖ Whose son is the Christ?
- ❖ Jesus quoted **Psalm 110:1** – YAHWEH said to my Adonay (Lord, God), ...
- ❖ David called his son "Lord" – Adonay – how is this?

Psalm 110:1

- ❖ used by Jesus
- ❖ used by Peter on day of Pentecost (Acts 2)
- ❖ used by Paul

This is a foundational/pivotal Scripture to open up the mystery of Christ and who He is

What do you think of Christ?

Psalm 110:1-7

- ❖ LORD (in capital letters does not mean "Lord") is the name YAHWEH – the eternal God
- ❖ This is a Messianic Psalm, a key Psalm in understanding Messiah, Christ

Exodus 3:14

- ❖ Moses needed a name of God to go with to the people of Israel in Egypt
- ❖ The name of God reveals who He is
- ❖ It is not enough to say that "God of Abraham" sent me – it is not enough to say "Father, Son and Holy Spirit" sent me – WHO IS HE?
- ❖ "I AM WHO I AM"
- ❖ "I AM has sent me to you"
- ❖ This is where the revelation of His name comes – He was known as YAHWEH before this but this is where His name was personally revealed
- ❖ The name of the Lord is written in the Scriptures over 6000 times and a few times as "YAH" – a shortened version of the name
- ❖ If we only know Him as "Lord" we can lose the personal nature of our relationship

YAHWEH in **Psalm 110** spoke

(David is being coursed along by Holy Spirit in things far beyond his understanding – **2 Pet.1:19-20**)

Prophetically, by the Spirit, YAHWEH speaks to Messiah **"Sit at My right hand"** - Fulfilled by Jesus

Micah 4:13 – Word wealth

"Lord" – Hb. "Adon" – owner, master, Lord, sir. Primarily "master".

Intensive form of "adon" is "Adonai" – a kind of plural form that is only used in reference to the Glorious, Splendiferous, Lord in all His powers and attributes!

Not anything to do with Trinity in sense of plural. It is emphatic in how powerful He is and is like a "royal plural".

Exodus 34:5-7

Moses had said "Show me Your glory" (**Ex.33:18**) – Colossians 1:27 says "Christ in you, the hope of glory" – this glory is to be in us

Moses gets his revelation from direct encounters with the Living God

- ❖ YAHWEH proclaimed the name of YAHWEH
- ❖ The revelation of His glory began with His name
- ❖ He then revealed His nature, character
- ❖ V.8 – Moses bowed down in worship!

Matthew 26:63-64

- ❖ Jesus put on oath to tell them if He was the Messiah, Son of God
- ❖ "You said it"
- ❖ You will see the Son of Man sitting at the right hand of the POWER
- ❖ Lord God Almighty is called "The POWER"
- ❖ In Hebrew (like in Daniel 4:26 "Heaven rules") they commonly referred to God as the "Power"

Acts 2:32-36

- ❖ Jesus raised up, we are witnesses
- ❖ **Exalted to right hand of God**, received promise of Holy Spirit, poured out Spirit
- ❖ Jesus fulfilling prophecy He made to High Priest
- ❖ Jesus seen on cloud – cloud of glory, with every saint/witnesses

Ephesians 1:20-23

- ❖ praying to God to be enlightened in our understanding
- ❖ mighty power worked in Christ to raise Jesus from dead, seated at God's right hand, far above all rulers
- ❖ all things under feet of Messiah

Our understanding of Christ needs to deepen

We need to publicly proclaim Messiah/Christ

When wise men came to Jerusalem looking for the Messiah, all Jerusalem and King Herod was stirred up

Hebrews 10:12-13

- ❖ after He was sacrificed He was raised to be seated at God's right hand, waiting for His enemies are made a footstool for His feet

1 Corinthians 15:25

- ❖ For He must reign till He has put all enemies under His feet
- ❖ How is it happening? Through the Ecclesia (the Church) that is built on revelation of Messiah (**Matt.16:16-18**)

1 Peter 3:21-22

- ❖ Baptism now saves us...through the resurrection of Jesus the Messiah
- ❖ He has gone into heaven
- ❖ Is at right hand of God
- ❖ Angels, authorities and powers being made subject to Him
- ❖ **Colossians 2:9-10** – all the fullness of Godhead dwells bodily in Messiah, and we are in Christ, who is the head over all principality and power
- ❖ An awesome church Jesus the Messiah is raising up!!!

Psalms 110:2

- ❖ YAHWEH shall send rod of Your (Messiah's) strength out of Zion
- ❖ Rule in the midst of Your enemies

"Zion" = place of God's throne, place of God's government, Messiah rules from here

"Rod" = **Isaiah 11:1** is Messiah, it is the rod of rulership, rod of correction (**Psalms 23**), He shepherds the nation with rod of iron (**Rev.2**) = word of God

Matthew 2:1

- ❖ the men came after the birth
- ❖ wise men came from east to Jerusalem
- ❖ **v.2** – "Where is King of Jews?" – "We have come to worship Him" – they knew He was God in the flesh, only God to be worshiped
- ❖ **v.3** – Herod was troubled – a grown man, a king, the whole city was in an uproar
- ❖ Where will He be born? They answered from **Micah**

Micah 5:2

- ❖ out of Bethlehem will come forth the One to be Ruler in Israel

- ❖ He comes from the “**days of eternity**”

Who is Christ?

Matthew 1:1

- ❖ He is the Son of David, the Son of Abraham

Why is it important that Jesus is the “son of David”?

2 Samuel 7:12-14a,16

- ❖ David’s seed set up after him – Messiah will come from the body of David
- ❖ God will establish His throne forever (not only a natural seed of David)
- ❖ He will be God’s son

Psalm 2

- ❖ David wrote again by the Holy Spirit, prophesying about the Messiah
- ❖ **V.1-3** – nations raging against YAHWEH and against Messiah (Anointed One), e.g. promoting legislation for homosexual marriage
- ❖ **V.4** – One who sits in heavens will laugh
- ❖ **V.6** – Messiah is the King that God has set on Mt Zion, at right hand of God, ruling and reigning
- ❖ **V.7** – Messiah speaks – He is the Son of YAHWEH/God
- ❖ The King is the Messiah, the Son of God!
- ❖ **V.8** – nations and earth given to Messiah, they are His, He owns the earth
- ❖ **V.9** – Messiah shall break the nations with a “rod of iron”
- ❖ **V.10** – Now Spirit of God begins to instruct the rulers of the nations
- ❖ **V.12** – they should “kiss/worship” the Son lest He be angry – even when His wrath is a little His enemies perish

Why is it important that Messiah Jesus is son of Abraham?

Galatians 3:14 – the blessing of Spirit will come through Him, the seed of Abraham, Christ

- ❖ Also, Abraham is the father of faith

Romans 4 – faith understood through Abraham – we believe in Messiah

Romans 4:24-25 – when we believe in Messiah we are justified

Psalm 110:3

- ❖ Your people volunteers in the day of Your power – this is now!
- ❖ You have the dew of Your youth – beautiful poetic language – in the beauties of holiness from the womb of the morning
- ❖ Jesus dying at 33 years, HE remains in the prime of His life! He does not grow old
- ❖ **Hebrews 1:10-12** – You YAHWEH (the Son of God), laid the foundation of the earth...they will perish but You remain...You are the same and Your years will not fail

Psalm 110:4

- ❖ YAHWEH has sworn, will not relent
- ❖ Messiah is a priest forever according to the order of Melchizedek
- ❖ Melchizedek was "king of righteousness, king of peace and priest of God Most High"
- ❖ **Hebrews 7** – has no genealogy, made like Son of God, a priest continually, forever
- ❖ He gave Abraham bread and wine
- ❖ Abraham tithed to Him

Psalm 110:5-6

- ❖ The Lord (**Adonay**) is at Your right hand
- ❖ Execute kings in day of His wrath
- ❖ Judge among nations
- ❖ Fill places with dead bodies
- ❖ Execute heads of many countries
- ❖ We can hang in there with Jesus
- ❖ God wants His ecclesia to govern, to confess and declare God's word

Psalm 110:7

- ❖ He shall drink of the brook by the wayside
- ❖ Therefore He shall lift up His head
- ❖ In the midst of nations being punished by Jesus, He drinks by the brook
- ❖ Then He lifts up His head – **Matthew 11:25-28** – right after pronouncing serious judgements, "I thank You Father, Lord of heaven and earth...hidden them from mighty and powerful...have revealed mysteries to babes...All things delivered to Son by Father...Come to Me..."

Psalm 110 – really instructs us in Messiah

- ❖ speaks of judgements
- ❖ speaks of times of refreshing
- ❖ we are in a battle
- ❖ but we can drink from the brook in the midst of the battle

What do you think of Messiah??

Session 10

Pastor Rob Cochrane

Discipleship & Outreach

Matthew 28:18-20

- ❖ All authority in heaven and earth given to Jesus
- ❖ Go therefore (in that authority) into all nations, make disciples, baptise and teach them
- ❖ Quote Scriptures while travelling in cars, planes, boats etc..
- ❖ Jesus shared the Word of God along the road!
- ❖ Memorise the Scriptures – you will not always have a Bible

2 Timothy 2:2

- ❖ what Timothy heard from Paul among many witnesses, he was to commit to faithful men (and women) who would teach others also
- ❖ discipleship is about getting me in order so that I can teach others
- ❖ what we have learned we need to be able to teach others

In 2014 God wants you to make disciples!

- ❖ in whatever form that takes, you are to make disciples of all nations

Mark 16:15-20

- ❖ Preach the gospel to every creature
- ❖ Those who believe and baptised will be saved
- ❖ Unbelievers will be condemned
- ❖ Signs will follow believers – cast out demons, speak new tongues...heal the sick
- ❖ Jesus was with them confirming the Word

This commission is for everybody in the Body of Christ!

The ministries are given so that all the saints can be involved in the commission!

You are commissioned by Jesus to make disciples...

Jesus will be with you while you do this – He will supply the grace and the power of the Holy Spirit (**Matt.28:20**)

Are you willing to be led by the Spirit? Or will you be led by Australian (any nation's) traditions

Will you go when He says "Go"?

When Jesus spoke in **Matthew 28:18-20** He had given the apostles/disciples the pattern of what to do

Matthew 4:23 ; 9:35

- ❖ Jesus **went** teaching in synagogues
- ❖ Preaching kingdom of God
- ❖ Healing all kinds of sickness and disease
- ❖ Casting out demons
- ❖ Jesus modelled the ministry to His disciples
- ❖ Jesus had 12 men with him all the time
- ❖ There were others also with Him all the time showing them what to do – He always had a team

Luke 9:2

- ❖ Jesus sent the apostles
- ❖ He gave them "Power" and "authority" over all demons and to cure diseases
- ❖ He sent them to "preach" the kingdom
- ❖ He sent them to "heal the sick"
- ❖ Jesus sent them to do what He had already been doing

Luke 10:8

- ❖ Jesus sent 70 others also
- ❖ Heal the sick
- ❖ Tell them the kingdom of God has come near to you
- ❖ They were to keep the pattern that He had shown them

Jesus told them to "go"

He did not tell them to rent a building and hope some people will come or invite them to the building

We are to "go"! We are to go into the world, this is where the light is needed

Jesus and the disciples did not just hang out in the synagogue or in the temple

Rob has been reaching out into different communities all the way up the east coast of Australia

Colossians 1:27-28

- ❖ the mystery to be made known to nations/Gentiles is "Christ in you: the hope of glory
- ❖ Christ we are to preach, warning and teaching every man in all wisdom
- ❖ Resulting in every man being made perfect in Jesus the Messiah

- ❖ We are to preach Messiah, preaching Jesus
- ❖ We are not to preach church denominational doctrines/rules
- ❖ We are to preach the Word

When we preach Him, we come up against denominational ideas, mindsets, religious teachings

Those who have ears to hear will hear the Word

“Warning every man” – is telling people what the Word says, not what a “church doctrine” says – do not pull back because of people’s reactions

1 Peter 2:2 – as newborn babes we should desire the pure milk of the Word

We need to speak the Word in love – warning people

Making disciples is speaking the Word

We are outreaching into the church in a lot of places – into “churchianity”

Most believers are only being fed a little denominational diet – we need to reach out to them

We are all meant to teach – **Hebrews 5:12-14**

We are meant to be teaching everywhere, along the way, in our homes/families, in our workplaces where we can

Rob on last trip went from house to house all the way through Queensland, slept in 35 different beds

God opened doors into many homes of those who were not involved in churches

You will be led into places you never thought you would go, to people who need the light of the gospel

Outreaching is not always in a tent with a famous guest speaker – it is going into the darkness

Matthew 25:31-46

- ❖ This is an outreach program
- ❖ This is the King’s way of judging the nations
- ❖ Go into the world – purpose to go and tell people about Jesus, people who are lonely, people who are in need
- ❖ Take the Lord’s Table elements with you, bless people, share the gospel
- ❖ There are mission fields everywhere

- ❖ RI (Religious Instruction) is a mission field, it is legislated in Queensland that each school should have 1 hour RI every week – what an awesome privilege
- ❖ What excuses are you making? We will give an account of what we have done with what we have got
- ❖ This should make us sober
- ❖ Be uncomfortable for the gospel

He has works for us in 2014 (**Ephesians 2:10**)

Do not be luke warm, complacent

Lay down our lives as Christ laid down His life for us

We do not want to be comfortable but be found in Jesus

If anyone wants to follow Jesus – deny ourselves (not give in to soulish desires), take up the Cross (daily), and follow Him (**Matthew 16:24-25**)

What are you going to do in 2014?

If we put our hands up and say “yes” to Jesus, the grace will flow to help

Four Instructions

1. In 2014 what is the field for you as a disciple of Messiah Jesus?

- ❖ we need to know where we are called to work
- ❖ God wants us to know this
- ❖ Ask God, He will tell (**James 1:5-8**)
- ❖ Whatever He asks you to do will be in connection and function with the Body – no lone rangers

2. Write it down – **Habakkuk 2:2** – write the vision – God will not change His mind

- ❖ when things get tough, you can look at it again, no excuses for opting out

3. Do it wholeheartedly

1 Timothy 4:15-16

- ❖ Meditate on these things
- ❖ Give yourself entirely to them so your progress will be evident to all
- ❖ Give yourself to the work He has given you
- ❖ Do it wholeheartedly

4. Do not give up

- ❖ He has promised to be with you always (**Matthew 28:18-20**)

- ❖ When things are tough, call upon Him, He is there if you are giving yourself to His will

2014 is to reach out and disciple

- ❖ visiting them in prisons, in sickness, in the darkness
- ❖ making disciples

- ❖ Learn the 3 commissions (Matthew, Mark, Luke)

Session 11

Nicholas Jackson

The Heavenly Community

- ❖ It is time for the will of heaven to be done on earth. His Kingdom come! It comes from our Father in Heaven. (Matt 6:9)
 - ❖ We are to know our nature and origin as a people
 - ❖ Jesus came and preached, 'the Kingdom of heaven is at hand'
 - ❖ There is a heavenly society developing in the earth. It starts with a people getting a heavenly experience
- John 3:3** – 'unless one is born again (born from above) he cannot see the kingdom of God

V5. 'that which is born of flesh is flesh, that which is born of spirit is spirit

Daniel 4:26 – God is referred to as 'heaven'

- ❖ The kingdom of heaven is a reality. Heaven rules!
- 1 Peter 1:12** – They preached the gospel by the **Holy Spirit sent from heaven**

1 Cor. 15:45-48

- ❖ the last Adam became a life-giving Spirit
 - ❖ the natural comes first then the spiritual
 - ❖ We must be born of the Spirit to become a part of the second Adam
 - ❖ The second Adam is the Lord from heaven
 - ❖ **V49.** We bear the image of the heavenly man
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- ❖ Jesus is setting up a heavenly community on the earth – of the second Adam
 - ❖ A heavenly community have a change of nature
 - ❖ They are the army of the Lord (Rev 19:11-14 – they follow the Word of God where ever He goes)

Philippians 3:20

- ❖ 'For our citizenship is in heaven'
- 'citizenship'** : conversation (meaning in Greek 'a community' – our citizenship)
- ❖ Our way of life is to be a heavenly one!
 - ❖ The more our community is in heaven the more we touch the earth
- Community: – the administration of civil affairs of a Commonwealth, the constitution of a commonwealth
- ❖ how we conduct ourselves with each other
 - ❖ we are being prepared for the coming of the Lord
 - ❖ The heavenly life is to take over our bodies

Ephesians 4:17-18

- ❖ 'no longer walk as the rest of the Gentiles walk – in the futility (vanity, depravity, transientness) of their mind'
- ❖ 'having their understanding darkened' – those who are heavenly have their eyes enlightened to know Him
- ❖ **V20-24.** 'The truth is in Jesus'
- ❖ we need to commit ourselves to learn of Christ
- ❖ We need to be taught by Jesus, being renewed in the Spirit of our minds

Matthew 15:13

- ❖ Every plant that our heavenly Father has not planted will be uprooted
 - ❖ The world is to be filled with heavenly plants – the good seed of the Kingdom
- V14.** Those who have not received the heavenly life are blind

Hebrews 3:1

- ❖ 'Holy brethren, partakers of the heavenly calling'
- ❖ We are to consider Jesus as the Apostle and High Priest of our confession
- ❖ Jesus as the High Priest takes us into the heavenly place in Christ (Ephesians 2:6)
- ❖ Jesus as the Apostle releases the heavenly on the earth – we are sent into the earth by the Apostle
- ❖ He is building His house, His dwelling in the earth
- ❖ Companies of people who know Jesus in this way and are experiencing His glory and beginning to manifest it on earth

Hebrews 12:22

'You have come to Mount Zion, the city of the living God, heavenly Jerusalem'

(Heb 11:10 – Abraham saw the city whose builder and maker is God)

- ❖ Gen 22:17. Stars – heavenly nature
Sand - earthly

Revelation 21:1-2

- ❖ 'I saw a new heaven and a new earth'
- ❖ This is a heavenly society
- ❖ 'The first heaven and first earth had passed away'
- ❖ 'I John, saw the holy city, New Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven...'
- ❖ The preparation is in heaven (Eph 4:11-14 ministries given to equip and prepare the saints)
- ❖ **V3.** 'Behold the tabernacle of God is with men....'
- ❖ **V4.** 'God will wipe away every tear from their eyes' – the healing of the soul (Acts 2:41-47 – a heavenly community in action – God tabernacled with them)
- ❖ **V5.** 'Behold I make all things new...'
- ❖ the new place is Christ Himself

- ❖ **V8.** Nothing can enter the gates into this heavenly community that is of the old nature – of the flesh
- ❖ **V22.** The city is inside God and Christ – we live and move and have our being in Him
- ❖ The glory of God illuminates the city (Col 3:9-12 – the image of the new man, this is what is reflected in the earth, the lifestyle of the heavenly community. It is a total laying down of ourselves)
- ❖ **V24.** 'The nations of those who are saved shall walk in its light'
- ❖ Nations and kings of the earth will bring their glory into this city – this heavenly community
- ❖ there is no lack or want in the heavenly community

Some keys to see this heavenly community operate

1 Corinthians 13:13

- ❖ 'Now these three abide (remain and stay constant) faith, hope and love. The greatest of these is love'

Faith: Walking by faith is not walking by sight. It is seeing Jesus and believing Him.

Hope: This is a solid hope that causes a rejoicing. (Heb. 6:19)

Love: John 13:34-35

Jesus gave us this commandment to love as He loved

Hebrews 10:22-24

- ❖ This community knows how to draw near to God by **faith**, 'with a true heart and in full assurance of faith'
- ❖ We are to hold fast the confession of **hope** without wavering. We are eagerly waiting to see His glory and kingdom manifest on earth. He who promised is faithful!
- ❖ We are to consider one another to stir up **love** and good works

Romans 5:1-5

- ❖ We are justified by **faith** and have peace with God through Jesus Christ
- ❖ We access grace through faith
- ❖ We rejoice in **hope** of the glory of God
- ❖ We go through some tribulation and suffering to get the earthly stuff out of us
- ❖ The heavenly character being formed in us
- ❖ The **love** of God is poured out in our hearts by the Holy Spirit

1 Thessalonians 1:3

- ❖ **Work of Faith** (works that come forth from believing in Jesus)
 - ❖ **Labor of love** (to toil in pain, being apprehended by the love of God)
 - ❖ **Patience of hope** in our Lord Jesus Christ
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- ❖ When we walk in these things the world will see a heavenly community

Session 12

Paul Galligan

A Journey through the Feasts

The Commonwealth of Israel

- ❖ Australia is "The Commonwealth of Australia"
- ❖ "Commonwealth" – Australia exists for the common wealth of its citizens
- ❖ Australia is called to be a model nation

- ❖ 80 nations in 2012 went to Jerusalem to celebrate the Feast of Tabernacles
- ❖ It is a journey to the feasts
- ❖ We live in a time where we live in a cycle – seed time and harvest, seasons
- ❖ God told Israel that 3 times every year the people were to come and meet with the LORD in Jerusalem

We are meant to journey through these feasts every year

3 specific meetings every year

- ❖ 1st one – Passover, Unleavened Bread, Firstfruits – being immersed into death, burial and resurrection of Jesus
- ❖ 2nd one – 50 days later they were to be at the Feast of Weeks/Pentecost (a harvest feast) – being filled with power of Holy Spirit to go and preach the gospel with power
- ❖ 3rd one – after another 4 months, we have to go again to Feast of Tabernacles with blowing of trumpets and day of Atonement – getting into the deeper mysteries of God, understanding His eternal purpose

This is an annual journey – go through all the feasts every year and keep learning more deeply from every feast

The seasons are repetitive in God (**Gen.8:22**)

Psalm 84:1

- ❖ "How lovely are Your Tabernacle"
- v.2** – my soul (that means "me") longs for the courts of the LORD

- ❖ my soul faints to be with God
- ❖ my heart and my flesh cry out for the living God
- v.3** – even the sparrow can make a nest under the corner of the altar of God

- v.4** – Blessed are those who dwell in Your house

The foundation for our journey is to be dwelling in the house of God, being secure, being built into the cornerstone.

We need to be established in Christ to be on this journey

v.5 – Blessed is the man whose strength is in You YAHEWH

- ❖ whose heart is set on “pilgrimage/journey”
- ❖ this was annual, to come to the 3 feasts at Jerusalem every year

v.6 – They pass through the Valley of “Baca”

- ❖ Baca means “weeping”
- ❖ this is the human condition, we are in Baca, weeping
- ❖ we grow up sad, life is not what we think it should have been
- ❖ life is a valley of weeping

What is the answer? – those who have the heart to journey with God – their weeping becomes a place of springs, pools of water, and rain (of the Word of revelation) they are revived

v.7 – they go from strength to strength

- ❖ as we go on this journey, as we go through Passover we clean our selves up afresh by going through death, burial and resurrection

Come out from the church house and get on the journey and get to the feasts

- ❖ get to the Feast of Pentecost, come out of Babel (confusion), to learn to speak the language of heaven, the mysteries of God – on Pentecost the apostles spoke the magnificence of God by the Holy Spirit
- ❖ each one appears before God in Zion, this is our destiny, how do we get there? Be established in Christ and then keep appearing for the Feasts
- ❖ there is oil and wine in Zion (this is the time of Tabernacles, grape and olive)

Leviticus 23 to understand the feasts, study it, find out for yourself what these feasts are

- ❖ this is the pattern, they are to be celebrated at the appointed times

1. Passover – Jesus, the Lamb of God is the Passover (**John 1:29**)

- ❖ 14th day of 1st month – kill the Lamb - Cross **Death**
- ❖ 15th day till 21st day (7 days) – Unleavened Bread – get sin out of the house – **Burial**
- ❖ 22nd day (day after Sabbath) – Firstfruits, wave offering – **Resurrection**

Passover is about getting saved by faith

It is fulfilled in the Cross

Faith in the Jesus on Cross, remits our sins

Going into grave – remission of sins

Resurrection – through baptism into death, burial and resurrection

Mark 16:15-16 – believe and baptised to be saved

1st Passover was in Egypt

Baptised through Dead Sea

2. Pentecost – 50 days after Passover

Exodus 19:1 – in 3rd month (50 days after) they camped at Mt Horeb

❖ they received the law on stone

Acts 2 – Pentecost fulfilled by giving of Holy Spirit, put laws in our hearts and minds

❖ lots of manifestations at Pentecost

❖ sometimes flesh gets in there – at Pentecost there was leaven in the bread

Many people in Pentecostal Revival Meetings rise up to play, make idols of experiences and things

❖ it was a harvest festival – it is the fruit of the Passover

❖ Jesus was the seed, death, that bore fruit of 3000 souls 50 days later – Jesus death at Passover caused fruit to come forth

❖ We cannot have fruit if we do not go to Passover and die

❖ If we die at Passover we will have fruit at Pentecost, new souls

❖ Harvest of new souls is at Pentecost

Do not camp at any of the feasts but keep going through them every year

At Passover we die, Pentecost we will reap new souls, Tabernacles is reaping harvest of mature disciples to send out

God revives and gives us revelation at all the feasts

What else comes at Pentecost?

❖ release of ministries (**Eph.4:8-11** – Jesus released ministries at Pentecost)

The journey continues – the plowman overtakes the reaper (**Amos 9**) – keep up with God

3. Tabernacles

❖ 1st day of 7th month – **Memorial Blowing of Trumpets**, hearing the Word

❖ **Exodus 39:7** – “memorial” – a remembrance, record, momento, momentous event, **remind you of a momentous event**

- ❖ 1st mention of “memorial” was about Passover
- ❖ The momentous event was the deliverance out of Egypt, God overcame Pharaoh and the gods of Egypt

10th day of 7th month – **Day of Atonement**

- ❖ a terrible day, the “affliction of the soul”
- ❖ where we face the vagueries of our own soul, getting angry, cranky, “spitting the dummy”
- ❖ this is actually an opportunity for healing
- ❖ we must pass through time of atonement
- ❖ **Romans 5:2** – we have a standing in grace

14th day of 7th month – **Feast of Tabernacles/Booths**

- ❖ they had to make a temporary shelter made out of branches
- ❖ they had to live in it for 7 days

We do not have a permanent dwelling place in the earthly realm

Reminding of wilderness years dwelling in temporary shelters

We also have hope that we will step out of our own “houses” and step into a new “house” (tent,body) made in the heavens where God dwells fully in us (**Revelation 21:3**)

We are journeying through all the feasts annually.

New wine and oil at this feast – harvest of maturity

Bringing the saints to maturity

Pentecost is the “former rain”

Tabernacles is the “latter rain” – **Zechariah 10:1** – ask for the rain in the time of the latter rain

Joel 2:23 – former and latter rain will come together in the 1st month = all feasts, fruit, provision of God will be poured out in the 1st month – it will happen all at once

Where is it all heading?

- ❖ We started in the house and went on a journey, being a people of pilgrimage
- ❖ **Psalms 84** – if we are founded in the house, we can go on a journey
- ❖ there is no choice if you are in the house, you will have to get going
- ❖ **v.5** – destiny is Zion, heart set on pilgrimage, do not want to miss out on one good thing that God has
- ❖ **v.6** – when we go through the hard things, God makes that place a spring, rain covers it with pools/blessings
- ❖ **v.7** – strength to strength appearing before God in Zion
- ❖ **“Zion”** – the place of government and glory, the place of ruling and reigning in life through Christ Jesus

Session 13

Paul Galligan

Apostolic Revelation

What is “apostolic”? Establishing the Scriptural norm, following the teaching of the apostles, returning to the Scriptures

2 Peter 3:1-2

- ❖ be mindful of what was spoken before through the prophets
- ❖ and the commandments of us, the apostles of the Lord and Saviour
- ❖ **v.3** – in the midst of scoffers masquerading as believers we need to come back to what the prophets and apostles have commanded us

What is the apostolic revelation?

- ❖ It is receiving again apostles
- ❖ It is receiving again the teaching of the early apostles
- ❖ **Acts 2:42** – continue steadfastly in the **apostles’ doctrine** (teaching), as well as fellowship in breaking bread and prayer
- ❖ God was adding to this sort of people daily those being saved (**v.47**)

- ❖ On Day of Pentecost Holy Spirit came with demonstrations of power, manifestations, working through uneducated people speaking about God
- ❖ They preached and the result was people were baptised out of conviction of what they needed to do (**Acts 2:38**)
- ❖ Peter preaching directly from the Word about Jesus (**Acts 2:32-36**) – fulfilling Psalm 110:1 – Jesus is Lord and Messiah
- ❖ Peter told them to “**repent and let everyone of you be baptised in the name of Jesus the Messiah...**”

We are to come back to the simple testimony of Scripture and function as a community

“Church” has been a structured organisation instead of being an “apostolic community”

Ephesians 4:11

- ❖ Jesus gave some to be apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors and teachers when He ascended into heaven

How are we to be governed? There are five ministries that are meant to be operating? Why have we only really acknowledged a few and only really exalted one of them – the “pastor

Where are these ministries?

Coming into apostolic revelation means looking for God's structure of His church, how He wants it organised according to His Word, not according to our traditions

In 1997 Paul found a book that spoke much about the restoration of apostles and prophets

The five fold ministry was what triggered the interest into apostolic revelation

In 1997, God began to speak to Paul about the calling of the apostle

Paul heard about an apostle planting new churches, raising up ministers, leaders, seeing growth in believers

Before 1997, Paul knew he had the gift of Teacher, started writing manuals, doing seminars, taking teams out, training team members in the ministry

Then apostolic ministry formed in 1998

Paul saw Jesus at the beginning of the ministry, Jesus gave him courage and read Joshua 1:1-9 to Paul – commissioning into apostolic ministry

2001 was when Paul began teaching about apostles and what apostles do – was a breakthrough time

Key things that a part of the apostolic revelation

Matthew 10 – apostolic chapter, quite negative, telling of the trouble you will get as apostles, you will have to live by faith

Acts – all about apostles

Epistles

Ephesians 2:19-20

- ❖ household of God is actually built upon foundation of apostles and prophets
- ❖ how are apostles the foundation in the house that God is building?
- ❖ Apostolic revelation is coming back to the Scripture and building accordingly

In 1980s God raised up a man named John Wimber, brought restoration of “doing the stuff”, moving in the Spirit, affirming prophetic ministry

1 Corinthians 12:28

- ❖ In the midst of discussing the Body of Christ Paul says, **“God has appointed these in the church; first apostles...”**
- ❖ not pope, not bishop, not senior pastors

Apostolic revelation is taking the Scriptures seriously

2004 – Paul on team flying through Mauritius on way to Kenya –

Jesus the Apostle and High Priest

Hebrews 3:1

- ❖ Consider the **Apostle and High Priest of our confession Jesus Christ**
- ❖ Knowing Jesus is the Apostle, receiving Jesus in our lives as the Apostle
- ❖ If we receive Apostle, we receive the One who sent Him
- ❖ When we receive Jesus as the Apostle we get revelation of Father

John 17:18

- ❖ As You (Father) **sent** Me, so now I **send** them (the apostles) into the world
Word wealth **Jn.20:21 “sent” – Gk “apostello” Str. #649 – source of word “apostle” and “apostleship”**
- ❖ to commission, set apart for a special service, to send a message by someone, send out with a mission to fulfil, to equip and despatch one with the full backing and authority of the sender

John 20:21

- ❖ Again Jesus sending the apostles as Jesus was sent by Father

Hebrews 3:1

- ❖ **Apostle** – One sent into the world by Father, represent and make known the Father, to fulfil the Sender’s (Father’s) will
- ❖ **Apostle represents God to the people**
- ❖ **High Priest** – offers sacrifice and prayer, sacrifice is to make God’s people acceptable to Father and He continues to pray for them
- ❖ **High Priest represents people to God in the heavens**

The Church historically has only focused on a fairly weak understanding of Jesus as the High Priest – caused the church to be heaven bent, wanting to die and go to heaven

It is time to know Jesus as the Apostle – to know the will of God in the earth and to be mindful of the apostolic mission of the church in the earth

Live in the heavenly kingdom on the earth

Key understanding of apostolic revelation is **many sons to glory** (Hebrews 2:10)

2002 – Paul began to hear about becoming the sons of God, receiving spirit of sonship

Jesus redeemed us from the law so we might become the sons of God, knowing God as our Father (**Romans 8:14-17**)

Revival in the 1990s released Paul and team into the apostolic revelation, bringing understanding from the Word

In last 18 months God has been quickening our hearts to believe God for revival now

To be revived is very Biblical – in Old Testament word translated “revive” is Hebrew “chayah” which appears 262x

Right now we are seeking God for revival according to **Luke 11:9-13** – seeking God to be led by the Holy Spirit, counselled

We want to live in the kingdom, the realm of the Holy Spirit, the realm of the anointing

Focus on Jesus, let God release in each one of us

When we are not in revival we pray as people of faith and hope something happens

When we are in revival we pray and we know God has done something

God is raising up apostles in the earth today!

Session 14

Paul Galligan

The Same Anointing that Jesus had

The anointing of God is essential to us as the people of God, the saints

Without the anointing of God we cannot do what God wants us to do

John 14:12

- ❖ works Jesus does we will do also if we believe
- ❖ even greater works also because Jesus went to the Father (double anointing)
- ❖ Jesus and Father = double anointing given to sons

John 3:2

- ❖ "Rabbi" – an honourable name for Teacher
- ❖ Know Jesus was from God because of the signs He did – He knew God was with Him
- ❖ Signs were part and parcel of Jesus' ministry, proving God was with Him
- ❖ Teaching ministry should also have signs following them

Some ministries have had gifts and sign but then people follow the minister

Jesus did ministry and the signs pointed people to God

Acts 10:38

- ❖ Jesus of Nazareth was anointed by God with the Holy spirit and power, went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with Him

What is the Anointing?

1. It is the Holy Spirit
2. It is power
3. the Sense that God is with us (when I pray God does something)

The Anointing upon Jesus

Luke 4:18-19

❖ quote from Isaiah 61

a) Spirit of YAHWEH was upon Jesus

What did the anointing of the Spirit of YAHWEH enable Jesus to do?

i) Preach the good news to the poor

Preach – proclaim, announce, (release the water), prophesy

Good news – There is a kingdom of God

Poor – needy, those without, poor in spirit (**Matt.5:3**)

ii) Heal the broken hearted

Heal – this is to do with salvation, restoration, wholeness, revive

Broken-hearted – to do with the soul, wounded, hurt, traumatised, grief/sad

iii) proclaim liberty to the captives

Proclaim liberty – freedom, set free, release

To the captives – in prison (emotional, sin), breaking bondages

iv) recovery of sight of the blind

Recovery of sight – enlightenment, spirit of revelation, anointing for eyes to see

Of the blind – spiritual blindness, darkness, cannot see truth

v) set at liberty those who are oppressed

Oppression – depression, a big ogre pushing down on people, feeling like there is no way out, caused by fear (chronic)

Acts 10:38 – healed all who were oppressed by the devil

Isaiah 10:27

- ❖ the yoke of the Assyrian (most powerful enemy of Israel and Judah – overtook and destroyed northern kingdom of Israel, attacked Judah under Hezekiah) – a very severe oppression, bondage, captivity
- ❖ the burden of Assyrian will be taken off shoulder, the yoke of Assyrian taken off our neck by **the anointing oil!!!**
- ❖ **The anointing breaks the yoke, destroys the yoke and removes the burden!!**

vi) to proclaim the acceptable year of the LORD

Proclaim – to herald forth

Acceptable year – year of Jubilee, release of all slaves (from bondage), release of all debt, the year of God's favour, guarantee of people living in their inheritance

- ❖ this takes us into the realm of "adoption" – receiving the Spirit of Sonship
- ❖ what was stolen by devil over many generations we receive back as sons, walking with Father, ruling and reigning in life with Jesus Christ

This is the anointing that God has given to His people to minister the gospel with signs and wonders

Still small voice of the anointing

- ❖ Holy Spirit speaking to us
- ❖ Being perfectly obedient
- ❖ When you have not got peace you know you are disobeying God, stay on short circuit with God
- ❖ The private communication in our inner man with the Holy Spirit
- ❖ "Don't watch that movie"
- ❖ Very important in walking with the Holy Spirit to listen to still small voice
- ❖ Practice this in all areas of your life
- ❖ You will then know how to minister to others because you have become accustomed to His voice
- ❖ **Romans 8:14** – led by Spirit = sons of God, this is specific leading of Holy Spirit

Romans 8:11

- ❖ The same Spirit who raised Jesus from the dead will revive/quicken/give life to your mortal bodies
- ❖ Through His Spirit in you
- ❖ Anointing of Holy Spirit will release you from pain because He quickens our mortal bodies

Sons walk in the anointing – two anointed ones is literally in Hebrew "**sons of fresh oil**" (**Zechariah 4:14**) – through sons of fresh oil the anointing flows into the church, golden containers that fresh oil can flow into and release into the church – no strange spirit among us, full of Holy Spirit

The Anointing is transferrable

- ❖ Elisha and Elijah (**2 Kings 2**)
- ❖ Spirit on Elijah was transferred to Elisha in a double amount
- ❖ Jesus offers us a double portion (**John 14:12**)
- ❖ Elisha's bones revived a dead person
- ❖ God is amazing
- ❖ We are tapping the realm of God, the invisible, the kingdom

The Anointing flows from the Head

Psalms 133

- ❖ brethren (companions) dwelling in unity
- ❖ like precious oil on the head, running down the beard (of Aaron), running down his garments, down to the hem
- ❖ the whole body was anointed
- ❖ whole Body of Messiah is to be anointed with same anointing as Jesus
- ❖ our body is to be covered by the anointing of Spirit of YAHWEH

The anointing of Spirit of YAHWEH is same Spirit that rested on Messiah

Isaiah 11:1-2

- ❖ Rod from stem of Jesse, branch out of His roots (Messiah Jesus)
- ❖ Spirit of YAHWEH shall rest on Him
 - = Spirit of wisdom and understanding
 - = Spirit of counsel and might
 - = Spirit of knowledge and of fear of YAHWEH
- ❖ **v.3** – will judge righteously and with equity
- ❖ when same anointing rests upon us, our delight will be in the fear of the Lord...just like the Messiah
- ❖ judge things in the Spirit
- ❖ we shall strike earth with rod of our mouths and slay wicked with breath of our mouths
- ❖ **"Rest"** word wealth **Exodus 33:14 'nuach'** – to rest, settle down, soothed, quieted, to dwell peacefully, to be secure, to be still

Ephesians 1:17-19

- ❖ wisdom, revelation, knowledge, understanding, might/power

John 14:15-17

- ❖ if love Jesus, you will keep My commandments
- ❖ Father will give another Helper – comes alongside us
- ❖ Abide with you forever
- ❖ Spirit of truth, world does not receive Him

- ❖ You know Him (is in Jesus), He dwells with you, will be in you
- ❖ Will not leave you orphans
- ❖ Jesus will come to us by Holy Spirit
- ❖ While with them they could experience Spirit of God in Jesus
- ❖ When Jesus left, they would experience Spirit of God in them and they would know Jesus
- ❖ Holy Spirit makes Jesus known, He reveals the Person of God, the Father expressed in the Son

Every believer has an anointing

1 John 2:20,27

- ❖ you have an anointing and know all things
- ❖ anointing comes from the Holy One, He knows all things
- ❖ this anointing which I received abides/lives/dwells in me
- ❖ this anointing teaches me all things
- ❖ make room for Holy Spirit in your lives
- ❖ We are to ask for the Holy Spirit (**Luke 11:9-13**)
- ❖ there is no limit on us receiving the Holy Spirit

Where does the Anointing come from?

2 Corinthians 1:21-22

- ❖ The One who establishes us in Christ and anointed us is God, sealed us with Holy Spirit

Triple sealing

a) Establishes – born again into kingdom, into Christ

b) Anointed us – anointed with Holy Spirit, baptised with Holy Spirit and continuing to be filled and empowered by Holy Spirit

c) Sealed – Spirit of Sonship/Adoption seals us in our hearts, He is the guarantee, you will inherit, you will receive the glorified body, coming into relationship as a son to Father

Who anointed Jesus?

- ❖ God anointed Jesus (**Acts 10:38**)

Who anointed first apostles?

- a) during Jesus' earthly ministry, Jesus anointed them when sent on short term mission, they functioned in that anointing while on mission but then at home base were not flowing in it as much
 - ❖ we have to get our own supply of the anointing through our relationship with God
 - ❖ anointing gives us authority to cast out demons, heal sick...
- b) Day of Pentecost when apostles got their own anointing from Holy Spirit

What about Paul the apostle?

- ❖ Holy Spirit sent out Paul and Barnabas from Antioch (**Acts 13:2-4**)
- ❖ **Acts 9:4-8** – born again from meeting Jesus
- ❖ Anointed with Spirit when Ananias laid hands on him

When Jesus was anointed what was the result?

- ❖ at baptism (**Matt.3:16-17**)
- ❖ signs and wonders and preaching gospel

When were you anointed?

- ❖ there are points in our life when we know we are anointed

The anointing is the gift of the Holy Spirit

If you obey the Holy Spirit you will see the anointing work through you

Receive Holy Spirit – enables you to minister

Speak with new tongues – **Mark 16:17**

Signs will follow believers – healing sick, casting out devils, cleansing lepers (healing AIDS), experiencing Divine protection and provision, preach the gospel, make disciples from every nation, teach the Word

Session 15

Paul Galligan

Spiritual Gifts

1 Corinthians 12:1

- ❖ not to be ignorant of spiritual gifts
- ❖ humans were made for the supernatural
- ❖ we are to experience the supernatural in Christ and not to be ignorant

v.2 – Gentiles, unbelievers, look for supernatural in wrong realm, demonic realm

- ❖ through drugs, idols etc...

v.3 – The way to know the difference

- ❖ The Spirit of God will never curse Jesus Christ
- ❖ Spirit of God confesses Jesus is Lord
- ❖ demons will manifest around us when we are full of Holy Spirit
- ❖ only by Holy Spirit that you can know Jesus is Lord
- ❖ there is no mixture with Jesus and any other God
- ❖ Jesus is God

v.4 – diversities of gifts, same Spirit (the Spirit of God uphold Jesus)

v.5 – different ministries, same Lord

v.6 – different activities, same God

v.7 – working of Spirit comes as a manifestation

- ❖ can be spoken manifestation (prophecy, word of wisdom, word of knowledge, tongues, interpretation)
- ❖ can be an action (healing, miracle, faith, discerning spirit)

- ❖ always stay close to the Spirit
- ❖ know you need to do something when the Spirit is applying pressure to your spirit, but is never forced to do it
- ❖ believers can be deceived to think that demon speaking to them is God
- ❖ let others help you discern so that you come to know the Spirit
- ❖ The Spirit of God will benefit all, no division, brings peace
- ❖ Spirit will make sure you have heard but will not force you, He will leave you with it to see what you will do with it

- ❖ Gifts are for the profit of all

v.8

i) word of wisdom – can manifest in the meeting, God giving the solution, direction in a situation where there is confusion

- ❖ God gave Solomon a word of wisdom with the two mothers of a baby
- ❖ Jesus exercised word of wisdom with woman caught in adultery (**John 8**)
- ❖ offer the Word, never force it

ii) word of knowledge – Jesus exercised word of knowledge with woman at the well (**John 4**)

- ❖ knew fact about the lady that was not naturally known
- ❖ builds faith in the one concerned and those around

iii) Discernment of spirits

- ❖ knowing what the spirit is – if it is from God or if it is a demonic spirit
- ❖ taking authority over a demonic spirit before ministering the Holy Spirit
- ❖ Someone falling is no sign of anything. It may or may not be of God
- ❖ Ministry to people should be while they stand

iv) Gift of Faith

- ❖ having faith in a situation that is impossible
- ❖ It is believing for the impossible

v) Gift of prophecy

- ❖ speaking forth the Word of God
- ❖ brings us closer to Jesus (**Rev.19:10**)
- ❖ brings direction
- ❖ you will not know whole message but just bring what you have
- ❖ others may bring the rest

vi) Gift of tongues

- ❖ flows on from prophecy
- ❖ strong urge inside and it comes out
- ❖ tongues gets our attention, God wants to say something to us

vii) Gift of interpreting tongues

- ❖ sometimes you will also get the interpretation
- ❖ can come as words or a picture
- ❖ sometimes will not be whole interpretation, others may have part of interpretation also
- ❖ tune in to what Holy Spirit is saying about it without moving to something else too quickly

viii) working of miracles/power

- ❖ doing something supernatural (water to wine, creative miracles – bone growing)
- ❖ miracles are instantaneous

ix) gifts of healings (cures)

- ❖ many sicknesses, therefore, many healings/cures
- ❖ impart healing, then wait for recovery
- ❖ know healing is released, person has a quickening they have received it, then walk into the recovery

Session 16

Paul Galligan

The Healing of the Soul

Romans 12:1

- ❖ because of God's mercy we can offer our bodies as a living sacrifice, you will be blessed if you do, you will be challenged
- ❖ living a sacrificial life
- ❖ every day you are rising up to offer yourself to God
- ❖ it includes dealing with mindsets and habitual thought patterns
- ❖ breaking out of self imposed prisons (consciously and unconsciously – **2 Corinthians 10:5**, taking every thought captive)

God wants us to become fully obedient to Him (**2 Corinthians 10:6** – so we can take vengeance of disobedience around us)

We have entered into a new time historically in this ministry

God has put upon us a greater sense of responsibility for the nation of Australia

We are to pray according to **1 Timothy 2**

To pray for kings and those in authority

In this realm we are to exercise **2 Corinthians 10:5-6** – we are not to be victims in our own country but rise up and speak the truth into the darkness

No longer accept leaders speaking falsehoods and ungodliness, resist it with your mouth and voice, speak against it and speak God's word

The remnant church is arising in the nation

As we come through the healing of the soul we can be part of the remnant church that rises up in governmental authority

God wants us to possess our own souls, He wants to save our souls

Jeremiah 31:1-12 – the healing of the soul

v.1 – foundational precept is that God is the God of you and your family, of all the families of His people

- ❖ through blood, He is our God and we are His people – **1 John 2:12, 13**, born again, a child of God, I am in the family

v.2 – God's people that survived the sword (judgement, death)

- ❖ found **grace in the wilderness** (we have come out of a desolate place to find God's grace)

- ❖ God sees the soul that is in desolation and He comes to give rest

v.3 – "I have loved you with an everlasting love, therefore with lovingkindness I have drawn you"

- ❖ "lovingkindness" – steadfast love, mercy
(Strength, steadfastness, love all make up this word for "lovingkindness")

- ❖ it took strength to draw us out of what we were doing

- ❖ God drew us with strength, steadfastness and love

v.4 – After God calls us He wants to rebuild us, restore us

- ❖ we will then begin to rejoice
- ❖ There is not much singing and dancing jubilantly in any other faith except the Jewish/Christian faiths

v.5 – sowing and reaping

- ❖ experiencing fruit
- ❖ we are purposeful, we plant and do something, it will be fruitful
- ❖ this is part of God's promise and restoration to us

v.6 – Mt Ephraim is the northern kingdom of Israel, Samaria, that had backslidden and forbidden its citizens to go to Jerusalem and worship YAHWEH

- ❖ is political and religious capital of northern kingdom
- ❖ people forced by leadership to be backsliders and idol worshipers – similar to denominationalism, Catholicism, bringing people of God into bondage
- ❖ this is the remnant people of God being drawn out
- ❖ there finally comes a point when in our soul we hear a voice say "Let us go up to Zion, to YAHWEH our God"
- ❖ we cannot stay where we are in our denomination, Pentecostalism – we must go to Zion
- ❖ the full healing of the soul we only come when we appear before God in Zion
- ❖ Mt Ephraim was a high place, there was no further to go, we must hear the prophets call us up to Zion
- ❖ God is in Zion, His fullness

v.7 – God is talking about a remnant

- ❖ those who will accept the call
- ❖ God is saving His remnant

"save" – Hb. 'yasha' #3467 – to be open, wide, free, to be safe, to free, to succour, to deliver, to help :- save 149 x , saviour, preserved, deliver, help

❖ "Free Your people O YAHWEH", "Open them up"

v.8 – He will bring them from all over

- ❖ blind, lame, women with children, women labouring with child
- ❖ blind – cannot see
- ❖ lame – cannot walk the walk yet
- ❖ woman with child – making a disciple
- ❖ women labouring with child – bringing people to Jesus
- ❖ not content to leave the "minister" to do all the ministry
- ❖ a great throng (heaps of people!!)

v.9 - they shall come with weeping

- ❖ they will come with supplications, God will lead them
- ❖ "supplication" = asking God for grace
- ❖ they will start to follow God in this way
- ❖ God will cause them to walk by the waters
- ❖ they will walk in a straight way – they will not stumble, fall off or be hindered by demonic beings (early church was called "people of the Way")
- ❖ God is a Father to His people, He is looking for His sons to come home
- ❖ Ephraim, the backsliding people, are His firstborn – God wants Ephraim back!
- ❖ His people He wants to give the right of a firstborn son, inheritance

v.10 – God is gathering His people out of the nations to be a holy nation (**1 Peter 2:9**)

- ❖ He is doing this as a Shepherd
- ❖ He announces this to the nations

v.11 – sometimes we think the enemy is too strong for us, we cannot get the victory

- ❖ God as a Shepherd will gather us because He has redeemed us from the devil
- ❖ He has rescued us from the snare
- ❖ He has ransomed us from the hand of the one who is stronger than us

v.12 – the picture of the healed soul, our salvation

- ❖ to sing in height of Zion – this is the highest place in God, where Jesus is seated at right hand in Zion, this is our destiny to appear before God in Zion
- ❖ stream to the goodness of YAHWEH
- ❖ wheat, new wine, oil, young of flock and herd = goodness of YAHWEH = the best provision, the very best of everything is in Zion, the spiritual riches of what God wants us to enjoy, we cannot enjoy these riches when our soul is still in bondage
- ❖ In Zion our souls will be like a well-watered garden
- ❖ they will sorrow no more at all – we will be delivered from sorrow, no place for regrets anymore, the well watered soul is fully satisfied with what God has provided

1 Peter 1:3-9

v.8 – having not seen Jesus, you love Him

- ❖ not seen, yet believing, you rejoice with joy inexpressible and full of glory
- ❖ this happens when our souls are healed, we receive measures of that on the journey

v.9 - this is all working to bring forth the salvation/healing of our souls

How our soul is healed

1 Peter 2:24

- ❖ Jesus the Messiah bore our sins in His own body on the tree
- ❖ we having died to sin live to righteousness
- ❖ **by His stripes we are healed**

v.25 – We like sheep have returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of our souls

- ❖ we are part of the remnant church
- ❖ we learn to be obedient to Him

“heal” – Gk *inomai* – to cure :- heal 26x, make whole

- ❖ physical treatment, can include spiritual healing

James 5:16 – pray for one another so you may be “healed”

What Jesus achieved through death on Cross

Isaiah 53:4

- ❖ He has borne our griefs
- ❖ He carried our sorrows
- ❖ We experience this by believing, the end of our faith is the salvation of our souls

“griefs” – Hb. #2483 *‘cholay’* – malady (include physical sickness), anxiety, calamity (that cause trauma) – in Hosea 5:13, the whole land is “distressed/sick”

“sorrows” – Hb #4341 *‘makob’* – anguish, affliction

These are more to do with the soul, these are the issues of the soul, that stop our souls from being healed and whole

Jesus bore our griefs and carried our sorrows

Jesus wants our souls healed

Jesus’ stripes have healed us

Session 17

David & Elspeth Truss

Kingdom Relationships

There has been a real need in teaching on relationships in the area of marriage, bringing up children etc..

Even among Christians there are many who need help in relationships

The Bible talks much about families, God loves families, God is a God of families

The Bible shows the best and the worst of families

God is our Father in heaven – God is creating a family

All our relationships hone us, sanctify us and work on us

The church is men, women, children in relationship with God and each other

Kingdom Relationships

“Kingdom” = King and His subjects, has boundaries

“Relationship” = we were created for relationship with God first, then also relationships between each other

Types of relationships

Husband/Wife

Parent/Children

Singles

Relationships in church fellowship

Employers/employees

Relationship with governments

God's pattern for relationships

- ❖ God's ways are unchanging, unbending (like a bar of iron)
- ❖ Whether it is from thousands of years ago, it will remain the same today (**Hebrews 13:8**)
- ❖ In today's culture people want to bend things (like a rope)
- ❖ People are moving away from God's ways and laws with disastrous results

Marriage is God's idea

- ❖ first marriage was Adam and Eve
- ❖ it was male and female
- ❖ they both were to reflect the image of God
- ❖ **Genesis 1:27** – Man created in God's image, male and female He created them
- ❖ **v.28** – given a task to do, fruitful and multiply
- ❖ **Genesis 2:18** – not good for man to be alone – we were not made to live in isolation, we were made to live in community
- ❖ No animal was made as a helper suitable/comparable for man
- ❖ God created woman out of man
- ❖ God brought the woman to the man (no searching from the man)
- ❖ **Genesis 2:23-24** – man shall leave father and mother and be joined to his wife
(**Matthew 19:3-6**, **Mark 10:6-8** quoted by Jesus, **Ephesians 5:30-31**,
1 Corinthians 6:15-20 quoted by Paul)
- ❖ **"joined"** – **Mk 10:7** Gk. 'proskallao' – to glue or cement together, to stick to, adhere to, join firmly. Includes faithfulness, loyalty and permanency in relationships

When a marriage/joining falls apart, it tears apart our hearts, getting a bit of the other on us

Like singles "dating" and "going out" and then they split up – it causes their hearts to tear apart and they will not adhere and join well again to another person

Marriage is meant to reflect God's lasting covenant with His people

Revelation 19 – the final marriage

v.6-9 – believers being the Lamb's wife who has made herself ready

Revelation 21:1-3 – the Bride is the heavenly city coming down prepared

- ❖ God will Tabernacle with us His Bride

Psalm 45

v.6-13 – The Bride forgets her father's house to join to the Husband

- ❖ the Bride is made ready

Idolatry is compared to adultery towards God

Hosea was to be faithful to an unfaithful wife

Hosea 2:14-17 – God brings her (His people) into the wilderness to speak with her

- ❖ People will call God “My Husband”
- ❖ They will no longer call on other gods, being unfaithful
- ❖ **V.19-21** – Betrothed to God forever, we will “know” the LORD as a Bride to a husband

Sodom and Gomorrah was judged for the perverse lifestyle

King David suffered bad consequences of his sin with Bathsheba

Husbands

- ❖ there are many men in the church who use **Genesis 3:16** to justify them being the “boss” and controller of the family
- ❖ this was result of curse, not God’s perfect plan

In New Testament

- ❖ it is not said for women to be forced to obey husband

In beginning, Adam and Eve were co rulers over creation – this has been restored through the Cross

Men and women are absolutely equal – there are different roles to play but they are equal

In the house, decisions are to be jointly made – man and woman are to be “one” just as the LORD is one (**Deuteronomy 6:4**)

Ephesians 5:33

- ❖ let each man without exception love his wife as being his very own self
- ❖ wife is to respect her own husband, venerate, praise, notice, regard, esteem, love, admire him exceedingly etc.

How can a wife do this if we are not behaving like Jesus would?

When the man loves the wife as his own self, the woman will find it much easier to do this to her husband

Titus 2:2-4

- ❖ older men are to be temperate, sober, reverent...
- ❖ older women likewise...that they teach the younger women also to love their husbands, to love their children
- ❖ older women are to get alongside the younger women to be taught to love their husbands

Ephesians 5:23-25

- ❖ husbands are to love wives as Christ loved the church
- ❖ if husbands do this, the wife will be able to "enjoy" her husband, love, revere and esteem her husband
- ❖ husbands should love wives as their own bodies – because now they are one flesh! (v.28)
- ❖ God said not to separate what God had joined together

Wives

Ephesians 5:22

- ❖ wives are to submit to their husbands
- the context of submission is "walk in love" (Eph.5:1-7), walk in light (v.8-14), walk in wisdom (v.15-17), being filled with Spirit and submitting all to one another (v.18-21)

1 Corinthians 7 ; Proverbs ; Song of Songs ; 1 Peter 3 – other marriage passages

Parents/children

- ❖ children are a gift not a possession – God gives children (Psalm 127)

Mark 10:13-15

- ❖ little children brought to Jesus
- ❖ Jesus did not want children forbidden to come to Him
- ❖ Kingdom is of such as children
- ❖ Jesus blessed them

We are all called to raise children (natural, spiritual)

Even being an aunt or uncle, we can be part of raising children

We all need to be involved in teaching children and living as an example for them, also praying for them

There should be no favourites – God has none

Examples of favouritism in the Bible

Favouritism can cause jealousy

Teach, train, discipline, correct children – this is needed because they are not born perfect!

This is the parent's responsibility with the support of the church

Deuteronomy 6:5-8

- ❖ Love YAHWEH your God with all heart
- ❖ Teach about God to children
- ❖ All through the day you are to teach them His ways

Psalm 78:1-8

- ❖ adults who have known the law are to teach the younger generation
- ❖ teaching them the wonders of God
- ❖ His testimonies, laws, precepts, commandments are to be passed from generation to generation

Proverbs 13:24

- ❖ discipline sons promptly if you love him
- ❖ it is to be prompt so child connects punishment with bad behaviour
- ❖ try not to discipline out of anger, apologize to child if you do discipline out of anger

Proverbs 22:6,15

- ❖ Train up child in the way, when old he will not depart from it
- ❖ Rod of correction gets rid of foolishness
- ❖ This means appropriate physical punishment will drive home what you want to teach – done in love

Proverbs 29:15,17

- ❖ rod and rebuke gives wisdom
- ❖ no boundary will bring shame

Husband and wife must be in agreement with discipline

God as a father disciplines, trains and corrects us

Hebrews 12:3-11

- ❖ exhortation as sons – “Do not despise chastening of Lord, He rebukes those He loves (Prov. 3:11-12)
- ❖ if endure chastening, God deals with you as sons
- ❖ if no chastening, you are illegitimate
- ❖ be in subjection to Father of spirits and live
- ❖ discipline enables us to partake of God’s holiness
- ❖ is not pleasant at the time but helps us in long run

“chastening” paideia – to instruct

“rebuke” elegcho – verbally reprove

“scourges” mastigoo – to flog (sensible physical discipline)

This is the order of discipline

Fathers

Ephesians 6:4

- ❖ fathers do not provoke children to wrath, not being too harsh so that they become bitter
- ❖ bring them up in training and admonition of Lord

Colossians 3:21

- ❖ do not provoke children lest they become discouraged
- ❖ make sure you notice the good, right things and not only the bad things

Exodus 20:12

- ❖ honour your father and mother, so your days will be long

Ephesians 6:1-3

- ❖ first commandment with a promise
- ❖ children obey your parents in the Lord, honouring father and mother

Colossians 3:20

- ❖ children obey your parents in all things
- ❖ this is well pleasing to the Lord
- ❖ children not expected to obey when parents require disobedience to God

Children should be taught to be obedient to teachers in school, principal

So when they get to work place they have learnt to be obedient to bosses

Then they will also be obedient to government

Obedience to authority begins in the home

Singles

1 Corinthians 7:32,34

- ❖ He who is unmarried cares for the things of the Lord
- ❖ being unmarried means you can be completely devoted to the Lord – this is a good thing
- ❖ single man/woman can be holy to the Lord in body and spirit

1 Corinthians 6:12-20

- ❖ body is not for sexual immorality
- ❖ our bodies are for the Lord and the Lord wants to live in our bodies
- ❖ our bodies are members of Christ
- ❖ if we join to a harlot, we become one with her
- ❖ if we are joined to the Lord, we are one with Him
- ❖ our bodies are the temple of Holy Spirit
- ❖ Flee sexual immorality

If you know you have a void in your life and you long for a marriage partner

- ❖ give that to God, there is no set time for marriage, it can happen at any age
- ❖ the partner needs to be comparable

2 Corinthians 6:14

- ❖ do not be unequally yoked with unbelievers
- ❖ marrying a person without faith in Jesus will cause much trouble
- ❖ we must have “fellowship” with the other person in Christ

1 Corinthians 7:13-16

- ❖ if married before coming to Jesus
- ❖ if unbeliever is willing to live with you as a believer, then do not divorce
- ❖ if unbeliever wants to leave, they can leave, believing partner is not under bondage to stay with that person

Older/younger

1 Timothy 5:2 – younger men should honour older ones

1 Peter 3:8 – all of you be of one mind, love as brothers, be tenderhearted, courteous...

Employer/Employees

Ephesians 6:5-9

- ❖ bondservants obedient masters
- ❖ sincere hearts
- ❖ not giving eye service but working from the heart even when boss is not looking!
- ❖ Working as for the Lord

Colossians 3:22-25

- ❖ do work heartily as for the Lord, not for men
- ❖ God watches how we work

Titus 2:9-10

- ❖ bondservants (employees), well pleasing in all things, not answering back, not pilfering, showing good fidelity, adorning doctrine of God

Our chief relationship is with Jesus the Messiah

As we draw closer to Him our other relationships will line up

Never take relationships for granted, they need working at

Philippians 2:1-4 – key attitudes to have kingdom relationships

Session 18

Paul Galligan

Only Speak the Word

When Melchizedek blessed Abram, He blessed him in the name of God Most High,
Possessor of heaven and earth

Psalm 24 – God owns the earth

Psalm 2:7-8 – Son of God owns the nations and the earth

1. What is the Bible?

2 Timothy 3:16

- ❖ Bible is the Scripture
- ❖ All Scripture is "God-breathed", inspired by God
- ❖ The Word comes out on God's breath
- ❖ Scripture is profitable for 4 things

i) doctrine/teaching

ii) reproof (rebuke) – proving that you are wrong from the Word of God, serious, right off track

The Word must stand as it is written and be accepted in the context, no new interpretations for 21st Century

Cults form out of private interpretations of different leaders or teachers

They twist the Scripture to make it say what it does not say (e.g. Jehovah's Witness)

iii) correction – heed correction from Word, keeps us on track when we start to veer off, we are to teach accurately

iv) instruction in righteousness – maybe this is one most ignored

- ❖ **1 Timothy 3:15** – know how to conduct ourselves in the house of God, because the house of God is the church of the Living God, the pillar (that which upholds) and ground (foundation) of the truth
- ❖ Righteousness comes by faith, which comes by hearing the Word – The Word is truth and instructs us

The Bible is all of Scripture, the Canon, which has been passed down to us and preserved by the fathers in the faith

In Latin the New Testament was called the "Received Text"

In first 500 years of Christianity the records of Scriptures are more prevalent than any other historical records

Be happy to receive the Scripture!

The Bible was copied by men who gave their lives to copy Scriptures

When printing press came in the Bible was multiplied and any person who could read could get a copy

This was revolutionary because before then the Bible had been hidden in Roman Catholic monasteries

Result of being taught Word

- ❖ **2 Timothy 3:17** – we will be fully equipped for work of ministry to be preachers and teachers
- ❖ Expectation is for all believers to be teachers (**Hebrews 5:12-6:3**)

2. Who wrote the Bible?

2 Peter 1:19-21

- ❖ the prophetic Word confirmed (Old Testament Scriptures)
- ❖ no prophecy of Scripture is of any private interpretation
- ❖ prophecy not by the will of man
- ❖ holy men of God spoke, "moved" (coursed along, borne along) by the Holy Spirit
- ❖ these holy men did not write their own interpretation of what the Spirit was saying
- ❖ the Word of God is the Word of God, they simply put down what was given by inspiration
- ❖ the Word is the direct truth, not Peter's interpretation or anyone else's

"In the beginning was the Word" not an interpretation!!

Stay with the Scripture, not taken away by your own imaginations

Truth of God is hidden in Old but revealed and fulfilled in the New

The Holy Spirit wrote the Bible

3. False Teachers

- ❖ doctrines are based in Scriptures but not the teaching of the Scriptures
- ❖ e.g. preacher preaching for an offering using parable of sower – preaching for gain out of a covetous heart

2 Peter 2:1 – there will be false teachers among you

- ❖ secretly bringing in destructive heresies

Characterised by their expectation and demand for money

2 Peter 2:3 - they exploit you with deceptive words

In many places today, this sort of heart in “apostles” and other ministers has caused many to be disillusioned

Isaiah 8:20

- ❖ to the law (instruction, teaching) and to the testimony (**Rev.19:10** – spirit of prophecy)
- ❖ if they do not speak according to this Word there is no light in them

4. Do not go beyond what is written

1 Corinthians 1:12

- ❖ they were following particular leaders

1 Corinthians 3:6

- ❖ true ministers give the glory to Jesus so He is glorified – God will give increase

1 Corinthians 4:6

- ❖ all ministers need to be judged by Word
- ❖ do not think beyond what is written – harness your own mind and imagination to what is written
- ❖ so none gets puffed up on behalf of men

Psalms 19:7 – the testimony of the LORD make wise the simple

- ❖ Word can be received by simple people, it is not too complex to understand

5. The Word does the work

- ❖ the Word will do the work, changing people as they get revelation

2 Timothy 3:16

- ❖ Scriptures are profitable
- ❖ by teaching and preaching Word as written
- ❖ hearers are convicted, they get wisdom and revelation (**Ephesians 1:17-18**)

- a) do not add or take away from Scripture
- b) do not take Scriptures to validate a non-Scriptural doctrine
- c) not to take Scriptures and use them out of context
- d) not to make Scripture say the opposite of what it says in the context

Hebrews 3-4

- ❖ recognizing Jesus as Apostle and High Priest (**v.1**)
- ❖ then building of house of God (**v.2-6**)
- ❖ then author equates being built into house of God with entering the rest of God (**v.6-16**)
- ❖ author talks strongly about entering rest, hearing His voice, not hardening our hearts (**v.17-19**)
- ❖ when we believe the Word, we enter the rest
- ❖ **Hebrews 4:12** – The Word is the key to entering the rest
- ❖ The Word of God is applied to: **i)** the spirit of man - distinguished **ii)** to the soul of man – as separate to the spirit **iii)** to the physical body of man – even the marrow of the bone, healing
- ❖ The Word is “quick”, “living”, “powerful”, it is reviving, makes alive
- ❖ Word is only thing in universe that can penetrate and distinguish between spirit and soul of a man, pierces and divides
- ❖ All other religions, philosophies think of man as “dualistic” (soul and body, mind and matter, physical and spiritual) – but Word distinguishes between soul and spirit
- ❖ Real Word of God shows us we are a spirit being, a child of God, the way we communicate with God
- ❖ It is the spirit of a man which is born again
- ❖ Natural man cannot discern the things of God, they are nonsense to the natural man (**1 Corinthians 2:6-16**)
- ❖ Entering the rest in **Hebrews 4:16** – is appearing before the Throne of grace, coming boldly, perfect rest is found at the Throne where you find mercy and grace
- ❖ Mercy covers our past, grace given to act as a son of God into the future
- ❖ The Word will get you there!!!!

6. The Word of God is written

Matthew 4 and Luke 4

- ❖ Jesus overcame the devil by bringing forth what was written in the moment when it was needed
- ❖ Holy Spirit releases “rhema” word in a particular crisis

- ❖ “rhema” is quickened to our understanding by Holy Spirit
- ❖ Man will live by every “rhema” word that proceeds from God’s mouth – it is the now word

7. What is revelation?

Matthew 16:15-17

- ❖ flesh and blood not revealed this to you
- ❖ revelation came from Father in heaven
- ❖ that is why Paul prays to “God and Father of Lord Jesus Christ (**Ephesians 1:17**)
- ❖ The Word Peter spoke was in Scriptures (**Psalms 2, 1 Samuel 7:12-14**)
- ❖ The revelation was that Jesus was the One the Scriptures were talking about
- ❖ We need revelation of what is already written
- ❖ Peter knew the Scriptures that Messiah was coming and He would be the Son of God
- ❖ His revelation was that Jesus is the One, it brought understanding to what was already written

There is no revelation outside what is written!!

If someone comes with a revelation that is not clearly seen in the Scriptures, it is not from God

Revelation is heavenly inspiration on Word that is written

8. Continuing in the Word, read the Bible

John. 8:31-32

- ❖ if we continue in the Word we will be Jesus’ disciples, we will know truth and truth will make us free

Discipleship is a lifestyle – Read the Word at home in the household, pray together as a household, break bread as a household

Jesus equates the truth to the Word (**John 17:17**) – Your Word (Logos) is truth

It begins by us being committed to the Word

Read Bible through once a year

9. Pray according to the Word

John 15:7

- ❖ if His words (rhema = logos quickened) abide in you then you will experience answered prayer
- ❖ our prayers that express the logos quickened to us (rhema), God will answer, it will bring fruit in and through our prayers, they are the perfect will of God

10. Jesus is the Word

John 1:1

- ❖ the Word (logos – communication) was God and was in the beginning
- ❖ not a reference to 2 persons, but that God and His Word are one and the same, the Word was God and the Word was with God

God and His Word are inseparable

v.14 – The Word which was God became flesh (in Jesus)

God reveals Himself through His Word

Jesus is the Word

The Word is God

The Word is written so we can know Hi

There is no other source by which we can personally know the Living God

Knowledge of God is not based on our intellect or training but on what is written in His Word

John 1:14 – God became a man, called the Son of God in His manhood,

John 17:5 – glorify Me together with Yourself

Return to the Word

We are to faithfully teach and preach what is written = **Acts 5:42** – Jesus the Messiah

First church was devoted to the apostles' doctrine, that which was written (**Acts 2:42**)

An example of misinterpretation

The Coming of the Son of Man

Matthew 24:36 – no one knows the day and hour, only Father

v.37 – as the days of Noah, so also will be the coming of Son of Man

v.38 – human society was carrying on as normal, eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage until day Noah entered ark

v.39 – they did not know until flood came and took them all away (all those who did not believe), so also will the coming of Son of Man be

v.40 – then 2 will be in field: one will be taken, the other will be left

Which one is taken?

- ❖ many say the righteous
- ❖ but in context – it is like days of Noah, flood came and took unrighteous away, 8 were preserved/saved in the earth
- ❖ the one taken was the wicked in judgement
- ❖ the righteous inherit the kingdom in the earth with Jesus when He comes!!

Session 19

Nicholas Jackson

The Coming of the Lord

We are to come back to a Scriptural expectation of 'the coming of the Lord'.

1 Corinthians 11:26

- ❖ 'as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup you proclaim the Lord's death until He comes'
- ❖ We are in a period of history between the death, resurrection and ascension of the Lord and His coming
- ❖ every time we partake of the Lord's table there is a growing expectation that Jesus is coming

Acts 3:19

- ❖ Repent and be converted that your sins may be blotted out and that **times of refreshing** may come from the presence of the Lord
- ❖ **V20.** 'that He may send Jesus Christ who was preached to you before'. This is why times of refreshing come to us, to prepare us for Jesus to be sent.
- ❖ **Jesus wants to come to us**
- ❖ **V21.** Heaven has received Jesus until the 'times of restoration of all things'
- ❖ God is preparing a people, the times of refreshing are very important for us.
- ❖ God wants to send Jesus, He is waiting for us to be prepared

2 Peter 3:1

- ❖ we need our pure (free from falsehood, tested) minds stirred up by way of reminder
- ❖ it is a pure hearted people that will see God (**Matthew 5:8**)
- ❖ **V2.** that we be mindful of the words spoken by the holy prophets and the apostles of the Lord and Savior

Psalms 96:11-13 – the word of the prophets speaking of His coming

'let the heavens rejoice and the sea roar in all its fullness.....for **He is coming**, for He is coming to judge the earth...'

- ❖ This is a happy day for creation – all of creation is rejoicing. (**Psalms 98:9**)

Job 19:25

'I know that my Redeemer lives and He shall stand at last on the earth...'

- ❖ Job knew that in his flesh he shall see God

- ❖ Job looked forward to the coming of the Redeemer, knowing that He would come and stand on the earth and that Job would see Him
- ❖ we are to be mindful of the words spoken by the prophets
- ❖ **v3.** – not everybody is going to believe this ‘scoffers will come in the last days’
- ❖ people don’t like the reality of judgement and accountability for their life
- ❖ **v4.** they say ‘Where is the promise of His coming’
Promise Gk. ‘epangelia’ – it is the promise itself and the assurance that it will come to pass.
- ❖ God has promised the coming of Jesus

Coming Gk ‘parousia’ – the technical term signifying the second advent of Jesus (His coming), the official term used for a visit by a person of high rank, especially a king. It was an arrival that included a permanent presence from that time onward

- ❖ Jesus is coming in such a way that He is never leaving again
- ❖ the glorified Messiah’s arrival will be followed by a permanent residence with His glorified people
- ❖ This word “parousia” was never used to refer to Jesus as God coming in the flesh through Mary
- ❖ This Word always refers to His “coming” – never referred to in Bible as “second coming” because there is only one “coming” – when He comes, that is it – He is here and will always be!

2 Peter 1:12-15

- ❖ we need to be established in the present truth
- ❖ we are to be moving towards the coming
- ❖ Be stirred up today!
- ❖ The apostle Peter wanted to leave us with a reminder to stir us up
- ❖ he knew he was leaving this world and the one thing he wanted us to be focused on was that Jesus was coming
- ❖ **V16.** – Peter made known the power (dunamis) and coming (parousia) of our Lord Jesus Christ
- ❖ He was an eyewitness of it and saw it
- ❖ He was not telling a good story, a fable
- ❖ He had experienced the coming of the Lord on the holy mountain, he knew what he was talking about
- ❖ **V17-19.** – We have the prophetic word confirmed. The prophetic word of the Old Testament prophets was assured by what Peter witnessed on the mountain
- ❖ we will do well to heed this word
- ❖ it is like a light that shines in a dark place
- ❖ The light we are proclaiming is that Jesus is coming – in the midst of the dark world there is to be a people proclaiming the coming of the Lord

- ❖ 'until **the day** dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts' (Rev 22:16 Jesus is the Bright and Morning Star; Rev 2:28 – the overcoming church will be given the Morning Star)
- ❖ the coming is the dawn of a whole new day – the coming is the **Day** – and that Day is dawning

Matt. 16:27-28

- ❖ Jesus talking to the disciples
- ❖ 'there are some standing here who shall not taste death **til they see the Son of Man coming in His Kingdom**'
- ❖ **Ch 17:1** – Six days later Jesus took them up on the mountain and Jesus was transfigured before them. His face shone like the sun and His clothes became white like the light
- ❖ They saw the power and coming of the Lord
- ❖ **V4-5.** A bright cloud overshadowed them
- ❖ When Jesus comes His Kingdom is fully manifested and revealed in all the earth
- ❖ He is coming on the clouds
- ❖ We shall see Him as He is (**1 John 3:2**)
- ❖ All His saints are coming with Him (we will see Elijah and Moses and all the others also)

1 Cor. 15:20-23

- ❖ In Christ all shall be made alive
- ❖ Christ the firstfruits and afterward those who are Christ's at His coming
- ❖ There is resurrection life released at the coming of the Lord
- ❖ **V24.** When He comes it is 'the end'
- ❖ the arrival of the glorified Messiah. There is an end of all rule, authority and power
- ❖ The gospel must be preached in all the world and then the end will come (**Matthew 24:14**)
- ❖ **V25-26.** Death is destroyed when He comes

1 Thessalonians 5:23

- ❖ May we be sanctified completely
- ❖ May your whole spirit, soul and body be preserved blameless at the coming of the Lord Jesus Christ
- ❖ there is a sanctifying work happening in every person who is looking for the coming and desiring to be found blameless at the coming, ready for the coming

1 Thessalonians 3:12-13

- ❖ We are to increase and abound in love towards one another in preparation for the coming
- ❖ Establish your hearts at the coming of the Lord Jesus Christ – blameless in holiness
- ❖ we become blameless in holiness and established for the coming by growing in love for one another

2 Thessalonians 2:8

- ❖ The lawless one will be revealed
- ❖ The Lord will consume him with the breath of His mouth and destroy with the brightness of His coming
- ❖ destruction of the wicked happens at His coming

1 John. 2:27-29

- ❖ The anointing which you have received from Him abides in you
- ❖ The anointing teaches you all things and is true, the anointing never lies
- ❖ It teaches us to abide in Him. Why?
- ❖ Jesus does not want to come with you outside of Him!
- ❖ If you are in Him when He comes then you will come with Him (appear with Him in glory, **Colossians 3:4**)
- ❖ **V28.** – When He appears we will have confidence and not be ashamed when He comes

James. 5:7

- ❖ we are to be patient until the coming of the Lord
- ❖ The coming of the Lord is likened to a harvest – waiting for the fruit to come forth. The early and latter rain! We need to receive the early rain/revival (Pentecost) and the latter rain/revival (Tabernacles). These are the refreshings preparing the harvest to come to maturity
- ❖ **V8.** 'Be Patient. Establish your hearts for the coming of the Lord is at hand'
- ❖ The coming of the Lord is not to do with chronology. It is to do with the harvest being ready – brought to maturity – our hearts are to be established!
- ❖ **V9.** 'Do not grumble against one another'
- ❖ sin is dealt with at the Cross – Jesus is not coming to sort out our issues. The issues are to be dealt with already so that He can come
- ❖ 'Lest you be condemned...Behold the Judge is standing at the door' – Judgement comes at the Coming, it is at the door

2 Peter 3:5

- ❖ The scoffers wilfully forget
- ❖ The world that then existed perished, being flooded with water
- ❖ The days of the coming of the Son of Man are likened to the days of Noah (**Matthew 24:37**)
- ❖ **V7.** 'The heavens and the earth are now preserved by the same word, and are reserved for fire until the day of judgement and ungodly men will be judged'
- ❖ The Word of God is preserving the world we live in, even the heavens (realm of principalities and powers) and the earth (realm of human beings)
- ❖ The Word is preserving the world for a season but the world we know is "**reserved for fire**"

Hebrews 11:7 – By faith Noah was divinely warned of things not yet seen

- ❖ we have been warned that the world that now exists will be judged by fire
- ❖ Noah did not know what a flood looked like until it happened – we do not know exactly what the world being judged by fire (supernatural, spiritual) will look like either – we can only be focused on being ready
- ❖ Apostles did not know what outpouring of Spirit would look like but Jesus told them it was coming
- ❖ It came suddenly but not unexpectedly on them, they were obediently waiting for the Spirit to come
- ❖ If we are abiding in Christ, even when He comes with fire and in judgement we shall be kept by Him and in Him and will only see with our eyes the destruction of the wicked (**Psalm 91:7-8**)
- ❖ Noah was moved with godly fear
- ❖ Does the coming of the Lord move you with godly fear?
- ❖ Noah prepared an ark for the saving of his household
- ❖ God is building His house, His church (ecclesia) for the saving of His household
- ❖ Noah inherited a new earth, the wickedness had been cleansed from the earth in type
- ❖ Now “righteous” Noah inherited a new earth (**2 Peter 3:13**)

2 Peter 3:8-9

- ❖ don't get caught up in the time frame of chronological time
- ❖ the Lord is not slack concerning His promise
- ❖ He is longsuffering towards us – that none should perish
- ❖ There is an urgency to be telling people about His coming that they too can be ready
- ❖ The day of the Lord comes as a thief in the night to those who are not ready
- ❖ He will come quickly, suddenly, immediately – but those who are in Christ will be waiting and be expectant for it

V11. 'What manner of persons ought you to be?'

- ❖ we are to be found in holy conduct and godliness

Read 2 Peter 3:12-18 – instructions for us in view of His coming

Finally – “grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus the Messiah”

Session 20

Nicholas Jackson

Reaching Nations

- ❖ Jesus is raising up a standard against the enemy through a people who are in Christ – who stand in Christ and bravely oppose and vigorously contend the anti-Christ spirit (Isaiah 59:19)
- ❖ The last days anointing is to breathe into a people the spirit of Messiah to stand!

- ❖ God has a heart for **nations**!

Psalm 2:6-8 – The answer to the nations is that God has set His King on His Holy Hill of Zion. His name is Jesus and He is to be exalted.

- ❖ The King speaks and declared a decree (a statute that is forever)
- ❖ "Yahweh said to Me, You are My Son, today I have begotten You, ask of Me and I will give **You the nations for Your inheritance....the ends of the earth Your possession**...You shall dash them to pieces and rule them with a rod of iron"
- ❖ 'Kiss (worship, pay homage to) the Son lest He be angry'

- ❖ The Church and the Kingdom cannot be separated

Revelation 11:15 – The kingdoms of this world have become the kingdom of our Lord and of His Christ

- ❖ We are to be growing in the authority of the Kingdom of God – that will consume and destroy all other kingdoms
- ❖ Imagine universities forsaking the ideologies of the world but getting filled the doctrine of the Lord Jesus Christ

Romans 1:5 – through Messiah 'we have received grace (enables us to do His will) and apostleship (the commission and delegated authority to do His work) to bring nations to the obedience of faith'

- ❖ obedience is 'to hear under'

Romans 8:16-17 – If we are children of God we are heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ

- ❖ we share in the complete inheritance of the Messiah
- ❖ Abraham means 'a father of many nations'
- ❖ God birthed nations into Abraham
- ❖ Are you willing to give your life for nations?

Ezekiel 11:16-17

A Pattern to inheriting the Land

- ❖ In the context of the people being in captivity
- ❖ Although God scattered them He said 'I will be a little sanctuary for them in the countries where they have gone'
- ❖ God has not left His people
(Hosea 14:7 – those who dwell under His shadow shall return, they shall **be revived** like grain-corn)
- ❖ **V17.** 'I will **gather** you...I will **assemble** you...I will **give you the land**'

The Gathering

- ❖ the gathering is from the peoples - tribes
- ❖ He wants to get us out of identifying ourselves with our own people but now to identify with Christ
- ❖ **Psalm 45:10** – 'Incline your ear, forget your own people and your father's house...the King greatly desires your beauty'
- ❖ it is time to come out of culture, tradition, denomination etc...
- ❖ It is the strong, spirit-empowered preaching of the word that gathers people out (**Hosea 11:1** – 'When Israel was a child I loved him. Out of Egypt I called My son')
- ❖ Preaching the gospel is what shall call these people out from where they are. (**Mark 16:15-20** – the commission)
- ❖ We need the release of God's love in our hearts
- ❖ **Exodus 6:26** – when Israel came out of bondage they came out as armies (Ex. 7:4)
- ❖ Don't be afraid to confront the enemy
- ❖ It is the gathering of the right material
- ❖ **1 Peter 2:4-5** – living stones being built together
- ❖ The nature of the Living Stone is in us
- ❖ **Nehemiah 4:2** – God can revive the stones from rubbish
- ❖ the gaps in the wall are filled by living stones
- ❖ a gathering of living stones is just a pile of stones – we need to be assembled

Ezekiel 37:1-3

- ❖ Ezekiel set in the midst of a valley full of dry bones
- ❖ To God that was good material
- ❖ God said 'Son of man can these bones live?'
- ❖ Ezekiel was honest 'Lord you know'
- ❖ A lot the people that God is sending us to are in the valley

The Assembling

- ❖ Hebrew word means 'gathered for a purpose'
- ❖ We need to now lift our focus to see the assembling happen
- ❖ You can have all the parts of the engine of a car. Can that car be used? No
- ❖ The material is good but must be assembled

- ❖ The shaking in our lives brings us into a place to be used by the Lord
- ❖ God is placing us in different nations and countries to be His voice
- ❖ Put in order to function
- ❖ God wants to work through a body. The head of that body is Jesus.
- ❖ His body will bring to light His glory
- ❖ We need the Holy Spirit – His Spirit will lead us into unity

a) 1 Pet 2:5 – ‘Built up a spiritual house and holy priesthood, offering spiritual sacrifices’

- ❖ God meets us at the place of sacrifice

b) - We must be built according to the pattern of the word of God (Eph 2:20)

- ❖ God wants to dwell in us corporately

c) 1 Cor. 12:18 – God has placed us in the body just as He pleased

- ❖ Are you willing to be placed in the body where God wants you?

d) Eph.4:11-12 – Jesus gave ‘some to be apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors and teachers...’ Jesus has given us these ministries to put us in order to function

e) God is doing a character transformation

- ❖ God has put us among many different types of people.
- ❖ We need to learn the God appointed leadership and ministries
- ❖ We are learning humility and submission to one another
- ❖ We are learning how to function in our gifts in God’s order.

Ezekiel 37:4

- ❖ ‘Dry bones hear the word of Yahweh’
- ❖ The body is starting to come together. The skin is coming on – His covering
- ❖ In the assembling process there is a shaking – bone to bone
- ❖ It all came together but there was still no breath
- ❖ God is getting His body into order – so that He can release His breath

I will Give You the Land

Ezekiel 11:17

- ❖ the time of inheritance

Revelation 19:11

- ❖ The One who is on the horse – judges and makes war in righteousness
- ❖ His name is called ‘the Word of God’
- ❖ The armies in heaven clothed in fine linen followed Him on white horses
- ❖ They were following The Word of God
- ❖ **V15.** The sharp sword goes forth out of His mouth to the nations – this is what defeats the enemy
- ❖ He shall rule/shepherd them with a rod of iron – The Word of God!!!
- ❖ As we are built up and assembled properly we will be ready in this army
- ❖ The army caused the beast and false prophet to be cast into the lake of fire

Ezekiel 37:9

- ❖ Prophecy to the breath to come from the four winds and breathe on this army
- ❖ They lived and stood upon their feet – an exceedingly great army
- ❖ **V13-14.** I will put my Spirit in you and you shall live and I will place you in the land
- ❖ One Kingdom, One Shepherd, One government of God
- ❖ The army is raised to deal with the greatest battle the world has ever seen (**Ezekiel 38**)

Ezekiel 11:18-20

- ❖ This is what the people will do:
 - a) They will go to the land and take away all its detestable things and abominations (Matt 13:41)
 - b) They will have one heart – a heart of flesh. They are very soft to the Holy Spirit
 - c) They will walk in the statutes and decrees of Yahweh – they keep my judgements and do them
 - d) Judgement is on those who do not know God and who disobey the gospel

Session 22

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The Charge

Develop a sense of history

- ❖ History "His story" is unfolding all the time
- ❖ Stay abreast of national and international news
 - This allows us to stay in tune with what to pray and here good news of changes that are happening
- ❖ Australia was heading down a very slippery slope in many areas – but now there is a standard being raised against it
- ❖ God is using us as part of His remnant church, the Ecclesia, the government of God in the earth
- ❖ We are not getting ready to go to heaven, we are to seek first for the kingdom of heaven, the government of God to be revealed in the earth
- ❖ Let's get real and get a sense of history and destiny

1. No other name

Acts 4:12

- ❖ there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved
- ❖ **v.7-11** – by the name of Yeshua Ha Mashiach (Jesus the Messiah) of Nazareth
- ❖ **"Yeshua"** – Yahweh (I AM) saves
- ❖ Saving includes healing
- ❖ We are to uphold the name of JESUS
- ❖ Jesus seems to not be very popular among His church – many Christians do not talk much about Jesus
- ❖ If you love Jesus you talk about Jesus
- ❖ We are saved in the name
- ❖ We are baptised into the name
- ❖ We pray in the name
- ❖ Healing is released in the name
- ❖ Demons are cast out in the name
- ❖ **Mark 16:17-18**
- ❖ Father, Son and Holy Spirit revealed in the name of Jesus

2 John 9

- ❖ if transgress and not abide in doctrine of Christ does not have God
- ❖ there is no such person as "Father" or "Son" or "Holy Spirit" except you know Jesus
- ❖ you can only know Father by knowing Jesus
- ❖ you can only receive Spirit by knowing Jesus

Preach Jesus according to the Word He has written

2. You shall have charge of My courts

Zechariah 3

v.1-4 – Satan was there opposing in the courts

- ❖ God takes away our iniquity through the Cross
- ❖ when we receive Jesus we become a new person
- ❖ new robes, rich robes, clean

v.6-10 – If you Joshua (or you) will walk in My ways (because Jesus has taken away our iniquities)

- ❖ if you keep My command
- ❖ then you shall judge My house
- ❖ have charge of My courts (even over Satan who was in the courts)
- ❖ "Joshua" is same name as "Jesus"
- ❖ He is high priest, a type of Messiah
- ❖ this high priest was given authority to order the house of God and the courts of God, to say what happens, who should be there
- ❖ **v.8** – now it has become a company, a corporate body "the BRANCH"
- ❖ we are seated before Yoshua/Jesus
- ❖ when the disciples (the companions) are truly with Jesus we become a "wondrous sign"

What is the Branch?

Isaiah 11:1

- ❖ Rod from stem of Jesse
- ❖ Branch shall grow out of His roots
- ❖ The branch is the Corporate Christ, Messiah and His people
- ❖ Messiah being fruitful by having many sons/companions with Him

Isaiah 4:2

- ❖ In that day the Branch of YAHWEH will be beautiful and glorious...
- ❖ Fruit will be appealing

Acts 2,3,4 – the Body of Christ emerging as a wondrous sign in the earth

- ❖ people who did not like them still talked about how they loved each other
- ❖ people opposed to them called them "people of the Way"

Zechariah 3:9

- ❖ the stone has seven eyes = Messiah's God head, the fullness of Spirit in Him
- ❖ He is the stone that the builders rejected
- ❖ Day of Atonement – that day when all iniquity was taken away

- ❖ (v.1-4 = initial cleansing of sin, v.9 = day of atonement when all sin is done away with forever, no longer need to sin, leaving all sinful habits, we begin to live for the Body, the brethren)
- ❖ Will you be willing to give all for the sake of the Body

v.10 – in that day, there will be kingdom peace, security and provision (**1 Kings 4:25**)

3. Conduct of apostolic ministry

Acts 14:21-22

a) itinerant, not staying in one place, be willing to move (even if it is house to house)

b) preach the gospel, preach kingdom of God, preach name of Jesus (**Acts 5:42, Acts 8:12, Matthew 4:17, Acts 28:31**)

c) make disciples, this is the primary work, baptising the new believers and teaching them, teaching thoroughly until that believer has a mature understanding and genuine practice of the faith

d) strengthen the souls of the disciples, Acts 15:32 – teaching, preaching, ministry of Word, including prophetic ministry, that strengthen souls of disciples

e) exhort the disciples to continue in the faith – prophetic ministry, making sure foundations are laid, preach the vision of where we are going, prophetic revelation, the hope of the gospel (the resurrection, 1 Thessalonians 4:18)

f) warn disciples that it is through many tribulations that we enter the kingdom of God – has been much false preaching about being raptured before a “great tribulation”, tribulation is already here, why is modern church so scared of martyrdom, we will go through many tribulations if we are to fully enter the kingdom

4. Study to show yourselves approved

2 Timothy 2:15

- ❖ rightly divide the Word of truth
- ❖ be diligent = to work hard, to apply yourself
- ❖ continue to study to show yourselves approved
- ❖ study, seek the Word
- ❖ sacrifice your pleasures, your leisure time and study the Word
- ❖ sacrifice a dinner and have the Lord’s Table

- ❖ commit to take time
- ❖ commit to being a Mary and not a Martha – do not be so busy as to neglect your number one priority of discipleship
- ❖ we must be workers who are diligent in the Word so we rightly divide the word of truth