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Scars

Zech 13:6 *And one shall say unto him, What are these wounds in thine hands? Then he shall answer, Those with which I was wounded in the house of my friends.*

After two thousand years the nail prints are still there and His voice still saying, *“That's where I was wounded in the house of my friends.”*

Though Jesus carries His scars He is no longer living in the pain they once carried but the testimony of the love they represent. What was torture is now testimony. **John 20:25** *Except I shall see in his*

hands the print of the nails, and put my finger into the print of the nails, and thrust my hand into his side, I will not believe...27 Then saith he to Thomas, Reach hither thy finger, and behold my hands; and reach hither thy hand, and thrust it into my side: and be not faithless, but believing...29 Jesus saith unto him, Thomas, because thou hast seen me, thou hast believed: blessed are they that have not seen, and yet have believed.

Many of us have physical scars and invisible scars. Many are also living in the pain of these scars. I saw this praying with my Monday morning prayer partner. While praying for her

son, I saw that he was scared from life, yet just as fast in my spirit the understanding came to turn his scars from torment to testimony. I saw Jesus' hands with the scars still there. His scars were no longer the scars of torture but of testimony. Nothing in our lives go to waste if we do not make them waste. Each thing we learn is another step of help to another.

The crown of thorns Jesus wore did not go to waste but served as healing to the chastisement of our peace. The stripes Jesus took did not go to waste but went to the healing of all our diseases. The blood that He lost was gain to our salvation and the water gushing

from His side was the covenant of His Word in promise ever preserved for us. No scar Jesus took was ever wasted but is the testimony of God and the testimony each Christian has given personally.

Our mental, physical and spiritual testimonies are proof of Jesus' crown of thorns, nail prints, death and resurrection.

We need to be responsible over everything we have been given...including the scars. The testimony of our scars can save and deliver another.

Put what the enemy meant for evil and bondage of shame to set the captives free and we will find ourselves freer. Amen

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Not A Cruise Ship

I believe there is a message in almost everything if we pay attention to it. God can speak through all situations because He uses what we see and experience everyday to teach us.

Take the Covid-19 virus running rampant. To prevent the spread from one nation to the next they are isolating cruise ships so they do not spread the deadly virus.

Many have been in dry dock long after their original trip. I thought about how they were not prepared for the journey of isolation and discomfort after being served and spoiled cruising along.

Many in the church today signed up for a cruise on the Jesus Ship where they could summon God to grant their every need. These cruising Christians are experienc-

ing things they had not expected in dry dock confinement. Even though they do not have to consider the meals brought to them, it is no different than a prison with no bars.

God never said this life was a cruise ship but a battleship with a crew that is ready and willing to fight the good fight.

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We watched as covid-19 went from country to country and HERE.

Italy's leaders were unprepared to lead, so people suffered great loss and in recent days after much of their loss, the people are now confined, yet in that confinement have opened their windows to sing to one another.

In the U.S. the leaders made a quicker preparation of what we still did not know. The loss has not been as great. However, half

the people cruising along griped about the presidential service not being up to par and the other half were out hoarding toilet paper.

What is our message to the world? WE NEED TOILET PAPER FOR OUR LOAD OF CRAP! Infidels and Christians clambered the stores in search of toilet paper. What about the covid-19? *"It's all political... Where's the toilet paper!"*

At least now we can see where

we are in the scheme of things to come. We've come a long way, Baby, but not far enough apparently.

At least of the 10 virgins in Matt 25:1-13 half were prepared and the other half were out hoarding oil from the grocery shelves. Do you remember what Jesus said when those who missed the boat being ill prepared begged to get onboard? There was the brief conversation: **Matt 25:11-12** *Afterward came also the other*

virgins, saying, Lord, Lord, open to us. 12 But he answered and said, Verily I say unto you, I know you not.

Now is our hour to learn from our lack. Now is the hour to prepare. God has given us so many chances to learn. The enemy has thrown many a trial our way, and I can only pray we are not still going to have our heads in the toilet the next time...because it is certainly going to come.

Update from 2017

Before the UPDATE let me rewind and repeat some of the history from an older Trumpet Sound I wrote in 2017 (in italics) that leads us into the update.

Gen 1:14 tells us that there are heavenly bodies for signs and appointed times. We remember that the wise men followed the star, which told them of the Messiah being born, and an eclipse that turned the day to night at Jesus' death on the cross in the middle of the day accompanied by a great earthquake. (I have written about the signs in the blood moons of 2014-2015, which have accompanied many trials and nations in tribulation as well as Israel becoming a nation once again at the four blood moons of 1967.)

Mark Biltz, original author of Blood Moons, said about the total solar eclipses: "Just look at the biblical pattern. Many know the story of Jonah and Nineveh from the Bible, but not the historical background events as to what had already transpired, and why they repented. In 765 B.C., a plague

broke out in Nineveh where even the king was not able to go out to war, as was custom. This was followed by a civil war and then another plague! An archaeological find of cuneiform tablets was found in the 19th century describing events in Nineveh. A famous eclipse mentioned in the tablets was known as the Bur-Sagale eclipse, which is verified by NASA as occurring on June 15, 763 BC. The path of totality was right over Nineveh. God had declared the sun and the moon were for signs, and now the Ninevites saw the wrath of God coming even before Jonah arrived a couple months later. When Jonah arrived, they were ripe for repentance."

How many people truly know what God is saying to the nations? The church, in general, is not using the gifts of the Spirit. Not many are being prepared or told to watch because it is almost a Christian taboo that if we do regard heavenly signs we are "messing with astrology" tempting hell fire judgment. Quite a few Bible stories would have been eliminated if God's messages in the heavens had not been regarded. God is a supernatural God, while His children, who believe in Him, do not

do so out of superstition but by the supernatural as well. 2 Tim 3:5 ... Having a form of godliness, but denying the power (dunamis-supernatural, miraculous force of power) thereof...

Jesus said many things in parting that we should take very seriously: Luke 12:37-38 Blessed are those servants, whom the lord when he cometh shall find watching: verily I say unto you, that he shall gird himself, and make them to sit down to meat, and will come forth and serve them. And if he shall come in the second watch, or come in the third watch, and find them so, blessed are those servants. Matt 24:32-33 Now learn a parable of the fig tree; When his branch is yet tender, and putteth forth leaves, ye know that summer is nigh: So likewise ye, when ye shall see all these things, know that it is near, even at the doors. Then Jesus said something that should bother us all: Luke 18:8 ... Nevertheless when the Son of man cometh, shall he find faith on the earth?

This year, 2017, marks the 50 year Jubilee, which last happened in

1967 with Israel becoming a nation again. In the Year of Jubilee, people are restored in all they had lost and restored to their alienated home. Slaves are emancipated...no longer slaves.

It is interesting also to note that from the Aug 21, 2017 total solar eclipse there is a seven year period when a repeat of the total solar eclipse will again pass over the United States in 2024. The convergent line of crossing seems to be Carbondale IL.

Interestingly also, is the convergence over this area directly over the New Madrid fault line.

For those of you who do not poo-poo the signs of the heavens when aligned with Scripture and Jewish appointed seasons of feast days, I will show you what is coming for this month of September 2017. For the scoffers and end time mockers, you needn't continue reading this article...save it for your toilet paper as it might come in handy. (Yes, I wrote this THREE years ago Sept 2017 issue...look it up!!! Page 1 column 3)

Now getting to the UPDATE:

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Update Now 2020

So where are we today?

Isa 26:20 *Come, my people, enter thou into thy chambers, and shut thy doors about thee: hide thyself as it were for a little moment, until the indignation be overpast.*

Many fear the end of the world with every event, while many Christians think Jesus is on His way to retrieve us from all vials of wrath.

I believe that every season is a forewarning for us to prepare, yet we just keep thinking of escape rather than prepare, learn, grow.

Does anyone keep a storehouse of supplies in case of emergency? "God will take care of us." Yes, this is true. How did Jesus miraculously feed over 5,000 people? Someone had some fish and loaves. If we are so easily panicked over the loss of toilet paper, trust me, you are unprepared physically, mentally and spiritually. Can you multiply what you do not have? It is a valid question. Assess your faith. Will you muster the faith you have never used? Have you paid attention to the signs in the heavens as God prophesied?

Look at some of the signs written:

Isa 13:10 *For the stars of heaven and the constellations thereof shall not give their light: the sun shall be darkened*

in his going forth, and the moon shall not cause her light to shine.

Joel 3:15-16 *The sun and the moon shall be darkened, and the stars shall withdraw their shining. 16 The LORD also shall roar out of Zion, and utter his voice from Jerusalem; and the heavens and the earth shall shake: but the LORD will be the hope of his people, and the strength of the children of Israel.*

Matt 24:29 *Immediately after the tribulation of those days shall the sun be darkened, and the moon shall not give her light, and the stars shall fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens shall be shaken:*

Mark 13:24-25 *But in those days, after that tribulation, the sun shall be darkened, and the moon shall not give her light, 25 And the stars of heaven shall fall, and the powers that are in heaven shall be shaken.*

Luke 21:25-26 *And there shall be signs in the sun, and in the moon, and in the stars; and upon the earth distress of nations, with perplexity; the sea and the waves roaring; 26 Men's hearts failing them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth: for the powers of heaven shall be shaken.*

Rev 6:12-13 *And I beheld when he had opened the sixth seal, and, lo, there was a great earthquake; and the sun became black as sackcloth of hair, and the moon became as blood; 13 And*

the stars of heaven fell unto the earth, even as a fig tree casteth her untimely figs, when she is shaken of a mighty wind.

This is not astrology. This is God's Word.

Another solar eclipse like the one in 2017 will make an appearance in 2024. The first pass over was our warning the second pass over will be our conclusion. What will be the decision of the U.S.?

Mark Biltz, author of the 2016 book *God's Day Timer*, said the fact that the eclipse's path falls exclusively on the United States means it is a sign that God's judgment is coming to America. "From a biblical point of view, a solar eclipse is meant as a sign from God," he said. "When there is a total solar eclipse, it is a warning to a specific nation or nations depending on its path.

I believed when I witnessed this that God was giving us a warning that we need to repent or judgment will be coming to the United States. We are at the halfway point and already we are seeing some of the labor pains of judgment. **Judgement is not punishment.** Judgement is the conclusion of the acts committed or not committed. Therefore, we are either guilty of continuing our apathy or we are changing and activating faith.

God provided us a Cyrus to help "drain our swamp". This next election will tell the story of our acceptance of what God gave us. Will we continue as a nation under God or will we ask for a king with whatever entitlements he may promise?

The judgement is in our hands and God will see at the end of this cycle what we have chosen.

Matt 7:2 *For with what judgment ye judge, ye shall be judged: and with what measure ye mete, it shall be measured to you again.*

1 Cor 11:31 *For if we would judge ourselves, we should not be judged.*

Usually an event such as the covid-19 will cause people to come to unity of cause and random acts of kindness are noticed. These acts show the love of God to a bruised society...world.

Not only is this next election a serious matter, but judging what manner of people we have become throughout all of these warnings. 2024, is not as far away as one may think.

Please prepare you heart and for the love of God, do not just be concerned more over whether or not you have enough toilet paper!

Prov 24:10 *If thou faint in the day of adversity, thy strength is small.*



Don't Pass Over Passover

We understand that Passover was first noticed with Israel in captivity to Egypt. The angel of death in plagues and pestilences passed over God's children. The Passover was their time of Exodus in freedom from their captivity.

It was also fulfilled in the Day of Jesus on the cross paying for our captivity from sin, death and pestilences.

Today we find ourselves in a season of pestilence and worldwide plague. Many people have been shut in and shut down wondering when this will ever end.

It was interesting to hear our President say that He was *hoping* that could pass over for Easter, because it was a perfect timing for all to fill the churches again and give thanks that the worst was over and the end in

sight. What a good hope! Like all of us hearing what the doctors say, yet we hope for a better outcome through prayer. Trump has been accused of backtracking, but I do not see it like that at all. He is simply telling you what the medical professionals are saying and hoping for better in faith.

Mine is not to reason this but to agree with his hope and I do.

Whether it is realized or not, I would like to see it as prophetic hope and place my agreement on it.

Regardless what you believe I implore you to not pass over the Passover of this season.

Be alive with hope and possibility. I do not care about the date itself but the meaning behind it and the hope inside it.

WORD 3/25/20 REBECCA O'CONNOR

(Whenever I say that I see a vision, what I mean is that in my spirit I see a picture mostly or a word or phrase. God's Holy Spirit gives me the understanding. My only requirement is to pay attention. Mostly this happens in prayer, which is not when I am in what I call speaking prayer but listening prayer. Listening prayer is where those spontaneous thoughts come that are not my thoughts. These I have come to recognize as the Holy Spirit's guidance and always come with a Scripture.)

In prayer I saw a statuesque woman, very tall, but I did not know who she might be. There was oil coming from her hands. It was an oil that could not be washed off and she touched many... uncountable all around the world. Many hated her and many loved her, but the ones who hated her began to love her. (I thought that it was because of the oil they could not wash off that became their blessing.)

Scripture: *Matt 26:7-8 There came unto him a woman having an alabaster box of very precious ointment, and poured it on his head, as he sat at meat. 8 But when his disciples saw it, they had indignation, saying, To what purpose is this waste? 12-13 For in that she hath poured this ointment on my body, she did it for my burial. 13 Verily I say unto you, Wheresoever this gospel shall be preached in the whole world, there shall also this, that this woman hath done, be told for a memorial of her.* The disciples resented what she did, but it became their blessing! She had an oil that could not be washed away through the world and generations!

After that the vision switched to myself and other women (I believed was part of this first tall woman somehow but did not know how). I saw that when I spoke (I imagined in prayer) that oil came from my mouth and then I saw the oil in my eyes. The Spirit of God gave me the understanding that women would be praying the anointing of God and seeing it come to pass with their eyes. Then very clearly I heard in my spirit: DO NOT LOOK FOR IT, YOU WILL SEE IT. And again: DO NOT WATCH FOR IT, YOU WILL SEE IT. And again: DO NOT WAIT FOR IT, YOU WILL SEE IT. (The feeling that I had was that many mamas and grandmamas that had prayed long and hard would see their prayers before their eyes,

yet something was still futuristic about this as well.

After these first two visions my mind had questions about the tall, statuesque woman and before I could ask them all, another vision: I saw the Statue of Liberty as the tall woman with oil that could not be washed off, loved and hated by many. Loved and hated by her own and loved and hated by those in the world at different seasons in time. She was hated in envy by nations and loved when in their crisis for what she could do for them. I saw that this woman was not a statue but a nation of which I and the others I saw are a part. I understood that as we women pray the oil of the Holy Spirit will spread throughout this nation first and then the world. It will be spiritual but just as with Jesus there will be miracles and healing and all manner of discoveries will come to the forefront.

I wondered how long this would last... thinking in my own self and not of God's Spirit. There seemed to be a silence and then a repeat of earlier: DO NOT LOOK FOR IT, YOU WILL SEE IT. And again: DO NOT WATCH FOR IT, YOU WILL SEE IT. And again: DO NOT WAIT FOR IT, YOU WILL SEE IT.

Scripture: *Matt 6:31-34 Therefore take no thought, saying, What shall we eat? or, What shall we drink? or, Wherewithal shall we be clothed? 32 (For after all these things do the Gentiles seek:) for your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things. 33 But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you. 34 Take therefore no thought for the morrow: for the morrow shall take thought for the things of itself. Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof.*

Dear Readers, I know you come in many different shapes and sizes, churches and beliefs. You do not need to do anything with what I have written. If it bears witness with your spirit, well and good and if not, let it go. I have to write what I get or God will not trust me to tell me another thing. I have done my part and all that is required of me other than to obediently continue in prayer and hope others are joining in prayers over this nation... whether you hate her or love her.

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Isa 26:20

Come, my people, enter thou into thy chambers, and shut thy doors about thee: hide thyself as it were for a little moment, until the indignation be overpast.



He sent from above, he took me, he drew me out of many waters.

He delivered me from my strong enemy, and from them which hated me: for they were too strong for me.

They prevented me in the day of my calamity: but the LORD was my stay.

He brought me forth also into a large place; he delivered me, because he delighted in me.

Crossroads

Crossroad can mean many things:

- ◇ Where two roads meet
- ◇ A crisis situation or point in time when a critical decision must be made
- ◇ A point where a choice must be made

We have found ourselves at a crossroads many times whether job, marriage, having children, raising children, letting go of children to adulthood, health decisions or major events in our personal life, family or nationwide event.

Crossroads give us pause to consider who we are, what we believe, our values from our desires. They are the roadblocks before the decision.

When the decision has been a wrong choice, we may travel a distance on that road before we come to another crossroads with the need of undoing steps have some consequences. Then the decision is whether we storm through the wrong path in hopes something better will occur or we change roads with the understanding that recovery will be the hard road.

I do not make these crossroad choices alone. A good example is the choice made by Abraham and Lot. In a great move of leaving their homeland for parts unknown they both had a choice. Lot, alone, chose the land that **looked** the most promising, while Abraham followed the direction given by God. We know the consequences of those choices.

When we get our hearts fixed on God, He leads us... **Ps 23:2-3 HE maketh me to lie down in green pastures: HE leadeth me beside the still waters. 3 HE restoreth my soul: HE leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.** At times that we have not sought God but alone made our decision: **Ps 23:4 Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.**

Instead of allowing God to lead us to green pastures we settle for parched, dry and barren land. Instead of still waters, we settle for seasons of drought and instead of the paths of righteousness, we settle in the paths of medication for anxiety, insomnia and depression.

Yes, many times our choices or

something that befalls us is more like the valley than the green pastures. Then we come to the crossroad to trust the Shepherd's rod to hook us by the leg and draw us on the right path.

It is with God that He **preparest a table before me** and also **goodness and mercy shall follow me...** What better path than that could we choose alone?

Desperation to find a life companion is never a good time to decide on a running mate. I have seen more tragic consequences from those decisions. I have been amazed at how we can travel a road marked with red flags, yet continue that path in the off chance the next step will lead to a lottery win! Have you ever seen the cartoon of the man on one knee proposing with a ring in one hand and 1 dozen red flags (not roses) in the other as she clasps her heart in ignorant bliss?!? Do you know how many times, I, and possibly some of you, have counseled someone to stop and smell the flags and notice they are not roses?

Pro 1:7 The fear of the LORD is the beginning of knowledge: but fools despise wisdom and instruction.

When we reverence the Lord and honor and trust Him to know the road before us and after us, we will allow Him to lead us to the green pastures, still waters and paths of righteousness.

Ps 16:7-11 I will bless the LORD, who hath given me counsel: my reins also instruct me in the night seasons. 8 I have set the LORD always before me: because he is at my right hand, I shall not be moved. 9 Therefore my heart is glad, and my glory rejoiceth: my flesh also shall rest in hope. 10 For thou wilt not leave my soul in hell; neither wilt thou suffer thine Holy One to see corruption. 11 Thou wilt shew me the path of life: in thy presence is fulness of joy; at thy right hand there are pleasures for evermore.

The counsel of the Lord is our hope and strength. On the cross Jesus offered His red blood of salvation not the red flags of foolish choices to make it on our own as if we could.

We come to the crossroads even more in this day and season. It is time to have an ear to hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.