



“Hark the Herald”

“The Messenger Sent”

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“**The Lion King**”

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It is now 6:40 am the 13th of June, in the year of Our Lord Jesus Christ 2006. Blessed is the name of the Lord Jesus Christ. For there is no name under the Heavens or on Earth that one might be saved.

To the Glory of God, and Our Lord Jesus Christ, and the advancement of the Kingdom. To them the Glory Amen.

And Amen.

A Psalm of David, when he was in the wilderness of Judah. O God, thou *art* my God; early will I seek thee: my soul thirsteth for thee, my flesh longeth for thee in a dry and thirsty land, where no water is; To see thy power and thy glory, so as I have seen thee in the sanctuary.

Because thy lovingkindness *is* better than life, my lips shall praise thee. Thus will I bless thee while I live: I will lift up my hands in thy name. My soul shall be satisfied as *with* marrow

and fatness; and my mouth shall praise *thee* with joyful lips:
When I remember thee upon my bed, *and* meditate on thee in the
night watches.

Because thou hast been my help, therefore in the shadow of thy
wings will I rejoice. My soul followeth hard after thee: thy right
hand upholdeth me. But those *that* seek my soul, to destroy *it* ,
shall go into the lower parts of the earth. They shall fall by the
sword: they shall be a portion for foxes.

But the king shall rejoice in God; every one that sweareth by him
shall glory: but the mouth of them that speak lies shall be
stopped. - Psalms 63

An excerpt from Clarke Commentary:

To *himself*, honour and a crown: "But the king (David) shall rejoice in
God." The reason is,-

1. "Every one that swears by him," that is who worships and fears
God, an oath being put by *synecdoche* for the whole worship of God.

2. "The mouth of them that speak lies," utter blasphemies, curses,
and perjuries, or pray and confess to strange gods, "shall be
stopped;" they shall be ashamed and confounded, and an end be put
to their iniquity by a sudden and violent death. The *mouth of God's*
people shall *glory*; but the *mouth of the wicked* shall be *stopped*, and
be silent in the dust.

End of excerpt)

Give unto the LORD the glory due unto his name; worship the
LORD in the beauty of holiness. The voice of the LORD *is* upon
the waters: the God of glory thundereth: the LORD *is* upon many
waters. - Psalms 29:2-3

Selah.

That the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory,

may give unto you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of him:

The eyes of your understanding being enlightened;

that ye may know what is the hope of his calling, and what the riches of the glory of his inheritance in the saints, And what *is* the exceeding greatness of his power to us-ward who believe, according to the working of his mighty power,

Which he wrought in Christ, when he raised him from the dead, and set *him* at his own right hand in the heavenly *places* ,

Far above all principality, and power, and might, and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this world, but also in that which is to come:

And hath put all *things* under his feet, and gave him *to be* the head over all *things* to the church, Which is his body, the fulness of him that filleth all in all. - Ephesians 1:17-23

That in the dispensation of the fulness of times he might gather together in one all things in Christ, both which are in heaven, and which are on earth; *even* in him: In whom also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestinated according to the purpose of him who worketh all things after the counsel of his own will: That we should be to the praise of his glory, who first trusted in Christ. In whom ye also *trusted* , after that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation: in whom also after that ye believed,

ye were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise, Which is the earnest of our inheritance until the redemption of the purchased possession, unto the praise of his glory. - Ephesians 1:10-14

Rejoice evermore. Pray without ceasing.

In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you.

Quench not the Spirit. Despise not prophesyings. Prove all things; hold fast that which is good. - 1 Thessalonians 5:16-20

From Barnes Notes:

Verse 19. *Quench not the Spirit.* This language is taken from the way of putting out a fire; and the sense is, we are not to extinguish the influences of the Holy Spirit in our hearts; Possibly there may be an allusion here to fire on an altar, which was to be kept constantly burning. This fire may have been regarded as emblematic of devotion, and as denoting that that devotion was never to become extinct. The Holy Spirit is the source of true devotion, and hence the enkindlings of piety in the heart, by the Spirit, are never to be quenched. Fire may be put out by pouring on water; or by covering it with any incombustible substance;

or by neglecting to supply fuel. If it is to be made to burn, it must be nourished with proper care and attention. The Holy Spirit, in his influences on the soul, is here compared with fire that might be made to burn more intensely, or that might be extinguished. In a similar manner the apostle gives this direction to Timothy, "I put thee in remembrance that thou stir up (, *kindle up, cause to burn*) the gift of God,"#2Ti 1:6|.

Anything that will tend to damp the ardour of piety in the soul; to chill our feelings; to render us cold and lifeless in the service of God, may be regarded as "quenching the Spirit."

Neglect of cultivating the Christian graces, or of prayer, of the Bible, of the sanctuary, of a careful watchfulness over the heart, will do it.

Worldliness, vanity, levity, ambition, pride, the love of dress, or indulgence in an improper train of thought, will do it. It is a great rule in religion that all the piety which there is in the soul is the fair result of culture. A man has no more religion than he intends to have; he has no graces of the Spirit which he does not seek; he has no deadness to the world which is not the object of his sincere desire, and which he does not aim to have.

Any one, if he will, may make elevated attainments in the divine life; or he may make his religion merely a religion of form, and know little of its power and its consolations.

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They on the rock *are they* , which, when they hear, receive the word with joy; and these have no root, which for a while believe, and in time of temptation fall away. And that which fell among thorns are they, which, when they have heard, go forth, and are choked with cares and riches and pleasures of *this* life, and bring no fruit to perfection. - The Gospel According to Luke 8:13-14

And some fell among thorns, and the thorns grew up, and choked it, and it yielded no fruit. - Mark 4:7

But he that received the seed into stony places, the same is he that heareth the word, and anon with joy receiveth it;

Yet hath he not root in himself, but dureth for a while: for when tribulation or persecution ariseth because of the word, by and by he is offended.

He also that received seed among the thorns is he that heareth the word; and the care of this world, and the deceitfulness of riches, choke the word, and he becometh unfruitful. But he that received seed into the good ground is he that heareth the word, and understandeth *it* ; which also beareth fruit, and bringeth forth, some an hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. - The Gospel According to Matthew 13:20-25

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No servant can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and mammon. And the Pharisees also,

who were covetous,

heard all these things: and they derided him. And he said unto them, Ye are they which justify yourselves before men; but God knoweth your hearts: for that which is highly esteemed among men is abomination in the sight of God. - The Gospel According to Luke 16:13-15

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Yet for millions of a apostate, corrupt Church, it is just that. Quenched. For as many that have known the Spirit and have quenched, a vast multitude have not really known the Spirit at all.

Know the parable of the fig tree. Behold the fig tree and the other trees; for when they shoot forth you will know the summer is nigh.

Know the parable of the fig tree:

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. Verily I say unto you, This generation shall not pass, till all these things be fulfilled. - The Gospel According to Matthew 24:32-33

At the doors...what is at the doors you may ask?

For as the lightning cometh out of the east, and shineth even unto the west; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.

For wheresoever the carcase is, there will the eagles be gathered together. 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: And then shall appear the sign of the Son of man in heaven: and then shall all the tribes of the earth mourn, and they shall see the Son of man coming in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory. And he shall send his angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and they shall gather together his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other. - The Gospel According to Matthew 24:27-31

At the last trump... Revelation 8-9.

And ye shall hear of wars and rumours of wars: see that ye be not troubled: for all *these things* must come to pass, but the end is not yet. For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom: and there shall be famines, and pestilences, and earthquakes, in divers places. All these *are* the beginning of sorrows. - Matthew 24:6-7

The days of Famine and Darkness and ...SWORD!

Know the cycle.

At the doors...what is at the door right now you may ask?

Right now...for a lukewarm apostate church, the Lord, knocking to get in:

And unto the angel of the church of the Laodiceans write; These things saith the Amen, the faithful and true witness, the beginning of the creation of God; I know thy works, that thou art neither cold nor hot: I would thou wert cold or hot. So then because thou art lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will spue thee out of my mouth.

Because thou sayest, I am rich, and increased with goods, and have need of nothing; and knowest not that thou art wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked:

I counsel thee to buy of me gold tried in the fire, that thou mayest be rich; and white raiment, that thou mayest be clothed,

and *that* the shame of thy nakedness do not appear; and anoint thine eyes with eyesalve, that thou mayest see. As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten:

be zealous therefore, and repent.

Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me.

To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with me in my throne, even as I also overcame, and am set down with my Father in his throne. He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches. - Revelation 3:14-21

Hark the Herald. Harken to the Spirit.

To Him that overcometh the world.

To those that “overcome”. This is the patience, the true perseverance of the saints. Yes for those of you once saved always saved... that teach and preach this abdominal doctrine; there is something you must do:

You have to overcome the world.

And you have to follow Jesus Christ.

For it is of FAITH: THAT IT MIGHT BE by Grace.

Always has been... and always will be.

And for those that err from the faith and the truth? And are not restored?

Brethren, if any of you do err from the truth, and one convert him; Let him know, that he which converteth the sinner from the error of his way shall save a soul from death, and shall hide a multitude of sins. - James 5:19-20

For if we sin wilfully after that we have received the knowledge of the truth, there remaineth no more sacrifice for sins, But a certain fearful looking for of judgment and fiery indignation, [lightning's] which shall devour the adversaries. He that despised Moses' law died without mercy under two or three witnesses: Of how much sorer punishment, suppose ye, shall he be thought worthy, who hath trodden under foot the Son of God, and hath counted the blood of the covenant, wherewith he was sanctified, an unholy thing, and hath done despite unto the Spirit of grace? For we know him that hath said, Vengeance *belongeth* unto me, I will recompense, saith the Lord. And again, The Lord shall judge his people. *It is* a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God. - Hebrews 10:26-31

Now Harken a different Herald, the messenger sent:

Bless the LORD, ye his angels, that excel in strength, that do his commandments, hearkening unto the voice of his word. Bless ye the LORD, all ye his hosts; ye ministers of his, that do his pleasure. Bless the LORD, all his works in all places of his dominion: bless the LORD, O my soul. - Psalms 103-19-22

Bless<01288> the LORD<03068>,

ye his angels<04397>, that excel<01368> in strength<03581>, that do<06213> his commandments<01697>, hearkening<08085> unto the voice<06963> of his word<01697>.

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6635 tsaba' tsaw-baw' or (feminine) tsbadah tseb-aw-aw'; from 6633; a mass of persons (or figuratively, things), especially reg. organized for war (an army); by implication, a campaign, literally or figuratively (specifically, hardship, worship):--appointed time, (+)

army, (+) battle, company, host, service, soldiers, waiting upon, war(-fare). see HEBREW for 06633

8335 shareth shaw-rayth' infinitive of 8334; service (in the Temple):--minister(-ry). see HEBREW for 08334

Ask ye of the LORD rain in the time of the latter rain; so the LORD shall make bright clouds, and give them showers of rain, to every one grass in the field. For the idols have spoken vanity, and the diviners have seen a lie, and have told false dreams; they comfort in vain: therefore they went their way as a flock, they were troubled, because *there was* no shepherd. Mine anger was kindled against the shepherds, and I punished the goats: for the LORD of hosts hath visited his flock the house of Judah, and hath made them as his goodly horse in the battle. Out of him came forth the corner, out of him the nail, out of him the battle bow, out of him every oppressor together.

And they shall be as mighty *men* , which tread down *their enemies* in the mire of the streets in the battle: and they shall fight, because the LORD *is* with them, and the riders on horses shall be confounded. And I will strengthen the house of Judah, and I will save the house of Joseph, and I will bring them again to place them; for I have mercy upon them: and they shall be as though I had not cast them off: for I *am* the LORD their God, and will hear them. - Zechariah 10:1-6

But thou *art* the same, and thy years shall have no end. The children of thy servants shall continue, and their seed shall be established before thee. -Psalms 102:27-28

***It is* the glory of God to conceal a thing: but the honour of kings *is* to search out a matter. The heaven for height, and the earth for depth, and the heart of kings *is* unsearchable.**

Take away the dross from the silver, and there shall come forth a vessel for the finer. Take away the wicked *from* before the king, and his throne shall be established in righteousness. - Proverbs 25:2-5

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“Pulling them Out of the Fire”

And of some have compassion, making a difference: ²³And others save with fear, pulling *them* out of the fire; hating even the garment spotted by the flesh.—Jude 1:22-23

Brethren, if any of you do err from the truth, and one convert him; Let him know, that he which converteth the sinner from the error of his way shall save a soul from death, and shall hide a multitude of sins. - James 5:19-20

If you faint in the day of adversity, your strength is small.

Rescue those who are being taken away to death; hold back those who are stumbling to the slaughter. If you say, "Behold, we did not know this," does not he who weighs the heart perceive it? Does not he who keeps watch over your soul know it, and will he not requite man according to his work? - - Proverbs 24:10-12 RSV

“Remember the Cycle”.

And the order of things. He always raises a messenger first.

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And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers; - Ephesians 4:11

**And<2532> he<846> gave<1325> some<3303>, apostles<652>;
and<1161> some, prophets<4396>; and<1161> some,
evangelists<2099>; and<1161> some, pastors<4166> and<2532>
teachers<1320>;**

652 apostolos ap-os'-tol-os from 649; a delegate; specially, an ambassador of the Gospel; officially a commissioner of Christ ("apostle") apostle, messenger, he that is sent.

**The mystery<3466> of the seven<2033> stars<792> which<3739>
thou sawest<1492> in<1909> my<3450> right hand<1188>,
and<2532> the seven<2033> golden<5552> candlesticks<3087>.
The seven<2033> stars<792> are<1526> the angels<32> of the
seven<2033> churches<1577>; and<2532> the seven<2033>
candlesticks<3087> which<3739> thou sawest<1492> are<1526>
the seven<2033> churches<1577>. - Revelation 1:20**

And now an excerpt from Barnes notes:

The angels of the seven churches. Gr., "Angels of the seven churches:" the article being wanting. This does not refer to them as a collective or associated body, for the addresses are made to them as individuals-- an epistle being directed to "the angel" of each particular church, #Rev 2:1,12], etc. The evident meaning, however, is, that

what was recorded should be directed to them not as pertaining to them exclusively as individuals, but as presiding over, or representing the churches, for what is recorded pertains *to* the churches, and was evidently designed to be laid before them. It was *for* the churches, but was committed to the "angel" as representing the church, and to be communicated to the church under his care. There has been much diversity of opinion in regard to the meaning of the word *angels* here. By the advocates of episcopacy, it has been argued that the use of this term proves that there was a presiding bishop over a circle or group of churches in Ephesus, in Smyrna, etc., since it is said that it cannot be supposed that there was but a single church in a city so large as Ephesus, or in the other cities mentioned. A full examination of this argument may be seen in my work on the "Apostolic Church," [pp. 191-199, London ed.] The word *angel* properly means a messenger, and is thus applied to celestial beings as messengers sent forth from God to convey or to do his will. This being the common meaning of the word, it may be employed to denote any one who is a messenger, and hence, with propriety, any one who is employed to communicate the will of another; to transact his business, or, more remotely, to act in his place--to be a representative. In order to ascertain the meaning of the word as used in this place, and in reference to these churches, it may be remarked,

(1.) that it cannot mean literally an *angel*, as referring to a heavenly being, for no one can suppose that such a being presided over these churches.

(2.) It cannot be shown to mean, as Lord (*in loc.*) supposes, messengers that the churches had sent *to* John, and that these letters were given to them to be returned by them to the churches, for

(a) there is no evidence that any such messengers had been sent to John;

(b) there is no probability that while he was a banished exile in Patmos such a thing would be permitted;

(c) the message was not sent *by* them, it was sent to them--"*Unto* the angel of the church in Ephesus *write*," etc.

(3.) It cannot be proved that the reference is to a prelatical bishop presiding over a group or circle of churches, called a *diocese*, for

(a) there is nothing in the word *angel*, as used in this connexion, which would be peculiarly applicable to such a personage--it belong as applicable to a pastor of a single church as to a bishop of many churches.

(b) There is no evidence that there *were* any such groups of churches then as constitute an episcopal diocese.

(c) The use of the word "*church*" in the singular, as applied to Ephesus, Smyrna, etc., rather implies that there was but a single church in each of those cities. Compare #Rev 2:1,8,12,18|; see also similar language in regard to the *church* in Corinth, #1Cor 1:2|; in Antioch, #Acts 13:1|; at Laodicea, #Col 4:16|; and at Ephesus, #Acts 20:28|.

(d) There is no evidence, as Episcopalians must suppose, that a successor to John had been appointed at Ephesus, if, as they suppose, he was "bishop" of Ephesus; and there is no probability that they would so *soon* after his banishment show him such a want of respect as to regard the see as vacant, and appoint a successor.

(e) There is no improbability in supposing that there was a *single* church in each of these cities--as at Antioch, Corinth, Rome.

(f) If John was a prelatical "bishop," it is probable that he was "bishop" of the whole group of churches embracing the seven: yet here, if the word "angel" means "bishop," we have no less than seven such bishops immediately appointed to succeed him. And

(g) the supposition that this refers to prelatical bishops is so forced and unnatural that many Episcopalians are compelled to abandon it. Thus Stillingfleet, than whom an abler man, or one whose praise is higher in episcopal churches, as an advocate of prelacy, is not to be found, says of these angels: "If many things in the epistles be directed to the angels, but yet so as to concern the whole body, then, of necessity, the angel must be taken as a *representative* of the whole body; and then why may not the angel be taken by way of

representation of the body itself, either of the whole church, or, *which is far more probable*, of the *concessors*, or order of *presbyters* in this church?"

(4.) If the word does not mean literally an angel; if it does not refer to messengers sent to John in Patmos by the churches; and if it does not refer to a prelatial bishop, then it follows that it must refer to some one who presided over the church as its pastor, and through whom a message might be properly sent to the church. Thus understood, the pastor or "angel" would be regarded as the representative of the church; that is, as delegated by the church to manage its affairs, and as the authorized person to whom communications should be made in matters pertaining to it-- as pastors are now. A few considerations will further confirm this interpretation, and throw additional light on the meaning of the word.

(a) The word *angel* is employed in the Old Testament to denote a *prophet*, that is, a minister of religion as sent by God to communicate his will. Thus in Haggai (#Hag 1:13) it is said, "Then spoke Haggai, the Lord's *messenger*, [Heb. *angel*, --Septuagint in the Lord's message unto the people," etc.

(b) It is applied to a *priest*, as one sent by God to execute the functions of that office, or to act in the name of the Lord. #Mal 2:7|, "For the priest's lips should keep knowledge, for he is the *messenger of the Lord of hosts*"----that is, "*angel of the Lord of hosts*."

(c) The name *prophet* is often given in the New Testament to the ministers of religion, as being appointed by God to proclaim or communicate his will to his people, and as occupying a place resembling, in some respects, that of the prophets in the Old Testament.

(d) There was no reason why the word might not be thus employed to designate a pastor of a Christian church, as well as to designate a prophet or a priest under the Old Testament dispensation.

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Can two walk together, except they be agreed?

Will a lion roar in the forest, when he hath no prey?

**will a young lion cry out of his den, if he have taken nothing?
Can a bird fall in a snare upon the earth, where no gin *is* for
him? shall *one* take up a snare from the earth, and have taken
nothing at all?**

**Shall a trumpet be blown in the city, and the people not be
afraid? shall there be evil in a city, and the LORD hath not done
it ?**

**Surely the Lord GOD will do nothing, but he revealeth his secret
unto his servants the prophets. The lion hath roared, who will
not fear? the Lord GOD hath spoken, who can but prophesy? -
Amos 3:3-8**

Verse 7. *Surely the Lord God will do nothing*] In reference to the
punishment, correction, or blessing of his people-

But he revealeth his secret unto his servants the prophets.] They are
in strict correspondence with him, and he shows them *things to come*.
Such secrets of God are revealed to them, that they may inform the
people; that, by repentance and conversion, they may avoid the evil,
and, by walking closely with God, secure the continuance of his
favour.

Verse 8. *The lion hath roared,*] God hath sent forth a terrible alarm,
Who will not fear? Can any hear such denunciations of Divine wrath
and not tremble?

The Lord God hath spoken] And those only who are in communion
with him have heard the speech. *Who can but prophesy?* Who can
help proclaiming at large the judgment threatened against the nation?

But I think *naba*, here, is to be taken in its natural and ideal
signification, to *pray, supplicate, or deprecate vengeance*. The Lord
hath spoken of punishment-who can help *supplicating* his mercy, that
his judgments may be averted?

Who can but Prophecy?

The people of this nation and the world are accountable. I am A God of justice. They have fallen away unto their own imaginations and thus having fallen away, I will destroy the land. I am the Lord God and I change not. But this is merely the beginning.. The beginning of a “Great Awakening” among the people. The awakenings of all awakenings. “And the Thunder Rolls” - Return.. Just as the modern day prodigal.

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Offer them Christ

The Real Jesus Christ
For there is salvation in no other