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Offering message ministered by Pastor Terri Copeland Pearsons

Persecution has increased as the message of provision has amplified in this ministry and church from its inception to now. We have greater understanding and revelation of the covenants that are ours as believers, and how to walk in them from the victory side.

People who are looking for information, and financial facts about this church are going to the wrong place if they are looking to the internet.

Many of the individuals who are bringing persecution (accusations) are labeling themselves as Christians; declaring "they just want everyone to know the truth." It is interesting that satan is also known as the accuser of the breather (and that is not a ministry gift that any of us pray for).

Mark 4 - The Sower sows the Word.

Why did Jesus speak parables to the crowd instead of simple, direct answers when He was asked questions? He wanted to have them seek the answers, He didn't cast pearls before swine.

V.10 The disciples said, "teach us more."

Those who seek and ask, the Kingdom of God is then entrusted to them, showing them how it operates.

The Spiritual realm is superior to the natural realm.

This is because God is a Spirit, and the natural came out of the spiritual. The spirit realm dominates the natural, but the natural is important because of the kingdom of God. God's will is done both in heaven (kingdom) and on the earth (kingdom).

V.13;

"And He said unto them, Know ye not this parable? and how then will ye know all parables?"

This is the key to understanding everything about the kingdom.

The Sower sows the Word.

V.15:

"And these are they by the way side, where the word is sown; but when they have heard, Satan cometh immediately, and taketh away the word that was sown in their hearts."

You receive the Word, you welcome it, accept it, and have joy because of it.

V.17 No root and when trouble or persecution comes, (i.e., a doctor's report, loses a job, things that are not specifically directed to you but still affect you). The persecution came because of the Word; but since they didn't have a root system fully developed, they are offended, displeased, and even resentful. The result is they stumble, often fall away, and no fruit is produced.

V.19;

"And the cares of this world, and the deceitfulness of riches, and the lusts of other things entering in, choke the word, and it becometh unfruitful." This is a picture of the world.

V. 20 Bearing fruit is a product of the heart. Who you are, what you have, and consistently walking out the Word (being a doer) in life, along with godly integrity.

The great commission isn't to feed the poor, but to preach the gospel so you are helping others as their life is changed. When a person's spiritual life is changed, they have their needs meant, along with peace, provision, direction, comfort, and more.

An average of 24% of EMIC finances goes to help others.

Inside the Vision tells you what is going on, where, and how.

Pastor George Pearsons Message

Joel's Rain Storms - The former and the later rain.

The word that the Lord wants us to focus on, and have the church be strong in is understanding spiritual rainstorms.

Joel 2:21; (KJV)

"Fear not, O land; be glad and rejoice: for the Lord will do great things."

The Lord is doing great things! With Israel, with the Lord's faithfulness in this nation, and in our own lives; this is echoing loud in each of us - as God is doing great things.

V. 22 be not afraid.

This verse is about us walking in our own prosperity, and that we have been redeemed from lack; therefore, we are able to walk in the strength of the Lord and see things succeed which formerly were hindered.

V. 23;

"Be glad then, ye children of Zion, and rejoice in the Lord your God: for He hath given you the **former rain moderately**, and He will cause to come down for you the rain, the former rain, and the latter rain in the first month."

Rain to come - first and later.

God gives you the former moderately (not as a flood). When you combine the former and the later you have a 'glory storm.' This glory storm is growing and becoming bigger.

V. 24;

"And the floors shall be full of wheat, and the vats shall overflow with wine and oil [the anointing of the Holy Spirit]."

- Former rain is everything good that is from God (our Covenant promises) up to Acts chapter 2.
- The later rain is Acts and beyond (the Covenant to the church).

This is the anointing poured upon you to accomplish on your flesh what you don't have the power to do. There is an anointing to do everything that God has called you to do!

V. 25;

"And I will restore to you the years that the locust hath eaten, the cankerworm, and the caterpiller, and the palmerworm, my great army which I sent among you."

I will restore what the enemy has eaten. <u>Now is this fulfilled</u> – this is the time of restoration.

Restore means repairing, renewed, or to rebuild to a better condition than before.

Whatever the enemy has stolen, you are getting it back as you stand in faith, as your Heavenly Father gives out of His abundance, and freely gives all things that pertain to life and godliness (abundance) [2 Peter 1:3-4].

I don't look to the enemy as my source, as he steals, kills, and destroys; perverting everything he can. I keep my eyes focused on God who is the giver of all good things (James 1:17).

- V. 26 God has done wonderfully, and we will never be ashamed.
- V. 27 You shall know, I AM in your midst, and you will never be ashamed.

Shame has been removed from the believer at the cross (Isaiah 53:5). Satan tries to use shame with the intent to have our focus move from the Word of God, and on our past actions.

Vv. 28-30

Blood, fire, and smoke represent the Glory of the Lord.

Isaiah 60

The Glory of the Lord is the tangible presence of God with everything good. This Glory always draws people, as it combines the Word and the Spirit (demonstrations of the Spirit).

Isaiah 60:1;

"Arise, shine; for thy light is come, and the Glory of the Lord is risen upon thee."

Be radiant with the Glory of God. We are Glory carriers! We are living arks of His covenants, bringing life and carrying life to others.

V. 2 gross darkness on the people, this woke culture that people are embracing, deceived in thinking that they can choose their gender identity, and the transgender view that is being taught in many schools.

Acts 2:11-14

This is the day of Pentecost, which we are still in as it hasn't ended! Peter [the church] standing up. Third hour = 9:00 am

V. 16

This is the beginning, by which was spoken by the prophet Joel...

Vv. 17-21;

- "And it shall come to pass in the last days, saith God, I will pour out of My Spirit upon all flesh: and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams:
- ¹⁸ And on my servants and on my handmaidens I will pour out in those days of my Spirit; and they shall prophesy:
- ¹⁹ And I will shew wonders in heaven above, and signs in the earth beneath; blood, and fire, and vapor of smoke:
- ²⁰ The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before the great and notable day of the Lord come:
- ²¹ And it shall come to pass, that whosoever shall call on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

This is an awaking for all generations. It begins with speaking over the fetus in the womb and continues to every generation.

Pastor George called the pastors forward to create a prayer tunnel for all the middle school and high school students to walk through and have hands laid on them for a great anointing, great Glory and tangible presence of God.