

SIGNS OF A NEW MOVE OF GOD

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Acts 2:17-20 – “(17) *And it shall come to pass in the last days, saith God, I will pour out of my Spirit upon all flesh: and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams: (18) And on my servants and on my handmaidens I will pour out in those days of my Spirit; and they shall prophesy: (19) And I will shew wonders in heaven above, and signs in the earth beneath; blood, and fire, and vapour of smoke: (20) The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before that great and notable day of the Lord come:...*”

I. SPIRIT ON ALL FLESH - 1st SIGN

- A. The Spirit upon all flesh - is the first sign of a fresh move of God.
- B. The Kingdom in mystery form is what is on the earth today.
 - 1. Luke 17:20-21: “*And when he was demanded of the Pharisees, when the kingdom of God should come, he answered them and said, The kingdom of God cometh not with observation: 21 Neither shall they say, Lo here! or, to there! for, behold, the kingdom of God is within you.*”
 - 2. The Kingdom is here today in the hearts of God's people not in manifestation of organizations.
 - 3. This is not the age for the Kingdom in the governments of man.
 - 4. God will not work through the structure of earthly governments in this age but through the hearts and lives of His individual children.
 - 5. In ministry the Kingdom is manifesting through the hearts and relationships of His children not through the organization of a Church service.
 - 6. Programs without the manifestation of God in the hearts of His kids is not the way God manifests His kingdom in this age.
 - 7. The greatest asset of God in this hour is the move of His Spirit in the Heart of one of his children.

II. PROPHECY - 2nd SIGN

- A. Joel 2:28-29; “*And it shall come to pass afterward That I will pour out My Spirit on all flesh; Your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, Your old men shall dream dreams, Your young men shall see visions.*” NKJV
- B. We will experience a continually growing need for prophecy as we grow closer to the end of this era, which will facilitate the increase of the Prophetic. We need to understand that we are in a era of the increase of the realm of the prophetic, of which all have a part.
- C. The prophecy of Joel chapter 2 fore-told of a season of "little move of the Spirit" followed by a "out-pouring" of growing magnitude.
 - 1. Joel 2:28; “*And it shall come to pass afterward That I will pour out My Spirit on all flesh; Your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,* NKJV
 - 2. Joel 2:29; “*29 And also on My menservants and on My maidservants I will pour out*”

- My Spirit in those days.* NKJV
3. Joel 2:31-32; Before the coming of the great and awesome day of the LORD. 32 *And it shall come to pass That whoever calls on the name of the LORD Shall be saved.* NKJV

III. VISIONS & DREAMS - 3rd SIGN

A. GOD SPEAKS THROUGH VISIONS

1. Gen 15:1; 1; *After these things the word of the LORD came unto Abram in a vision, saying, Fear not, Abram: I am thy shield, and thy exceeding great reward.*
2. 2 Cor 12:1; *It is not expedient for me doubtless to glory. I will come to visions and revelations of the Lord.* (KJV)
3. Acts 16:9; *And a vision appeared to Paul in the night; There stood a man of Macedonia, and prayed him, saying, Come over into Macedonia, and help us.*(KJV)

IV. SIGNS & WONDERS

- A. NT:4592; semeion (say-mi'-on); neuter of a presumed derivative of the base of NT:4591; an indication, especially ceremonially or supernaturally: KJV - miracle, sign, token, wonder. (Biblesoft's New Exhaustive Strong's Numbers and Concordance with Expanded Greek- Hebrew Dictionary. Copyright © 1994, 2003 Biblesoft, Inc. and International Bible Translators, Inc.)
- B. SIGN - NT:4592; a sign, mark, token;
 1. universally, that by which a person or a thing is distinguished from others and known:
 2. a sign by which anything future is pre-announced, (from Thayer's Greek Lexicon, Electronic Database. Copyright © 2000, 2003 by Biblesoft, Inc. All rights reserved.)
- C. Mark 13:4; *Tell us, when shall these things be? and what shall be the sign when all these things shall be fulfilled?* KJV
- D. 1 Cor 14:22: Wherefore tongues are for a sign, not to them that believe, but to them that believe not: but prophesying serveth not for them that believe not, but for them which believe. KJV
 1. NT:4592; is used of "miracles" and wonders as signs of divine authority; (from Vine's Expository Dictionary of Biblical Words, Copyright © 1985, Thomas Nelson Publishers.)
 2. semeion NT:4592, "a sign, mark, indication, token," is used (a) of that which distinguished a person or thing from others, e. g., Matt 26:48; Luke 2:12; Rom 4:11; 2 Cor 12:12 (1 st part); 2 Thess 3:17, "token," i. his autograph attesting the authenticity of his letters; (b) of a "sign" as a warning or admonition, (from Vine's Expository Dictionary of Biblical Words, Copyright © 1985, Thomas Nelson Publishers.)

E. WRONG SIGNS

1. 1 Cor 1:22-23; *For the Jews require a sign, and the Greeks seek after wisdom: 23 But we preach Christ crucified, unto the Jews a stumblingblock, and unto the Greeks*

foolishness; KJV

2. Luke 23:8; *And when Herod saw Jesus, he was exceeding glad: for he was desirous to see him of a long season, because he had heard many things of him; and he hoped to have seen some miracle done by him. KJV*

F. FALSE SIGNS

1. Matt 24:24; *For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall shew great signs and wonders; insomuch that, if it were possible, they shall deceive the very elect. KJV*
2. 2 Thess 2:9-10; *Even him, whose coming is after the working of Satan with all power and signs and lying wonders, 10 And with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish; because they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved. KJV*

G. THE 2ND COMING IS A SIGN

1. Matt 24:3 *And as he sat upon the mount of Olives, the disciples came unto him privately, saying, Tell us, when shall these things be? and what shall be the sign of thy coming, and of the end of the world? KJV*

H. HEALING IS A SIGN TO THE WORLD BUT NOT A SIGN TO HIS PEOPLE

1. Mark 16:15-18; *And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature. 16 He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned. And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues; 18. They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover. KJV*
2. Matt 15:26; *But he answered and said, It is not meet to take the children's bread , and to cast it to dogs. KJV*
3. Matt 26:26; *And as they were eating, Jesus took bread, and blessed it, and brake it, and gave it to the disciples, and said, Take, eat; this is my body. KJV*

I. CHURCH MIRACLES do not happen from the signs verse but from other sources.

1. ELDERS OF THE CHURCH. James 5:14-15; *14 Is any sick among you? let him call for the elders of the church; and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord: 15 And the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up; and if he have committed sins, they shall be forgiven him. KJV*
2. SPECIAL MIRACLES; Acts 19:11-12; *11 And God wrought special miracles by the hands of Paul: 12 So that from his body were brought unto the sick handkerchiefs or aprons, and the diseases departed from them, and the evil spirits went out of them. KJV*
3. GIFTS OF THE SPIRIT; 1 Cor 12:8-11; *For to one is given by the Spirit the word of wisdom; to another the word of knowledge by the same Spirit; 9 To another faith by the same Spirit; to another the gifts of healing by the same Spirit; To another the working of miracles ; to another prophecy; to another discerning of spirits; to another divers kinds of tongues; to another the interpretation of tongues: 11 But all these worketh that one and the selfsame Spirit, dividing to every man severally as he*

will. KJV

V. BLOOD

- A. Symbol of the Life of all flesh.
- B. Redemption through the Blood of Christ, the cleansing from all sin.
- C. Covenant. The word Covenant means to cut where blood flows. The communion table.
- D. This sign represents in biblical symbolism:
 - 1. Whole-sale salvation's
 - 2. The true church becoming one as the Trinity is one.
 - 3. The season of fulfillment of the covenant between God and His people. E. This is not a prophecy of disaster!

VI. FIRE

- A. In Biblical symbolism represents:
 - 1. Presence
 - 2. Burning judgement of God
 - 3. Holiness of God.

VII. VAPOUR OF SMOKE

- A. Power
- B. Used as the Glory Cloud in the Old Testament
- C. Vapour
 - 1. In the Old Testament it translated vapour as "Mist"
 - 2. It was connect to other words:
 - a. MIST, DEW; RAIN;
- D. Smoke
 - 1. Isa 4:5: *And the LORD will create upon every dwelling place of mount Zion, and upon her assemblies, a cloud and smoke by day, and the shining of a flaming fire by night: for upon all the glory shall be a defense.*
 - 2. The Holy Place was to be filled with smoke from the alter of incense.
 - 3. The same smoke was both a blessing and presence to His people and a terror to His enemies.