

SPIRITUAL REFLECTIONS

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The South and California, where a lot of people want to live, have been attacked by nature. Our nation is still in the process of triage with the damage from Hilene, and it's not an exaggeration to think the cost of repair and replacement will be multiple billions of dollars. That cannot even begin to replace 200+ dead. The rebuilding projects will take years. Now, fires have devastated the LA area of California. How much money people have did not prevent the loss of homes. This still rages and experts tell us that the recovery will dwarf all other fires.

We're sitting here quiet and peaceful because hurricanes, earthquakes, or tornados are seldom seen this far north, can we remember ten years ago when an early winter storm took out power for weeks, destroyed trees, homes, commercial buildings and caused numbers of human death?

Every part of our nation is at the mercy of the weather, that has *nothing to do with the hoax of climate change*. Whether it's a multi-year prolonged dry season in California that is just now beginning to let up after more than ten years, or fierce winter cold and snow across the entire northern border, or constant tornadoes and wild rainstorms in the center of our nation, America is not immune to the weather. Hawai'i and Alaska have their own weather issues as we all have seen.

The numbers of people lost to these disasters followed by huge financial costs tells us that we are not in control of our world. One would think we'd get together and help each other – and we do. One would hope we'd put aside our disagreements and become one great world democratic republic, but we don't. *What do we do?* We give and we help. But most importantly, *we pray and obey*. God has attached natural disaster to our obedience of God's commands, Deuteronomy 11:13-17:

“And if you will indeed obey My commandments that I command you today, to love the Lord your God, and to serve Him with all your heart and with all your soul, He will give the rain for your land in its season, the early rain and the later rain, that you may gather in your grain and your wine and your oil. And He will give grass in your fields for your livestock, and you shall eat and be full. Take care lest your heart be deceived, and you turn aside and serve other gods and worship them; then the anger of the Lord will be kindled against you, and He will shut up the heavens, so that there will be no rain, and the land will yield no fruit, and you will perish quickly off the good land that the Lord is giving you.”

Welcome!

January 19th, 2025



“The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I have come so they can have life. I want them to have it in the fullest possible way.”

SERVICES

Sunday Morning Worship: 10:30 AM

Unity in Prayer: 6:00 – 7:00 PM

Wednesday – Bible Study: 7:00 PM; Kid's Club

Prayer ½ hour before services

TEXT: Jeremiah 29:11

- A. JOB – “PERFECT AND UPRIGHT”**
- B. JEREMIAH – THE WEeping PROPHEt**
- C. THE PROPHEt ELIJAH**
- D. IS ALL THIS MERELY AN OLD TESTAMENT EXPERIENCE?**

Paul had a _____ of Christ as did no other person on earth.
2 Corinthians 1:8; Acts 19:17-20; 19:11-12; 2 Corinthians 1:8
Paul felt _____, unholy, and _____ to God.
2 Corinthians 1:9; 2:4; 7:5
Satan wants us to lose our _____ that God answers prayer –
to think that all of our interceding, fasting and _____ Him have
been in _____! 2 Corinthians 1:9
It was all about _____!

- 1. We are not _____! 1 Peter 4:12-13**
- 2. We will _____ it! Psalm 55:16-18; 18:1-6; 30:2-3; 72:12**

Jesus has sent the Holy Ghost to be our _____, and He will not
turn a _____ ear to your cry for help!

- 3. _____ into God's Word**

Lay hold of our special _____, take it to the secret prayer
closet and _____ God to it. Matthew 7:9-11; Ephesians 3:20

- 4. _____ the Holy Ghost**

We have to _____ the Holy Spirit within us!
God's _____ – the Holy Ghost Himself!
Even when we are ready to give up, He remains _____ to
_____ us.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Wednesday Bible Study – we continue our study of the Rapture of the church.

Prayer – every Sunday evening from 6 to 7. We join together to pray in an informal way, come as you are and pray as you wish. God honors the church that prays together.

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