

Big Picture Bible Study

No. 09: The Tools of the Lord

Who To Drill: Lucifer Versus Jesus

- **Ezekiel 28:14** – God established Lucifer and _____ him in Heaven
- **Acts 10:38** – God anointed Jesus with the _____ and with power _____ and with power _____
- **I Cor. 1:20-22** – God establishes us and _____ us with the sealing of the Holy Spirit as a guarantee that He will keep all His promises to us

The five foolish virgins waited until the crisis hit and must go seek oil, but the only oil that is available is foreign. The enemy will whisper, “*Look, here is Christ!*” (**Matthew 24:23**) and breath an unholy spirit upon them.

How To Drill: Focus On Jesus

- **II Corinthians 3:18** – looking into the glory (face) of Jesus _____ us into the same image through the Spirit that dwells within us
- **Isaiah 26:3** – we are to focus our _____ on holy things of God

We are to focus on the life of Christ. Since, character is made up of thoughts and actions, when we contemplate how He thought and all that He did, we will find His same character developing within us. The Spirit will lead us.

Where To Drill: At The Cross

The 4th angel from **Rev. 18:1** comes down lights the entire world with glory and authority through the gospel message of Jesus Christ died and resurrected.

- **I Corinthians 1:18** – the preaching of the cross is the _____ of God
- **Galatians 6:14** – our only _____ is found in the message of the cross

The cross is how the world is crucified to us, and we to the world.

Why Drill: Our Test In The End

- **Philippians 2:5-8** – regardless of even death, we are to have the same mind
- Why drill? So that we can find the Holy Spirit now in the time of peace so that we will be prepared when the time of crisis comes. This is non-optional.

Our Greatest Trial: The Time of Jacob's Trouble

God told Moses that nobody can see His face and live, so if we want to die to self then we need but look into the perfect face of Jesus, have His character reflected in us and have his glory shine in our faces like Moses on Mount Sinai with God. His thoughts and actions will become ours; His character will become ours.

- **Thoughts (Matthew 27:46)** – even in doubt of Heaven, He followed God's will
- **Actions** – Jesus was willing to miss out on Heaven so that we might go there

There will come a time in the very end of the Time of Trouble when all will seem that God has forsaken us (just like Jesus). During this time, we will wrestle with God's promises (just like Jacob/Israel) and will have only faith to rely on. We must be able to say (just like Moses), “*Even if I am to be lost forever, I will still be faithful to God!*”—the ultimate Self-sacrificing Love. The Enemy will say that we only serve God because we don't want to be lost; but what will we do when he tempts us that even Heaven has abandoned us? Will you serve God no matter what? Would you uphold truth even if Heaven seemed out of reach?

The Holy Spirit will empower us to preach the good news even in bad times.

Three Parallel Histories

Before the end of the world, the experience of the apostles that was repeated with the Millerites will be repeated for us—the last days remnant people of God.

- **Time of the Apostles:** Day of Pentecost – The _____ of the Latter Rain
- **Time of the Millerites:** The Midnight Cry – A _____ of the Latter Rain
- **Time of the 144,000:** The Loud Cry – The _____

This rain will be the gift of the Holy Spirit as prophesied in **Joel 2:28-32**. Jesus promises this gift in **John 14:26** and it is described as being twofold in **Hosea 6:3**.

The Progressive Testing Process

In each pattern, a progressive process of accepting revealed truth developed two classes of worshippers among those who profess to follow God.

- **Acts 2:1-5** – those who accept the message will be _____ with the Holy Spirit and will preach the Loud Cry of the 3AM
- **Isaiah 29:11** – those who reject the message will not receive the Latter Rain and will be left in spiritual darkness with the Bible being _____

The Latter Rain and the Sunday Law

It has historically been taught that the Sunday Law must come first before the Latter Rain will be poured out upon the church. However, should we wait for the enemy to bring about the Sunday Law before we pray for the Latter Rain?

- How many times (at least) was the Holy Spirit given in the Early Rain _____
- **Acts 11:15** – as people came into the truth by leaving the other churches, they received the Spirit in _____ amount and fashion as did the apostles

In the end of time, everyone who is saved will have received the Latter Rain. It is first poured out upon God's people. This empowers them to preach the Loud Cry. Those who come into the church *also* receive the Latter Rain; ergo, it must fall both before and after the Sunday Law. The Latter Rain is a _____

- **Daniel 11:44** – news from East and North troubles the _____
- **Revelation 7:2-4** – the angel from the East seals the _____
- **Revelation 18:1-5** – the angel from the North says the _____
- **Daniel 11:45** – in reaction, the Elite Enemy sets up the _____
- **Daniel 12:1** – the judgment ends with the onset of the _____

Follow the biblical pattern of events that will happen in the end.

- The Remnant proclaims message with power (Latter Rain → Loud Cry)
- The Elite Enemy reacts with laws and pursuit (Sunday Law → Death Decree)
- Jesus stands up at the Close of Probation (7 Last Plagues → Second Coming)

- **Daniel Ch. 1-3** – a parallel for the chronology of events at the end of time

When God's people preach the fall of Babylon, as a result Babylon will set up a Sunday Law saying, "If you don't bow down to the abomination then we will kill you." The Sunday Law is not a byproduct plan, it is a direct attack on the loyal church.

The 3AM Combined And Empowered

- **Rev. 18:1** "After these things I saw another angel coming down from heaven, having great authority, and the earth was illuminated with his glory."

The 3AM are to be _____, giving their threefold light to the world. Men and women, enlightened by the Spirit of God in the Latter Rain proclaim the three messages in their _____.

The first message of the empowered 3AMs in the Loud Cry is the 1AM, the central theme of which is God's glory and authority as seen in the cross, the Sanctuary, the investigative judgment, the 10C, and the Sabbath. When Babylon rejects this light, it is then and only then that power goes to the 2AM, declaring that Babylon has fallen and that its teachings are false. When Babylon rejects this light, it is then and only then that power is added to the 3AM, warning the world not to get the _____ and to seek the _____ found in keeping the moral law and having it be reflected in our characters.

- **Rev. 18:4** "And I heard another voice from heaven saying, 'Come out of her, my people, lest you share in her sins, and lest you receive of her plagues.'"

These things are still future. Until the Sunday Law is enforced, probation is still open. It is only once the 1AM, "fear and worship God for His judgment has come" is rejected in the face of the blazing glory of the **Latter Rain** and **Loud Cry** that the angel empowers the 2AM, "Babylon has fallen" and the message of warning against the enemy is given. It is not until this is also rejected that the final call of the 3AM, "come out of her, my people" is empowered.

A Beautiful Vision—A Perfect Prophetic Pattern

- The first struggle is not social; it is an _____, personal struggle
- Some of God's people are _____ and are not earnestly praying
- The straight testimony of repentance causes a _____ in the church
- The repentant find _____ over _____ through the Spirit
- Those who find victory over self receive the _____
- Those who receive the Spirit preach the _____ with power
- The message of truth enrages the Elite Enemy as they lose their _____
- The _____ is setup in direct reaction to the powerful message
- The second struggle is social; many of God's people will be _____
- The enemy attack is violent and fearsome, but we must be _____
- Finally, the voice of Jesus announces the _____
- Their faith tested, God's people are reanimated with the _____
- The wicked must endure the _____ of the wrath of God
- Jesus returns and we are transformed with _____ in a moment

The 3AM will be empowered and preached to the world.

There are many who are in the physical church but are not part of the company that prayerfully seeks for victory over _____. The Latter Rain falls and since they do not receive it, they are foremost to say that the loyal remnant are the ones bringing on the Time of Trouble. When the Elite Enemy enacts the Sunday Law, it will shake out those who have remained in the books of the church but have been taken out of the books in Heaven.

- **II Chronicles 7:14** – We need to _____ ourselves in prayer, seek the face of Jesus, _____ from their wicked ways, then God will send the rain!

The Holy Spirit (what • when • who • how • where • why)

Right now, the church is largely sleeping, waiting for the crisis to hit before we go to God in prayer for the Latter Rain. When the Shaking begins, it will be *before* the social crisis; when the Sealing begins, it will be *after* the social crisis and *before* the Great Time Of Trouble.

- **Matthew 25:1-13** – parable of the ten virgins representing the people of God
 - o _____ virgins were sleeping and were awakened
 - o _____ virgins brought the oil of the Holy Spirit

There are only two types of people in the church: the wise who drill for the oil and the foolish who do not. Both need faith, but one has drilled and struck oil.

What Is The Oil: The Holy Spirit

- **Zechariah 4:2-6** – the oil is the word from the _____ of God

The five unwise virgins were unprepared for the crisis because they had neither the oil of the Holy Spirit nor a personal relationship with Jesus. The lamps were not filled with the oil found only through the habit of study, prayer, and sharing. We need to choose the obedience of faith and the grace of Christ.

When To Drill: How To Get The Oil

Prayer is the breath of the soul. It is the secret of spiritual power. Prayer brings the heart into immediate contact with the Well-spring of life, and strengthens the sinew and muscle of the religious experience.

- **Isaiah 55:6** – we must seek the Lord while He may still be _____
- **I Corinthians 2:10** – the deep things of God: revealed by His _____

Before Jesus Christ stepped on the battlefield of Golgotha He won the victory in Gethsemane through a deep and earnest prayer experience.

- **Isaiah 53:5** – Jesus' was bruised like the olive for our sins in Gethsemane
- **Hebrews 1:9** – the blood that came down His face is the oil of gladness for us
- **Philippians 2:5** – we are to share the same experience that of Jesus

Jesus did not wait for the crisis to hit before He prayed for victory over self. The five wise virgins already had the oil when the crisis came. If we wait until the crisis to begin drilling for the oil of the Holy Spirit, we will have waited too late. Now, in the time of peace, is the only time that the oil is available.

Do you have the oil? How is your relationship with God?