

★ **May 2020 - Word from the Lord**

- "Those that remain in this place will see My glory! The place that you have been in (for these previous months of 2020) can continue if you allow it. If you continue, you will see My glory."

★ **We must recognize the times that we are living in**

- This is NOT the time to back up, slack up, give up
- This is the time for us to show up, grow up, and speak up
- This is the time of salvation and it is the time of favor for the people of God!
- For he says, "In the time of my favor I heard you, and in the day of salvation I helped you. I tell you, NOW is the time of God's favor, NOW is the day of salvation.
2 Corinthians 6:2 NIV
- Can you not discern this new day of destiny breaking forth around you? The early signs of my purposes and plans are bursting forth. The budding vines of new life are now blooming everywhere. The fragrance of their flowers whispers, "There is change in the air." Arise, my love, my beautiful companion, and run with me to the higher place. For now is the time to arise and come away with me. **Song of Songs 2:13 TPT**
- This is NOT a time/season that caught God off guard!
- **Recognize that there are kairos moments/seasons and there are chronos moments/seasons**
 - Kairos - is the opportune time, appropriate, appropriate, punctual, precise, exact, just, and designed from heaven, where God intervenes in the lives of people in a supernatural and powerful way.
 - Chronos - time measured by the clock, calendar, routine; measured earthly time
- **This is the church's finest hour! This is your finest hour!**
- Darkness may be overcoming the world, but it is not overcoming the people of God. We are LIGHT and darkness cannot overcome light
- But the path of the just (righteous) is like the light of dawn, that shines brighter and brighter until [it reaches its full strength and glory in] the perfect day. The way of the wicked is like [deep] darkness; They do not know over what they stumble. **Proverbs 4:18-19 AMP**

★ **It's easy for us to get caught up in what we see in the natural world, but the Father is looking for us to see things from His perspective.**

- In the midst of it all, don't forget your covenant with God
- What promises do you find in God's Word regarding your life and situation?

- My covenant will I not break, nor alter the thing that is gone out of my lips.
Psalms 89:34
- **A promise God revealed to me:**
 - Casting the whole of your care [all your anxieties, all your worries, all your concerns, once and for all] on Him, for He cares for you affectionately and cares about you watchfully. **1 Peter 5:7 AMPC**
 - Cast your burden on the Lord [releasing the weight of it] and He will sustain you; He will never allow the [consistently] righteous to be moved (made to slip, fall, or fail). **Psalm 55:22 AMPC**
 - Pile your troubles on God's shoulders– he'll carry your load, he'll help you out." **Psalm 55:22 MSG**
 - "Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy-laden and overburdened and I will cause you to rest. [I will ease and relieve and refresh your souls.] Take My yoke upon you and learn of Me, for I am gentle (meek) and humble (lowly) in heart, and you will find rest (relief and ease and refreshment and recreation and blessed quiet) for your souls. For My yoke is wholesome (useful, good-not harsh, hard, sharp, or pressing, but comfortable, gracious, and pleasant), and My burden is light and easy to be borne." **Matthew 11:28**
 - You can partake in this Great Exchange

★ What God really thinks about you

- For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, says the Lord, thoughts of peace and not of evil, to give you a future and a hope. **Jeremiah 29:11, NKJV**
- Even to your old age I am He, and even to hair white with age will I carry you. I have made, and I will bear; yes, I will carry and will save you. **Isaiah 46:4 AMPC**
- Every single moment you are thinking of me! How precious and wonderful to consider that you cherish me constantly in your every thought! O God, your desires toward me are more than the grains of sand on every shore! When I awake each morning, you're still with me. **Psalms 139:17**

★ Trust His intentions towards you

- What do you truly believe about God and His dealings with you? Do you have a complaint against God?
 - "Why do you say, O Jacob, And speak, O Israel: "My way is hidden from the Lord, And my just claim is passed over by my God"? **Isaiah 40:27 NKJV**
 - "I poured out my complaint to you, God. I lifted up my voice, shouting out for your help. When I was in deep distress, in my day of trouble, I reached out for you with hands stretched out to heaven. Over and over I kept looking for you,

God, but your comforting grace was nowhere to be found. As I thought of you I moaned, "God, where are you?" I'm overwhelmed with despair as I wait for your help to arrive. Pause in his presence I can't get a wink of sleep until you come and comfort me. Now I'm too burdened to even pray! My mind wandered, thinking of days gone by— the years long since passed."

Psalms 77:1

- "Your steps formed a highway through the seas with footprints on a pathway no one even knew was there." ***Psalms 77:19 TPT***
- Rather than murmur and complain, may the cry of our hearts be, "Show me your ways, Lord! Open my eyes to see what I don't see right now!"

★ **Wait on the Lord**

- "Why do you say, O Jacob, And speak, O Israel: "My way is hidden from the Lord, And my just claim is passed over by my God"? 28 Have you not known? Have you not heard? The everlasting God, the Lord, The Creator of the ends of the earth, Neither faints nor is weary. His understanding is unsearchable. 29 He gives power to the weak, And to those who have no might He increases strength. 30 Even the youths shall faint and be weary, And the young men shall utterly fall, 31 But those who **wait on the Lord** Shall renew their strength; They shall mount up with wings like eagles, They shall run and not be weary, They shall walk and not faint." ***Isaiah 40:27-31 NKJV***
- But those who **wait for the Lord** [who expect, look for, and hope in Him] shall change and renew their strength and power; they shall lift their wings and mount up [close to God] as eagles [mount up to the sun]; they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint or become tired. ***Isaiah 40:31, AMPC***
- The Hebrew word for "wait" here is qâvâh (pronounced kaw-vaw) which means 'to expect'. The word "stresses the straining of the mind in a certain direction with an expectant attitude...a forward look with assurance."

★ **Scriptures on straining the mind in a certain direction**

- And set your minds and keep them set on what is above (the higher things), not on the things that are on the earth. ***Colossians 3:2 AMPC***
- And now, dear brothers and sisters, one final thing. Fix your thoughts on what is true, and honorable, and right, and pure, and lovely, and admirable. Think about things that are excellent and worthy of praise. ***Philippians 4:8 NLT***
- Therefore we also, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which so easily ensnares us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, ²looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. ***Hebrews 12:1-2***

★ **Scriptures on having an expectant attitude**

- My soul, wait only upon God and silently submit to Him; for my hope and expectation are from Him. He only is my Rock and my Salvation; He is my Defense and my Fortress, I shall not be moved. With God rests my salvation and my glory; He is my Rock of unyielding strength and impenetrable hardness, and my refuge is in God. **Psalm 62:5**

★ **God wants to show us His glory**

- To see His glory = the manifestation of God's presence
- Jesus said to her (Martha), "Did I not say to you that if you believe [in Me], you will see the glory of God [the expression of His excellence]?" **John 11:40 AMP**
- Never doubt God's mighty power to work in you and accomplish all this. He will achieve infinitely more than your greatest request, your most unbelievable dream, and exceed your wildest imagination! He will outdo them all, for his miraculous power constantly energizes you. **Ephesians 3:20 TPT**