

This Is That

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[0 : 00] Hallelujah! We thank God you have tuned in to this message by David and Tree at Carish Church. No hand can help you with the fulfillment of your destiny but the Word of God.

May God hand a line with you further into your destiny through this Word. Acts chapter 2, reading from verse 12, I'll take it to verse 24, says that, And they were all amazed and were in doubt, saying one to another, What meaneth this? Others mocking said, These men are full of new wine.

But Peter, standing up with the eleven, lifted up his voice and said unto them, Ye men of Judea and all ye that dwell in Jerusalem, Be this known unto you and hearken to my ways.

For these are not drunken, as ye suppose, seeing it is but the third hour of the day. But this is that which was spoken by the prophet Joel.

And it shall come to pass in the last days, says the Lord. I will pour out 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.

[1 : 19] And on my servants and on my handmaidens, I will pour out in those days of my Spirit, and they shall prophesy. And I will show wonders in the heavens above, and signs in the earth beneath.

Blood and fire and vapor of smoke, the sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before the great and the notable day of the Lord come.

And it shall come to pass, that whosoever shall call on the name of the Lord shall be saved. Ye men of Israel, hear these words. Jesus of Nazareth, a man approved of God amongst you by miracles and wonders and signs, which God did by him in the midst of you, as ye yourself also know.

Him being delivered by the determinate counsel and the foreknowledge of God, ye have taken and by wicked hands have crucified and slain.

Whom God has raised up, having lost the pains of death, because it was not possible that he should be holden of it.

[2 : 35] Here ends the reading of God's Word. Father, thank you once again for your Word. Reveal Christ as your Word is taught. Save the lost as your Word is taught.

Heal the sick as your Word is taught. Let salvation be displayed and be experienced and be accomplished as your Word is taught. To your glory, in Jesus' name.

Amen. Thank you, Jesus. There's a lot to try and unpack here today.

But as I was reading it again, I realized that this is going to be a long one, because there's a lot in here. Well, let's get into it.

We found out how a sound came from heaven, which manifested through the people as languages in the ears of the hearers.

[3 : 34] So they heard them speak in their own languages, and they were, verse 12 says that they were amazed. They were not only one. All of them. Because what was happening was phenomenal.

What was happening was, watch this, was supernatural. Supernatural simply means above the normal, above the natural.

You cannot produce that naturally. That's what it means to be supernatural. So as they spoke the languages, the people were amazed because this is supernatural.

Nobody can just, people from different nations come together, and we are all hearing them in our language. One of the things that was very interesting is, you could hear them speaking your language.

He could hear them speaking his language. She could hear them speaking her language. And everybody heard them speaking their own language. One. And two, there was a bit of noise. How come I could hear them?

[4 : 40] And I didn't hear any other thing but my own language. A lot of people talking at the same time, yet I could hear what they are saying. I could hear my language. And I look at the next person who came from Cyprus.

I came from Egypt. And I look at the Cyprian and I'm thinking, these guys are speaking my language. And he says, no, they are speaking my language. Everybody here heard them in their own language.

What's going on here? This is amazed. This is supernatural. Every supernatural act brings amazement in the eyes and the minds of the onlookers.

But that's why you can only think that miracles can definitely produce salvation. Because people can see miracles and still choose not to believe.

Because they were all amazed. But look at the outcome in the people who were hearing them. Some of them, these men are referring to others who were mocking. Verse 12. They were all amazed and were in doubt, saying one to another, what's the meaning of this?

[5 : 49] It was beyond their imagination and their natural thinking. They couldn't understand what's going on here. What's going on here.

And others have to find a way of explaining away what's going on. And they explain it away in a very preposterous way. That these men are full of new wine. In other words, they are drunk.

So, you see, sometimes when you cannot give, when people don't want to acknowledge God, they have to find a way of explaining the phenomenon away. They have to find a way of talking it down. They have to find a way of saying, oh, there's nothing exceptional. Don't be quick to explain away what God is doing. When you know that these results are not, because if the result is ordinary, everybody should be able to produce it.

One of the signs that shows that God is with a person is, the results are very unusual. And the results, sometimes when people even see the results, like testimonies. You see testimonies, but anybody at all can get a job.

[6 : 53] But the circumstances that lead to the testimony, it's pointing to something else working. Or something else at work. Well, they said, these guys are drunk. And Peter was trying to tell them, they are not drunk.

Because the Bible says in 1 Thessalonians 5, verse 7, it says, those who drink, get drunk at night. A lot of you remember.

Usually when people are drunk, they party in the night, and then by the time the night is, they are drunk. So usually morning is hung up and throwing up, hangover.

Morning is not the time to be drunk. Morning is hangover time. He said, it's your way. Don't you get drunk? Get drunk when? And Luke chapter 21, verse 34, it talks about how people will be drunk. He says that, take it to yourself. Let your heart be weighed down with carousing, drunkenness. Drunkenness will weigh your heart down.

[8 : 06] So these people are so godly. Why are you explaining what is happening as we are drunk? Our hearts are no weighed down. When you look at what's happening in the church, please don't try to explain it away.

Especially when people think that people who are sitting in church are being fooled by pastors. It's usually unbelievers, people who don't understand spiritual things who talk like that. Somebody say, you can fool someone that people like that.

Go ahead and say that to the world. But when God is moving, there are people who say this is the normal ingenuity of an ingenious person. So it provoked Peter to get up.

And the Bible says in verse 13, Peter standing up with the 11. As I said some time ago, Peter always spoke for himself. He said, if everybody denies you, me, I will not.

Peter was always quick to speak for himself. But after he had encounters with the Holy Spirit, he didn't get up by himself. He stood with the 11. But it's interesting. Judas was not there.

[9 : 10] This tells us Acts chapter 1 verse 26 had been accepted. Acts 1 verse 26. Matthias has been accepted as one of the 12. And they gave forth their Lord.

And the Lord fell on Matthias to replace Judas. He was numbered with the 11. So now there are 12 again. So then Peter stood up with the 11.

And including Matthias, Peter standing up with the 11, lifted up his voice and told them, and watch this. The Bible didn't say that, but this was Peter's language.

It wasn't what they were hearing the first time. What they heard that amazed them was different from what Peter spoke. One, what they heard that amazed them was they were talking about the wonderful works of God.

So they were not addressing the people. But now when Peter got up, he addressed the people. He addressed the people. It's important. Okay, let me, I'll go back to that.

[10:09] So the 11 lifted his voice and said to them, ye men of Judea, you could have said, you Jews, but he had to say it in a nicer way. Ye men of Judea and all that dwell at Jerusalem.

Verse 5 says that, this was said, verse 5 and 6, and all the dwelling in Jerusalem. That dwelling there is not talking about the people who permanently lived there.

It was talking about all the people who were at that time present in Jerusalem. Somewhere in hotels, if they were hotels, somewhere in ABFs, somewhere in family homes, somewhere wherever.

Because people had, it's the feast of ingathering. So people have gathered from all over the world. And at that time, all over the world and all over the known world.

Every nation in the known world had come. And they were residents in Jerusalem. Like during the Olympics. A lot of people from all over the world were residents in London.

[11:13] When we hosted the Olympics in London. So, then Peter says that, all ye, listen to me, all Jews, all men of Judea, and all ye that dwell at Jerusalem, be it known unto you and harking to my ways.

This is very important. You know, the way, I'm going to say something very interesting. The more carnal you are, the more you want to do or the Holy Ghost to flow through you to prove that you are this or to prove some people wrong.

Many young people want the gift of the Holy Spirit to prove who they are. Some of you, I'm hoping that God will announce you so that the lady who wants to take the guy, the man who wants to marry you, she wants to, one day you just see the lady and tell her so many things about herself.

And then the guy will see that, ah, so this lady is fake. Most people are looking for the gift of the Spirit to fight their own battles.

That's why sometimes, I'm about to say another thing interesting. That's why sometimes people can attack pastors and their anointing will not kill the people.

[12:33] Jesus said, if you blaspheme against the Son of Man, you can get away with it, but not against the Holy Spirit. If you temper with God's work, God might come after you.

But sometimes, you can get away with tempering with his men. It's very interesting. Because my anointing is not to defend me. Anointing is to build the church.

The anointing of my life is an economical anointing. It is not an essential anointing. It's an economical anointing.

Pastor, can you explain it? When we talk about something being essential, like blood in the body, is it essential? Oh, yes. Without blood, you can't live.

Breath. If you can't breathe, you can't live. Breathing or taking in oxygen is essential for your living. Having blood flow through your body is essential for your living.

[13:34] But not having shoe is not essential. Not having a wig is not essential. Even not having hair is not essential. The police officer who is standing by the roadside to stop or control traffic, having oxygen is essential.

He's still a police officer even if he's wearing cycling shorts. That's a police officer at the gym. A police officer.

But he cannot his assignment as a police officer. He needs some clothes. Why does he wear the clothes? You can go and wear it, but he doesn't make you an officer. He's an officer before he wears it.

So why doesn't he, no one should wear anything. No, my clothing is just for my function. I have him put in a place, my assignments, my job requires that I am properly attired.

You can't be a medical doctor without having a medical certificate. So, when you talk about something, economy is not talking about money.

[14:51] economy economy is management of a corporate resource. So, when the economy of a nation is going down or is bad, it means that the resources of the nation how it's being managed is being managed badly.

So, when we talk about economy is the resources of a nation, resources of a people being managed well for everyone to have their portion well. now, when we talk about economy of God, we are talking about the resources of God, the grace of God being dispensed so that all the people in the kingdom and those who are being called in the kingdom, the work is going the way it should go. People are getting born again and being disciplined and growing. Churches are doing. That is the economy and you receive an anointing for the economy of God. You don't receive an anointing so you can just be a Christian.

Because it doesn't take an anointing, you don't have to. You receive the Holy Spirit inside you. It's called the indwelling spirit. Essentially, else you can't be a Christian. John chapter 14 verse 17, Jesus said that he is with you but he shall be in you.

It's called the indwelling spirit. Romans chapter 8 verse 9, if the spirit of God does not dwell in you, it says, if indeed the spirit of God dwells in you, you will belong to Jesus.

[16:16] If he doesn't, so the spirit of God is an indwelling spirit. Look at the verse 10. Romans chapter 8 verse 10. If Christ is in you, the body is dead but the spirit is alive.

So we're talking about the indwelling or the indwelling spirit. Anyone who is born again is born again because, watch this, it's very important, because the spirit of God indwells us.

So what makes me born again? I am indwelled by the spirit. Jesus said, we will, verse 20 of John chapter 14, we will come and make our abode in you. We will dwell in you.

So, in 1 Corinthians chapter 6 verse 19, it talks about you are the temple of God if the spirit of God, it says that, and do you not know that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit who what?

It's in you. That's the indwelling spirit. This is very important. So when Jesus resurrected from the dead in John chapter 20, he said, after resurrection, he said, receive ye the Holy Spirit.

[17:16] He breathed on them and then, receive ye. And did they receive? Yes, they received the indwelling spirit that forced them to become the children of God. The indwelling spirit.

So then, why must they wait for the said, I'll pour my spirit upon. That's not indwelling. The indwelling aspect is for our essential lives as children of God.

The upon aspect is for the economical work. So he said, don't leave Jerusalem. Wait. You remember that? All right. Is it anything complicated you didn't understand?

It's, I think, is it straightforward enough? So, he, back to the text, as I was saying, it's very easy, most times, many, watch this, many people who want the anointing of the Holy Spirit, most times, we desire it, if you are not careful, you can desire it with carnal intent.

Carnal, fleshly, not malicious, not evil. Not everything carnal is evil. Like, when Peter said, Jesus shouldn't go and die on the cross.

[18:26] You can't go and die. What is evil about that? What is evil about that? No, you can't die. Bible said, he took him as a, Matthew chapter 16, verse 22. He took, Jesus, Peter took him and began to rebuke him, saying, be far from you, Lord.

This shall not happen. Yes. Who won't do that? Where should your best friend go and die? Say, I'm going to die. You watch him to go. No. You hold him.

No. Now, if someone jumps on the bridge and wants to, goes on the bridge, wants to jump into the, she, fire service, police officers, they were standing up there. No, it's not going to jump. It can't be.

No. They said, please, they have to negotiate with him. So, Peter was doing something similar. He said, I'm going to die. Peter said, no, you can't die. But that was carnal.

That was carnal. It was not evil. It was with a good heart. It was well-meaning. But it was carnal. It was unspiritual. Because it was not in the economy of God.

[19:27] That's why Jesus 10, he says, Satan is taking advantage of your carnal thinking. Satan is taking advantage of the way you think. That's why you stop giving tithes. Satan has, Satan has hijacked you, but he didn't realize it.

Think of it. I'm just thinking. I'm just being rational. I'm just being reasonable. Reasonable.

Reasonable. I've been teaching school of ministry. Because, you know, many years ago, I wanted God to anoint me.

Sometimes, you see the way these people are behaving. You want God to anoint you. By the time you go there, you know, let's say you work in the hospital. They are trying to preach there, and you don't listen. All this boss is very mean and wicked.

Mean, he hates you. He's lying against you. And you, one day you are thinking that, you know, as he lies, you just look at him, and he's stuck, and then, yeah, you see, next time, touch me.

God will never, look at your, the way your stepmother has not been nice to you. Sometimes, you want the Holy Ghost power upon you, so you can prove to her. God will give you the spirit for that. [20 : 34] So, doesn't God care about how I feel? No, he doesn't. He doesn't care. It doesn't matter. If you care about how he feels, it will flow over, and you realize that your feelings will be overtaken.

The way you feel will be overtaken by how he feels, so much that you don't even feel the way you feel anymore. Wow. If you can remove yourself in the picture, and you see, focus will determine what you can endure, what you focus on.

There have been people who were injured, fighting, and didn't even realize they've been injured. Because the adrenaline was so high, they're trying to defend themselves. Fighting with a bulldog. Fighting with a bulldog. Three of your fingers have been chopped. Why didn't you realize it? Because your focus was to live. Fighting for your life. Some of you, some of you don't know how fast you can run.

You think you don't run fast. You wait. So the situation crops up and your life is at stake. You'll be surprised that even though you can't do five minutes on the treadmill, you can't do five minutes.

[21 : 44] You'll be surprised. You'll be running faster than we say boat. Yes, for 20 minutes. Because where your focus is. Stop thinking so much about your feeling, your position, your, it makes it difficult for God to consider you for anointing.

Wow. Catherine Coleman said anointing will cost you everything. If you want anointing, it will cost you everything. Well, Peter said, these men are not drunk as you suppose, or she's brothers and sisters.

I like something about Peter. He told them they are not drunk. He didn't say, okay, Holy Spirit, show them that. No, he didn't.

I realize that sometimes when we believe we are anointed, we feel like we can use the anointing to show how we are right. or we can demonstrate the anointing at will to prove what we want to prove. It doesn't work like that. You see, the best way to defend yourself, if you're working with God, the best way to defend yourself outside what God will do.

[22 : 54] So, if God is not defending you, what are you going to do? If God is standing, they say, you are lying, you are lying. What are you going to do? They ask Stephen, can you say something?

Because now they are accusing you. Say something. If all the weight of your Christian life is based on how you feel, people might take advantage of you very easily. The weight of your Christian life must also be based on what you know.

You have to know something to be a strong Christian. Know how you feel. Every day, you feel it. You don't know. You don't know. Peter didn't say, you guys, no.

He said, one, they are not drunk. And he gave them one of the reasons why they are not drunk. It's too early in the morning. Those who get drunk, get drunk at night. He said, it is 9 a.m.

No, third hour means, 9 a.m. 9 a.m. in the morning is when business is starting. So, how can all of us, so many, it's only 9 a.m.

[24 : 00] in the morning. How can all of us, 120 of us, all be drunk 9 a.m.? Some are business owners. Some are mothers. Some are fathers. They have to take their children to school.

9 a.m. We are drunk. Peter said that. Peter said, no, let's reason. Let's reason. Something supernatural is happening. But let's use our reason.

Acts chapter 18, verse 4. Paul went to the synagogue not to do miracles. He reasoned in the synagogue every Sabbath and persuaded the Jews and the Greeks.

Reasoning is a very essential aspect of Christianity. God will not bypass your mind and just work on your heart. God will not bypass your mind and just work with your spirit or work with your heart.

Even though it works in your heart, he does not ignore your mind. So did you see what happened? Peter had so much to say. Not to prove.

[25 : 12] You want to see Holy Ghost is here? One, two, three. Take it. Okay. What if you blow and people are not falling? Now what are you going to do? You got it.

You got it. That is why the charismatic church of our times cannot remain ignorant. The charismatic church must come to maturity where it's growing out of just feeling-based Christianity to reason-based Christianity.

1 Peter 3, verse 15. It said, be prepared to give sanctify the Lord in your heart and be ready always. Not sometimes.

Be ready always to give an answer to every man that asks for or asks you what a reason. And you don't have reason for your behavior in church?

You don't have reason? The main job of a pastor is to help people to have biblical reason for their spiritual behavior. Can I say that again?

[26 : 24] The main job, the main, other ones are subsidiary, but the main job of a pastor is to help people who listen to him to have biblical reason for their Christian behavior.

Biblical reason. So you shouldn't be sitting under your pastor for a long time and you don't have any reason for the way you are behaving. It's just that you have feeling. The feelings are good, but listen, they are not lasting.

They don't last long without biblical reason. That's why the Bible is text, text, it's textual. It's written document that is intelligible.

Not unintelligible. The Bible is an listen to me, an intelligible, reasonable, grammatic document.

So don't handle it just emotively. You got to handle it with reason. If it's just that Jesus walked on the water, now, what does it mean?

[27 : 32] There's reasoning coming in. But why is it that? Jesus walked on the water. That means anybody I talk and walk on the water. Me too. I'm supposed to, maybe if I'm not walking water, I'm not serving Jesus. You see, that's how people propound all kinds of preposterous doctrines.

Because people are not thinking. They come to the Bible and they are renewed by the removing of their mind. They want to be transformed by the removing of their minds.

No, by self being transformed by the renewing of your mind. Your transformation is at the mercy of your thinking. Know how many hands have been laid on you?

That is necessary for economical reasons. When we lay hands on you, it's for economical reasons.

But for you to thrive as a Christian, you need reason in scripture.

You've closed the Bible too long. Open it, pastor. I thought you were a pastor. Why don't you?

[28 : 35] Why do you know you see the Bible? Why do you know you see the Bible? Why? It's okay to quote from Obama, but behind the puppets, it's okay to have a point, a political point to make to a nation, to a people who are listening to you.

But you are not a politician behind it. This is sacred. It belongs to God. So, to prove that this belongs to God, get the Bible there and open it.

You can open all other books, but if you don't open the Bible, you are becoming dodgy. I feel like preaching. Let the Bible speak.

Then if the Bible doesn't speak, God has been muted. Isn't it sad that there are a lot of places that people have gathered in church and God is muted. Some of you are unmuted.

God is muted. And they put duct tape. You know duct tape? That big tape that when people hijack people and they tie them, you watch movies. And the pastor is preaching, but God is He wants to speak.

[29 : 47] He wants to speak, but this pastor is becoming motivational. He's encouraging people to buy homes. And there's nothing wrong with that.

To encourage, but not at the expense of the speaking of God. The only way we know God is speaking is when the Bible is opened. Can I say that again? Not when you believe that you have had a vision.

A pastor said, I have a vision. And today God has spoken to me. He gave me hours of encounters and showed me some things. I've written them. I'm coming to talk to you about it. I think it would be better off. Just get us to the Bible.

Just get us. Let the Bible speak. Let the Bible speak. Let the Bible speak. Let the Bible speak.

Pastor! Man of God! What makes you a man of God is not your suit.

What makes you a man of God is not your oratory, your ability to speak. What makes you a man of God is not your theological seminary you attended. What makes you a man of God is not because you stand before a church.

[30 : 47] What makes you a man of God is not the fact that you have been ordained. Ordination doesn't make you a man of God, even though it's also important. What makes you a man of God is when you keep, you let God speak.

You explain what God, one man of God says something quite strong. He said, nobody speaks the word of God. He said, no pastor speaks the word of God. He said, every pastor is just to explain what's written.

Explains, God has spoken and no one else can come and tell you God has said anything. He doesn't speak, he's not speaking anywhere. All he has said is here. Now that brings a major problem with the charismatics.

Well, now if we are going to pin, watch this, if we are going to pin and hinge our preaching on the text of scripture, then that will drive us into steadies.

Because if you don't steady, you will misinterpret it. because the Bible speaks with one voice, analogia scriptura, total scriptura, all of scripture, not part of it.

[32 : 00] Whether it was written by Paul, Peter, Jude, Zachariah, Habakkuk, it is the word of God. All total scriptura, analogia scriptura.

Spiritualia, spiritualite examinato. So the Holy Spirit comes upon us to be able to understand what is written.

In the book of 1 John chapter 2 verse 27, it said, you have an anointing inside you. You know, I told you, the abiding spirit. You have an anointing inside you. You have the anointing which you have received from him abiding in you.

And you do not need anyone teach you. So what I'm doing, if you can understand scripture, mine is to make sure I stay faithful and true to scripture and his job is to help you to understand it.

He said, I pray that the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ will give you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of him. That the eyes of 1 Ephesians chapter 1 verse 16, that the eyes of your understanding be enlightened that you may know there are some things it takes the Holy Spirit to do.

[33 : 06] So all that I'm doing, I have to, one, make sure the Bible is opened. Two, as I teach from the scripture, the Holy Spirit is the one who does the real teaching.

Because I can't help you to understand. I'm attempting to explain it, but real comprehension, it comes, that's spiritualia, spirituality, examinato.

The fact that I'm reasoning with you doesn't mean you can't get what the Spirit is saying. He that has an ear, let him hear. Revelation chapter 2 verse 7, verse 11, verse 18, verse 29, 3 verse 6, 3 verse 13, and 3 verse 22.

He that has an ear, let him hear. It's the Spirit that always speaks to the churches through the agents who open the text. That's why in some of the traditional churches, every time on the pulpit there's an open Bible.

There's a reason why they do that. There's an open. So, like some of the traditional churches, the pulpit is high because it's high because it's God's place of speaking. So, you don't climb there if you are even asked to go and do Bible reading.

[34 : 14] You don't go there. It's the one who is going to explain the Bible that climbs and goes to stand there. Not moving around like I'm doing and stand there and then open, read from the open, open scripture.

So, Peter reasoned with them. Didn't you realize in Acts chapter 19, verse 8, Bible says that some opposed and contradicted Peter.

Bible says that and he went into the, Acts chapter 19, verse 8, and he went into the synagogue and spoke boldly for three months. What was he doing? I stand here, I should be reasoning with you on the grounds of scripture.

No, please, I don't want to be just, you know, be facetious about some things. But, that's why it's not the best to sing plenty in church and preach short.

And tell us, when we go to heaven, we are going to be singing. Where do we get when we sing? But whilst we are on earth, let us, let us understand, let us understand the text that will inform our singing.

[35 : 25] It will help our singing. Do you remember? Christocentric doxology. Big God theology will invariably lead to elevating God properly.

But if you don't have good theology, your worship will not be solid. Well, as I say, worship leader of a church is not the singer.

He's the one who explains the scripture. He's the worship leader. He's helping people to understand what the Bible says about the I want with God. That's the worship leader, not the one who is leading the song and singing.

Hey, hey, hey, hey. If we teach well, some of the songs they will sing. There are songs that are sung in churches as praise and worship and you are wondering what has this God to do with you.

Many years ago, when I used to lead praise and worship, we sang songs like, Satan is crying, praise and worship. We used to sing songs like, I remember a certain song we used to sing when I used to be into praise and worship.

[36 : 32] I still am. But many years ago, when I used to lead praise and worship, prayer is God's medicine. Praise and worship. Yeah.

Yeah. Yeah. Yeah. Prayer is God's medicine. Yes. We sing praise and worship songs like, somebody wake me up if I'm sleeping. I'm dreaming.

This prosperity, is it true? Somebody wake me up. Am I dreaming? God is blessing me. So wake me up. Praise and worship. Music lovers having fun and fun fair.

That's why during the 85 days, most of the time when I stood there, something, oh, be lifted above all other. We are talking. And if you have good theology, then it's easy to understand what you mean by, oh, be lifted above all other gods.

It's not a tune that you are just enjoying, but the message you are trying to share with your father. Your theology. And theology doesn't come based on just feelings.

[37 : 44] Some theology comes based on reasoning. So if you don't like, you see, your mind, it becomes difficult to disciple you. Reasoning.

It doesn't matter who said what. If we cannot agree with scripture, we must come to a place where we are happy to divorce ourselves from that. If we cannot be justified, accurately said, rightly dividing the word of truth, 2 Timothy chapter 2, verse 15.

Rightly. So that means you can actually wrongly divide it. You are quoting the scripture by wrongly, out of context. So he said, steady. Ah, steady is there. Be diligent to show yourself approved unto God.

Oh, man again, approved unto God. A wet man who needs not to be ashamed, but rightly dividing the word of truth.

You are a porous Christian and a weak Christian if you are not strong in scripture. Your strength in scripture, your understanding of scripture, it doesn't mean you know so much, but the little you know, if it's very comprehensive and authentic, that is what determines the weight of your Christianity.

[38 : 59] Because wings will blow. You'll meet things you can't explain which will try to defy your theology. You have been giving your tithe but you are losing a job.

If you are not strong in Christ, you'll be wanting because you are giving tithe to get job. No, it's not said in the Bible. I've kept myself.

I've been pure. I'm not saint. It's actually pure from the days of my youth. I'm still 40 and I don't know why God hasn't given me any husband or any wife. Why God?

And then you begin to even now doubt. This is God you have believed. You see, your problem is your theology. What happens when a loved one, a strong Christian loses a child?

Loses a loved one in a mysterious and unavoidable avoidable circumstance something could have been avoided. How come? How come? When bereavement hits, it begins to question theology.

[39 : 59] So if your Christianity is built on feelings, when the vicissitudes of life, the heavy issues of life, which cannot be explained, which makes you feel like God has gone on a break on you, which makes you feel like God is not there.

There are things that happen in your life that makes you want God. if you don't have strong theology, in the days of you would turn your back against God and say, I used to be a Christian. Anybody who backslides, backslides on the grounds of lack of scripture. Lack of theology. That's why you backslide. It wasn't because you were not deep in church.

It wasn't because God has failed. It's because of your warped, warped, warped, warped, warped theology. Reason in scripture.

Peter got up and reasoned with them from scripture. He reasoned with them. Paul said that three months in the synagogue, he didn't work miracles.

[41 : 11] Who works miracles more than Paul? He didn't work miracles. He was reasoning with them, reasoning with them, reasoning and persuading them concerning the things of the kingdom.

Look at verse 9. Look at verse 9. But when some were hardened and did not believe, but spoke evil of the way before the multitude, he departed from them and withdrew the disciples.

And what again? He was reasoning daily with the disciples who wanted to listen. He was reasoning, showing them in scripture. Did you see that?

If it is this, how could it have been this? So Peter started by basic reasoning that anybody who is, whether you are of God or you are not of God, can make sense that people are not drunk because it's 9 a.m.

This common sense tells us that this is not so. Reasoning. But if I was Peter, I would have been tempted to go on and show them why they are wrong.

[42 : 06] But he didn't defend it. He just said that they are not drunk. Let's leave that matter. Let's go to something more important. Then he takes them straight to scripture.

He said, what you are seeing. Look at how he started. He said, but this, I like the word this, this. Somebody say this. Say this. So grammar tells you that this must be pointing to something. That's right. You don't have to go to grammar school to understand grammar. No. No. This. Not at all. No. This. Don't read the Bible like you are reading a newspaper.

Which is telling you stories and stories and some of it does, maybe you can't even just stories. But when you read the Bible, you have to read it like you are reading a letter.

One. And read it like you are reading a legal document. And read it like you are going to write an exam based on what you are reading. So if it's one verse, study the verse. Read it.

[43 : 03] Look at it very carefully. Colossians is very difficult to just read. As we're reading Colossians, I realize that it's not easy. When you read Matthew, there are a lot of stories. So the stories is, I was telling my wife, it's easy to read the stories.

But when you come to Colossians, there's so many things that you can't just, I don't understand why you are a sound Christian and you are God loving and you are reading your Bible and just read and go. Some things must be, even things that are not talking to your behavior.

You see, many people have rested the weight of Christianity on behavior and themselves. So when you read the Bible, all you want is what it's telling you.

It will definitely speak to you. But sometimes, when you are growing, it's not just what it's telling you. You are discovering facts. You are discovering some, let me use the word, information, for the lack of a better.

You are discovering, oh wow, okay, this is what it, so actually, the language they spoke, it wasn't so mad that they were talking to the people. Oh, okay, you read it and try and ask questions.

[44 : 07] Read it like grammar. That's why it's intelligible. And that's why you can't study your Bible only using King James. Because King James, some of the things, the English, you might not understand the ways it's put.

So try and look for something else to break it down and continue. That's why New King James tends to be a bit lighter. Now, it says it was written, look at New King James, Acts chapter 19, verse 9.

He was, or verse 8, any of them. The New King James, please. Bibles use the word reasoning. But look at King James, use the word disputing. Disputing.

See, so if you stay just on King James, which is true, which is true, there was intense intellectual discourse going on. That's right. Like what the, when they are coming to vote or something, the debate.

The debate. Yeah. It's like debating, but you can't debate without reasoning. Yeah. Yeah. Debating means reasoning to try to persuade somebody about your facts.

[45 : 11] Now, what do you do if you don't have facts? When they ask you a question, sorry, please, don't go, stay with me, don't go to America and I doubt you should do good.

Yeah, yeah, yeah. when they ask us questions, we can't answer, what hasn't been helpful for that? A modern day Christian life. The breakthrough gospel.

It's not bad in itself, but who doesn't like breakthrough? Man, I would love some this morning. Any day, any time, no breakthrough is enough for me.

I'm not, yes, yes. If you give a millionaire a thousand pounds, he will say thank you. He will take it. Even a hundred, he will take it.

You owe the bank ten pounds, see the way they will hand you down. Yeah, HMRC is saving the world. HMRC has so much money. So, who doesn't like breakthrough?

[46 : 13] Who doesn't like a life of comfort? Who doesn't like want his life to be better? Now, if that's all my preaching is about, then I'll be raising very weak-spined Christians.

Spaghetti or Indomie type of Christians. Yeah, yeah, yeah, yeah. Spicy, spicy. He said spicy Indomie.

Is somebody getting something? If that's all, people are going through things. and God meets us at the point of our knees, but that is not his primary assignment.

God's primary agenda is not poverty alleviation. No, no, don't forget this. So, those who say people have been in church and they are poor, please, they were poor anyway.

they were poor before they get to church. I'll tell you, but if they stay with God's word, you realize that there'll be a little bit of church, good church. The gospel never makes anybody poor.

[47 : 20] but it's not a rich making system, program. When you work with God, he will give you what it takes, what you need to fulfill his assignment.

His assignment, economy, God's economy. some people will be in church, not our church, but in some churches, some people will be there long and they will never get married because their marriage was not part of God's plan, but that's why our church will hear you money.

So, you say amen. This one is a little bit of advice. Even football, they bring advice inside. Oh, yes.

How? I don't want to ask you. But how many, there are times you know of a long-standing Christian and when you look at the outcome of their lives in some areas, maybe their children or their marriage or their health or their finances or their career, you feel very worried.

Why is not God doing anything? Why did God allow Stephen to die like that? Why did God allow John the Baptist to die the way he died? A young girl wiggling her waist makes the greatest prophet in the Old Testament lose his head.

[48 : 38] Where is God? Where is God? You need to waste your theology. Thank you. Look at the documents and it will make sense that no one is meant to live permanently. People are on earth for the purposes of God's economy.

Stephen died. Stephen, what has he done? What has Stephen done? He was just preaching and he summarized the entirety of the Old Testament in one chapter in the New Testament.

Stephen, such a genius. Stephen. God, if you keep him alive, you can do more than Paul. Stephen. Stephen. But God said his assignment is to die.

Explain the Old Testament. Explain reason with the people. When you finish, they will kill you. And then when you die, it will encourage them to go for more people and to make everybody scatter.

And those who have scattered, because theology is inside them, they will never abandon their faith. Acts chapter 11, verse 19 and 20, where the Bible says, and those who scattered, watch it, now, they which were scattered, say scatter.

[49 : 48] So scatter, God is not only the devil who scatter, God also scatter the church. We scatter the devil. We scatter the devil. There's nothing wrong with that. He needs to be scattered because the way he's trying to shatter your family, scatter him.

Yeah, we have power to scatter the devil. Hallelujah. Scatter demons. Demons must scatter.

Demons must scatter. Demons tremble at your presence. What else was it?

So, he said, God, and now those who were scattered after the persecution that arose over Stephen. Did you see that? Stephen played a major role. His death was necessary for the scattering.

And the scattering brought about a radical propagation of the gospel. Those who scattered, because they have good theology, look at what happened to many people who called themselves Christians during lockdown.

They abandoned Christ. They abandoned church because of the porous nature of their theology. They didn't have authentic, they were in Christ or they were in church, but church never was in them.

[50 : 48] church never if you have a good theology, how on earth can you claim to be a Christian without fellowshiping? That's why you only stay at home and watch online and you say that I'm a strong, you are not a strong Christian.

Your theology is a reflection of your porous bad theology. If you have good theology, they continue in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, fellowship, participation.

you have to be part of something that is happening. You are not a spectator, but you are partaker.

Theology, sound doctrine, but because they had sound doctrine, when they were scattered, how can you go a job in Saudi Arabia and you couldn't talk about Jesus?

You've been to Dubai several times. Theology, theology, theology, theology, theology, theology, theology is not for the academics.

Theology is, I'm talking about sound, appropriate, holistic, balanced understanding of scripture, or scriptural reason for being a Christian.

[52 : 04] Where I am, then someone comes to tell me, you know, a lot of people are deceived, they don't know even the real Jesus, the Jews hate him. it's too late. I'm too strong in Christocentric theology, Christocentric theology for you to tell me anything.

Politics cannot change my understanding of Christ. Because the one talking to me, as soon as you make a statement, because of my sound theology, for someone to say that, you know, the Jesus, the Bible talks about, is a different Jesus.

The original Jesus is from Ethiopia. You know, as soon as you say that, it doesn't matter how formidable you sound, I know there's, there's, there's a problem here.

There's a problem here. There's a, there's a, it's a, it's a, it's a, it's a, it's a, it's a, it's a, so I, right there, you know, it's like, can you imagine you are going to join the train and someone who was wearing something like a train, um, or someone who works in the station, uniform like that, you're about to go, but then it comes, hey, you can't go.

What would you do? Oh, okay. Then, when you see the person, I say, I, I'm your, I'm your savior.

Then you're like, oh, okay, this is a mental problem. You know, I'm saying, as soon as you see that, you tell, okay, you initially taught this a serious thing, you have to give attention, but once you see the signs, so when you are theologically very sound, when somebody says that, you know what, I have something to tell you about Christianity, about the church, you have been telling, when they open their mouth, oh, I realize that, no, it doesn't even, it doesn't even understand what it, I met somebody says that, we, well, I met a certain lady said, in America, said, we are the original Jews.

[53 : 46] As soon as she said that, I know that, okay, now, this is a different, this is a different story altogether, this is a different story. This is a different. Reasoning with them from scripture, reasoning with them, so Peter, let me try one now, someone get you something.

So Peter, Peter, Peter, says that, said to them, that they are not drunk. They said, this, I've gone back to grammar, when you read your Bible, take notice of grammatic rules, because literature, don't just read into it, what is not saying, grammatically, if you make a statement, or if you make a deduction, which that grammar does not support, you should feel ashamed to run with it, if you are at least intelligent.

that's why we can't just preach people's feelings, feelings, feelings, and ignore their thinking. In the days of crisis, oh, life comes with different sharp turns, and sharp curves, and shapes, there are so many, nobody knows what's ahead.

So, it says that, this is that. This is, this is, that's nice. In fact, I think I should text my message today, this is that.

This is that. That calls for thinking. Which is, what is what? This is what? Which is the this, and which is the that?

[55 : 32] So, how can you, how can you understand, what is being said, if you don't know the first, that this Peter is referring to, and then you don't know, that that, he's pointing them to.

Everybody say, this is that. This is that. Say it again. This is that. Yeah. This is that. What, what, what, what, what, what, what, what, what, what, so you have to take them to scripture, because you can't be a sound Jew, you can't be a devout Jew, you can't be somebody in Jerusalem, at this time, who's interested in what's going on, religiously, and not be aware, of what the prophets have said.

Right. So, our reasoning starts with scripture. Scripture. If there's no scripture to explain our behavior, stop it. Stop it.

Stop it. You are in error. If your church behavior cannot, or your Christian behavior cannot be justified with scripture, please, in spite of the results, stop it.

Because Satan can also produce results. Ah. Ah. Ah. The fact that it works, doesn't mean it's in the word. Wow.

[56 : 45] Don't let us build the authenticity of our faith on something because it works. Because it works. Every time pastor is preaching and he comes around and he passes his hair or his Bible around somebody's hair, the hair starts growing in two weeks.

So, now it has become a major doctrine. Pastors, don't just read from the Bible, pass it on people's hair. Pass it on people's hair. Now, how can you justify this in scripture?

It's working and God can do it like on the day of Pentacles, fire came on their head. Didn't fire come on their head? Have you ever seen anything like that before?

That people are praying for? I've been praying. I've seen all kinds of, I've never seen fire coming. Does that mean the Holy Ghost has not come? That was a unique experience. So, there are times God can do something uniquely.

This brings a major question about even the anointing oil. Oh. Pastor, why do you say we should bring anointing oil? Not that it works first, but it's scriptural first.

[57 : 53] And if it's scriptural, then if it's working because it's scriptural, then God is behind it. But if it's working and you can't work it in scripture, God is not behind it.

You are listening to people who are killing your Christian life. Some of you, I feel sorry for your future. Spiritual future.

Because, Bible says, they will keep, because of their itchy ears, they will keep to themselves. Teachers. Yes. Second, first Timothy, second Timothy, for the time will come when they will not endure.

Did you see that? Pastor, did you see that? He said, a time is coming when they, who? Who are the they? They. They. Talking about people in Christ, people in church.

And he's telling Timothy, be very strong in the Lord. Be a sound teacher. Be strong. Because a time is coming. He says that, preach, you see that? Put your second verse two. Preach the word. Not your feelings.

[58 : 54] Not politics. Not social mood. Preach the word. Be ready in season and out. Convince, rebuke, exhort with long suffering and teaching.

Why? Look at the next verse. Four. Is it? Four. Four. Is it grammar? Four. The reason I should do it is because, because the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine. Endure.

Endure even could know something. It's like sometimes you have to take a lot of discipline to go through it. It's too much. It's too much. They will not endure sound doctrine. The time is coming. They will not endure sound doctrine. But according to their own desires, because they have itchy ears, they will help out for themselves, teachers. I believe that time has come. Because YouTube, you can hear anything at all.

Somebody who doesn't have any evidence, any training, any evidence of being an impact, having impact, godly impact on anybody. Somebody, now there's people with mental health, can go and sit.

[59 : 52] Oh yeah, I'm telling you. You can have a mental health crisis and usually, when mental health crisis starts, it's not discovered quickly. Yeah. It takes special aspects. Or people who have known you for a long time, they have to be quiet and observe you intently and they realize that they are elevated.

It's going off. It's going off. And sometimes, you can be so, people can be so bold sitting online and talking and they, I mean, how can I, I can't go into some things.

You can be a Christian and celebrate what Bible trance on. Finally, I'm going to prison. Ha ha. For stealing money.

Ha ha. But, is it something, it's only children who watch their dirty linen in public. Yes. Yes. Yes. You are saying something.

Wow. Wow. And, we can be so smart because of each ears. We want someone who says something different. Yeah. Someone who says something like bad news. Yeah.

[60 : 55] Because your heart is so negative, you want a reason why this pastor is not preached. This pastor has voodoo behind him. When I got born again and started going to church, my mom who used to be in a different church those days, that I had no experience, he said, you know, in the Ghanaian community, people use a lot of black magic those days.

I don't know if they still do it. He said, the churches you are going, you are attending. Some of them are using black magic. That's why the churches are growing. So, in those days, when churches begin to grow, the first reaction is, there's voodoo behind this.

There's voodoo. There's black magic. Nowadays, it's now a court. It's a court. It's a court. It's a court. When you were in that court, weren't you doing better in Christ?

Yes. Yes. Yes. You were doing better. Not that you began to entertain all kinds of stuff and then suspicions.

Suspicious. In fact, somebody, I think someone told me that some people are even teaching how to live a church. A Christian. A Christian.

[62 : 01] How to live a church. And if you are not wise and sound in Christ, these are the things you have itchy ears for. How to divorce. Yeah.

Yeah, listen to me. Paul said, my evidence that I'm called and I know that this human life changed. Yes. Sometimes, to be honest, when people live healthy churches, it shows on their lives. Their statuses, when they are on social media, you see pictures, they start posting. It will begin to, oh, this picture is even not attracting me to Christ. You don't see them in active, godly way. You see them at beaches in bikinis. Suddenly, you see them in states that some of them, when they leave, then they begin to put, is it shisha?

Vaping. But, sadly, they believe that they have a lot to say about that. Why don't you get your mental health or spiritual system stable before you start talking?

[63 : 13] Because we can tell something is wrong with you. Some people are out of vendetta, out of bitterness. Some people think, you see, some people have come to the church and they don't like to work.

And they believe that it's the pastor's job to give them money. The pastor is why they are poor. Because Pastor Frank is wearing a nice tie. Suddenly, Pastor Frank, how can he wear a tie when they are poor people in the church?

Stupid theology. Excuse me, my language. It might be a theology. Reasoning. And people are bored about things like that.

Did the tie make it helpful? people? If you look at the number of things the government have tried to do in certain parts of our community and poverty is still increasing. Government intervention is not changing the poverty state.

The more you are on income support and the more they increase their support, the more you can't rise. Oh, come on.

[64 : 18] Come on. The government is trying to help the poor people. look, it's making many people are getting more poor. And now, church, someone can pay his rent.

What has that got to do with church? How did you get to that state? You, at your age, how did you get to that point? Let me leave that and stay on the text. Reason sometimes and don't do emotive spirituality.

Even if you can't raise it from scripture, at least common sense. It's remedial a little bit. Reason. This is that which was spoken. Look, I have to finish it now. He said, by, by, by, by, by, by, by, by, by, the, prophets.

Prophets. Prophets. Prophets. What are we doing in church that cannot be traced to the prophets? It's not of God. He beat Jesus.

[65 : 27] Everything he did could be traced to the prophets. Because that's the essence of a prophet. It's to describe the economy of God which is about to manifest in future.

And so, when you look at scripture, you can tie the thread or you can connect the dots all through. It says in Ephesians chapter 2 verse 20, the church is built on the foundation of the apostles and the prophets.

What the prophets said are not different from what the apostles are validating. If what the apostles are saying diverts, diverts from what the prophet is not of God.

If you are more than the apostle and you begin to challenge scripture, devil is using you. Forget about whether Paul said it or Peter said it.

Whoever said it doesn't matter because this is the word of God. This is the word of God. Because you are a prophet, because you are a pastor, because you think you are a teacher, now you are challenging scripture and say, I don't agree with what the scripture is saying.

[66 : 27] You are demon influenced. Clear sign of demonic influence is when you begin to challenge the word of God. It doesn't matter who wrote it because if you are challenging, maybe your interpretation is what you are in heresy.

don't give you attention to someone who misinterpret scripture. Don't give you attention. It is spiritual suicide. Don't. If they constantly keep misinterpreting scripture, especially on the big things about Jesus, his virgin birth, his deity, his crucifixion, his burial, his resurrection, his ascension, and God, the big God and the Holy Ghost, anyone who defeats from this, the Holy Ghost is not part of, it's not part of the way.

The Holy Ghost is, there's nothing like Holy Ghost. Please, there's also nothing like a preacher like you. Watch out against false doctrines.

That's why you two read your Bible so that when we say this is that, at least you can tell it's truly that, it's truly that. Now, this is where the Holy Ghost comes in.

Not all of us are grammatically astute. Some of us, we struggle with English literature. We struggle with text. Comprehension. Comprehension, thank you.

[67 : 45] Comprehension. Your biggest enemy is comprehension. But when you become born again, because it doesn't matter if you struggle with comprehension, if the one you are in love with writes something to you, you will understand it.

Your lover has written a card to you because you've been waiting for him since he went to Philippines. You have not heard from him. You've been waiting and then suddenly you got notification. He has written that the reason why you haven't heard from me, you can't say because you have struggles with comprehension, you won't understand what he's about to say.

It's a heart issue. When you read your Bible and you are looking for God, you understand the basics. Then you have to get, watch this, watch this, watch this.

A preacher who doesn't listen to sound preachers or a preacher who doesn't study is a very dangerous person. Oh, I listen to very sound preachers.

Much of what I'm saying is, much of it is not original. It's not original because there's no original man. Much of it is copyright, but repackaged.

[69 : 03] That's a good one. Listen, what I'm saying, this is that, which others have been talking about.

And every senior or every sound man of God speaks the same. So when I listen to them, I, oh, he puts it in a different way. It even makes it clearer.

Then I listen to this, so it makes it clearer. I listen to, but if you are not sound, I don't care about what you are doing. I'm not interested in listening to you. It's a waste of space in my mind. It's a waste of, I don't listen to a lot of people.

I can't, I can't, I can't because I'm not learning anything. I'm not learning anything and I want to learn because time is of the essence. I want to learn. It's not every book I'll read.

For what? What am I going to learn from this? All right, this is that. This is that. Let me finish it. This is that, which was, this is that, which I thought you would have said, which was written.

[70 : 08] It's spoken by the prophet Joel. Then he calls Joel. Oh, my message is about to start now. That's why I think I read, you know, I told you I didn't know where to.

I was going to read to verse 36 because I prepared to verse 36. I couldn't wait to talk about this Jesus of Nazareth, Nazareth. John chapter one, verse 45. Nazareth.

We have found him. Matthew chapter two, verse 23. Nazareth. Nazareth. That's where he started his preaching. He said, let me end this now. He said, this is that which was spoken.

Then he reads. So instead of trying to give explanation and justifying, he said, let's go to scripture. So he goes to scripture and he reads the scripture and he said, it shall come to pass in the last days.

says God. Joel spoke by God speaking through him. Says God, I will pour out my spirit upon, I spoke about this, not just in, indwelling, but this is upon.

[71 : 07] I'll pour out my spirit upon all flesh. All flesh means no discrimination. Gender, race, status, it doesn't matter. All flesh, once you're a human being, the spirit can be poured upon you.

Pour my spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. Verse 18, upon, and on my servants and my handmaiden, I will pour out in those days of my spirit, and they shall, can I add this?

I don't want to come back here. In Acts, the Bible talks about how Agabus, he prophesied by the spirits, Acts chapter 11. Let me just give you the text quickly.

He prophesied because the spirits came upon, the spirits came upon people and they prophesied. I see the spirit coming upon you in chapter 11, verse 28, and Acts chapter 21, verse 4, 11, it says that, and there's to one of them named Agabus, and signified by the spirit that there should be a great death throughout all the world, which came to pass in the days of Claudia.

He's by the spirit, prophecies by the spirit. chapter 21, verse 4, Acts 21, verse 4. He said, I'll pour my spirit and I'll prophesy. He said, and finding, Acts 21, verse 4, and finding disciples, we stayed there seven days.

[72 : 32] They told Paul through the spirit not to go through Jerusalem. They prophesied. Paul, don't go, because they could sense by the spirit. True prophecy is a function of the spirit.

Acts 21, verse 11, look at verse 11. Look at verse 11. When they had come to us, he took Paul's belt, bound his hands and feet, and said, Thus says the Holy Spirit, so shall the Jews at Jerusalem bind the man who owes this belt, and deliver.

What? He said, Thus says the spirit, prophecies by, so he said, I'll pour my spirit upon them, and they shall prophesy. I see the spirit coming upon you, and you shall prophesy.

And quickly, that's verse 18, and then the verse 19, because I want to finish that text, the quotation, then we can, watch this, this is very interesting. Can I finish it please? Is that okay?

Let me do this very quickly, okay? Are you sure I can go ahead? Alright, see, and I will show wonders, this is very, I will show wonders in the heavens above, and signs in the earth beneath, blood and fire and vapor of smoke.

[73 : 37] Verse 20, the moon, the sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before the great and notable day of the Lord. Now, what's going on here? Why hasn't this happened? Now, because the Holy Ghost was poured on them, and he said, this is that which he said.

So, if this is that which he said, how about the rest? Do you understand what I'm saying? You caught a whole scripture, and only a small part of it is, how about the rest? The secret is that, he says that, it shall come to pass, verse 17, this is that which he said, it shall come to pass in the last days.

Now, it's a matter of defining what the last days are. The last day started from the time Jesus came, was born. Okay? In 1 Peter chapter 1, verse 20, and Hebrews chapter 1, verse 2, look at 1 Peter 1, verse 20, who verily was foreordained before the foundation, they're talking about Jesus, alright? Okay, let's get it context, so you know it's Jesus, go to the verse before 19, redeemed by the blood, precious blood, but with the precious blood of Christ, as of the land without blemish and without spots, right? So, talking about Christ, now it's talking about Christ, who was verily foreordained before the foundation of the world, but was manifested at these last times for you.

So, when Christ came, it was the beginning of the last times. Hebrews chapter 1, verse 2, it talks about how God in the time past spoke to our fathers through the prophets. Hebrews chapter 1, he spoke to the prophets, but in these last days, in these last, he has spoken to us by his son.

[75 : 06] So, the last days, watch this, is very important, theology. The last days started with the first coming of Jesus. That's very important. So, when the Bible talks about the last days, we are talking about the first coming of Jesus Christ, from the first coming of Jesus Christ.

The Hebrew expression, last days, indicates the end of the dispensation of the law, when the Messiah was determined to come. So, in Isaiah chapter 2, verse 2, he said, it shall come to pass in the last days, that the mountain of the Lord's house, talking about the church, in the last days. In Micah chapter 4, verse 1, he said, the same text, it shall come to pass in the last days. So, the last days started with the arrival of Jesus, when Jesus was born. So, what does that mean? What does that mean? We are in the last days. So, when Jesus came down, it was the beginning of the last days. So, from 2,000 years ago, we've been in the last days. So, that means, the plot can be pulled into any moment.

But, he says that when the last days come, these are the signs. I'll pour my spirits. That's some of the signs. So, he's not talking about the day of Pentacles.

[76 : 15] Peter was not preaching about the day of Pentacles. He was preaching about the last days. These are the signs of the last day. God himself said, I'll pour my spirit. But, that's one of that has happened. Before the great day itself, before the final day, the moon will be turned into darkness.

The sun, sorry. Can you imagine? The sun turns into darkness. It will be a scary moment. The sun shall be turned into the moon. You will see a moon by its blood.

What's this? What's this? Is there? The sun shall be turned into darkness and the moon into blood. Before the great day, so before that day comes, people will be so scared that the only thing people will be looking for is, I need to be saved.

This is I need salvation. I need salvation. But, I have appointed that in those days people shall be saved. How shall they be saved? Verse 21. And it says it shall come to pass.

Whosoever shall call on the name of the Lord shall be saved. Name.

[77 : 16] So God made a provision. There are some sects that tell you that if you don't mention the name of Jehovah, you are not saved. But so we have to find out what name, because who shall mention the name of them? What name are we talking about?

What name are we talking about? In Acts chapter 4 verse 10, he said there's no name. If you are asking us by what name this man is standing by or what authority, let it be known as you and all the people, that by the name of Jesus Christ, you see that the Nazareth is coming, Jesus Christ of Nazareth.

So when he said all that, he quoted the scripture, then he started talking about, verse 22, Jesus Christ of Nazareth, you have not preached. If your preaching is not resting on Jesus, it doesn't matter how powerful your theology is, if it is not, look Peter, after all he said, he quoted the scripture, he opened his mouth to say, Jesus of Nazareth, said, let me say this in ending, this one, what every Christian must do, when somebody asks you a question, about your spiritual life or about general, especially your Christian, answer the question first, so somebody asks you, why are you so happy in church, or why is life so, it seems like everybody is struggling, but life is working for you, then you can answer, or why are you taking this course, you can answer, or why do you pray, because the Bible says that don't pray, whatever, then you give the answer of the prayer, but don't leave it like that, find a way that people don't leave you after you attempt to give them answers, without hearing that Jesus is the

Christ, the son of the living God, and the Bible is the word of God, every Christian must have this, when you are dealing with people, your fundamental or final objective is to let them know, Jesus is the son of the living God, the Christ, the Messiah, and the Bible is the only word of God.

When you are on BBC, they interview you, when you are on Sky, they interview you, when you are awake, a colleague asks you a question, when someone find a way, that's what you are living for, that the Christian message is that Jesus is the Christ, the son of the living God, and not just that, God, and the Bible is the only true word of God.

[79 : 46] Hallelujah! Hallelujah! This is that, shall we all say that together? I know some people don't like saying things in church, but can we all say it together? This is that.

This is that. I see God favoring you. I see God helping you to understand the scripture more. Please lift up your right hand and let's pray a prayer that God helped me to understand it more.

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