

**Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2008.**

## **OUT-OF-DATE**

### **Introduction:**

Tonight marks a landmark in the life of each and every one of us here today and I have a very strong message for you from the throne of Grace. The Lord is bringing an end to the operations of some the things that happen in our lives as we move out of the year 2008 and move into our year of Unspeakable Joy in the precious name of Jesus.

In the Book **Ps. Chapter 18:45** the Bible says: “The strangers shall fade away, and be afraid out of their close places.”

Also in the book of **Matthew Chapter 15: 13**, Jesus answered and said, every plant, which my heavenly Father hath not planted, shall be rooted up.”

### **Never Again:**

In the book of **Exodus Chapter 14: 15**, Moses said unto the people of Israel: Fear ye not, stand still, and see the salvation of the Lord, which he will show you today: for the Egyptians whom ye have seen today, ye shall see them again no more for ever.

Also in the book of **Psalms, Chapter 30:5**, the Bible says: For His anger endures but a moment; in his favour is life: weeping may endure for a night, but joy comes in the morning.

Every thing has got an expiry date. It is that date that we might not know. As we know from the **Book of Ecclesiastes Chapter 3: 1**: the Bible says: To every thing there is season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven. Hence, I bring you word from the Lord tonight that the time of your affliction and your lack and your oppression has come to an end in the mighty name of Jesus.

**What could be Egyptians or night in our lives?**

In the case of Hannah in **1 Samuel Chapter 1: 1-20**, the Egyptian in her life that needed to go out-of-date was barrenness. The Bible says that she had not child and her rival used to mock her. But there was one night which to some people was just an ordinary night, she challenged the barrenness in her life and reported the matter to the Lord and said Lord, this problem is out-of-date and it need to be sent to the place of forgetfulness and the Lord heard her cry. As many as are here tonight and have been battling with barrenness, I declare tonight that they have become out-of-date and like the Egyptians, as you call upon the Lord, you will see them no more again in the precious name of Jesus.

**In 1 Samuel Chapter 17**, there was a cruel Goliath troubling the people of God. Goliath found no other place to stand and rubbish the people of God other than a place called Shochoh that belonged to the children of Judah. It was a place of promise. But Goliath chose the same place to defy the army of the Lord. Hence, David was really upset and charged in verse 29 when he responded to the insensitivity of his brothers: “What have I now done? Is there not a cause?” Can you recognize the operations of the enemy in your life? Is the enemy infiltrating your family? Is it encroaching into your spouse’s life? Is there any enemy violating your spiritual life? ***I can tell you with all assurance tonight that its operation has become out-of-date in your life in name of Jesus.***

**In 2 Kings Chapter 2 from verse 18-22**, the people of Jericho stopped deceiving themselves and confessed: the situation of this city is pleasant, as my lord sees: but the water is naught, and the ground is barren. The situation of the city became out of date that night and Elisha changed the situation and they brought a cruse with salt in it and he poured it to the spring of the water. Tonight the Lord will touch the foundation of your life in the name of Jesus. The man of God pronounced: Thus saith the Lord, I have healed these waters; there shall not be from thence any more death or barren land. So the waters were healed unto this day according to the word of the Lord according to the saying of Elisha which he spake. ***I speak the same words to the springs of your life tonight in the name of Jesus.***

**In the 2 Kings chapter 4**, two women got rid of two things that were already out of date in their lives. The first woman, the wife of the prophet got poverty and debt burden done with in her life while the Shunammite woman said never again to barrenness.

In the New Testament, Peter and his brother got the verdict; it is out-of-date to working tirelessly without any result. In **Luke Chapter 5: 1-11**, an end came to struggling without result in their lives. They got a reward they have never got before and more than that the Lord changed their destiny. Your struggles have got the verdict of out-of-date tonight in the name of Jesus.

In the **Book of John Chapter 5: 1- 15**: there was a man by the market pool, which is called in Hebrew language Bethesda. He was used to staying with his neighbours there and these were impotent folk, blind, halt, withered, all waiting for the moving of the water. This man's name was not even recorded. He was just known as a man with infirmity. Only God knows what his infirmity was. He was in that state for a whole 38 years. But that day the Lord Jesus entered into his situation and pronounced the infirmity out of date. You do not know the infirmity in my life and I do not know the infirmity in your life; but tonight, the infirmity has received the out-of-date verdict in our lives in the name of Jesus. I don't care how long it has been operating there. **The Bible says in 1 John 3: 8** in the **Amplified** version: "The reason the Son of God was made manifest (visible) was to undo (destroy, loosen and dissolve) the works of the devil (has done). The end has come to all the operations of the enemy in your lives in the name of Jesus.

Finally, in the Book of **Act of Apostle, Chapter 3: 1-11**, there was a man lame from his mother's womb and they used to carry him to a gate called Beautiful to ask for alms from those who go to the temple. His case was so bad that they were actually using him to describe the temple. But on this fateful date when that lame state has become out of date, then Peter and John showed up and he received his healing and walked away and was made whole in the name of Jesus.

### **When things are out of date what happens to them?**

I am aware that when things are out of date they are thrown away and sent to where they would be destroyed.

In the Book of Exodus, the Egyptians were drowned. Every problem in your life is drowned tonight in the name of Jesus.

Every thing that represents darkness in your life will vanish in the name of Jesus. The light of God will quench the darkness and change it to light in the name of Jesus.

### **How can this happen?**

This will happen because:

- The Almighty God has spoken it and it will surely come to pass in the name of Jesus.
- The Lord has already shown mercy to his people, for instance, **Ps. 85: 1-7** and **Ps. 102:13**.
- It will happen because the Lord will bring his cruse of salt of into the springs of our lives in the name of Jesus.
- The bible says in **Isaiah 27: 10** that: “And it shall come to pass in that day that his burden shall be taken away from off thy shoulder and his yoke from off thy neck and the yoke shall be destroyed because of the anointing. The anointing of the Lord will destroy every yoke in our lives in the name of Jesus.

### **What will be your experience from now?**

The bible says in **1 Samuel Chapter 2: 1**: And Hannah prayed and said, my heart rejoices in the Lord. Mine horn is exalted in the Lord: my mouth is enlarged because I rejoice in thy salvation.

In **Psalms 30: 5**, the bible says weeping may endure for a night, but joy comes in the morning. Your morning of joy has broken in the name of Jesus.

In **Ps. 126** the bible says when the Lord turns the captivity of Zion; we were like them that dream. Then was our mouth filled with laughter and our tongue with singing. **In verse 5** the Bible says: “They that sow in tears shall reap in joy”. You will reap with joy unspeakable in the mighty name of Jesus.

Finally, the lame man at the Beautiful Gate when he was healed in **Act 5: 8** stood up leaping and walking and praising God. He was filled with joy unspeakable to the Glory of God.

You will be filled with unspeakable joy to the glory of God from tonight in the name of Jesus.

### **What must you do tonight?**

To experience Joy unspeakable to the glory of God, there is something you do tonight.

In the book of John the Lord Jesus Christ told his disciples in **Chapter 16:24**: “Hitherto you have asked for nothing in my name: ask that your joy may be full”.

Earlier, he has told them in the same book of John **Chapter 14: 13, 14**: “And whatsoever you ask in my name , that I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son and if ye ask any thing in my name I will do it.

**In Ps. 50:15**: the Lord held himself forth as the mighty judge and proclaimed: “And call upon me in the day of trouble. I will deliver you and you shall glorify me”. Do you want joy unspeakable to the glory of God in this New Year, then call upon Him and He has promised to deliver you and you will glorify Him.