"THE WHEAT & THE TARES" DON'T FALL ASLEEP - PART 2 PASTOR GRANT WILLIAMS

Luke 21:34-36 AMPC

34 <u>But take heed</u> (heed: pay attention to, listen to) to yourselves (you do it) and be on your guard, lest your hearts be overburdened and depressed (weighed down) with the giddiness and headache and <u>nausea</u> of self-indulgence, drunkenness, and <u>worldly worries and cares</u> pertaining to [<u>the business of] this</u> <u>life</u>, and [lest] t<u>hat day come upon you suddenly like a trap or</u> <u>a noose;</u>

<u>35 For it will come upon all who live upon the face of the entire earth.</u>

36 <u>Keep awake then and watch at all times</u> [be discreet, attentive, and ready], praying that you may have the full strength and ability and be <u>accounted worthy to escape all these</u> <u>things [taken together] that will take place</u>, and to stand in the presence of the Son of Man.

Jesus is speaking to you and I regarding the Time Of The End or the days prior to the Rapture and the events after during the Tribulation that we see forming now. These signs are to tip us off, not to cause anxiety but to excite us, to remind us of the Rapture of the Church, for it is our reward for our obedience. It was through Enoch's habitual righteousness or his habit that he was raptured in Genesis 5.

So, what is happening right now in the Church, God's people? The promise to escape these "things" is true, its just we would rather have it be now. So, what we hoped for was to avoid this... avoid the very things that we need to see, to go through to a degree in order that we may know that the time is near. That time we hoped we wouldn't have to experience is: a spiritually difficult time, an RFID mandated threatened time, an anti-god, baby killing, liberating from the truth church time, a godless wicked government and religion time.

This is what the Bible says in Proverbs 13... wisest man ever - Solomon....

Proverbs 13:12 KJV

12 Hope deferred maketh the heart sick:

What is causing you and I to feel this way?? Hope deferred. We are experiencing feelings and emotions, actual things that are uncomfortable, disturbing, frustrating - it can make the heart "sick".

This "Time of the End" where Paul said "things" (promises or prophecies) that were in the dark or hard to see, now this wickedness, evil and twisting of the Truth is being brought out into the light. People in the Church and false teaching will be and is being exposed. People in the church are doing "things" that the Bible said is sin and the Church is no longer calling it sin - they are deceived or willfully ignorant to God's Word.

Ephesians 5:6-17 AMPC

<u>6 Let no one delude and deceive you with empty excuses</u> and <u>groundless arguments [for these sins]</u>, for through these things the wrath of God comes upon the sons of rebellion and disobedience.

7 So do not associate or be sharers with them.

8 For once you were darkness, but now you are light in the Lord; walk as children of Light [lead the lives of those nativeborn to the Light].

9 For the fruit (the effect, the product) of the Light or [a]the Spirit [consists] in every form of kindly goodness, uprightness of heart, and trueness of life.

10 And try to learn [in your experience] what is pleasing to the Lord [let your lives be constant proofs of what is most acceptable to Him].

<u>11 Take no part in and have no fellowship with the fruitless</u> <u>**deeds and enterprises of darkness,**</u> but instead [let your lives be so in contrast as to] expose and reprove and convict them.

12 For it is a shame even to speak of or mention the things that [such people] practice in secret.

13 But when anything is exposed and reproved by the light, it is made visible and clear; and where everything is visible and clear there is light.

<u>14 Therefore He says, Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the</u> <u>dead, and Christ shall shine (make day dawn) upon you and</u> <u>give you light.</u>

<u>15 Look carefully then how you walk! Live purposefully and worthily and accurately, not as the unwise and witless, but as wise (sensible, intelligent people),</u>

16 Making the very most of the time [buying up each opportunity], because the days are evil.

17 Therefore do not be vague and thoughtless and foolish, but understanding and firmly grasping what the will of the Lord is.

Here's more instruction from Paul to the Church on what they must do in order to be ready for the Rapture...

<u>1 Corinthians 5:6-13 AMPC</u>

6 [About the condition of your church] your boasting is not good [indeed, it is most unseemly and entirely out of place]. Do you not know that [just] a little leaven will ferment the whole lump [of dough]?

7 Purge (clean out) the old leaven that you may be fresh (new) dough, still uncontaminated [as you are], for Christ, our Passover [Lamb], has been sacrificed.

8 Therefore, let us keep the feast, not with old leaven, nor with leaven of vice and malice and wickedness, but with the unleavened [bread] of purity (nobility, honor) and sincerity and [unadulterated] truth. 9 I wrote you in my [previous] letter not to associate [closely and habitually] with unchaste (impure) people—

10 Not [meaning of course that you must] altogether shun the immoral people of this world, or the greedy graspers and cheats and thieves or idolaters, since otherwise you would need to get out of the world and human society altogether!

11 But now I write to you not to associate with anyone who bears the name of [Christian] brother if he is known to be guilty of immorality or greed, or is an idolater [whose soul is devoted to any object that usurps the place of God], or is a person with a foul tongue [railing, abusing, reviling, slandering], or is a drunkard or a swindler or a robber. [No] you must not so much as eat with such a person.

12 What [business] of mine is it and what right have I to judge outsiders? Is it not those inside [the church] upon whom you are to pass disciplinary judgment [passing censuring sentence on them as the facts require]?

13 God alone sits in judgment on those who are outside. Drive out that wicked one from among you [expel him from your church].

This is not "church" as usual, the Bible tells us at the time of the end or "The End Times", we are going to come into a time called the harvest or Harvest Time.

James 5:7-8 AMPC

7 So be patient, brethren, [as you wait] till the coming of the Lord. See how the farmer waits expectantly <u>for the precious</u> <u>harvest from the land</u>. [See how] he keeps up his patient [vigil] over it until it receives the early and late rains.

8 So you also must be patient. Establish your hearts [strengthen and confirm them in the final certainty], for the coming of the Lord is very near.

In Part 1 we started to break down this Parable about the End Time Harvest which is at "The Time of the End".

God's Word tells the followers of Jesus Christ throughout the gospels how to be prepared for and recognize the signs of the "end time harvest". The parable in the book of Matthew about the *wheat and the tares* is vital for the believer today.

<u>Matthew 13:24-30 KJV</u>

24 Another parable put he forth unto them, saying, The kingdom of heaven is likened unto a man which sowed good seed in his field:

25 <u>But while men slept</u>, (opposite of awake) his enemy came and sowed tares (or darnel) among the wheat, and went his way.

Matthew 13:24-30 AMPC

24 Another parable He set forth before them, saying, The kingdom of heaven is like a man who sowed good seed in his field.

25 <u>But while he was sleeping</u>, his enemy came and sowed also darnel (weeds resembling wheat) among the wheat, and went on his way.

Jesus, (The Word/John 1) is telling the Church or His followers that there will be wheat and tares (darnel). Many won't be able to distinguish between the two until harvest time.

Hebrews 12:25-28 AMPC

25 So see to it that you do not reject Him or refuse to listen to and heed Him Who is speaking [to you now]. For if they [the Israelites] did not escape when they refused to listen and heed <u>Him Who warned and divinely instructed them</u> [here] on earth [revealing with heavenly warnings His will],

how much less shall we escape if we reject and turn our backs on Him Who cautions and admonishes [us] from heaven?

26 Then [at Mount Sinai] His voice shook the earth, but now He has given a promise: <u>Yet once more I will shake and make</u> <u>tremble not only the earth but also the [starry] heavens.</u>

27 Now this expression, <u>Yet once more</u>, <u>indicates the final</u> <u>removal and transformation of all [that can be] shaken</u>—that is, of that which has been created—<u>in order that what cannot be</u> <u>shaken may remain and continue.</u>

28 Let us therefore, receiving a kingdom that is firm and stable and cannot be shaken, offer to God pleasing service and acceptable worship, with modesty and pious care and godly fear and awe;

God is telling you and I that there will be a shaking that is going to occur again at the Time of the End on earth and also in heaven. God said that He is doing the shaking, He is enticing wickedness in high places to expose themselves.

The Bible says that while *good men slept* or while the Church has been sleeping (they are the ones sewing good seed) the enemy has come in and sown a tare (Matthew 13:25).

What is a tare? A tare is one of four types of wheat translated in many translations as *darnel*. It grows in grain fields and grows the same height as the wheat and even looks like wheat till harvest time comes. The rabbis called it degenerate wheat and in their writings they called it bastard or illegitimate wheat.

It changes colors near harvest time, it looks like everything else around it except when it comes to harvest time, then it begins to change its appearance.

This is what happens. The head of it begins to turn dark and there are small seeds in the tare that end up getting a fungus in the seed that is poisonous if it gets ground up with the wheat and made into dough or made into flour. The seed from this tare causes sleepiness, convulsions, nausea and even death.

In the Bible, the tare represents someone who is not a true follower of Jesus Christ (bad fruit). Someone who claims to know the Lord but, word and deed don't line up and it also includes false teaching (half truths).

So let's go back to our foundational passage... Here's the problem you have with the tares. In this parable the men went to the owner...

Matthew 13:24-30 AMPC

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25 <u>But while he was sleeping</u>, his enemy came and sowed also darnel (weeds resembling wheat) among the wheat, and went on his way.

26 So when the plants sprouted and formed grain, the darnel (weeds) appeared also.

27 And the servants of the owner came to him and said, Sir, did you not sow good seed in your field? Then how does it have darnel shoots in it?

28 He replied to them, An enemy has done this. The servants said to him, <u>Then do you want us to go and weed them out?</u>

29 But he said, No, lest in gathering the wild wheat (weeds resembling wheat), you root up the [true] wheat along with it.

30 Let them grow together until the harvest; (The shaking will happen) and at harvest time I will say to the reapers, Gather the darnel first and bind it in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my granary.

They asked, can we go yank out the tares and the owner said, "No, you can't do it because you will tear up good wheat". When you have wheat and tares mixed in together, the roots become intertwined. It is the roots that are important. So, if you try and yank out the tare you will yank out some good wheat with it.

The past 16 months has exposed this tare at the pulpit and in the church. The seeds of this tare gets ground up in the messaging and makes people sick, not thinking straight...

Now, watch this...the reason God is going to send a shaking that is predicted in the book of Hebrews *(Hebrews 12:25-28):*

There is a principle in God's Word of separation at the time of the end or "End times".

Separation in the New Testament

Sheep and the Goats

Matthew 25:33 KJV

33 And he shall set the sheep on his right hand, but the goats on the left.

Wheat and the Tares

Matthew 13:30 KJV

30 Let both grow together until the harvest: and in the time of harvest I will say to the reapers, Gather ye together first the tares, and bind them in bundles to burn them: but gather the wheat into my barn.

Good fish from Bad fish

Matthew 13:48 KJV

48 Which, when it was full, they drew to shore, and sat down, and gathered the good into vessels, but cast the bad away.

Matthew 13:48 AMPC

48 When it was full, men dragged it up on the beach, and sat down and sorted out the good fish into baskets, but the worthless ones they threw away.

Profitable and Unprofitable

Matthew 25:29-30 AMPC

29 For to everyone who has will more be given, and he will be furnished richly so that he will have an abundance; but from the one who does not have, even what he does have will be taken away.

30 And throw the good-for-nothing servant into the outer darkness; there will be weeping and grinding of teeth.

Wise from Foolish virgins

Matthew 25:10-11 KJV

10 And while they went to buy, the bridegroom came; and they that were ready went in with him to the marriage: and the door was shut.

11 Afterward came also the other virgins, saying, Lord, Lord, open to us.

Those with a wedding garment from those without

Matthew 22:12-14 KJV

12 And he saith unto him, Friend, how camest thou in hither not having a wedding garment? And he was speechless.

13 Then said the king to the servants, Bind him hand and foot, and take him away, and cast him into outer darkness, there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

14 For many are called, but few are chosen.

Matthew 22:12-14 AMPC

12 And he said, Friend, how did you come in here without putting on the [appropriate] wedding garment? And he was speechless (muzzled, gagged).

13 Then the king said to the attendants, Tie him hand and foot, and throw him into the darkness outside; there will be weeping and grinding of teeth.

14 For many are called (invited and summoned), but few are chosen.

America is seeing a shaking politically, economically, socially, fear in general and not wanting true followers, Word and deed Christians or God's Word/light exposing their darkness. There is and will be more shaking in religious organizations/ denominations and in churches. The reason? They have been speaking and living contrary to God's Word and it wasn't until the trouble came or the storm came that we saw the faulty foundation.

Proverbs 10:25 AMPC

25 When the whirlwind passes, the wicked are no more, but the [uncompromisingly] righteous have an everlasting foundation.

Matthew 7:20-29 AMPC

20 Therefore, you will fully know them by their fruits.

21 Not everyone who says to Me, Lord, Lord, will enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father Who is in heaven.

22 Many will say to Me on that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in Your name and driven out demons in Your name and done many mighty works in Your name?

23 And then I will say to them openly (publicly), I never knew you; depart from Me, you who act wickedly [disregarding My commands].

24 So everyone who hears these words of Mine and acts upon them [obeying them] will be like a sensible (prudent, practical, wise) man who built his house upon the rock.

25 And the rain fell and the floods came and the winds blew and beat against that house; yet it did not fall, because it had been founded on the rock.

26 And everyone who hears these words of Mine and does not do them will be like a stupid (foolish) man who built his house upon the sand.

27 And the rain fell and the floods came and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell—and great and complete was the fall of it.

28 When Jesus had finished these sayings [the Sermon on the Mount], the crowds were astonished and overwhelmed with bewildered wonder at His teaching,

29 For He was teaching as One Who had [and was] authority, and not as [did] the scribes.

Luke 6:47-49 AMPC

47 For everyone who comes to Me and listens to My words [in order to heed their teaching] and does them, I will show you what he is like:

48 He is like a man building a house, who dug and went down deep and laid a foundation upon the rock; and when a flood arose, the torrent broke against that house and could not shake or move it, because it had been securely built or founded on a rock.

49 But he who merely hears and does not practice doing My words is like a man who built a house on the ground without a foundation, against which the torrent burst, and immediately it collapsed and fell, and the breaking and ruin of that house was great.

There's so much false teaching, deception, pastors willfully adding and deleting things from God's Word...it has gotten to the point where the Church doesn't even know that the anointing or Spirit has left them. It has a sleeping, fleshly, liberating from the truth spirit. People don't want listen to God's Word because they haven't heard it or seen it lived out by their leader. This shaking isn't from the devil - we just learned in Hebrews it is from God - He has to separate who is the follower, the sheep and the non followers, they are the goats.

In the Old Testament, there are 7 feasts of Israel. Passover, Unleavened Bread, First Fruits, Pentecost, Trumpets, Atonement and Tabernacles. From the 7 feasts, there are 3 feasts that all men over age 20 are to attend every year.

Exodus 23:14-17 AMPC

14 Three times in the year you shall keep a feast to Me.

15 You shall keep the <u>Feast of Unleavened Bread</u>; seven days you shall eat unleavened bread as I commanded you, at the time appointed in the month of Abib, for in it you came out of Egypt. None shall appear before Me empty-handed.

16 Also you shall keep the <u>Feast of Harvest [Pentecost]</u>, [acknowledging] the firstfruits of your toil, of what you sow in the field. And [third] you shall keep the <u>Feast of Ingathering</u> [Booths or Tabernacles] at the end of the year, when you gather in the fruit of your labors from the field.

17 Three times in the year all your males shall appear before the Lord God.

The three are the Passover (beginning with the Feast of Unleavened Bread - Sabbath to Sabbath), Pentecost and Tabernacles. God choosing these three: Passover deals with the barley harvest, Pentecost - 50 days later deals with the wheat harvest and when you come to the Feast of the Tabernacles (it is also call the Feast of Ingathering) that deals with the grape harvest.

You can plant the seed in the ground - that's great. Watching it grow - that's great, look how pretty and full everything looks everyone gets excited. But, then comes the not so fun or great thing, harvest time or judgment time.

When you have a harvest of barley you have to do three things. When you have a harvest of wheat you have to do three things. When you have a harvest of grapes you have to do three things.

Three steps in gathering grains are:

- 1. Harvesting
- 2. Threshing
- 3. Winnowing

Harvesting is when you go into the field itself and separate the actual stalk and grain from out of the field. Paul addresses this in his letter to the church in Corinth. He is saying in the "End Times" that His church needs to come out from thinking like the world system.

2 Corinthians 6:14-17 AMPC

14 Do not be unequally yoked with unbelievers [do not make mismated alliances with them or come under a different yoke with them, inconsistent with your faith]. For what partnership have right living and right standing with God with iniquity and lawlessness? Or how can light have fellowship with darkness? 15 What harmony can there be between Christ and Belial [the devil]? Or what has a believer in common with an unbeliever? 16 What agreement [can there be between] a temple of God and idols? For we are the temple of the living God; even as God said, I will dwell in and with and among them and will walk in and with and among them, and I will be their God, and they shall be My people.

17 So, come out from among [unbelievers], and separate (sever) yourselves from them, says the Lord, and touch not [any] unclean thing; then I will receive you kindly and treat you with favor,

What is going to happen in the harvest to wheat and barley is the owner goes into that field and takes that entire stalk and begins to separate that away from the field. The field represents the world's system of thinking. God will only have a people with His anointing, His might, His power, His spirit and His word hidden in their heart who have been habitually righteous.

The second thing is threshing - all grain (barley and wheat) has a head with a stem. The threshing is when you separate the grain from the stem. Remember the stem is what got you there - it's what helped you to grow.

There are times when you have to separate yourself from what you are familiar with. Elisha, in order to get a double portion, had to say goodbye to his mom and dad, he had to burn his yoke and kill his oxen.

<u>1 Kings 19:19-21 AMPC</u>

19 So Elijah left there and found Elisha son of Shaphat, whose plowing was being done with twelve yoke of oxen, and he drove the twelfth. Elijah crossed over to him and cast his mantle upon him. 20 He left the oxen and ran after Elijah and said, Let me kiss my father and mother, and then I will follow you. And he [testing Elisha] said, Go on back. What have I done to you? [Settle it for yourself.]

21 So Elisha went back from him. Then he took a yoke of oxen, slew them, boiled their flesh with the oxen's yoke [as fuel], and gave to the people, and they ate. Then he arose, followed Elijah, and served him.

In order to receive God's anointing he had to separate himself with what he was familiar with. Sometimes God is going to have to thresh you or separate you from your friends, your rut or routine in order for you to receive all that He has for you.

Thirdly, there is the winnowing which is when you separate the grain itself from the chaff - the chaff is the outer husk.

Once you take the wheat or barley from the field - separating ourselves from this world's way of doing and thinking and coming to God is the first thing.

Then, the stem - the thing that got us there, the familiar is what we need to separate from next in order for God to take us places - under His anointing - fresh anointing.

Then there has to be a separating of the chaff. This third thing is the chaff or the "junk" in your life. You can't eat wheat with a chaff. You can't cook wheat with a chaff. You can't digest it - it will make you sick. There are two things that they do in winnowing. They take a pitch fork made out of wood and they stab that wheat or barley and toss it up in the air and the wind would blow. When it was exposed to the wind it would blow away the chaff and the wheat or barley would fall to the ground.

So, what does it take to blow the chaff or junk off of you? The Bible says in Acts 2 on the day of Pentecost...

<u>Acts 2:1-4 KJV</u>

<u>2</u> And when the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place.

2 And suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing **<u>mighty wind</u>**, and it filled all the house where they were sitting.

3 And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them.

4 And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.

That mighty wind was the power and anointing of the Holy Spirit and all that little junk that is here, there, and everywhere gets blown away. If we would have an encounter with the power and authority of the Holy Spirit...the breath of God would blow that junk out of our lives and we will have pure grain.

Then, we have to be put away in storage. Farmers will take that grain and put it in a jar and set a seal on it - that's the last thing that is going to happen to you. The Bible says we're are sealed with the Holy Spirit of promise. If we remain in obedience to God's Word, the Holy Spirit's reminding us of His Word and His commands we will escape the "things" to come.

Ephesians 1:14 AMPC

14 That [Spirit] is the guarantee of our inheritance [the firstfruits, the pledge and foretaste, the down payment on our heritage], in anticipation of its full redemption and our acquiring [complete] possession of it—to the praise of His glory.

The Holy Spirit's job was told to us by Jesus himself...

John 16:8-13 AMPC

8 And when He comes, He will convict and convince the world and bring demonstration to it about sin and about righteousness (uprightness of heart and right standing with God) and about judgment:

12 I have still many things to say to you, but you are not able to bear them or to take them upon you or to grasp them now.

13 But when He, the Spirit of Truth (the Truth-giving Spirit) comes, He will guide you into all the Truth (the whole, full Truth). For He will not speak His own message [on His own authority]; but He will tell whatever He hears [from the Father; He will give the message that has been given to Him], and He will announce and declare to you the things that are to come [that will happen in the future].

Revelation 1:3 AMPC

3 Blessed (happy, to be envied) is the man who reads aloud [in the assemblies] the word of this prophecy; and blessed (happy, to be envied) are those who hear [it read] and who keep themselves true to the things which are written in it [heeding them and laying them to heart], for the time [for them to be fulfilled] is near.