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**“Worthy is the Lamb who was
slain To receive power and riches
and wisdom, And strength and
honor and glory and blessing!”
(Rev.5:12)**

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Freedom

Lord,
I long to walk in the freedom
That you have already purchased for me.
Let me run free
Within the boundaries of your love.

I am FREE, but I seem to live as if confined
Within the bars of captivity –
Which keep me trapped.
Help me release my fears to you
And let them be swallowed up
In your perfect love.

Little by little as I release each fear,
Let the warmth of your love fill me,
Surround me, capture me
And permeate every aspect of my life,

So all that will be left is your love.
Your amazing love.
No more fear, no more dread,
No more anxiety –
Forever gone in the sea of your perfect love.

Lord, let this be my reality
As I choose each day to trust you
And continually give my fears over to you.
Because you are the God of love

And you love me more than I can imagine –
Or comprehend.
And this is what it means
To walk in complete freedom – **Your Freedom!**

By M.S.Lowndes

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

We send you our blessings and pray together
with Paul: “...that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ,
the Father of glory, may give to you the spirit of
wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of Him”
(Ephesians 1:17).

We can pray to God and ask Him for the spirit
of wisdom and revelation so that our knowledge of
God is not only intellectual but also spiritual. This
way, the knowledge we have will not just be infor-
mation but will be alive in us, it will benefit us fully
and produce good fruit in our lives.

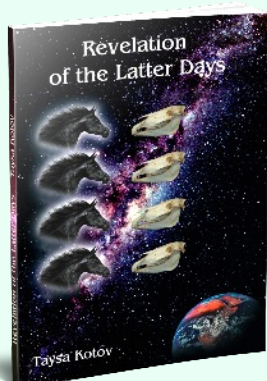
“For the Lord gives wisdom; From His mouth
come knowledge and understanding,” (Proverbs 2:6).

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Dear brothers and sisters in Jesus Christ !

We would be very pleased to receive letters from you and any testimonies about how God is working in your lives, about any miracles and signs you have experienced on the path of following Christ, or while you were searching for Him. Please send your letters to us and we will be glad to publish them in our magazine. The editor has the right to edit all material which is sent for publishing, but the content will not be changed. Unfortunately we are unable to return any originals.



Attention!

Anyone who wants to know what time he is living in, what is happening in the spiritual world and how it is reflected on the earth, about which God wants to warn His people speaking about the last days and the approaching end (Apocalypse) through the Apostle John and Prophet Daniel, can read about this in the book “Revelation of the Latter Days” which was received from God and written down by the pastor of Philadelphia Church, Taysa Kotov.

At the present time the book is available to purchase for the retail price of £5.50 or EURO 7.70. For churches who would like to place a larger order, a discount is available.

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***“But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, to an innumerable company of angels...”
(Hebrews 12:22)***

The world is filled with angels; we live among them, we walk next to them, they are always serving us, regardless of whether we notice their presence or not. They keep the word of God on Earth and observe its fulfilment. It is impossible to imagine the variety of their ministries, much is hidden from our imagination and understanding. We have been given revelation about only about a few, and only some of the types of angel ministries are known to us. Basically, they are referred to as the "angel of the Lord".

From the Revelation of John we see that there are angels who stand at the head of the churches, there are angels who stand around the throne of God, and there are angels who stand at the four corners of the earth and hold the four winds of the earth. Of course, all this remains mysterious, it cannot be understood primitively: *“After these things I saw four angels standing at the four corners of the earth, holding the four winds of the earth, that the wind should not blow on the earth, on the sea, or on any tree.”* (Revelation 7:1).

There is an angel who has authority to put a seal on the foreheads of God's servants, he has the seal of the Holy Spirit. We do not fully understand it, but this is a fact: *“Then I saw another angel ascending from the east, having the seal of the living God. And he cried with a loud voice to the four angels to whom it was granted to harm the earth and the sea, saying, ‘Do not harm the earth, the sea, or the trees till we have sealed the servants of our God on their fore he-*

ads.’ ” (Revelation 7:2,3).

There are angels who are given authority and power to perform God's judgments.

There are angels with trumpets: *“And I saw the seven angels who stand before God, and to them were given seven trumpets.”* (Revelation 8:2).

The angel at the altar is collecting the prayers of the saints: *“Then another angel, having a golden censer, came and stood at the altar. He was given much incense, that he should offer it with the prayers of all the saints upon the golden altar which was before the throne.”* (Revelation 8:3).

There is an angel of revelation and prophecy: *“I saw still another mighty angel coming down from heaven, clothed with a cloud. And a rainbow was on his head, his face was like the sun, and his feet like pillars of fire. He had a little book open in his hand. And he set his right foot on the sea and his left foot on the land, and cried with a loud voice, as when a lion roars. When he cried out, seven thunders uttered their voices.”* (Revelation 10:1-3).

There is an angel responsible for preaching the everlasting Gospel: *“Then I saw another angel flying in the midst of heaven, having the everlasting gospel to preach to those who dwell on the earth - to every nation, tribe, tongue, and people - saying with a loud voice, ‘Fear God and give glory to Him, for the hour of His judgment has come; and worship Him who made heaven and earth, the sea and springs of water.’ ”* (Revelation 14:6,7).



There is an angel of the harvest of the latter days: *"And another angel came out of the temple, crying with a loud voice to Him who sat on the cloud, 'Thrust in Your sickle and reap, for the time has come for You to reap, for the harvest of the earth is ripe.' So He who sat on the cloud thrust in His sickle on the earth, and the earth was reaped. Then another angel came out of the temple which is in heaven, he also having a sharp sickle."* (Revelation 14:15-17).

There is an angel of Fire: *"And another angel came out from the altar, who had power over fire, and he cried with a loud cry to him who had the sharp sickle, saying, 'Thrust in your sharp sickle and gather the clusters of the vine of the earth, for her grapes are fully ripe.'"* (Revelation 14:18).

There are angels of the bowls of God's wrath, plagues: *"Then I saw another sign in heaven, great and marvelous: seven angels having the seven last plagues, for in them the wrath of God is complete."* (Revelation 15:1).

There is an angel of water: *"And I heard the angel of the waters saying: 'You are righteous, O Lord, The One who is and who was and who is to be, Because You have judged these things. For they have shed the blood of saints and prophets, And You have given them blood to drink. For it is their just due.'"* (Revelation 16:5,6).

John writes also about other angels, proclaiming the victory of God: *"After these things I saw another angel coming down from heaven, having great authority, and the earth was illuminated with his glory."* (Revelation 18:1); *"Then a mighty angel took up a stone like a great millstone and threw it into the sea, saying, 'Thus with violence the great city Babylon shall be thrown down, and shall not be found anymore.'"* (Revelation 18:21).

There is an angel who stands in the sun: *"Then I saw an angel standing in the sun; and he cried with a loud voice, saying to all the birds that fly in the midst of heaven, 'Come and gather together for the supper of the great God,'"* (Revelation 19:17).

There is an angel who has the key to the bottomless pit, who has a power that surpasses the power of the dragon, that is, the devil and Satan: *"Then I saw an angel coming down from heaven, having the key to the bottomless pit and a great chain in his hand. He laid hold of the dragon, that serpent of old, who is the Devil and Satan, and bound him for a thousand years;"* (Revelation 20:1,2).

Here is written about the twelve angels of the twelve tribes of Israel: *"Also she had a great and high wall with twelve gates, and twelve angels at the gates, and names written on them, which are the names of the twelve tribes of the children of Israel."* (Revelation 21:12).

All of this is only a part of all the ministries of angels, giving a small revelation into what is still a mystery. There are many more angels, a great multitude, who are under the authority of those mentioned above, and who are not mentioned in the book of Revelation at all.

For example, there are angels who are sent to a person with a message - this is called an angelic visitation. They always bring a word, command, special revelation or instruction from God. Also, there are angels who are always with a person, from their birth, as guardians: *"The Angel who has redeemed me from all evil, Bless the lads; Let my name be named upon them, And the name of my fathers Abraham and Isaac; And let them grow into a multitude in the midst of the earth."* (Revelation 48:16). They do not leave a person and do not visit him from time to time, they are always with him, always accompany him through life.

There are also angels of ministry, about whom it is written that they are ministering spirits: *"But to which of the angels has He ever said: 'Sit at My right hand, Till I make Your enemies Your footstool'? Are they not all ministering spirits sent forth to minister for those who will inherit salvation?"* (Hebrews 1:13,14).

David writes that around some heirs of salvation are a whole encampment of Angels: *"The angel of the Lord encamps all around those who fear Him, and delivers them."* (Psalm 34:7). This means that the number of angels sent to a person for ministry depends on the closeness of that person's relationship with the Lord, because closeness with the Lord provokes the devil into special aggression and enmity, but God covers His servants with additional protection. The very word "encamps" already testifies to the battle. The number of angels sent also depends on the strength of the glory of God present on a person. There may be one regiment, or there may be many regiments of angels, depending on the mission.

When we see a special ministry, in the special power and glory of God's presence, where thousands of people come to be saved, healed and delivered, there will be many regiments of angels and many kinds of angels. The regiments of the Archangel Raphael, Michael, Uriel and others participate in such services. It is written: *"But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, to an innumerable company of angels..."* (Hebrews 12:22). When it says "...you have come..." it means 'you have approached, entered the spiritual sphere of communication, and there was an opportunity to feel their presence in your life, in your ministry'. All of them are sent by God for ministry to bear witness to the glory of Christ's victory, and they operate under the banner of Jesus Christ, in the autho-

rity of His victorious name.

Even when angels participate in the ministry of a person, they serve in the name of Jesus Christ and fulfil the will of the One who sent them. They will not serve human desires and human glory. If the person is obedient to the will of the Father, and his ministry is built on the glorification of God's name in Jesus Christ, the angels serve in the full power of their purpose. However, if a person deviates from the truth and begins to appropriate the glory of God for himself, the angels withdraw from him in the same way as the withdrawal of anointing; the angels of God do not participate in this person's ministry. Why, then, can one fail to notice the withdrawal of God's angels? Why does the power of healing and prophecy continue to operate in some services? The terrible reason for this fact is that the places vacated by God's angels are occupied by the powers of darkness, imitating the previous ministry. At such services, the person ministering will be glorified, but the name of Jesus will still be spoken and in use. However, gradually these forces will divert all ministry from the truth, that is, from the true worship of the Lord, and lawlessness will be seen in this ministry, but it will not be visible to all. Only for those for whom the Lord is the only object of worship, for the slaves of God, this will be seen. But those blinded by the glory of the person serving will not see the deviation and it is to these that the following words are addressed: *"And then I will declare to them, 'I never knew you; depart from Me, you who practice lawlessness!'"* (Matthew 7:23). Although, the minister and those taking part in the ministry may not realize what is happening, because the glory has blinded their eyes and hearts and, therefore, they will say: *"Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in Your name, cast out demons in Your name, and done many wonders in Your name?"* (Matthew 7:22). The Lord will renounce them, although that takes place much earlier than the judgement, which is why it is said: *"...I never knew..."* as He never knew them as His servants, because they always had a thirst for glory in their hearts.

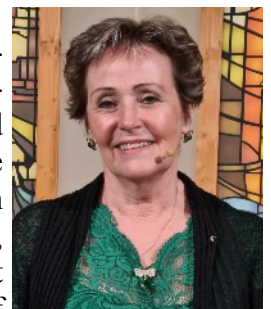
It should not be surprising that the angels minister in their meetings up until the point that their iniquity is complete within them. God's anointing works in their ministry in the same way as God's anointing worked in the ministry of Judas Iscariot, the anointing was active until the time of his apostasy, and the angels of God served him when he, together with the rest of the Apostles, preached the word of God, healed and cast out demons. Something similar was said to the fallen cherubim: *"You were perfect in your ways from the day you were created, till iniquity was found in you. By the abundance of your trading you became filled with violence within, and you*

sinned; Therefore I cast you as a profane thing out of the mountain of God; And I destroyed you, O covering cherub, from the midst of the fiery stones." (Ezekiel 28:15,16). Until iniquity is found within a person, and the inside is filled with unrighteousness, he will stand in the glory of God, and the angels of God will serve him.

When the anointing of the kingdom departed from Saul, the angels of God departed from his ministry, but in their place an evil spirit came.

Why did Jesus tell such people that they were practicing lawlessness? Because the main lawlessness is that they appropriate the glory for themselves, just as the son of the morning once fell, becoming lawless: *"How you are fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! How you are cut down to the ground, you who weakened the nations! For you have said in your heart: 'I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God; I will also sit on the mount of the congregation on the farthest sides of the north; I will ascend above the heights of the clouds, I will be like the Most High.' Yet you shall be brought down to Sheol, to the lowest depths of the Pit."* (Isaiah 14:12-15). None of the angels of God will support the ministry of appropriating the glory of God, just as none of the angels of God receive the glory for themselves: *"And I fell at his feet to worship him. But he said to me, 'See that you do not do that! I am your fellow servant, and of your brethren who have the testimony of Jesus. Worship God! For the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy.'"* (Revelation 19:10). This is one of the signs by which one can identify a fallen angel, if one appears, compared to the angel of God. The spirit of the devil will always incite a person to worship him and he will exalt himself above God. The offer will always be to worship him and to consider his power to be above the authority of God. He will offer man glory, honour and the recognition of people: *"Again, the devil took Him up on an exceedingly high mountain, and showed Him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory. And he said to Him, 'All these things I will give You if You will fall down and worship me.'"* (Matthew 4:8,9). If a similar desire arises in a person while serving God, it is the beginning of a fall.

So, we live among the angels of God, but it is wise to remember that the world is filled also with fallen angels who serve another master, and their mission is to seduce mankind. Therefore, we must not follow angels, but the Lord and then the angels of God will serve man and keep him from falling.



Pastor Taysa Kotov (translated from Russian)



Prophecy of Bob Jones. Part 2.

The sixth perfect storm is infirmity, like I've already said, the newscasters are scaring people like never before. I don't believe that the infections and flus and everything else that's out there now has been any worse than I've ever known it, and I've seen really bad seasons when they were bad before. Only we wouldn't terrorize about them, we'd live through them, but there's a fear that's been put out there by some of the newscasters, I think they're really the new terrorists, for they're not giving you any hope, they're giving you fear. For these things are frightening, you need to turn that television off, that radio off, put that paper down and go to Him who can give you peace.

So infirmity; let the redeemed of the Lord say so, if they say no then it's going to be no. The world doesn't have the say, neither does the devil, nor does his people, but the Saints have the say and it's time they begin to come together and say there'll be no influenza, there'll be no pestilence. In a similar way, I believe there's a fungus, and blights, an attack on our crops. I believe this is just what happened in Florida recently with the freeze, it literally wiped out the lovely oranges and strawberries, these were people that had invested their life in this work. I believe the church, if we'd have come together, could have said no to that freeze. We need to begin to take authority over the weather, and I know this is contrary to a lot of people's thinking but the Lord did. I have seen the Saints take authority over the weather. I have seen them in droughts, praying and the rains came. We have to say, we have so much authority that we've never used before, we've never been this way before. And although we haven't, it's no reason to be frightened. As we go this way we need to chart these unknown waters, so others can follow us. So there's going to be churches that take the authority and they'll chart it, it'll go worldwide. Whatever they're going to do is going to go worldwide. We don't know what we can do until we get off of our seats and say so.

The seventh great storm is geophysical. There is a natural order of things on the Earth, and earthquakes, volcanoes, tidal waves, all of these are of the natural order. I don't believe that we can stop it because it's a natural thing; faith will never rise above the will of God, but I'll say this much for them: I believe we can take the death out of it. I believe that the amount of death is the amount of intercession that's missing. These earthquakes are already coming like in Haiti, in California, in so many other places, especially in the New Madrid fault, in the middle of the United States. They're shaking and destroying all of these, but we ought to begin to take the authority. I

believe that we can take authority to where there is less death, that only those that don't listen to what the Holy Spirit is saying will be in harm's way. I believe we can also take authority to warn sooner when there is one huge quake that destroys everything which will keep going with the smaller quakes until it's settled. It's a time that I don't believe that we could stop it, but it is time that we can know about it, it is time that the revelation gives, that the spiritual gifts will reveal when it's going to happen. For if it's revealed when it's going to happen, and I've seen that many times. I saw exact names prophesying that earthquakes are going to happen. If the Lord releases His revelation to His prophets, then those that don't believe it can stay but those that do believe it can flee and be safe in these times. I believe it's really important that the church has the revelation of where to be and when to be there but they're going to happen, the quakes, the volcano is going to happen, the tidal wave is going to happen. We have some authority in that, but this is a natural process in the Earth that we can't stop, but we can stop the death. I believe that some of the danger in these volcanoes erupting, it will put so much ash in the air that we probably won't have any summer, and this has happened in the past. Therefore we need the wisdom to lay up when the right time is. The Lord recently spoke to me this word: Observe the ants, where they harvest at a time of summer when you can harvest, they lay up. I think it's time that we really begin to get a vision of what to lay up. For there's going to be shaking in the storms. Also I believe that there are fungus and blights in the sixth judgement. They'll attack corn and wheat, they're things that we can pray about, there's things that we can do about it. I think we're going to need to go back to the old wheat, I think we changed the genetics of our food supply therefore we need to go back to the original. It may not be as big a harvest and it may not be what we're used to, but I think it'll be what is adequate for us, I don't believe the United States is going to go through a time of starvation. But it's the time that we need to pray, we need to pray that our scientists find new solutions for the world, because that one blight can wipe out all your corn crop, just like that, because your corn and wheat, all of this has lost its immunity because they've changed the genetics of it so much. I believe it's time that we ought to get back to the original and also get back to the original God, we've got too many gods. There's only one that is really our God, we need to get back to Him and let Him begin to give us wisdom in finances. It's time that Christian science will break through. There are Christians out there that are work-

ing on things that I believe are getting ready to break through. It'll bring the wealth of the world again. There are people that are working on cold fusion which is simply water but dividing oxygen from hydrogen, which would be some of the greatest energy you've ever seen. I believe we are on the verge of that and I believe that Christians are the ones that are going to invent it. It'll make energy so cheap that the whole world will have the energy it needs, the light. We need these scientists to break through, I think it's time that we really begin to pray for those that are saved, that they break through in that realm. I believe as scientists, as people that are saved, that are working on cancer cures, I look for that to happen. When this happens, then the wealth of the wicked will come to the righteous, worldwide. It's a time that we really ought to begin by faith, to have that great expectation that God is with us and He's going to give His mind on certain matters and new inventions and new understandings of health like we've never known before. A new understanding of how to break the curse off of men. I believe that we're in a time when the Lord broke the curse of the law for us, but we still have a curse on us that's called the curse of the Fall. I think we're in a time where we ought to get a vision of breaking the curse of the Fall where you don't have an age, or you don't even age, or none of the things that you have get worn out. Where you have the answer and you are the answer down here. The people of light are the answer, it's not the people of darkness, it's the people of light and it's time that you people of light, let the redeemed of the Lord say so, they're the ones that have the authority.

So we're in a time of great change, we're in a time of Jeremiah 33:3. We've never been this way before, we have no idea, if the Lord told us we would have no idea what He's talking about. We're in a time of Isaiah 48:6-7. We're in a time that the Spirit of prophecy shall break this in and the Spirit of prophecy is the testimony of Jesus Christ, what He is doing in our lives. I think we're getting ready for the children of light to have testimonies like never before because I think that you're going to begin to have the say so and testimonies of what God has done for your lives, what He's done for your family, what He's done for your city, what He's done for your state, what He's done for the nations. For I see in this time of shaking, entire families come together in their unity, entire cities come together in the unity of being dedicated to the Lord, and our states come together and being dedicated to the Lord. Nations coming together and being dedicated to the Lord, entire nations. So we're in an exciting time. In August of 2008, I had a vision which I believe was a trance. I saw that three elders of

God were going to stand before the father and give an account for what was happening in the body of Christ on the Earth. These were three men, they were greatly honored in heaven, the scripture on this is Hebrews 13:17. These elders were going to give a report in heaven of what was wrong on the Earth. The first man I saw was Jerry Falwell and he would give a report on the Earth about why there were no morals in the church anymore. I believe the Church here is getting ready for a godly sorrow like you've never seen before, to bring back in morals again, to bring back in honour, to bring back into the place where you give your word, it's a blank cheque you can cash in. I believe that we're getting ready for this kind of sorrow to come to such a place, where God will grant us repentance, 2 Timothy 2:24-25. If God grants you repentance, then it'll be as if you had never sinned and any curse that's come because of your sin will be broken. There are curses of bloodlines and everything else, we're talking about new bloodlines, we're talking about His bloodlines. We've never been this way before so there's no way of explaining it but we're in a new time and so this new time begins with Jerry Falwell, when he went home. The second elder I saw was Oral Roberts and Oral Roberts is a supernatural faith man. When he stands before the father, which he has recently, he would give this report about why there's not any faith in the church, and if there's no faith it's because there's no faithfulness. So you can get ready for a shaking there for faithfulness to come back into the church again, where we're faithful to one another and we're faithful to God and where you begin to see supernatural faith works off of true liquid love. I think you're getting ready to see liquid love coming to the body where supernatural faith comes and we always expect it to be some guy out in front, it may be the least one that's just come in, to have that supernatural faith of creating miracles. So we need everybody in their place, we need to stop pushing back those that have just got saved. We need to stop pushing back those that we don't esteem very much, who we esteem lightly. We need to begin to esteem one another as equals. So I think we're in a time where you'd be surprised who has the supernatural faith. I know that when I got saved I was so on fire that I wasn't afraid to do anything or say anything. We need to be saved again. I believe that's one of the things that's going to happen now. I believe the so-called church church is getting ready to get saved and I believe the redeemed of the Lord will say so. It's a time like it's never been before. There was a third man there, pray for Billy Graham that he stays longer because we're not ready for that great harvest that'll come when he gives his report. We need the barns, we need time for these home meetings to get barns put together, we need



barns built. I'm afraid the church is not ready for a million people to be saved everyday and it's going to happen. We need to get these barns ready and we need to bring them into a central barn or shipping place that you know as a church now. We need to be part of that but we also need to be part of the barn building as each individual. When Billy Graham goes home he'll give a report on why there's no evangelism, no power of evangelism. For these three elders, they are greatly honoured in heaven and when they speak into the heart of the Father, He is going to release things to change this in the beloved. Can you imagine 300 Billy Graham's moving in supernatural power, with a quarter of a million youth? Can you imagine 300 Oral Roberts' moving and creating miracles, arms and legs, organs, with a quarter of a million youth? Can you imagine Jerry Falwell, 300 of these men, that come to such a level of righteousness and holiness that they would shine like light for all to see them? The entire world is focusing on entertainers and things like that, these are dark people, they bring death. What if you had 300 Jerry Falwell's that were nothing but light, they were focusing on the light of God to shine through them. Morals, power, evangelism. I saw a man that represents many, he was 25 years old, he had been saved for six months. He was speaking and thousands of youth were coming to the Lord. We're not ready for it yet, I mean we're getting ready for the youth to be released to the youth. This youth is going to come out of the sewers and they're gonna cry out until they're totally clean and pure, and they're going to go forth cleaning others. Those that have been believing and those that have compassion, they'll come with supernatural faith and we will see miracles coming. I mean consistent, not sporadic as has happened, but consistent; healing: consistent, deliverance from infirmity and plagues and all types of virus and everything else: consistent. I believe we're at a time that the Absolute will be revealing Himself and Him being revealed in us. So we need to be ready because the harvest is coming. It's coming on a level that we've never known before. In the next two or three years, it's really critical to build these barns, while we have time. We need to get a vision of what it's really going to be. An individual will lead as many as a thousand people a week to the Lord on the streets. There will be witnesses coming like we've never seen before. So it's a time that we let the redeemed of the Lord say so.

One other thing I want to share with you, I've shared it many times. It's an earlier prophecy and we're in a key point of it. The 1950s revealed the power of God. William Branham, Oral Roberts, A.A. Allen, these mighty men of God did awesome stuff. The 1960s revealed the Spirit of God, when the Holy Spirit began invading the domination churches. The

1970s began to reveal the Word of God, that's when the great teachers began to grow on what had already taken place. The 1980s revealed the Spirit of God, that's when real prophets began to rise up. The 1990s revealed a revelation that there should be a godly government, apostolic. The 2000s were the beginning where we began to get a vision of the glory of God, and we began to see the glory of God in different times. Now the 2010s is to not have faith in God but to have the faith of God. With the faith of God we're going to really need to have a clean conscious, spirit man, morals. We're going to need to have that compassion, the power of evangelism and that love for souls in our pockets, our spirit man. The faith of God is what's in the Father's heart and where the conscious is pure, the Holy Spirit will reveal to your conscious, your spirit man, what's in the heart of the Father. When this happens in your spirit man, your mind will be the catalyst, for your mind will do the proclamation of it. Your mind will speak it's creative stuff, your mind will give the Father permission to do these things and by that I mean the Father is giving you all authority. Psalms 115:16, the heavens belong to God but He's giving the Earth into the hands of man. When you're doing this and you're speaking what's in the Father's heart, you're giving Him permission to do His will on the Earth. So that's what the faith of God is, it's the keys of the kingdom, it's simply what's in the Father's heart. When you get this, Matthew 16:19, you can bind what the Father's bound in his heart, you can close up the second heaven, you can shut up the doors of hell. You can release the heavenly blessings, you can release the kingdom of God within. A limit of power like you've never seen before and literally in agreement and in harmony with the heart of the Father. It begins now. The 2020s will bring the church, the true church into a place of resting in God or God literally resting in you. I think everything that's going on now is preparing for a place for Papa to move in with you. Ephesians 2:22, where you cohabitate with the Father and the Spirit. That the Father rests in you, and you rest in Him. In the 2030s I believe it will be the family of God where you don't see so many differences, but you see one huge family. The 2040s, I believe it will reveal the kingdom of God, the kingdom of authority on the Earth. Some of the churches have a vision of leaving here shortly, I think you ought to get a long-range vision of staying here permanently, and the coming forth of the kingdom of God. The 2050s, the sons and daughters of God. Those who have matured into the likeness of Christ that are walking over all of the Earth. It will be one of the devil's worst hours, but I believe his worst hour has already begun, and the faith of God will begin this year. It will literally be like an antidote to anything that snake

bites. I think it's a time that we're going to see our sisters have sore heels for stopping the head. So it's a different time than we've ever known before. So do

not let fear, and do not let trouble distract you, for this is your finest hour Saints. Rise up to the occasion, put your face into the wind, and go through it. Amen.

MESSAGE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

Those who are offended and living in grievances, this is the word from the Spirit of God to you:

Satan always finds vessels for himself through which he will keep some in a state of resentment, and others in a state of accusation. He's very skillful at this, a skillful accuser. Jesus forgives and justifies us every time we ask Him to forgive us our sins. At the same time, He never remembers what was forgiven and does not remind us of our previous sins. This is the forgiveness that Jesus speaks of in His parable of unforgiveness: *Should you not also have had compassion on your fellow servant, just as I had pity on you? And his master was angry, and delivered him to the torturers until he should pay all that was due to him. "So My heavenly Father also will do to you if each of you, from his heart, does not forgive his brother his trespasses."* (Matt.18:33-35). To forgive from the heart means to free yourself from resentment and not remember under any circumstances, and even more so, not to reproach the one whom you have forgiven.

But Satan gets our mistakes and sins out of the old chest, he keeps them all in order to accuse us, and he never forgets, and from time to time makes attempts to remind about them, especially to those in whom he finds the mould of resentment. He brings these outdated sins and mistakes into the ears of the offended, thus blaming those whom Jesus justified long ago. The old always grows over time with dust and dirt to a greater extent than it once was, so what is presented after some time becomes worse than it was before.

Satan always throws new information into the hearts of those in whom grievances are stored. He will replenish their chests with evil memories with new information about the old, outdated, mouldy slander.

We know that everyone is tempted and carried away by their own lust. Therefore, resentment is one of the types of lust. It is formed on the basis of human lusts: "To me, for me, with me, I want this, but I do not get what I want ..." Everything in a similar vein.

People do not recognise the offense as lust, because they have not figured out its origin, but it is one of its varieties. Resentment is always based on discontent, on high self-esteem, on egoism, on selfishness. A humble and meek person keeps himself from resentment, realising that this is a sin. And this is how John speaks of these: *We know that whoever is born of God does not sin; but he who has been born of God keeps himself, and the wicked one does not touch him.* (1Jn.5:18). The evil one does not touch him because

he cannot, he does not find his soil in him. A crafty spirit is not just a sin, but a deception, crafty thoughts lead to the fall of man.

Resentment is unforgiveness, unforgiveness is accusation, and accusing a brother or sister is sin. Jesus condemned this behavior and this quality in a person through a parable, when Peter asked Jesus how many times one should forgive his brother: *Then Peter came to Him and said, "Lord, how often shall my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? Up to seven times?" Jesus said to him, "I do not say to you, up to seven times, but up to seventy times seven.* (Matt.18:21,22). That means four hundred and ninety times. This means that we must forgive once every 2.9 minutes, because there are 1440 minutes in a day. Will we have time to be offended in this case? We will not even have time to assess the offense, as we must already forgive, these are the requirements of Jesus Christ, that is, not to be offended at all and live in complete forgiveness of others.

And then Jesus taught the parable of the evil servant, who, being forgiven himself, did not forgive his brother. How will you pay off your debt if the Lord brings you to judgement? Do you not fall at His feet, begging for your forgiveness? So why don't you forgive your brother? *Therefore the kingdom of heaven is like a certain king who wanted to settle accounts with his servants. And when he had begun to settle accounts, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents. But as he was not able to pay, his master commanded that he be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and that payment be made. The servant therefore fell down before him, saying, 'Master, have patience with me, and I will pay you all.' Then the master of that servant was moved with compassion, released him, and forgave him the debt. "But that servant went out and found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii; and he laid hands on him and took him by the throat, saying, 'Pay me what you owe!' So his fellow servant fell down at his feet and begged him, saying, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you all.' And he would not, but went and threw him into prison till he should pay the debt. So when his fellow servants saw what had been done, they were very grieved, and came and told their master all that had been done. Then his master, after he had called him, said to him, 'You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt*



because you begged me. Should you not also have had compassion on your fellow servant, just as I had pity on you?' And his master was angry, and delivered him to the torturers until he should pay all that was due to him. "So My heavenly Father also will do to you if each of you, from his heart, does not forgive his brother his trespasses." (Matt.18:23-35). Jesus calls such a person an evil slave and assigns him a dungeon with torturers until he pays his debt. Here is God's judgment for those who do not forgive, who accumulate grievances and carry an evil memory in themselves, feeding it with the help of the evil one.

Therefore, those offended, I would like to appeal to you: repent of your sin, unforgiveness and what you carry within you, in your hearts, accusations and condemnations while you yourself have been forgiven and justified. How is this possible? Have fear that your excuse and the forgiveness of your debts will not be removed from you, so that you will not be in prison with the torturers. It is very serious.

There will always be those who are offended by ones who obey the will of God, because they will not be able to meet their requirements. If one seeks what God desires, one cannot please those who are seeking their own desires, so leave their grievances to the judgment of God. The main thing is that their griev-

ances are not your fault, that they have no basis before the Lord. The main thing is that you are not guilty in the eyes of God, but in the eyes of many people you will be guilty. Do not be afraid of their accusations and do not accept condemnation from them, always walk before the judgment of God and have the fear of the Lord, in it is the beginning of wisdom, which is why Paul said: *For do I now persuade men, or God? Or do I seek to please men? For if I still pleased men, I would not be a bondservant of Christ.* (Gal.1:10). Those who please people, their whims, will never be servants of God. Even Jesus Christ, having come to save the world and serve people, pleased only the Father, not people. He remained obedient to the will of the Father, and not to the will of men: *For even Christ did not please Himself; but as it is written, "The reproaches of those who reproached You fell on Me."* (Rom.15:3). Why did they revile Him, was it not because He did not please some, and those who were looking for their own were offended by Him. And today many are offended even at God for not getting what they want, looking for their own and not receiving it, taking offense at God and blaspheming Him. They deny Him before people, because He does not obey their will. And His servants will bear the reproaches of those who revile Him.

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Lesson №12.

Genesis. Chapter 12.

Verse 1. Now the Lord had said to Abram: "Get out of your country, from your family and from your father's house, to a land that I will show you. (Gen.12:1).

This chapter begins with a story about Abraham, about how he was called by God, and about God's chosen people, who would come from him. The entire biblical account of Abraham is divided into four sections, recorded in chapters 12, 15, 17 and 22. They begin by describing God's appearance to Abraham and the making of covenants with him.

Firstly, God promises to make Abraham a blessing for others, secondly, God promises numerous posterity, thirdly, promises to be God to his descendants and give them the land, and, fourthly, promises to give blessings to his descendants, both temporary and eternal.

So we see from this verse that God called Abraham to come out of his land, from his kinship and from his father's house, and did not say where he was to go. Abraham's obedience and faith were already manifested in the fact that he simply trusted God,

whom he did not even know well yet, but obeyed Him with trust that God would lead and show the land that He had prepared for him, as Paul also said: *By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to the place which he would receive as an inheritance. And he went out, not knowing where he was going. (Heb.11:8).*

Verses 2,3. *...I will make you a great nation; I will bless you and make your name great; and you shall be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and I will curse him who curses you; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.” (Gen.12:2,3).*

We see that God promises to Abraham to produce a great nation through him. This is the election of the Jews as God's people, and this is their greatness. They are not promised to be strong and powerful on earth, but it says ‘*great nation*’. How is it great? Only by the fact that the Great God led it and called this nation His people. How can anything compare to being called to be God's people? In this nation, God has both shown and is showing His greatness and superiority over other nations that are not God's people. God said that He would bless those who bless them and those who curse them would be cursed. This means that God enters into a covenant with them that they will have common friends and common enemies with Him. When God said: ‘*...and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed*’, then He revealed the secret of His plan that Abraham would become the father of all believers, as Paul explains in his Epistle to the Galatians: *Therefore know that only those who are of faith are sons of Abraham. And the Scripture, foreseeing that God would justify the Gentiles by faith, preached the gospel to Abraham beforehand, saying, “In you all the nations shall be blessed.” So then those who are of faith are blessed with believing Abraham. (Gal.3:7-9).*

So, we see that Abraham receives from God a promise and a prophetic word, with a prediction for the distant future.

Verse 4. *So Abram departed as the Lord had spoken to him, and Lot went with him. And Abram was seventy-five years old when he departed from Haran. (Gen.12:4).*

From this verse it can be inferred that Abraham remained in Haran until he heard a rhema from the Lord to move on. And he moved on to where God had indicated to him. But, as we can see, he did not go alone, but with Lot: ‘*...Lot went with him*’.

It is said about Lot that he was a righteous man: *...and delivered righteous Lot, who was oppressed by the filthy conduct of the wicked (for that righteous man, dwelling among them, tormented his righteous soul from day to day by seeing and hearing their lawless deeds)...* (2Pet.2:7,8). Obviously, having pre-

vented Abraham's father from going, God allows Lot to go with him, because he was righteous and lived in obedience to Abraham, who, after the death of Lot's father, replaced his father.

Verse 5. *Then Abram took Sarai his wife and Lot his brother's son, and all their possessions that they had gathered, and the people whom they had acquired in Haran, and they departed to go to the land of Canaan. So they came to the land of Canaan. (Gen.12:5).*

From this verse it is clear that Abraham stayed in Haran for quite a long time and managed to acquire both property and servants there: ‘*...all their possessions that they had gathered, and the people whom they had acquired in Haran...*’. And they came to the land of Canaan, where the descendants of Canaan dwelt. This land was fertile, its borders were defined by the Lebanese mountains in the north, the south by the Arabian steppe, in the east by the Syrian desert, and in the west by the Mediterranean Sea.

Verse 6. *Abram passed through the land to the place of Shechem, as far as the terebinth tree of Moreh. And the Canaanites were then in the land. (Gen.12:6).*

Presumably, Abraham entered Palestine from the north and passed this land south to the place where, subsequently, the city of Shechem was built. Genesis says that this city was named after the son of Hamor: *Then Jacob came safely to the city of Shechem, which is in the land of Canaan, when he came from Padan Aram; and he pitched his tent before the city. And he bought the parcel of land, where he had pitched his tent, from the children of Hamor, Shechem's father, for one hundred pieces of money. (Gen.33:18,19).* And Mamre is a large oak grove belonging to a noble Amorite named Mamre.

Verse 7. *Then the Lord appeared to Abram and said, “To your descendants I will give this land.” And there he built an altar to the Lord, who had appeared to him. (Gen.12:7).*

It's amazing that it says, ‘*Then the Lord appeared to Abram and said...*’, that is, He did not just say or speak, but appeared. After the flood, this is perhaps the first time that the Lord appears to man. God confirms His word that He will give this land to posterity. He does not say that He will give it to Abraham personally, but to His descendants: ‘*...To your descendants I will give this land.*’, which, in fact, happened. Abraham walked on this land as if it were not his, although he already owned it by promise, and all his life he only believed that this land would belong to his descendants: *By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to the place which he would receive as an inheritance. And he went out, not knowing where he was going. By faith he dwelt in the*



land of promise as in a foreign country, dwelling in tents with Isaac and Jacob, the heirs with him of the same promise; for he waited for the city which has foundations, whose builder and maker is God. (Heb.11:8-10). It is said about him that he, like many others, died without receiving the promise, that is, Abraham died with faith, not seeing what would happen, hundreds of years later. *'And there he built an altar to the Lord, who had appeared to him.'* – at the site of the encounter, Abraham creates an altar, firstly, to worship Him, and, secondly, to perpetuate the place where God appeared to him, since it became holy.

Verses 8,9. *And he moved from there to the mountain east of Bethel, and he pitched his tent with Bethel on the west and Ai on the east; there he built an altar to the Lord and called on the name of the Lord. So Abram journeyed, going on still toward the South. (Gen.12:8,9).*

This is the common path that Abraham roamed across Palestine. Bethel was located five miles from Shechem and three hours from Jerusalem. This valley is beautiful for its pastures. Ai was located not far from it. Abraham again creates an altar and worships God in thanksgiving, calling on the name of the Lord to the place where he came and where he stopped for a while. But we see that he did not settle at this place, but rose again and continued his journey to the south.

Verse 10. *Now there was a famine in the land, and Abram went down to Egypt to dwell there, for the famine was severe in the land. (Gen.12:10).*

We see that something unexpected happened for Abraham, the first test of his faith. A great famine began in the place where he was led to by faith. And he decides to go down to Egypt, at the time of the famine in that country. Why does it say 'went down'? Because the Nile Valley in Egypt lay below the Arabian steppe.

Verse 11. *And it came to pass, when he was close to entering Egypt, that he said to Sarai his wife, "Indeed I know that you are a woman of beautiful countenance." (Gen.12:11).*

Evidently, Sarah really was a beautiful sight and very noticeable among those around him, so Abraham, even when leaving Ur of the Chaldees, agreed with her that, if necessary, they will tell everyone that she was his sister. This is written in Genesis, chapter 20: *...And it came to pass, when God caused me to wander from my father's house, that I said to her, 'This is your kindness that you should do for me: in every place, wherever we go, say of me, "He is my brother." ' ' (Gen.20:13).* I think that in those days it was not uncommon to kill a husband and take his beautiful wife like prey. And, knowing the moral licentiousness of those countries to which he was sent, Abraham makes such an agreement with Sarah.

Verses 12,13. *Therefore it will happen, when the Egyptians see you, that they will say, 'This is his wife'; and they will kill me, but they will let you live. Please say you are my sister, that it may be well with me for your sake, and that I may live because of you." (Gen.12:12,13).*

So Abraham is resorting to a long-standing covenant in order to keep his life. Of course, this was not a complete deception, Sarah, indeed, was Abraham's sister, and, moreover, in the East, all relatives were called a sister in general: both cousins and nieces, that is, close relatives. In this passage we see that Abraham shows cowardice, he does not go by faith and trust in God, but resorts to cunning: *'...that it may be well with me for your sake, and that I may live because of you.'*

To justify such an act, one can only say that he was only on the path of knowing God and could not yet be sure that God was able to preserve him by His Omnipotence. Throughout his life, the Omnipotence of God will be revealed to him and, finally, knowing this, he will be able to say at the most difficult moment of his life that God will provide, and he and his son will return: *And Abraham said to his young men, "Stay here with the donkey; the lad and I will go yonder and worship, and we will come back to you." (Gen.22:5), And Abraham said, "My son, God will provide for Himself the lamb for a burnt offering." So the two of them went together. (Gen.22:8).*

Verses 14-16. *So it was, when Abram came into Egypt, that the Egyptians saw the woman, that she was very beautiful. The princes of Pharaoh also saw her and commended her to Pharaoh. And the woman was taken to Pharaoh's house. He treated Abram well for her sake. He had sheep, oxen, male donkeys, male and female servants, female donkeys, and camels. (Gen.12:14-16).*

As Abraham expected, so it happened, Sarah was immediately noticed, and she was taken to the house of Pharaoh, and Abraham lived with her without much trouble.

Verse 17. *But the Lord plagued Pharaoh and his house with great plagues because of Sarai, Abram's wife. (Gen.12:17).*

It is not known what plagues God struck Pharaoh with, but this gave him the idea that what was happening to him was because of Abraham's wife.

Verses 18,19. *And Pharaoh called Abram and said, "What is this you have done to me? Why did you not tell me that she was your wife? Why did you say, 'She is my sister'? I might have taken her as my wife. Now therefore, here is your wife; take her and go your way." (Gen.12:18,19).*

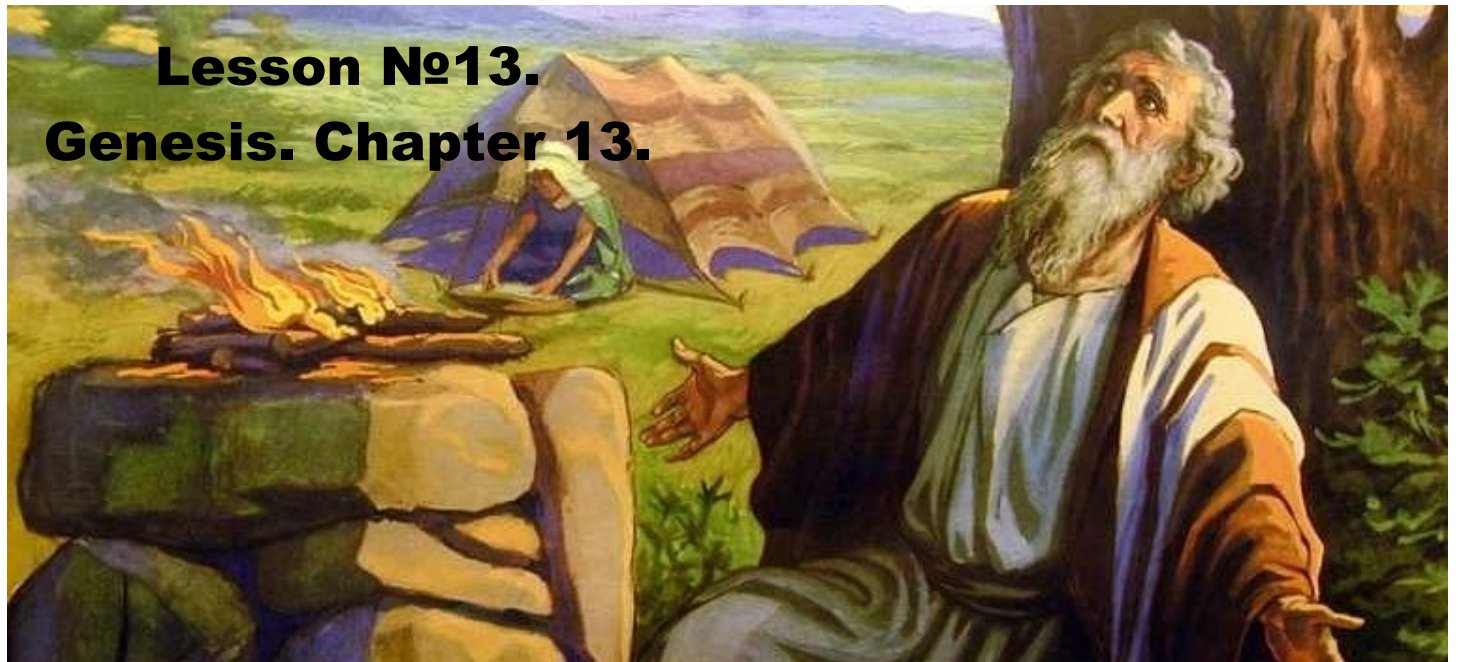
From this verse it is clear that Pharaoh did not have Sarah as a wife while she was in his house, perhaps she was there for preparation, according to the

custom of the East, as we meet in the description with Esther.

Verse 20. *So Pharaoh commanded his men concerning him; and they sent him away, with his wife and all that he had. (Gen.12:20).*

This is how Abraham first experienced the pow

er of God's protection and His omnipotence. He received the first lesson on how to trust the Lord with all his ways in order for Him to complete them. Abraham did not receive punishment from Pharaoh for deceit, although it is said that Pharaoh suffered for him, but with fear he was sent away from Pharaoh's face.



Lesson №13. Genesis. Chapter 13.

Verse 1. *Then Abram went up from Egypt, he and his wife and all that he had, and Lot with him, to the South. (Gen.13:1).*

As you can see from this verse, Abraham does not return from Egypt under duress, but himself, and Lot also returns with him, as his son would have done.

Verse 2. *Abram was very rich in livestock, in silver, and in gold. (Gen.13:2).*

Here it is indicated that Abraham was very rich not only in cattle and slaves, as it was said about him before, but also in silver and gold. In the Hebrew text, even this passage, translated as "very rich," is written as "very heavy," that is, he had a lot of weight of silver and gold. Evidently, he acquired it as a trading currency in Egypt. Previously, currency was in the form of gold and silver plates or rings.

Verses 3,4. *And he went on his journey from the South as far as Bethel, to the place where his tent had been at the beginning, between Bethel and Ai, to the place of the altar which he had made there at first. And there Abram called on the name of the Lord. (Gen.13:3,4).*

It is interesting what is said about the journeys that Abraham made. He not only came one day to the same place, but wandered, as before, in the same places. He also came to the place where he had already built an altar, and there again called on the name of the Lord to give Him thanks for the protection of life and a safe return.

Verse 5. *Lot also, who went with Abram, had flocks and herds and tents. (Gen.13:5).*

Lot, who walked with Abraham, was also rich with flocks and herds and tents, which testifies to the sharing of God's blessing between Abraham and Lot.

Verse 6. *Now the land was not able to support them, that they might dwell together, for their possessions were so great that they could not dwell together. (Gen.13:6).*

They were so enriched that they could no longer even fit together in one place. Oddly enough, enrichment leads to separation, not unification. It is a need that always brings people closer and unites, but enrichment leads to separation.

Verses 7-9. *And there was strife between the herdsmen of Abram's livestock and the herdsmen of Lot's livestock. The Canaanites and the Perizzites then dwelt in the land. So Abram said to Lot, "Please let there be no strife between you and me, and between my herdsmen and your herdsmen; for we are brethren. Is not the whole land before you? Please separate from me. If you take the left, then I will go to the right; or, if you go to the right, then I will go to the left." (Gen.13:7-9).*

Despite the fact that there was a good relationship between Abraham and Lot, those who were engaged in the households began to quarrel and not get along with each other. Everyone wanted to please his master, and, for sure, they no longer fit at a watering hole or in a pasture, and cohabitation became impossible. To prevent this enmity from spreading to the relationship between Abraham and Lot, who had to find out the reason for the dispute and set the bounda-



ries for peace every time, Abraham decides to split from Lot: *So Abram said to Lot, "Please let there be no strife between you and me, and between my herdsmen and your herdsmen; for we are brethren... Perhaps this was the only way out of this situation. Further, we can see the nobility and generosity of Abraham in his address to Lot: ...Is not the whole land before you? Please separate from me. If you take the left, then I will go to the right; or, if you go to the right, then I will go to the left."* He does not remind Lot that the Lord, according to the promise, gives him all this land, and therefore he is the master of it and he should choose the best lands. On the contrary, Abraham tells Lot to choose his place and the direction of the path, saying that the whole earth is in front of him, not even in front of them, but in front of Lot: *...Is not the whole land before you?* This is how Abraham's humility is manifested and the fact that he did not seek earthly goods, although they were near him.

Verses 10,11. *And Lot lifted his eyes and saw all the plain of Jordan, that it was well watered everywhere (before the Lord destroyed Sodom and Gomorrah) like the garden of the Lord, like the land of Egypt as you go toward Zoar. Then Lot chose for himself all the plain of Jordan, and Lot journeyed east. And they separated from each other. (Gen.13:10,11).*

And so, Lot took advantage of his uncle's offer and chose the best land, as the Bible describes, like a paradise, all watered, which was important for farming. And it is said that they separated from each other. In the future, it will be possible to see how Lot's separation from Abraham did not bless him.

Verse 12. *Abram dwelt in the land of Canaan, and Lot dwelt in the cities of the plain and pitched his tent even as far as Sodom. (Gen.13:12).*

It is said that Abraham began to live in the land of Canaan, as the Lord told him, that is, he remained faithful to his calling and continued to wander around it, since no locality is indicated of where he would camp, but it is said that he was in the land of Canaan. However, it is said about Lot that he began to live in cities near Sodom, that is, he began to be seduced by the way of life of the townspeople, and gradually he entered into commonwealth with them.

Verse 13. *But the men of Sodom were exceedingly wicked and sinful against the Lord. (Gen.13:13).*

The inhabitants of those cities, Sodom and Gomorrah, were very depraved and wicked. It seems that they looked much worse than the inhabitants of Ur of the Chaldees before the Lord, from where the Lord brought Abraham and Lot. However, we do not see Lot run from these cities. Something, nevertheless, kept him there, perhaps the family, which he obtained there.

Verses 14-16. *And the Lord said to Abram, after*

Lot had separated from him: "Lift your eyes now and look from the place where you are—northward, southward, eastward, and westward; for all the land which you see I give to you and your descendants forever. And I will make your descendants as the dust of the earth; so that if a man could number the dust of the earth, then your descendants also could be numbered. (Gen.13:14-16).

But after Lot separated from him, the Lord continues to speak with Abraham and repeats His plan for him. This verse emphatically says that God spoke to Abraham after Lot separated from him. He, as it were, arbitrarily separated himself from the promises of Abraham, choosing for himself earthly goods instead of promises. But God repeats to Abraham that all the land that he sees now, God gives him and his descendants as an inheritance forever. And then he speaks of his descendants, of whom there will be as many as the dust of the earth, which no one can count.

Verses 17,18. *Arise, walk in the land through its length and its width, for I give it to you." Then Abram moved his tent, and went and dwelt by the terebinth trees of Mamre, which are in Hebron, and built an altar there to the Lord. (Gen.13:17,18).*

Next, God commands Abraham to perform an act of faith: *...Arise, walk in the land through its length and its width, for I give it to you."*, that is, the land where Abraham's foot sets will be acquired by faith. So Abraham acquired the promised land by faith, which was then taken by Joshua with the people of Israel.

Then Abram moved his tent, and went and dwelt by the terebinth trees of Mamre, which are in Hebron, and built an altar there to the Lord. Abraham, in obedience, moved with his tents and settled at the oak forest of Mamre, the Amorite, who became Abraham's ally, befriending him: Then one who had escaped came and told Abram the Hebrew, for he dwelt by the terebinth trees of Mamre the Amorite, brother of Eshcol and brother of Aner; and they were allies with Abram. (Gen.14:13).

The city of Hebron is known today among the Arabs under the name "Al-Khalil", which translates as "friend of God." That was the name of Abraham, and in the Holy Scripture it can be read: *"But you, Israel, are My servant, Jacob whom I have chosen, the descendants of Abraham My friend. (Is.41:8), And the Scripture was fulfilled which says, "Abraham believed God, and it was accounted to him for righteousness." And he was called the friend of God. (Jam.2:23).* And here we see that Abraham, having come to Hebron, again sets up an altar to God in order to call Him to every place where he camped for a while.

The Bible study session is led by Pastor Taysa Kotov
(translated from Russian)

About our Church



Philadelphia Church International was established in London in 1995 by the wonderful and powerful prophetic word of God which spoke about its beginning. Members of the church are from different countries all around the world, but mainly from the former republics of the Soviet Union.

Philadelphia Church follows a charismatic path, or the path of the first apostles. The type of our ministry and its characteristics are described in the Revelation of Apostle John: *And to the angel of the church in Philadelphia write, 'These things says He who is holy, He who is true, "He who has the key of David, He who opens and no one shuts, and shuts and no one opens": "I know your works. See, I have set before you an open door, and no one can shut it; for you have a little strength, have kept My word, and have not denied My name. Indeed I will make those of the synagogue of Satan, who say they are Jews and are not, but lie – indeed I will make them come and worship before your feet, and to know that I have loved you. Because you have kept My command to persevere, I also will keep you from the hour of trial which shall come upon the whole world, to test those who dwell on the earth. Behold, I am coming quickly! Hold fast what you have, that no one may take your crown. He who overcomes, I will make him a pillar in the temple of My God, and he shall go out no more. I will write on him the name of My God and the name of the city of My God, the New Jerusalem, which comes down out of heaven from My God. And I will write on him My new name. He who has an ear, let*

him hear what the Spirit says to the churches." (Revelation 3:7-13)

Each of the churches described in the Revelation of John has an Angel of God at its head who defines the anointing - the type of ministry. The ministry of the church depends on its development in the Spirit of God. Our church is called "Philadelphia" upon the revelation of God, because in the basis (foundation) of our church lies the Love of our Father God, which fulfils the new commandment of Jesus Christ: *A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another; as I have loved you, that you also love one another. By this all will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another.* (John 13:34,35)

The word 'philadelphia' is translated from the Greek language and means 'brotherly love', so the name 'philadelphia' itself speaks of our ministry. Just as the disciples of Jesus Christ, we try to fulfil His commandments of love for others with our lives and deeds. Brotherly love is shown through the support, help and sincere understanding of the needs and sorrows that close ones are going through. Everyone who comes into our church soon begins to feel that they have found a Christian family.

The church began with just nine people who became the living stones of its foundation. During the time of its existence the church has grown and widened. Today the church continues to be filled with new believers who are dedicating their lives to our Lord Jesus Christ. And God testifies by His Spirit that it is only the beginning of His plan about us.



He who receives a prophet in the name of a prophet shall receive a prophet's reward...
(Matt.10:41)

Dear brothers & sisters in Christ!

By the great mercy of our Lord God we have all been given the opportunity to be a part of the missionary ministry in Israel, Belgium and Ukraine where by the will of God our brothers and sisters are working for Him.

A missionary fund to support this ministry has been opened and is successfully working in our church. If the Holy Spirit places on your heart to be part of this mission then you can send your donations to the church address.

Come to Me, all you who labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest (Matthew 11:28)

Today God is calling you to become part of His family. This is a call to salvation which is also for you, our dear reader. We will be glad to see you.



Our Services:

- Su – 13:30 – main service, lunch, question & answer time on spiritual subjects, Sunday School
- Mo – 19:00 – youth services (house groups)
- Tu – 19:00 – prayer service
- Fr – 19:00 – prayer and Bible study



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