

The following was read during the service:

God is preparing an army, preparing his Bride, to expand his Kingdom throughout the earth. He is purging his Church. He is removing all leadership [who are] after the order of Saul and replacing them with people like David, whose heart is after God. He is going to bring down all the works of men, and only those works born of his Spirit will remain.

Do not be deceived beloved, for there will always be two works being done in the earth: a work of the flesh and a work of the Spirit. If you are not diligent to hear the Spirit, you will be deceived by the church that is run by the flesh, because outwardly it will appear to be of the Spirit. Just as the Jews in Jesus' time seemed to be the work of God, so it will be in our time.

There will be a large, organized Christian religion that will be an enemy of what God is doing in the earth, and just as Jesus was on the outside of organized religion doing the will of God, so it will be with us. There will be those who hear what the Spirit is saying and will come out of the organized church to join the true Church, and will go about as Jesus—doing the will of the Father. Just as the religious leaders persecuted Jesus, so it will be in our time.

The religious leaders that will not submit to what God is doing, and hold on to the old ways and their position in the church, will persecute those who are following after God. So, fear not beloved, for even though many will be deceived, those who know Me and know My Word will not be deceived. Keep your heart sensitive to My Spirit and develop your relationship with Me, for it is Me, your Heavenly Father, working in you both to will and to do of My good pleasure. I have placed My Spirit in you to lead and guide you into all truth.

One last warning beloved: do not be deceived that this message is not for you. There is no church or group on earth that is immune from becoming a man-controlled church instead of a Holy Spirit-controlled church. Any work that is begun in the Spirit, the flesh will rise up and try to control it. Hold fast in these trying times and you will come forth as pure gold, tried in the fire.

*Please receive this as a positive word and a wake-up call, with no condemnation:*

In the past I have allowed you to be children while I was preparing My people for this hour, but those days are over. I will no longer tolerate wrong attitudes and childish behavior among My people. I finally have My mighty warriors who are ready for the intense training and warfare ahead, and I will not hold them back because of some who insist on remaining children. I will no longer have a back-biting, gossiping, murmuring, arrogant, unforgiving, uncaring people. I am coming for a Bride without spot or wrinkle. Judgment begins in My household. If you are harboring anything in your heart that is not according to My Word, you won't be able to stand when the heat is turned up. You have known Me as Daddy, and I am, but now you will know Me as a Refiner.

Beloved, I see the emptiness and discontentment in your heart. You thought that serving Me and doing ministry in My Name would satisfy the longing in your heart, but you have been disappointed and frustrated. Your desire to know Me is so great that you feel your heart will burst. You have wondered if there is something wrong with you because you do not get excited about church activities and programs like others around you.

Your strong desire to know Me brings great joy to My heart. Be encouraged, beloved, for I am the One who has placed that desire within you. I am drawing you unto Myself. You see, no amount of activity or successful ministry will fulfill that desire within you. Only knowing Me intimately will satisfy the longing and desire of your heart. I am not coming back for servants; I am coming back for a Bride. So, rise up My fair one and come away with Me, away from the activities, programs, and traditions of men. You won't find Me in those things. You will find Me when you search for Me with all of your heart and soul and mind and strength. Do not worry about working for Me, just spend time with Me.

*The most effective ministry will always be the fruit of relationship with God, not a means to a relationship with God.*