**Developing a mind set for the end times – Session 6**

**The Great End Time Harvest**

**1) Prophetic words about the great harvest**

**1a) William Seymour** was the leader of the Azusa Street revival

As that revival was beginning to wane in 1909 he prophesied “In one hundred years there would be another revival like Azusa and the Shekinah glory would return! And that coming move of God will be greater and further reaching than Azusa. It will not be in one place only or with a few people, but all over the world. And it will not end, even to the coming of the Lord”.

1b) **Maria Woodworth-Etter** a prophetess in the Azusa street revival prophesied “We are not yet up to the fullness of the Former Rain and when the Latter Rain comes, it will far exceed anything we have seen!”

1c) **Smith Wigglesworth,** the apostle of faith and healing who spread the Pentecostal revival around the UK prophesied;

i) 110 ten years after the outpouring of Azzusa Street, there would come another great revival, greater than Azusa Street.

ii) On another occasion he prophesied “When the Word and the Spirit come together, there will be the biggest move of the Holy Spirit that the nation, and indeed the world, has ever seen. It will mark the beginning of a revival that will eclipse anything that has ever been witnessed within these shores, even the Wesleyan and Welsh revivals of former years”.

iii) “I see the last day revival that’s going to usher in the precious fruit of the earth. It will be the greatest revival this world has ever seen! It’s going to be a wave of the gifts of the Spirit. The ministry gifts will be flowing on this planet earth. I see hospitals being emptied out, and they will bring the sick to the churches where they allow the Holy Ghost ot move …. There would be untold numbers of uncountable multitudes that would be saved. No body will be able to count those who come to Jesus. No disease known to man will be able to stand before God’s people. It will be a worldwide situation, not local”

1d) **John Kilpatrick's** Florida church was the headquarters for the Brownsville Revival that began in 1995. "I watched the towers come down," Kilpatrick recalled. "And I said to the Lord, 'Lord, does this mean that revival is over?' And the Lord responded to me immediately. He said, 'Oh no. Revival's not over. I'm going to pour out my Spirit again. But it'll be in conjunction with end-time events."

1e) **Bob Jones** and **Pain Cain**, two of the foremost of the Kansas City prophets often spoke of a global outpouring of the Holy Spirit, of stadiums being filled with tens of thousands of people, of great healings and **of a billion soul harvest** coming in the last days,

**2) Bible Promises about the great harvest**

2a) “And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in the whole world as a testimony to all nations, and then the end will come” (Matthew 24:14).

 Of the 12 000 people groups in the world, by the year 2000 there were still 1500 unreached people groups. In 2022, the misions umbrella organization “Finishing the Task” say that there are only 218 people groups that remain beyond the reach of the gospel of Christ, representing about 5.7 million people

2b) “After this I looked, and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and before the Lamb…..Then one of the elders asked me, “These in white robes—who are they, and where did they come from?” I answered, “Sir, you know.” And he said, “These are they who have come out of the great tribulation; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb” (Rev. 7, 14).

John, in his vision sees a great multitude that no-one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and languae. An angel makes it clear that this crowd isn’t made up of those who have been saved during the past 2000 years, but consists of those who were Christian believers during the last 3 1/2 year period of the earth’s history. If there’s a huge crowd, there must have been a great harvest.

**3) This Great Harvest is already being gathered in**

Latin America. From 1900 to 2000 Bible believing Christians 700 000 to 100 000 000.

Africa; 7.5 mill to 504 million. Nearly 50% of all Africa & 2/3 of Sub Saharan Africa.

China. 2.7 million in 1975 to 75-100 million in 35 years.

India; church in India is growing very quickly in some areas, with over 100 000 new converts during lockdown despite intense persecution.

Cambodia; the Church is growing at nearly 10% per year

Myanmar; thousands of Buddhist monks have quietly become believers and many study the gospel and listen to Christian radio.

In the Muslim world, some muslim leaders are openly saying that over 16 000 Muslims are converting to Christ every day.

Algeria less than 20 in 1990. 380 000 today.

Iran In 1970, there were 500 believers in Iran. Today over 1 million.

Indonesia – the world’s largest muslim nation – the church is thriving. There are over 61,000 churches, or 22.6 million Christians, with some localized revivals.

**4) What about the Great Falling Away?**

The “Great Falling Away” is not incompatible with a great end time harvest.

Jesus said; “The Love of most will grow cold” (Matt. 24, 12). Although we know that many who are converted in the end time revivals will fall away, many others will stand firm in faith, victory and fruitfulness and become a part of the great multitude from every tribe and tongue that John sees in his vision of heaven.

**5) What will cause this Great End Time Harvest to be gathered in?**

**5a) God will pour out His Spirit on the Church**

 “In the last days, God says, I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your young men will see visions, your old men will dream dreams. Even on my servants, both men and women, I will pour out my Spirit in those days, and they will prophesy. I will show wonders in the heavens above and signs on the earth below, blood and fire and billows of smoke. The sun will be turned to darkness and the moon to blood before the coming of the great and glorious day of the Lord. And everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.” (Joel 2, 28ff; Acts 2, 17ff)

**5b) This Scripture was only partially fulfilled on the day of Pentecost**

On the day of Pentecost, there were men there from many nations but certainly not from every nation in the world. It is clear that the context of Joel’s prophecy is the end times because it talks about the sun being turned dark and the moon to blood.

**5c) The end time revival will come in the midst of very difficult times.**

“I will show wonders in the heavens above and signs on the earth below, blood and fire and billows of smoke. The sun will be turned to darkness and the moon to blood” (Joel 2, 30)

The signs of blood, fire and billows of smoke refer to warfare.

Many of the prophecies in the Bible and from modern day prophets talk of the end time harvest coming in the context of warfare and great troubles. Many speak of a global war, which will see more people killed than in all the other conflicts in human history put together, specifically the communist countries coming together with many of the Islamic countries and forming a huge, powerful empire, based in Europe.

**5d) Great darkness turns people towards God**

C.S.Lewis said; “God whispers to people through their pleasures. Speaks to people through their conscience and shouts to them through their pain. It is his megaphone to rouse a deaf world.”

The Church in Iran and Egypt describe the Muslim leaders as the “greatest evangelists”. They turn millions away from Islam and towards Christ!

“See, darkness covers the earth, and thick darkness is over the peoples, but the the Lord rises upon you  and his glory appears over you.” (Isaiah 60, 1-2).

**5e) Great pressure brings great prayer**

“Blow the trumpet in Zion, declare a holy fast, call a sacred assembly. Gather the people. … Let the priests, who minister before the Lord, weep and say, ‘Spare your people, Lord”. (Joel 2, 15-17)

“Then the Lord was jealous for his land and took pity on his people.” (Joel 2, 18)

**5f) Great pressure brings great anointing**

 “I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your young men will see visions, your old men will dream dreams” (Joel 2, 28ff)

“I tell you, whoever believes in me will do the works I have been doing, and they will do even greater things than these, because I am going to the Father.” (John 14, 12).

“As in the days when you came out of Egypt, I will show them my wonders.”

(Micah 7, 15)

We will see the miracles of the book of acts combined with the miracles of the book of exodus multiplied on a global scale.

**6) the Great Witnesses of the End Time Harvest**

6a) **All believers** will be filled with the Holy Spirit and they will prophesy.

The world will hear our message, see our prophetic insight and be touched by our miracles.

6b) God will raise up **144,000 Jewish witnesses** in the end times “Who follow the lamb wherever He goes” (Rev. 14, 4).

6c) **The two witnesses** will prophesy in the city of Jerusalem with great power and authority right outside the rebuilt temple for the 36 months before Jesus comes back. Their voice will be heard all across the earth and their messages will be known by all peoples.

6d) The Bible is clear that in the days before Jesus comes back, all the peoples of the earth have no doubt that it is God who is behind these terrible things that are happening to planet earth.

 “They cursed the name of God, who had control over these plagues, but they refused to repent and glorify him.” (Rev. 16, 9,11, 21).