

The Gospel Of The Kingdom Of Jesus Christ



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"Isaiah 58" Series

INSTRUCTIONS

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Opening Prayer

We magnify Your Name; we give You glory. Mighty God, we thank You for the living Word, for the written Word, for the power in the Word of God. Now, Lord, give that Word to us this morning. Give us ears to hear it, give us a heart to receive and a heart to obey. We thank You, Jesus, that You are that Living Word – that as You live in us, we live. And without You we have no life at all. Lord, this morning make Yourself real to us – through Your Word and by Your Spirit – and we give You glory. For we ask it in your Name, Jesus, and for Your glory, we ask it, Amen.

I. The Kingdom Of God Within Us

Turn this morning to Isaiah 58; 1 Corinthians chapter 13. Faith, hope and love – these three but the greatest of these is love. Most of us know there is a Kingdom of God, don't we? How many of us know we are living in that kingdom now? Not in the world, but in our hearts. Amen? Jesus said, "the kingdom of God is within you." How did His kingdom get in us? If we come to the cross and we accept Him, and He forgives us, He said then you enter into His kingdom. He spoke to Nicodemus and He said, "You must be born again – born of the water, born of the Spirit." Nicodemus did not understand it. But Jesus gave it to us through His redemption. He only said it once that I know in the Word, where He said, "The kingdom of God is within you." The Word says that if everything that Jesus did was written, the world couldn't contain it. So there's a lot of things He said that they didn't record. But this morning I want to try by His Spirit – and only by His Spirit to make the kingdom of God more real to us.

So the Lord has given us His kingdom. It is just to take to heaven with us? To make sure we're going to heaven? No. He said what?: "*My kingdom come, My will be done in earth, as it is in heaven.*" (Matthew 6:10) So men took it upon themselves to do it their way. And in doing it their way, they missed the kingdom. So simple is that kingdom that Jesus has given to us that if we want our soulish realm and we want the world, we'll miss His kingdom. Jesus didn't go out broadcasting; He went out as the Son of Man, representing all mankind – all mankind – not just the whites, not just the blacks, not just the browns, not just the yellows, -- but all mankind. He died for the world. Now He has a plan... if you know anything at all about the early church, they carried out the plan of God by the Holy Ghost. Is that right? They did exactly what the Holy Ghost told them to do. They didn't do anything after their own pattern or their own will, but they obeyed the Holy Ghost. The Holy Ghost chose certain ones; the Holy Ghost rid certain ones. The Holy Ghost had them feed the multitudes and care for the needs of the people. The Holy Spirit was the guide in the early church.

II. What Has Happened To The Church?

What happened to the church? Well, they wanted to do it their own way. I remember one church in particular the beginning of that church was very mighty. The work that was done by that church was the way God wanted it to be. But the individual that started the church died, and then the men who took over decided they were going to do it another way. Now they have the Word. I am not saying they don't have the Word. I'm not saying they're not doing good. They're not doing all the good that God called them to do. Why?

He gave us His love, His peace, His joy, His righteousness, His holiness. He gave unto us the pattern or the way that we should go – the way of truth – the way of His Word. His Word never fails. Truth is coming forth in this hour that no one has ever seen. God is pouring out the Spirit of Truth on this earth today, because there is so much evil, there's so much falsehood everywhere, but the Spirit of Truth is going to arise. And as that Spirit of Truth arises, something is going to get shaken. Everything that can be shaken is going to be shaken, and that which will remain is the Kingdom of God. Is that right? That's what the Word says. I'm not misquoting the Word – that is what the Word says. He's shaking everything that can be shaken.

A lot of people have been very, very content with our welfare program – that's their means – that's their livelihood. Maybe not because they wanted it, but because it was all that was offered to them. Is that right? The church has not offered what Jesus gave them to offer. Is that right? I'll prove it here with His Word. He said, *"Cry aloud and spare not. Lift up thy voice like a trumpet and shew My people their transgression..." (Isaiah 58:1)* Now He says, "You voice it, but I want you to show it to them." How's God going to "show" this world today? Don't be surprised if you find out the welfare is going to fail you. Don't be surprised if the way you think it's going to be isn't the way at all. Don't be surprised if the church wakes up or doesn't wake up. There has to be a nucleus of God. There has to be a body of believers that's going to obey God. They are not going to do it in their strength – they're not going to do it because they are so great – the only way they're going to do it is if the Holy Ghost moves in them to accomplish what God wants. There's no alternative. It's Christ in us, the hope of glory. It's Christ in us in His kingdom, in His power, in His glory.

Now what are we poor Christians going to do when we don't have welfare? What are we going to do? We are going to learn who God is, or we're going down, aren't we? *"Cry aloud and spare not."* Now I love the church – but I want to see the church the way God wants the church. *"Shew My people their transgressions, and the house of Jacob their sins. Yet they seek Me daily..." (Isaiah 58:2)* We've got thousands of churches in the world today. Every Sunday they dress up in their Sunday clothes to go to church. They are seeking Him daily. *"Yet they seek Me daily and delight to know My ways."* I know people – thousands upon thousands – who go into their assembly and they sit there, and they learn and they learn. And through the week they learn and they learn – and they know everything. Learning is good, but what are we going to do with it? Are we just gathering it in, and gathering in? *"...as a nation that did righteousness and forsook not the ordinances of their God: they of ask me the ordinances; they take delight in approaching God..." (Isaiah 58:2)* Every Sunday, maybe every Wednesday, maybe three times a week, we go to God. Maybe He hears us – maybe He blesses us. And then they come up, some of them religiously fast – they fast and fast – and they say, "God doesn't hear my prayers. Why don't You pay attention to my fast, God? I humble myself and I crawl down under, and why don't You hear my prayers?" That's what He said. *"We have fasted, say they, and thou seest not. Wherefore have we afflicted our souls, and thou takest no knowledge. Behold in the day of your fast, ye find pleasure and exact all your labors." (Isaiah 58:3)* What's happened? Well, the Jones's and the Smiths and the Browns and whosoever – they're measuring one another by one another. "Oh, I fast twenty days." "I fast thirty days." "I fast forty days – just like Jesus did."

I believe in fasting – I believe in intercession – I believe in prayer. But He said they fast for strife, they fast for debate, and they smite with the fist of wickedness.

"You do not fast as you do this day, to make your voice to be heard on high." (Isaiah 58:4) They don't really care whether God hears them or not – that's not why they're fasting.

"Is this such a fast that I have chosen – a day for a man to afflict his soul? Is it to bow down his head as a bulrush and spread sackcloth and ashes under him? Wilt thou call this a fast, an acceptable day to the Lord?" (Isaiah 58:5) I'm going to the sixth verse now; He disannulled it all, didn't He? We can go on Sunday, we can be ever so pious and so holy, and we can gather and gather and gather the Word until we expound it like angels. Is that right?

I hear people say this about Isaiah 58, "Oh, that's the fasting chapter – that's the fasting chapter." Remember, Jesus has saved us, filled us with the Holy Ghost, baptized us into Himself, filled us with His Kingdom, His power and His glory – to sit in the pews? To praise the Lord and praise Him and pray and praise Him and nothing else? "Had a wonderful meeting today – the Lord was there." But what did we do about it? What did we do about it? You know I've never preached this before. I never give it any way; God always gives it. So somebody needs to hear what I have to say. Amen?

III. The Gospel Of Jesus Christ

"Is not this the fast that I have chosen? To loose the bands of wickedness to undo the heavy burdens, to let the oppressed go free, and that ye break every yoke." What is it? "Is not this the fast that I have chosen? – to loose the bands of wickedness, to undo the heavy burdens, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke?" (Isaiah 58:6) How many of us have yokes of bondage by the traditions of men? By this denomination or that denomination or whatever you want to call it – we're bound by it. The binding should be Jesus Christ. The binding should be the Word of God – not an organization made by man. And sometimes God started them, but man ended them. Isn't that right? God started it, but He started it with the same Word I'm giving to you today. The Kingdom of God is within you, said Jesus – His love, His peace, His joy, His hope.

People are talking about faith. Anybody know what faith is? The evidence of things not seen. All right – there's another little word that's very important. Paul writes it; He said, *"...faith worketh by love." (Galatians 5:6)* We've got a lot of "faith" people in the world today, doing miracles by faith. The only way that faith is going to be God-given is by God-given love. Amen? We're out here feeding the homeless, and taking care of the needs of the people, and if God is not in it, it's "hay, wood and stubble." If God is in it, then He's going to bless it, and He's going to change the hearts of men and women with His love. I know people – they have faith for a Cadillac, they have faith for houses, they have faith for this, they have faith for that. But where's the faith that God gives? God's faith comes by love. So what do we have to do? We have to love God and have God's love in us. And if God's love is in us, we're going to love our brother. We're going to take care of the homeless; we're going to take care of the needs of people. It is true? God gave that responsibility to His church. But His church is going to have to shake up, wake up and do it! And I believe His church will. But I don't believe a lot of churches will. BUT I believe He's going to cause His church to arise. Amen? I believe He's doing it. But we have to get the groundwork laid by the Holy Ghost. We have to get it in God's order and God's way.

You might be bound by traditions and "this is the way it is," but God's going to shake your traditions; He's going to uproot them, and He's going to give you the gospel of Jesus Christ without bondage! Amen? I don't hear hardly any amens. Not with a liberty that we can destroy one another; not with the liberty that we can live in the flesh and walk with the devil; not in the liberty that we can do what we want to do: but the liberty is in Jesus Christ. Amen? It's in Him.

"Is it not to deal thy bread to the hungry? And bring the poor that are cast out to thy house. And when thou seest the naked, that thou cover him, and thou hide not thyself from thine own flesh." (Isaiah 58:7) A lot of churches today can't be bothered with taking care of the poor. In fact, they don't want the poor inside their door. They might have dirty clothes, they might be smelly, they might have bare feet, which would ruin their rugs – and after all, they can't give an offering that would pay for upkeep of their precious church – so they aren't welcome. That's all right. The poor don't need the big church – all they need is Jesus. Amen? All they need is Jesus.

Now, let me get down to some nitty-gritty here. The church says, "So and so is appointed to take a little food out to the hungry. Over here is Mr. so and so appointed to another thing: visiting the sick. Another little group over here is going to the hospital and pray for people. There's another little group over here -- you go to the mental institution and you pray for them. Here's another little group over here that says you go to the prisons, and you take care of them. In other words, it isn't the Gospel – it's just helping. But I've got news for you today – this is the Gospel of Jesus Christ! This is His Gospel!

IV. He Wants To Make Us "As He Is"

Now let me show you something to prove what I'm saying: *"Then shall thy light break forth as the morning, and thine health shall spring forth speedily, and thy righteousness shall go before thee: the glory of the Lord shall be thy rearguard – thy reward." (Isaiah 58:8)*

All right, who is our righteousness? Jesus is our righteousness – He will go before us – His light will spring forth in us, and He will go with us and before us and prepare the hearts of the people. He will do these things before we even get there. *"...and His light shall break forth as the morning." (Isaiah 58:8)* Our health shall spring forth speedily. The glory of the Lord shall be with us, around about us. *"Then shalt thou call AND THE LORD SHALL ANSWER, and He shall say, "Here I am.;" if thou take away from the midst of thee the yoke, the putting forth of the finger..." (Isaiah 58:9)* That yoke that binds us, that finger of accusation – accusing, condemning, questioning – get it out. And speaking vanity – how many vain words do we speak all the time? Get rid of them. And if thou draw thy soul spiritually to the hungry,

"...and satisfy the afflicted soul, then shall thy light rise in obscurity, and thy darkness shall be as the NOONDAY: AND THE LORD SHALL GUIDE THEE CONTINUALLY AND SATISFY THY SOUL IN DROUGHT, and make fat thy bones; and thou shalt be like a watered garden and like a spring of water whose waters fail not. And they that shall be of thee shall build the old waste places, thou shalt raise up the foundations of many generations; and thou shalt be called, the repairer of the breach, the restorer of streets to dwell in. If thou turn away thy foot from the sabbath, from doing thine own ways, nor finding thine own pleasure, nor speaking thine own words:..." (Isaiah 58:10-13)

Jesus wants to come into our life and He wants to take out of us everything of our flesh and the devil that would hinder Him from ruling and reigning in us. He wants to bring us into that place in Him; He wants to make us AS HE IS. I can give you His Word that says it. But what is our problem? We don't want to lose our own identity. We are such a big shot, huh? We want to identify ourself – who WE are, instead of who Jesus is. What is "our love made perfect?" God is love. In the first commandment, Jesus said, "*Hear, O Israel, the Lord thy God is one Lord.*" (*Deuteronomy 6:4*) LOVE HIM WITH ALL YOUR HEART, WITH ALL YOUR SOUL, WITH ALL YOUR MIND, AND ALL YOUR STRENGTH, and your neighbor as yourself. None of these can be done without God's love in us. If we're out here doing all of these to show who we are, we're going to stand before Him with all our works "hay, wood, and stubble." But if we're there because Jesus fills us with that love and that compassion that we move out as He moves us by His Spirit to meet the people's needs of the world, then that reward is in Him. Amen? It's in Him.

And the Lord said, "*As truly as I live, the whole earth shall be filled with My glory.*" (*Numbers 14:21*) Look at the world now. It's a pretty bad mess. A man's making it that way to defy God and to take God out of the world. But I have news for them: it isn't going to work. Because there is a people that God is making to be "as He is" – filled with His love, filled with His compassion – God the total provider of everything that we have. In this 13th verse He is speaking of Jesus, who came, not to walk in His own way, nor to find His own pleasure, not to speak His own word. And that's exactly what Jesus wants to put in us, that He can make us "as He is" – filled with His love, filled with His compassion, filled with HIS faith. Not our faith operating like people operating things – that's not faith.

V. *When God's Faith And God's Love Meet Together* *SOMETHING STARTS HAPPENING!*

God's faith is mighty. The substance, what? Of things hoped for. The evidence of things not seen. Knowing God puts that love into us, SOMETHING'S GOING TO HAPPEN! THAT FAITH HE PUTS IN US...don't tell me you've got faith – it has to be God's faith in you or your faith isn't worth water. And that's the truth.

If it's God's faith in you, then you're going to allow Him to bring that first commandment into fruition in your life, and something is going to happen. Something is going to happen. Because when God's faith and God's love meet together, SOMETHING STARTS HAPPENING!

God says, "*As surely as I live, the earth shall be covered with My glory.*" (*Numbers 14:21*) You know, God has a way of letting things get very, very bad, 'til we cry out, "God, I need help." Because He knows we aren't going to do anything until we get that desperate, is that right? So He waits 'til we get desperate, then He knows we're going to cry out for Him. During the depression, a lot of things happened. A lot of people began to cry out to God. But just as soon as they had money, they forget that God was the One who kept them through the depression. We're coming into perilous times, but our hope is in the Lord. Our hope is in Him. His love in us, and His faith in us. Not by our faith, but by His faith. Amen.

VI. *God's Kingdom In Power And Demonstration*

All right. I'm sure everyone of us wants the Lord to be with us – that's why we

gave our lives to Him. But do we want to do it the way He wants it? Do we want to obey Him the way He wants us to? "Oh, Agnes, you know, not everybody can do what you're doing." Yes, they can. Yes, they can. I'm no special person. I'm just an obedient servant of Jesus Christ. And because I obey Him, He's with me. Because I believe this Word in Isaiah 58, He is with me, and He meets all our needs. You might not believe it, but you better know it, because this work is done by God. Everything is through Him. But I want to read you something else: I want you to know I'm not running the churches down. I want them to know Jesus in the power of His resurrection. I want them to know why they are Christians, why they are sitting in the pews, why God called them to be born again and born of His Spirit – not to sit on a pew, but to give unto the Lord. When we give unto the Lord, something is going to happen to us. I call this the greatest delight of my life.

One of these days, our God is getting ready to do some things the world has never, never seen. He's getting ready -- you can't put it in words – but when He gets His people out of themselves into the fullness of Him, in the fullness of His faith, in the fullness of His love, in the fullness of His hope, there's going to be hope for the world. And when He gets us to the place where we are as He is...in this world... it doesn't say heaven –I'm glad they put those little words in there – "this world." That doesn't give us a loophole, does it? Doesn't give us a loophole – it's very exacting. His love in us. His faith in us. His hope for the millions out there that the rulers and leaders refuse to allow to know Him. Maybe you don't believe it, but I know it...Amen? I know it. God needs everyone of you to come into Him, until He make you as He is. Until He makes me as He is. Not to go our own way, nor find our own pleasure, nor speak our own words, but let Jesus rule and reign in us in this world.

Then the last verse: *"Then shalt thou delight in the Lord, and I will cause thee to ride upon the high places of the earth and feed thee with the heritage of Jacob thy father. FOR THE MOUTH OF THE LORD HATH SPOKEN IT. FOR THE MOUTH OF THE LORD HATH SPOKEN IT."* (Isaiah 58:14) This is God's Kingdom in power and demonstration. This is the kingdom Jesus gave to us. "Oh, but I expected something different." Why do we expect something different? Because we want to be exalted – we want to receive glory. But there's no greater glory in all the world and in heaven than Jesus' glory in us. Amen? Jesus' glory in us. As we delight in Him, He's going to delight in us. He's going to give us the heathen for our inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for our possession. Jesus died for the whole world – He didn't die just for you and me. He died for those millions and billions of heathen out there that don't know Jesus.

The church prays, "Lord Jesus, come. Come, Lord Jesus. I don't want to go through the tribulation. Come, Lord Jesus. I don't want to go through any problems." Is that the prayer? You know it is. But Jesus has a work for us to do. He in us, and we in Him are going to take those heathen out there, and give them JESUS IN HIS POWER, IN HIS GLORY, IN HIS KINGDOM!

VII. God's Going To Do Something This World Has Never Seen

I want to read one other scripture now – Psalm 2. And I told our trainees in the beginning of this year that they would probably hear this often because it answers the question, "What's happening today in our world?" In America, we're facing the biggest crisis about God that we've ever faced in our lives. They're taking God out of America –

they think they are. They think they are. But thank God they can't take God out of us! Amen? They can't take Him out of us.

1. *Why do the heathen rage, and the people imagine a vain thing?*
2. *The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against the Lord, and against His anointed, saying,*
3. *Let us break their bands asunder, and cast away their cords from us.*
4. *He that sitteth in the heavens shall laugh: the Lord shall have them in derision*
5. *Then shall He speak unto them in His wrath, and vex them in His sore displeasure.*
6. *Yet have I set my king upon my holy hill of Zion.*
7. *I will declare the decree: the LORD hath said unto me, Thou art My Son: this day have I begotten thee.*
8. *Ask of me, and I shall give thee the heathen for thine inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for thy possession.*
9. *Thou shalt break them with a rod of iron; thou shalt dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel.*
10. *Be wise now therefore, O ye kings: be instructed, ye judges of the earth.*
11. *Serve the LORD with fear, and rejoice with trembling.*
12. *Kiss the Son, lest He be angry, and ye perish from the way, when His wrath is kindled but a little. Blessed are they that put their trust in Him.*
(Psalm 2)

I was ministering on this New Year's Eve, and God put it right directly from His Word in my heart. The heathen He's talking about in this scripture are the heathen that the kings and rulers refused to let them know about God. It's these heathen that the Lord said to Jesus, *"Ask of me and I'll give you those heathen for your possession, and the uttermost parts of the earth for your inheritance – and the uttermost parts of the earth for your possession."* (Psalm 8:2) Why was He laughing? Jesus didn't die to let all the heathen go to hell. He died to redeem them with His own precious blood.

This is the hour, that the Lord said, *"As I live, the whole earth shall be filled with My glory."* (Numbers 14:21) This is the day when God has risen, shaking Himself and laughing, because He's going to do something the world has never seen. He's going to take a bunch of people, who no longer have their own identity, no longer want their own way, their own pleasure, their own doings, but who are going to let Jesus fill them with himself. They are going to let Jesus make them as He is. Through Jesus in them, they are going out there to the heathen. Now remember, all doors are closed – nobody can get in these countries with the Gospel. What are we going to do? We are going to do what He does. Amen? What He does, we're going to do. If He doesn't do it, we aren't going to do it. So what's He going to do? He's going to let us ride upon the high places of the earth with Him. What do you think He's going to do? *"As surely as I live, the earth shall be filled with My glory."* (Numbers 14:21) God said it. He's not mocked. Jesus died for every man, woman and child, and we complacently sit and have the nerve to sit in these plush churches and refuse to let Jesus come in and give them the true Gospel of Jesus Christ.

But one of these days, when it's His appointed time, no powers of this world, no church structure, NOTHING that man thinks is so great is going to stop this people with Jesus in them from going to those heathen out there – to the uttermost parts of the earth. His plan is to take this Gospel of the kingdom to the ends of the earth.

VIII. What Are We Going To Give To The Heathen?

Now what is the Gospel? Well, let's just sort of review it for a moment. Jesus came, and He died on the cross to forgive our sins. He destroyed the old man, Adam – the sin nature – on the cross. He takes it from us and He buries it with us in water baptism. We come up out of that water, and we are no longer Adam's. We belong to Jesus. We have a new name, a new heritage, a new world that Jesus has for us. This world is His kingdom in us, filled with His love, filled with His peace. He's making us as He is in this world. For what purpose? That He may prepare us to go – where? To the heathen. Now what are we going to give to the heathen? Why are we going? First of all, we're going because Jesus is going. First of all, we're going to do whatever He commands us to do. Amen? All right, let's go along to this little village where they don't have any water. What are we going to do? Tell them, "God bless you – have water."

I was touched by something that one of our teams said when they were in Venezuela a short time ago. There was a big earthquake and preachers came from America with their Bibles: "God bless you." What was it? A volcano. "God bless you, here's your Bible. Here's a Bible. God bless you. Here's a Bible." People starving to death. No food, no water, and no clothes. "God bless you." That's the way the church has been doing it. But is that God's way? NO, IT IS NOT GOD'S WAY! Give them water – give them water! He said to give one cup of water in My Name, or even a prophet's name, I will bless you. So what do we do? God has given us a plan. God's given us a purpose. God says, "You teach them how to have pure water, and you give them pure water. They're hungry: you teach them how to grow food. You teach them how to be clean and healthy. You give them agriculture; you show them the simple things, that they might have food. Someone was at a rehab place recently in Mexico and he didn't know why God sent him down there. God sent him there, and first thing he did was tell them "put bleach in your water. Wash your dishes with soap and with bleach." Then he told them a lot of other things he'd learn here, so they wouldn't be sick – so they would be healthy.

God is giving to us to give to them the simple things of life, so they will live. In Africa, 50% of the children die before they reach the age of 12 because of improper health – not knowing what to do for simple things like dysentery, and what to do when these things happen. They don't know. So we teach them simple hygiene. We teach them the way God wants them to know so they can be healthy. Then we teach them animal husbandry, we teach them health and hygiene, we give them "Where There Is No Doctor" – the simple things that you do to give you life, to help you. Then we educate them by giving them schools – Christian schools. And then, of course, the most important: we bring to them the Kingdom of God and His love. Jesus in us. Jesus in us. As we present Jesus to them, we don't shake their hand, hand them a Bible and say, "Goodbye." We help them. I started with water, but it is important for us to introduce Jesus to them, and then proceed to help them. If you don't help them, you're not doing the work of the kingdom. Let's put it straight. The Gospel is without power unless the Holy Ghost is governing it – unless Jesus is governing it. Amen?

He's going to say, *"I was hungry and you fed Me, I was naked and you clothed Me. Thirsty and you gave Me drink."* (Matthew 25:35) It's all included right here what I'm talking to you about today – the kingdom of God in demonstration. Water, food, clothing, everything that He put here in Isaiah 58, we're going to account for when we stand before Him. We might have all kinds of doctrines and all kinds of plans, but He's not going to ask you about that. He's going to say, *"Depart from Me, ye workers of*

*iniquity. " (Matthew 7:23) "Well, we never saw You hungry, we never saw You in need."
"If you do these to the least of these," Jesus said, "you did it to Me." (Matthew 25:45)*

IX. We're Included In God's Plan If We Obey What He says

The kingdom of God in power and glory: Isaiah 58. And the mouth of the Lord hath spoken it. And the Lord said, *"As surely as I live, as surely as I live, the earth shall be filled with the glory of God. (Numbers 14:21)* You can have a part in it. You can be used of Him, if you're willing to lose your identity in Jesus Christ. If you're willing to let Christ make you as He is, then we can stand in the day of judgment boldly. Not our flesh, not of our doing, but because we stand there as He is. We stand there as He is. Amen? Not because we're someone, but because we obeyed His Word. Because we let Him change our lives. Because we were willing to take the simple things of this world and give them to a simple people so they would know Jesus. Because we're willing to let Jesus become Lord of our life, King of our life, Ruler of our life, until everything is in His hands – everything.

I'm going to say this: I believe the time is so short that we aren't going to have any liberty in all America, because the anti-Christ is moving fast upon the scene. But God has a people – I don't think they're all going up to the rapture, to heaven. I think they're delegated for another purpose. Amen? THEY'RE DELEGATED BY JESUS TO TAKE THIS GOSPEL OF THE KINGDOM TO THE ENDS OF THE EARTH AND TO THE HEATHEN. Only when they allow Him to be what? He must be in them for Him to do it. We disqualify ourselves when we refuse to let Him make us as He is. His Word distinctly tells us how He will do it, -- if we let Him. But this Word will never pass away. It said God laughed at them in the heavens. They had this plan to wipe God off the earth. But the *earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof; the world, and they that dwell therein. (Psalm 24:1)* So what are they going to do?

"I was thirsty and you gave Me drink. I was hungry and ye gave Me food. I was naked and ye clothed Me, I was sick, and ye visited Me. I was in prison and ye came unto Me." (Matthew 25:35-36) "As He is, so are we in this present world." That's His Word. When the children of Israel were with Moses, and God said to Moses, "I'm going to blot out this people..." Moses cried unto God and said, "Who's going to be Your representative on the earth?" God was ready to wipe them all out. And He said, "Moses, I will do what you have asked, I will do what you say." "BUT AS SURELY AS I LIVE...AS SURELY AS I LIVE, MOSES, THE EARTH IS GOING TO BE COVERED WITH MY GLORY." It's up to us to let Him take our life, and let it be His to do what He wants to do with us. "For just as surely as I live..." Just as surely as God lives in me, just as surely as He made that statement to Moses, He's going to make that statement to us. The glory of the Lord shall fill the earth as the waters cover the sea.

Isaiah 58 is the direction of the work of the kingdom of Jesus Christ *"... for the mouth of the Lord hath spoken it." (Isaiah 58:14)* "The mouth of the Lord hath spoken it." It's up to us to hear it, to move in it, and to obey it. I put the challenge before you this morning. It doesn't matter what people think: God has a plan. We're included in it, if we obey what He says. If we delight ourselves in Him, He will delight Himself in us. He will cause us to ride on the high places of the earth with Him. And you might not know it's exciting, but I know it is. I know it is. I'd much rather ride on the high places of the earth with Him than to go in an airplane. Is that too far fetched? Well, if you think it is, you'll get a surprise, because that's His Word. *FOR THE MOUTH OF*

THE LORD HATH SPOKEN IT. (Isaiah 58:14) I don't stand in doctrines of men, I stand with Jesus and His Word. He said, *HEAVEN AND EARTH SHALL PASS AWAY, BUT MY WORD SHALL NEVER PASS AWAY. (Matthew 5:18)* Amen? I'd rather be with the "never pass away" wouldn't you? Amen. God bless you this morning.

Closing Prayer

Father, we thank You for this Word this morning. We thank You for Your kingdom, Jesus, that You placed in us. We thank You, Jesus, that You live in this kingdom that's to let You make us as You are. We're going to give You that opportunity, Jesus, to take our life and let it be even as You are. We give You glory, Jesus. We thank you for this Word that You have given to us, straight from the throne of God, straight from the Word of God – the plan that you have, that Your glory shall cover the earth. God, I thank You this morning. Let it be imparted to each and everyone of us, that we will realize the greatness of what You have before us, not of the evil, not of the darkness, not of the things we're going to face, but what we're going to have in You, Jesus. For You said whatever we need, You'll create it if You have to. God, I thank You we're living in that hour that You're going to bless us with your richest blessings. You're going to cause us to ride on the high places of the earth and feed us with the heritage of Jacob. O, mighty God, we give You glory this day for the pure Gospel of Jesus Christ that sets us free and changes our life and makes us to be as You are: full of love, full of peace, full of joy, full of Your righteousness, Jesus; full of Your holiness.

God, we give You glory for this day. Impart into our hearts. Impart it into our lives, Lord, that we'll not be able to get away from it. But, God, this day, bless this people with this revelation of Jesus Christ, that we might be like You, that we might live like You IN THIS WORLD, that others will see Jesus in the light of the noon day. We thank You now, Lord Jesus, for this Word. We ask Your blessing upon this people for the fullness of the revelation of Your kingdom, Jesus, Your power, and Your glory. Thank You, Lord, You gave us Your kingdom, You gave us Your power, You gave us Your glory. Now, Lord, let us receive it, and let You change our lives so that we can arise and go forth...for the glory of the Lord shall be seen upon us, as the waters cover the sea. We thank You, Jesus, for this glorious Word, this glorious hope we have in You, Jesus. Make it a living reality in our lives this day that we would never be the same, Lord. Let us realize that we have hope – THE WORLD HAS HOPE – in Jesus Christ, and we give You glory, Jesus, for Your resurrection life, that you've put within us, that we live because You live in us. Thank You for this people, Lord. Thank You again for this Word which You have given unto us, for Your glory, Jesus, and in Your Name, Amen.