

Guidelines for the Exercise of the Lord's day Prophesying

Message Nine : The Divine Commission according to the Heavenly Vision for the Continuation of the Book of Acts in the Unique Flow of the Divine Stream

I. Overview:

The Bible reveals the flowing Triune God, the Father as the fountain of life, the Son as the spring of life, and the Spirit as the river of life. The source of the flow is the throne of God and of the Lamb. The book of Acts reveals that in the move of the Lord there is only one stream, and where the stream flows, there is the work of God. The Lord appeared to Paul to make him a witness of the things in which Paul had seen Him. In order to make the continuation of the book of Acts, we must receive the commission proclaiming of God's jubilee to open people's eyes, to turn them from darkness to light, to turn them from the authority of Satan to God, to help them receive the forgiveness of sin, and to receive the inheritance in believing Him. The one hundred twenty in the upper room all became a burnt offering; they were burning for the Lord in spirit by living in the divine history.

II. Truth and Enlightenment:

Day 1 —

A. Describe there is a divine stream in the Bible.

There is a divine stream in the Bible. This stream is also the stream of God's work. Where the stream flows, there is the work of God. This is clear in the book of Acts, a book that speaks to us of the work of God. What is that kind of work that is the work of God? It is a work in the stream of living water. Where the stream of living water flows, there is the work of God.

B. How can we say the book of Acts without ending?

The book of Acts is no end, no conclusion. There are twenty-eight chapters, but in the book of Acts in heaven today there may be twenty-eight hundred chapters. The twenty-eight chapters in our Bible are the record of only sixty or seventy years of history. There is an opening, but no closing, no conclusion. This is because this stream of life is still flowing and never stops flowing.

Day 2 —

A. How should Saul do in Acts 26:16 the Lord told him to be a witness?

He as a witness testified about both of the things in which he had seen Him and of the things in which the Lord would appear to him. The Lord said that He would reveal other things to Saul, not in the way of teaching but by means of His appearing. In whatever the Lord appeared to Saul, Saul was to witness of that to the people. This is not a teaching, a doctrine, or a religion; it is absolutely a revelation of Jesus.

B. How should Saul do in Acts 26:18 the Lord charged him to open people's eyes?

The first thing we must do is to help others to see. In order to do this, we ourselves must have the vision and see the heavenly things. We must see the things concerning Christ, not by being taught but by having Christ appear to us. After you have seen the vision, you need to contact people, telling them that Jesus has appeared to you and that you have seen Him.

Day 3 —

A. How do we proclaim of jubilee as gospel to open people's eyes?

The first item of the spiritual and divine blessings of the New Testament jubilee is to open the eyes of those who are fallen and turn them from darkness to light, that they may see the divine things in the spiritual realm. To see these things requires spiritual sight and divine light. First, we have wisdom to understand spiritual things; then the Spirit of God reveals the spiritual things to our spiritual understanding.

B. What is the spiritual significance of the phrase in the light in Colossians 1:12?

Since God alone is light, we must turn to God and be in His presence in order to partake of Christ. Before we were saved, we were altogether in darkness. When the gospel came to us, it came with light. This caused us to repent to God. As we repented, we spontaneously opened to Him and at that time light entered into us. Light is the presence of God.

Day 4 —

A. How do Christians maintain a clear sky with the Lord?

When there is nothing between us and the Lord, our sky will be crystal clear, and our conscience will be pure, void of any offense. Sometimes a small matter, such as a poor attitude toward our spouse, our conscience begins to condemn us and bother us. Because we have lost the Lord's presence, eventually we confess, apologize, and ask for forgiveness. As soon as we do this, the clear sky returns.

B. How do we experience the Lord's throne to rule over us?

The Lord's presence is always with the throne. Where the Lord is, there His throne is. His presence can never be separated from His throne. His throne is in the third heaven, but is also in our spirit. Hence, the Lord's throne is with us all the time. Because we are under the throne, we do not need policemen and law courts to rule over us.

Day 5 —

A. Explain David's repentance and confession in Psalms 51.

The verbs used by David—"blot out," "wash," "cleanse," and "purge"—indicate that his repentance and confession were thorough and that his asking for forgiveness was genuine. Like David, we need to stay in the presence of God, confessing that we were born in sin and pleading with Him to wash us and cleanse us, to blot out our transgressions, and to purge our sin.

B. Expound the meaning of the Hebrew word for clean in Psalms 51:10.

David prayed, "Create in me a clean heart, O God, / And renew a steadfast spirit within me." The Hebrew word for clean here may also be translated "pure." David begged God not only to forgive him and purge him but also to renew him. By sinning we become old, but after we are forgiven by God we may be renewed. Thus, after we enjoy God's forgiveness, we need to ask Him for His renewing.

Day 6 —

A. Why do we say that taking the way of the Lord's recovery is not cheap and requires a costly consecration?

We are here not for a movement but for the Lord's recovery. How can the recovery be realized? The recovery can be realized, carried out, only by the experience of the consecration in the upper room. This is a special, specific consecration and this consecration is a burnt offering. We also need to be burned, then we will burn others.

B. Why is the Lord's move with those in the upper room?

The Lord's move was with those in the upper room, with those whose eyes had been opened and whose hearts had been touched. This small number came into the upper room to be burned, and then they turned the whole world upside down. The principle is the same today. It is a small number who will change the age. Do you intend to be in the crowd or in the upper room?

III. Conclusion:

The book of Acts is a book of no conclusion, and it is still going on. In order to make the continuation of the book, we must have the Lord's appearing to become His ministers and witnesses, being preserved in the unique flow of the divine stream revealed by the Bible, functioning the work of the Body. Our daily living also must be like a group of one hundred and twenty disciples; they not only terminated themselves on the altar, but also consecrated themselves, offering themselves to the Lord as a burnt offering. The fire came down to burn on them and burned out their powerful services and they also must receive the commission to proclaim of God's New Testament jubilee. Brother Lee mentioned, "Only the Lord knows who will be in the upper room! Please pray, in order to gain the Lord's mercy that you may be one of them in the upper room."