

Colossians 1:16-17

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Now Father, we thank You today for the Lord Jesus. Thank You for the Word of God that You have given us. We thank You for those that have come out today to hear Your Word and to be taught the Scriptures. We pray, Father, Holy Spirit of God, that You would take the Word of God today, make it real to us, help us look inside our hearts, Father, that we would cleanse ourselves from any uncleanness, that we might receive the teaching of the Holy Spirit of God that You have for us today. And we will thank You and praise You in Jesus' name, for His sake we ask it. Amen.

I. The Purpose of Creation: By Him and For Him

Two things I want you to see in this verse, and this verse really ties all these things together. The first thing I want you to see is the Bible says in Colossians 1:16:

For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him:

That would be the spiritual and the natural, the visible and the invisible. There are the laws of science right up against the laws of the Bible. Science cannot distinguish the two because they have no God in their life.

Then it goes on to say, "whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers." Thrones and dominions are physical. Principalities and powers are spiritual. All things were created by Him and for Him. He is before all things and by Him all things consist.

The thing that I want you to see out of this great verse, and we are going to hammer this aspect all through our time this morning, is a little something that most of us forget about. We take it for granted or we do not really understand it. It is something that constantly in my life I need to stay focused on, and it is the end of Colossians 1:16. It is just a little thing, but I have learned over the years that most of the tremendous things that God tells us, He just tucks in there at the end of another statement that you have got to really look at. It simply says this: "all things were created by him, and for him."

That is a tremendous statement. That statement simply says that everything that God created, both physically and spiritually, God created for Himself. It is for Him. It was created by Him and it was created for Him. That is what we are going to look at this morning when we start coming down through all these next two laws. You are going to see this and then again see how it weaves back.

II. The Natural Man's Blindness to God's Creation

Romans 1:20 simply says that the men out there who are natural men, unsaved people, the scientists and all of the great intellectuals of this world who reject God, who look at the stars in the heavens and they see basically what they want to see without seeing God. The Bible tells us

that these natural laws that God has put into effect, they are in 24/7. They never cease. When a man looks up and he sees the order of the universe, he has to be faced with the confrontation that whether he wants to believe it or not, the idea that it all just came into existence by happenstance is pretty remote.

In fact, you have heard it said many, many times, and it is a true statement, it really takes more faith to believe in evolution than it does to believe in God and the Bible.

For the invisible things of him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even his eternal power and Godhead; so that they are without excuse:

They will never be a man or a woman who dies and goes to hell, who stands before God at the judgment and ever is cast into the lake of fire, that will not look back and see that because God made everything by Him and for Him, because He is before all things and by Him all things consist.

A scientist cannot understand, when he studies the atom, how you can have negative and positive charges running around in a circle when in reality, you take two magnets, one is negative and one is positive, you reverse the poles on them, try to put those two magnets together. It will never happen. They repel each other. When you have an atom, you have two of the same situations where they should repel each other. Yet they circle around at a high rate of speed and the two do not repel each other when the law says they should. Do you know why they do not? Because He is before all things and by Him all things consist. He is what holds it all together.

I could take every one of these laws, we do not have time this morning, I could take these laws and show you how the laws are signed. Take gravity. Gravity, somebody says, "All of gravity is that you drop something, it falls." No, the law of gravity is the Bible principle that there is somebody trying to pull you down and take you under. It is such an important concept that years ago when they still used an English that was somewhat pure, when you die they took you to an undertaker because somebody knew that you were going under. Because when your physical body ceases to exist, the law of gravity no longer has anything over your spiritual aspect and down you go.

Do you know what God does at the rapture of the church? He just ends the law of gravity for about 10 billion people and off we go. That is the way it works. We do not have time to get into all that this morning, but that is how it goes.

III. The Law of Natural Division: Light Versus Darkness

We are going to look at a couple more laws this morning and then we are going to make the application. We are trying to pull all these together. Last week, in laying out the law of natural division, I showed you a great concept, and that concept is the concept of light versus darkness. You do not go four verses into Genesis 1 under the order of the law of first mention that you find the great division in the Bible. That is where God divides the light from the darkness. That light

and darkness is not day and night. The sun is not even created for three more days. That light and darkness deals with the glory of the Lord and the ungodliness of the darkness or the devil.

Of course, you find that all through the Bible. You find that in John 1, as I gave you last week, where it talks about the light shining in darkness and the darkness comprehended it not. How can darkness as daytime comprehend anything? Because it is not daytime. It is a being who has his own glory. That is a false glory that blinds men and women.

This then is the message which we have heard of him, and declare unto you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all.

Then it goes on to talk about the mode of our fellowship and how we should fellowship with God. This law, the law of natural division, really lays the foundation for the next law we are going to look at in Colossians 1, where that concept, and I want you to remember that today, is that all things are created by Him and for Him.

IV. The Law of God's Perspective: Moving from Natural to Supernatural

We are going to look at law number four, and law number four is simply the law of God's perspective. There is a great verse in Isaiah 55:8-9, and I memorized it years ago because I recognized that it was one of those verses that I really needed to stay focused on. It simply says this:

For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, saith the LORD.

For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts.

The thing that we all have to come to terms with if you are going to build a relationship with God and really understand the Bible, this is a very basic, key component, but it is absolutely vital. We have to understand that we do not think like God thinks. God thinks on a spiritual plane; we think on a physical plane. We see things that are tangible; God deals with things that are intangible. We think things that we can touch and things that we can see and things we can drive, things that we can eat. God thinks in terms of things that are spiritual, and God never has to eat. God does not eat a car. He is in a spiritual realm, in a spiritual world.

I might say to you, the number one problem that we have once you get saved is probably going to be moving from that aspect into that other aspect. I call it moving from the natural into the supernatural. I call it going from the physical to the spiritual. When you come through your Bible, you are going to find that the Bible, without a doubt, is a book that is built on that supernatural plane. That is a good thing. The Bible says an unsaved man cannot figure out the scripture. The Bible says the natural man receives not the things of the Spirit of God, neither can he know them. Why? Because the Bible says they are spiritually discerned.

An unsaved man or an unsaved woman does not have the ability to discern the scriptures because discernment comes from the Holy Spirit of God, and an unsaved man or an unsaved woman does

not have the Holy Spirit of God to help them discern it. They are still in this. When you get saved, you come into the light. The light is the Holy Spirit of God. He comes inside you and He lives inside you and He illuminates your life for the rest of your life. It is like somebody looking over your shoulder in a dark room holding a flashlight, showing you all the things that you should not trip on, showing you all the things that you should see versus the things that you do not want to mess with in your life. It is simply called the natural versus the supernatural.

But we do not think like God thinks, and that is why when many people come to the Bible, they cannot grasp it. I learned something a long time ago about the Bible, and it is the number one thing that, at this point in my life, intrigues me about the Bible more than anything else. For years and years and years, I began to look at the Bible, and I began to look at it conceptually. I began to look at it as what it said and how it applied to me. Then one day it just hit me. One day it struck me like a ton of bricks, and I found a whole new way to study the Bible. I must confess that it has probably been about 15 years ago in my life, and it really changed my dimension on the Scriptures, and it really changed how I read it when I read it for myself or even when I study it.

Because the thing I was struck with that just really left an impression on me was not what God said in the Bible, but the questions He asked in the Bible. Then I began to follow my own laws, the law of first mention, remember that. I thought to myself, I want to see what the first question is in the Bible the devil asks. I got a study out of that. Then I wanted to see the next thing. I wanted to find the first question God asked in the Bible, following my own law. I got a study out of that.

Then I began to look all through the Bible. Do you know what I found? I found a whole bunch of things. But when it came to man, do you know what I found? I found that there are two questions that God asks man. One is an unsaved man; the other one is a saved man. The unsaved man He asked back in Genesis was the first question God asked when He said to Adam, "Where art thou?" At that time when He asked Adam that, Adam was an unsaved man. He had lost the image of God. God has been asking that question to unsaved people for the next six thousand years. He wants to ask an unsaved man or an unsaved woman, "Do you know where you are in relationship to eternity?" That is the first question God asked in the Bible, and He asked it to an unsaved man.

Then I found out later in study that God asks a question to saved men and women. That question is all in Genesis, and the question He asks to saved people is, "Who are you?" He asked an unsaved man, "Where are you?" But He wants to ask you and I, "Who are we?" Do you know what the biggest problem we have in our life, why we still have one foot in the world, one foot trying with God? Because we do not understand who we are after we are saved. That is what it is. And it never stopped.

I found out, I teach you about the judgment seat of Christ and all that stuff. Then, I found a question that God is going to ask you at the judgment seat of Christ in the Bible. I found the question for when you and I stand before God, the exact question He is going to ask you and me at the judgment seat of Christ. If the Bible is God's mind and everything is in His mind, do not you think, even though we are not at the judgment seat of Christ yet, God has in His mind what

He is going to ask us? Do you think when the great judgment day comes, when you and I stand up there and God is getting ready to come in, and every man is going to give an account, every saved man, and He is going to walk in there, do you think God is going to be walking around saying, "Now, where did I put that list of questions I had? I want to ask these guys." Do you think He is going to ask you different questions than He asks me? Do you think He is going to ask you different questions than He does you or you? It is going to be the same. Do you know why? Do you know why the questions are the same? The mission is the same. That is how easy the Bible is. It is as simple as that.

Then I got to studying, and there is another judgment. We are going to study this when we get to our judgment. It is called the Great White Throne Judgment. Every unsaved man and woman that ever lived is going to stand there and give an account to God. Do you know what? The Bible records the questions He is going to ask. The Bible has questions that He is going to ask scientists. I am telling you, the most scientific book in your Bible is Deuteronomy. Job, in Job 38, he asks, 39 or 40, I forget, 39 or 40 are the most scientific questions anybody has asked. The Bible says in Job 9:1-3 that when God starts asking questions, man cannot answer one question in a thousand. Do you know why? Because God is on a spiritual level and we are on a human level. You want to be able to answer those questions? You have got to come out of the natural into the supernatural. You have got to quit living where you are living and get where God is living. That is as simple as that.

I began to see those things, and I began to realize that all of the questions, there are questions for an unsaved doctor that he is going to have to answer. There is a question for, I found a question for every vocation that a man or woman can get into in an unsaved state. They are in that Bible, and one of these days God is going to open it up.

I will tell you why that is. In Ephesians 3, you are going to find that in the world, the physical world, we have three dimensions. You are going to find that around us we have what we call breadth, we have length, we have height. You might know there are three. Found in Ephesians 3, there are three dimensions that we call the physical dimension. Everything we find in our life will fall into that threefold category because that is the physical, what we call the three dimensions. Every picture, when you look at a picture in a book, you see one dimension. When I look at you or you look at me or we look at a car or we look at a tree, we see all three dimensions. It is really the three dimensions that make the thing complete, and the reason why that is because three is the number of completion in your Bible. It is the way God did it.

We talked about that last week. When you come to the book of Ephesians, you will find where God adds a fourth dimension. He will talk about the breadth, He will talk about the length, and He will talk about all three dimensions in the physical: the height, the length, and the breadth. Then He adds a fourth dimension to it in that great chapter. Remember now, the book of Ephesians is the book that is written to the body of Christ, revealing what your life and my life should be and coming from the natural to the supernatural. For you and I to come from the natural to the supernatural, we must understand the great concept that there is a fourth dimension that you and I have to get into. The fourth law is the law of God's perspective. You only get God's perspective when you step out of the natural and when you come into the supernatural.

Somebody says, "Bob, in your most basic way that you can do it, explain to me what I get. Explain to me what happens when I, as a Christian, explain to me in one sentence what happens to me when I leave the natural and get into the supernatural. When I stop seeing things from my standpoint and start understanding that God is higher than me, and I start giving, give me in the shortest phrase versus word you can do, what is the one thing I get from it?"

What you get from it I already gave you in Colossians 1. You now begin to understand that all things were created by Him and for Him, and not for you. You realize here that you have a purpose now as a child of God. The process of spiritual growth in your life should bring you to this level. Everything I do with you, whether it is together here on Thursday night or our one-on-one, everything I do, every time we talk, every time we open up that scripture, my job and the way I am looking at it is getting you a little farther along in that process that you start seeing things from God's perspective instead of seeing things from your own perspective or the world's perspective.

You probably have pastors in this city today and across this country that are getting up and they have some kind of burden they want to get their people to see. I have heard it all my life, when you want to get something done in the church, when you want to get God's people to do something, you get up and you talk about the concept of getting a vision. I have seen churches have great campaigns with big banners across the front and back of the church, "Grasp the Vision." They will get up and they will preach on vision and all those aspects.

Where there is no vision, the people perish: but he that keepeth the law, happy is he.

God's people have to have a vision, but the vision is not some pastor's idea of trying to get your money so he can build a 16 million dollar building and put a 25 million dollar birdbath in the front of it. That is not the vision. The vision is you simply getting out of the natural and seeing what God sees in the supernatural. The vision for this church is to simply understand that all things were made by Him and for Him, and we exist after we are saved for one purpose and one reason: that is to get my life to the place where I start fulfilling this law because this law, if you do not get it, will break your neck at the judgment seat of Christ.

Seeing things from God's standpoint. Somebody said to me one time, "What is a vision?" A vision is simply hearing what others do not hear. A vision is seeing what others do not see. A vision is touching what other people can never touch. A vision is simply believing a book that nobody else believes. When you get all those together, the vision contracts itself and focuses itself that when you hear what others do not, see what others do not, touch what others do not, believe what others do not, then you do what others cannot do. It is as simple as that.

You understand that all things were created by Him and for Him, and that is a great concept, and that is why our job, your job, my job, is to step out of the natural into the supernatural. Every man in the Bible that ever became a vessel that God used in a great way came through that same process. I am not somebody that when you first come into our church or you first get saved, I fully understand that there is a process. I never hurry you along. I may keep you accountable, but I do not ever push you faster and farther than you should go. Because simply put, it comes to a

place where no man in the Bible ever went through the same progression the same way, but there is a process.

When you come to say, "Hey, I am tired of my life the way it was. I do not have a lot of time left. I want to take the rest of my life and do what God wants me to do," then you enter into a process that every man and woman in the Bible that was ever used by God for great things. I do not believe this concept about getting up and saying, "Well, so-and-so, Pastor so-and-so, or this guy over here, he is used to, he is a great man of God." I learned that is a fallacy a long time ago. There are no great men of God. There are just common, ordinary men who are used by a great God when you get out of the natural into the supernatural. Simple as that. It is just that basic and simple.

Now you take the life of Abraham, one of the greatest lives you will ever study in the Bible. His life is recorded from Genesis 12 all the way up to Genesis 25. He is a man in the Bible who is given the designation of being God's friend. What a great testimony that is.

(As it is written, I have made thee a father of many nations,) before him whom he believed, even God, who quickeneth the dead, and calleth those things which be not as though they were.

Who against hope believed in hope, that he might become the father of many nations, according to that which was spoken, So shall thy seed be.

And being not weak in faith, he considered not his own body now dead, when he was about an hundred years old, neither yet the deadness of Sara's womb:

He staggered not at the promise of God through unbelief; but was strong in faith, giving glory to God;

And being fully persuaded that, what he had promised, he was able also to perform.

What a great, I guess that place right there, it sums up everything about Abraham's life. There is a lot in the Bible on his life. It gives you in that passage one of the greatest concepts about God and you and me, how God is in the supernatural and we are in the natural. When Abraham started out, he wanted to do what was right. God called him out of Ur of the Chaldees, and God said, "Abraham, I want you to go. I want you to forsake everything. I want you to leave your family." God divides before He puts it all together. He says, "I am going to cut you out of all that. I am going to send you over here to a land. I know you do not know where you are going, just follow My lead."

Abraham wanted to do it, but he did not have the faith to do it exactly the way God wanted to do. So he took Lot with him, and Lot became a problem. God came down to Abraham and said, "Now you have got to understand, Abraham, when the Bible says that he was dead, dead, his body dead, it does not mean that he was dead physically. It meant that at 90 years of age, you do not go out and try to start a family." And there is Sarah, she is 86. That is not the time that you have got to be thinking about childbearing. It just does not happen; it is against nature, it is against the natural things.

God came down there to Abraham one day and He said, "Abraham, you are going to have a child because I promised you a seed." Abraham said, "Well, that is pretty good." He went over there and Sarah, and Sarah just said, "Oh, okay, that sounds pretty good. I am 86 years old, what took you so long?" You see, great concepts come in here. If God would have done it the way God was doing it with thousands of other women and men, nobody would have thought anything special about it. You take a 99-year-old man and an 86-year-old woman, who here would not say that is special?

But Abraham, he could not trust Him, he could not believe Him. Sarah did not believe Him, so Sarah says, "Take my handmaid, take Hagar." Then they produced Ishmael, and you know the mess that came in. In other words, my point is this: Abraham, when he began his journey to be God's friend, the same journey I hope you are all on, it did not happen overnight. Did he make some mistakes? He certainly did. Did he make some big mistakes? Yes, he did. But he wound up at the end of the day being one of two men in the Bible who are called God's friend. Did God have other friends? Certainly He did, but He made something special about that designation of those two men because He wants you and I, when we study the scriptures, if you want to find out how to be God's friend, study those two men's lives. The other one is Moses.

The great concept that Abraham could not get is found in Romans 4:17. I am going to tell you this, the Bible says in 1 Corinthians that everything that happened to everybody in the Old Testament was for your admonition and mine, that we might learn by their mistakes so we do not make the same mistakes. Simple as that.

(As it is written, I have made thee a father of many nations,) before him whom he believed, even God, who quickeneth the dead, and calleth those things which be not as though they were.

That means dead body, 99 and 86. And calleth those things which be not as though they were. There it is. Do you know what God does? God sees something that is not there yet and sees it. From a natural standpoint, the whole world saw an old couple ready for the old folks' home. It was a trip when he went down to Babies "R" Us and bought the cribs. The store guy said, "Well, Abraham, good to see you in here. Are you buying, going to a baby shower for somebody, buying some gifts?" And Abraham says, "No, no, Sarah is going to have a child. We just got to get some stuff." I mean, I thought talking to him was a good thing. When you talk about Alzheimer's compounding itself, they wanted to lock this guy up. Do you know why? Because all the world could see was just an old couple ready for the old folks' home. Do you know what God saw? God saw the nation of Israel.

When I deal with you, I try to apply that. I do not see you when I tell you when you come to church, you start to do what is right. I do not care where you have been, I do not care what you have done. I do not care what struggles you have been in life. I only care where you are at right now, what you want to do. Do you know why? Because I look at you, I try to look at you, and I do not see you with where you are at with your problems. I see you where you can be if you will do what God wants you to do.

As a child of God, you have got to get to the point where you do not see things as they appear; you see them as they are. These men got God's perspective. They never saw God, they never

looked at people, they never saw their lives, they never saw their families, they never saw their jobs, they never saw the world the same way again.

Moses is another one. The Bible says in Hebrews 11:23-27:

By faith Moses, when he was born, was hid three months of his parents, because they saw he was a proper child; and they were not afraid of the king's commandment.

By faith Moses, when he was come to years, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter;

Choosing rather to suffer affliction with the people of God, than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season;

Esteeming the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures in Egypt: for he had respect unto the recompence of the reward.

By faith he forsook Egypt, not fearing the wrath of the king: for he endured, as seeing him who is invisible.

Moses had the ability to see what God was doing in the most adverse circumstances. Do you know what the devil wants to do? The devil defeats 99% of us right out of the chute because we are not there yet. We cannot see it yet. We do not understand how to see it when it is not there. The devil overwhelms us with some kind of problem, many times our own stupidity is involved. It defeats us because we cannot get to the place where we see it as it really is. My friend, that is the number one reason why you need to be in church and you need to be in Bible study and you need to get in your Bible. That is what we do. We do that better than anything else we do is we help you see it as it is, not as it appears.

Let me tell you something, life and the reality of life comes to a man or a woman getting with God, knowing God, seeing God, and through that process realizing that everything was by Him and for Him, and everything else is just an illusion. You see it all the way through. Paul was another one. I have got one, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, nine guys on here. We do not have time to go through them. I will give you one more.

Paul is another one. He is the greatest Christian who ever lived, without a doubt. Yet in each one of these men's lives, there comes a time when there is some reference point. If you study their lives, you can go back to that, it changed their life. When that point hit, they never looked at God the same way, they never looked at the world the same way, they never looked at their job, they never looked at their families. They came to the place where they stepped up, and they were there in the place where they step out of the natural and into the supernatural, and they realize the great law of God's perspective, that everything was by Him and for Him, and we only exist to help Him accomplish what His purpose is. I do not know how else to tell it to you.

It is not expedient for me doubtless to glory. I will come to visions and revelations of the Lord.

I knew a man in Christ above fourteen years ago, (whether in the body, I cannot tell; or whether out of the body, I cannot tell: God knoweth;) such an one caught up to the third heaven.

And I knew such a man, (whether in the body, or out of the body, I cannot tell: God knoweth;)

How that he was caught up into paradise, and heard unspeakable words, which it is not lawful for a man to utter.

Of such an one will I glory: yet of myself I will not glory, but in mine infirmities.

For though I would desire to glory, I shall not be a fool; for I will say the truth: but now I forbear, lest any man should think of me above that which he seeth me to be, or that he heareth of me.

And lest I should be exalted above measure through the abundance of the revelations, there was given to me a thorn in the flesh, the messenger of Satan to buffet me, lest I should be exalted above measure.

For this thing I besought the Lord thrice, that it might depart from me.

Here is how it worked. I do not understand how this whole process played itself out because the Bible does not give you a lot of details on it, but this is Paul. Paul got saved in Acts 9. You go through the chronology of the book of Acts, Paul disappears for a while, almost 14-15 years. I know when you read there, you turn two pages over and there he is again, but there is about 13-14 years missing in his life. We know part of that time he spends on Mount Arabia where Moses met with God, and God gives him the body mystery just like He gave Moses. In fact, Moses and Paul are two great guys. Moses represents the law; Paul represents the grace of God. They both got their commissions at the exact same spot. That is called consistency.

He is down in Arabia for three and a half years, which just happened to be the last three years of the tribulation period entirely. We do not want to get into that. But he is a great study, and this is where after he got saved, in some process in his life, God snatched him out of this earth and took him up to the third heaven where God is. He sat him right down before the throne, and Paul just about loses his breakfast, lunch, and dinner. He is absolutely blown away. He actually now has been transported from the natural into the supernatural. He is so overwhelmed he cannot even tell if he is in the body or out of the body. He just knows, "Whoa, look at what is up here."

Whatever conversation they have, whatever God shows him, whatever God lays out for him, and for however long he is up there, and the Bible does not give you any of those clues, but whatever happens, when God took him and threw him over the banisters of heaven, and he wound back up down here on earth and woke out of his dream or his trance, or if he was stoned on the road when they tried to kill him one time, there are a myriad of possibilities how this thing happened. But I know this: at some point God took him out of the natural, took him into the supernatural, and when he came back, his life was never the same again. He never looked at people. He never looked at God. He lived his life like a suicidal maniac, wanting somebody to kill him so he could get back up to heaven and be with God. He was not afraid of anything or anybody. He took a stand for God. At one time he was persecuting God's people; now he becomes the greatest champion for God's people. Do you see how that thing works?

There is a time when all our life we were God's greatest enemy. Now it is our time to be God's greatest friend. He understood that God had a plan for him. Do you? I will tell you, you will never get that until you understand and you see it, and that is why so many of God's people are in

churches today. Churches are having services today, and it is like a bunch of little kids shooting marbles or playing pickup sticks or building a little whatever, and it has nothing to do with the plan of God because they are all living in the natural. Nobody is moving into the supernatural, and everybody sees this planet and sees what we are doing in the ministry like we are going to be here the rest of our lives, and there is no urgency to what God has called us to do. That is our problem.

Everything else you see around you in life is a smokescreen if you do not get the concept that everything was made by Him and for Him. You and I exist for one reason, and Paul got it. Paul got it.

When I was a child, I spake as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a child: but when I became a man, I put away childish things.

It simply says this: when you get saved, you are like a little child, but there has to come a time in your life, sir, there has to come a time in your life as a child of God, when you have to grow up. You realize and you see the world for what it is: a great little playground filled with a bunch of babies who want to take each other's toys. You have got to grow up. You have got to be God's man. You have got to be God's woman, and the only way you do that is to come through a process of understanding that all things were by Him and for Him, and you start to see it from the law of God's perspective. How you and I see it in the natural has nothing to do with God doing in the supernatural. That is the number one fundamental reason why God's people never do anything meaningful for God. It has to come down to you and I seeing it.

I feel so bad sometimes for a lot of God's people. I see them get saved and I see them in churches, but they do not even care. Somebody was telling me last night about a couple that came out to our volleyball, and our volleyball is going good. You know how you know when our volleyball league is really being a testimony of God? When you go to the restaurant, we are going to this Funhouse Pizza, and I have known the guy for, I knew the guy a lot of years ago, and he used to come to my Bible years and years ago. The reason you know when God has got His hand on your ministry and God is blessing it and you are a real testimony is when, now this is three weeks, and we told this guy, "We will come over here." The guy said, "We will stay open late for you. We close at 10, but if you are coming over, we are here to go to the restaurant."

Do you know how you know that you are being a testimony? When a guy calls you over and says, "Pastor, I really appreciate your..." This guy does not go to church. I am not even sure he is saved. But when the guy who owns the place calls you over and says, "Pastor, I really appreciate the business. Here is my tithe off your business tonight. Put that in your offering plate tomorrow." What do you say to that? I say, "Well, our bill was bigger than that." That is what I am talking about. That guy has all kinds of people coming in and getting drunk, and what he sees is good, clean-cut men, young men and young ladies that want to love God, that love each other, that are just common, and he cannot understand that.

But I started to tell you, somebody was telling me last night about a couple that came in, and I love the way you guys get burdened for people. I just love, I think it is the greatest thing that our church has, along with all the other great things, it just overwhelmed me. So you wanted to talk

to me last night about a couple that you brought, or I forget how they got there, and you found out where they went to church, and you wanted to come to church and you wanted to invite them. The girl says, "You know, well, my husband or my boyfriend or whoever, he is getting baptized tomorrow, and they go to this particular church." And you are thinking, "Well, that is pretty good." So you talk to the guy, and the guy says, "Yeah, I am getting saved in the morning."

They said to me, "I could see it just, it really pained you," and they should. You want to just rip the top of their head off and yell down on that empty skull and let the echo bounce back and forth six or seven times, "That is the right way it works!" You cannot do that. But there is a way to do it, and you are doing it the right way. You just honestly, legitimately stay in the Word of God, keep growing through the process. When somebody tells me something like that, when I see somebody, and the room is filled with them, I am not taking this person out of one, you are all, most of you, all of you this way. Do you know what I see? I see somebody starting to see that person, that couple, not from the physical, but from the spiritual. I start seeing, you see him as God sees him, and that is the way it has to work. That is the way it has to work.

You have to grow up and be God's man. You have to. Paul saw it, and when he saw it, his life was never the same. The law, the law of God's perspective, is a fundamental law, and if you do not get this law, you are going to break your neck at the judgment seat of Christ because it is going to all be all for naught. You are going to have your little toys and you are going to do your little thing, and I am not saying you should not do fun things, everybody likes to do fun things. I am talking about it is the mindset that you have. I am not talking about having a good time or doing it. Everybody likes to do that. I have as much fun as anybody else does anytime, anyplace, anywhere, but the bottom line is, we never want to lose our perspective. We never want to lose it. These guys, all these guys are listed here, and I could get a hundred more out of the Bible, they never lose that perspective, and when they get out of the natural into the supernatural, their life changes.

V. The Law of Human Collapse: Entropy and Degeneration

The next law, law number five, this is called the law of human collapse. In science, and we talked about this earlier and also last week, how the laws of science are really the laws of the Bible. Here is a great example of that. In science, we have two laws. These laws are absolute. These are not something that scientists disagree on. There is not a scientist that has ever lived in any century since these laws were discovered that has not ascribed to these laws, and it is the basic first and second law of thermodynamics.

I will break them down for you.

1. The first law of thermodynamics means that matter can neither be created nor destroyed.
2. The second law of thermodynamics is called the law of entropy, and it simply says this. I am going to talk to you like a scientist now. Matter found in a random state will decrease by the remnants of that state and will never again reach the initial state of its initial randomness.

I am impressed myself with that, the fact that I could say it. Do you know what all that means? It means this: when you go onto the car lot, you buy a car for thirty thousand dollars, and you drive

it from the lot to the first stop light, you just lost a thousand dollars on it. It is only worth twenty-nine thousand now. In other words, everything runs down, not up. Things in a closed state randomly decrease. Your house is not getting better; it is getting worse. Your watch does not run up; it runs down. Everything goes through that downward cycle.

Of course, we talked about last week the great truth about evolution, and I showed you, and this is so true, I showed you how a book I read by that Watson guy years and years ago, and he said that the reason why they accept evolution as the way it is, is not because it can be proven, but because the only alternative is God, and we are not going to do that.

Here is where God gets the last laugh on things. These guys, when they get a prejudice that they hate God so much, they go insane. I do not know how many times somebody has looked through my telescope or somebody else's or looked at some of the pictures I have taken, and they will say, "How far away is that galaxy?" And I will say, "Well, they say that galaxy is 100 million light years away." Now, if light travels 186,000 miles a second, that means if you got in a rocket ship and traveled 186,000 miles a second, it would take you 100 million years to get there. If we were looking at it through the telescope and it blows up right now, you would still see it for 100 million years. It would take that long for light to get here, traveling 186,000 miles a second.

Somebody said, "Well, how," and they always ask this, "Well, how do you know, really, how far it is?" Now, that is a great question. Because I have been to Westlake, no tape measures go that far. No scientist is going to say, "Well, I paced it off." You are right. Nobody has ever been there. That is an excellent question. I will tell you the stupidity and the fallacy of science. They hide these things from you, and the average person does not ever see it. Years ago, I asked the same question. So I started to ask questions of people who knew, not saved people, and they told me, "Well, it comes from the Hubble variant." Now, we know the Hubble as the Hubble telescope. The Hubble telescope was named after a guy by the name of Edwin Hubble. Edwin Hubble was a great scientist and a great astronomer. I think he was born in the 1880s or someplace like that. He is certainly dead now.

Edwin Hubble is the man who came up with the concept of the distance of stars and the galaxies. When you study it, here is what he did. Edwin Hubble speaks for them all when he does this. He said, "Okay, I am going to study the variances in stars." In other words, the wobble ship. Do not worry about this. He says, "I am going to take X factor and I am going to apply it to what I see, which is going to give me the distance." The only problem with that was the X factor is something that he did not know what it was. So guess what he did? He made up the X factor. So every scientist today who tells you that this galaxy is 100 million miles away is basing it on Edwin Hubble's theory who put it together based on the X factor, which the X factor he did not have, and he made it up.

That is how they made dinosaurs in Jurassic Park. They did not have all the DNA, so they got some of them from a frog. Scientists will not tell you that. They will sit there and tell you that Edwin Hubble was one of the greatest minds of the world, and he plowed the cosmology field and laid down the Hubble variant, and we named the telescope after him, and what a great man, and now we understand the distances of our universe. Yes, based upon the X factor, which he

made up. Hubble's concept is no more reliable than one you can make up. You want to get an idea of how big it is? It is in here. I will tell you to start in Hebrews 9 and 11 and work your way back to Exodus, and then sprinkle a little Job in, stir with a little Genesis, bake for an hour, and eat it. But that is Hubble.

Now let me show you this. The first law of thermodynamics says matter can neither be created nor destroyed. The second law of thermodynamics says that things left in themselves run down, never up. Every scientist in the world believes this. Everything around us in the cosmos got here by one of four reasons. There are not five, it is one of four. It either had to come from nothing, natural evolution, Big Bang. It always has been here and it is evolving up. We see the problem with that is, the first law, which every scientist ascribed to, says that matter can neither be created nor destroyed. So we cannot say it came from nothing because the first law of thermodynamics says that it cannot. The second theory of evolution is the fact that it started out and is evolving up. Well, the second law of thermodynamics says that cannot happen because things do not run up, they run down.

I ask, you ought to see scientists get so mad when they start to talk about the fact with the Big Bang, put everything in motion, and the Big Bang in the universe is moving and it is all moving at a constant rate, and as it is moving it is getting bigger and bigger, and it is because the Big Bang put it into motion, and we know the law of motion is that once it starts in that motion, nothing can stop it. That is a law, that is called the law of physics. Then you ask him, "Is that true?" And you say, "That is right. Everything in the universe is moving this way." "That is right." "And all because the Big Bang put it in motion and motion cannot be reversed." "That is right." "Then how do some of the planets in our own solar system revolve around the sun this way?" "Class, it is time for a break now. We have got to take your lunch here." No answer.

It either came from nothing naturally, which is against the first law of thermodynamics, or it came from something that was already here and is evolving up, which is against the second law of thermodynamics, or it had to come from the third one, or it had to come from nothing supernaturally, that is God. Now the fourth one is not worth mentioning, but it is the one you have got. It either had to come from nothing, or it had to come from something that was already here and working up, or God did it, or it is not really here and we just all think it is. Now you can take your pick which one you want. I will take number three.

But the law of thermodynamics, you see, that is a physical, scientific law, but it is a Bible law. It is the law of human collapse. Yes, it is the law of human collapse. Your new car is worth less when you drive it off the lot. Your new house is worth less the moment you move into it and decreases in that random state. Your new clothes, you buy them new, they are the new style, and a week later, if you see anywhere this is true, it is in electronics. Buy your computer with every fast gizmo on it you have got, and tomorrow there will be another fast gizmo that is better than that one. That is just the way it works.

You see it from the beginning of the Bible. Man started out right in a garden, Genesis 2 and 3. He fell, and then he has been evolving downward ever since. Now the law of human collapse is this: man left to himself will always degenerate down. You want a good passage on that? Romans 1.

You want a good example in history? The Babylonian Empire, the Egyptian Empire, the Phoenician Empire, the Hittite Empire. Somebody says, "Who are those?" That is what I mean. They are dust someplace. Nobody speaks the Babylonian language, the Egyptian language, the Phoenician language, the Hittite language, the original Greek from the Greeks. Nobody speaks that. There is only one language of the ancient world that has survived, it is Hebrew. Those nations denied God, God took His hand off those nations, and down they went. Nobody even knows who they are anymore. You want to find out about their great cultures, and their great times, and all the great things that they accomplished, you have got to go to some dark, dusty archive way back in the back, and blow six feet of dust off of it to find it.

Unless God keeps injecting Himself into man's history, the law of collapse, the second law of thermodynamics, will overwhelm men, nations, churches, any organization, whatever it is in history, and will destroy it in time because of what took place in Genesis 2 and 3. Man fell, he has been falling ever since. That is why right after he falls, what does God do? Man goes out and finds him a fig leaf suit. What does God do? God injects Himself back in, and gives man a covering for his nakedness. That is the Bible. That is the Bible.

VI. Historical and National Collapse Without God's Intervention

In the Old Testament, God calls out His people, the nation of Israel. In the book of Judges, you will find 13 times, you might know it was 13, 13 times they collapse, and God keeps injecting another leader into them to bring them back up. Finally in 606 BC, God has enough of them, He takes His hand off of it, the law of human collapse takes over, and look at them today.

In the book of Acts, started at the church age. We studied the book of Revelation, we see there are seven periods of the church which run from the book of Acts right up to the time we are in right now, waiting for the rapture of the church. What do we have when we break it down? Seven periods of church history in which God keeps injecting Himself into the church to keep it from collapsing.

When America started in 1776, what happens? America founds, God founds America for a purpose, for a reason. We do not have time to get into all the parallels, and you will find that through the course from 1776, really before that, but we will take that as a starting date, to 1950. God injects Himself into America through seven great revivals which are called the seven great awakenings. Then the last one started in 1950.

Let me tell you something, the law of human collapse is probably the most terrible law that God has. The most terrible thing God can do, and I have told you this before, to a man or to a nation or to a church, is to take His hand off of that person, of that nation, and let them go their own way without God injecting Himself in. The examples in the Bible are too terrible to even investigate in that light. Israel and the Tribulation, when the whole world is against them and they are turned over to the devil, is a period of time where God has taken His hand off the nation completely and they are on their own.

You want to know when it happens to a human being? When a man dies and goes to hell without the Lord Jesus Christ. God takes His hand off of him, and now he is in a place that God never intended him to be, and he is on his own. You see it in Europe from 1700 to 1900. Do you know why Europe is amoral today? There are no churches, there is no God, there is no nothing, because God took His hand off that country. You see it in the nation of Israel from 606 BC to where we are at right now, to the first coming of Christ and beyond. No God. God takes His hand off those nations. God takes His hand off a man.

Yes, my friend, let me just tell you something. God can take His hand off a child of God. Do not you think for a minute just because you are saved means you can do whatever you want to do and live whatever you want to live and not violate the law. I told you last week, get in your car, head for Colorado, step down there, set the cruise control about 100 miles an hour, and you will get there probably about nine, ten hours later, and you will probably have about 15, 20 speeding tickets in your pocket. Do you know why? Do not walk around saying, "Well, how did I get all these tickets? I just do not understand it. How did I get all these tickets?" You will not have any more trouble figuring out that you are willing to jump a seat at Christ when you say, "Why did I not get a thing? What did I do? Look at this, man, I am naked for the next 1000 years." Do you know what? The answer is the same in both cases. There was a law and you broke it. Simple as that. Just as the state of Missouri and the state of Kansas says, 65 is the speed limit. You go 100, you are going to pay the ticket.

God has got some laws. Remember now, all things were created by Him and for Him. You either get in or you get out. If you do not think God would take His hand off a child of God and let him go to himself, you should study the life of Samson. Go over and spend some time in 1 Corinthians 5:1-5 and find out there is a man where the Bible says, God Himself, Paul himself, the Holy Spirit of God says, "Take your hand as a church off of that man. He is a saved man. Let the devil have him, that his spirit might be saved in the day of the Lord, but let the devil have his flesh." Do you know what that man's problem is? God taking His hand off of him. There are some ways that nobody, a child of God just will not learn. They just will not get it. They will just keep playing the game. They will just keep going through the motion. They will just keep fooling around, playing with God, thinking that they are the exception to the rule. And one of these days you find out you are not. Half my life has been spent dealing with young men and young ladies who have their lives in an absolute travesty because they thought they could beat the system.

Okay, law of second law of thermodynamics, law of entropy, that is the law of human collapse. Let us put it to a lab test. You have all been in school before where you had lab, you had lab, did not you? Get out your little Bunsen burners, and this is what we have got here. Now watch this. We put a scientific test to it. Let me get my white coat. Bring that white coat.

America was founded in 1776. Whether you know it or not, America was founded on the principles of the Word of God. I know today that America is one of the great democracies, and America is going around the world trying to establish other great democracies. Well, that is far, fine and dandy, but when America started out, she was not a democracy, she was a republic. There was a difference between a republic and a democracy. A republic is built on the principles

of the Word of God; a democracy is built on the whims and wants of the people. That is why when we do the Pledge of Allegiance, it was one republic, it is a republic. It was a republic.

America is founded in 1776 or thereabout on the principles of the Word of God. Here we go. First gear, second gear. The devil moves in right behind. The devil moves in to destroy it. The Bible says that God brings in seven great revivals. We call them great awakenings. They run from about early 1800s right up to 1950. In each one of these seven great revivals of a great awakening, guess what? The devil brings in one of the seven counterfeits. There are seven religions that get their start in America that everybody looks at today and says, "Wow, that is really a neat religion." No, you do not understand. It was one of the seven counterfeits the devil put in to counter what God was really doing. But you have got to get into your Bible to figure that out.

God, do you know what happens? God keeps injecting Himself into this country and into this nation because it is on a spiral down, and every time it always ends in disaster, and another new religion comes up, and they depart from God just like it happened with the nation of Israel. The last great awakening took place in 1950. Remember what I taught you last week? God counts by sevens. One, two, three, four, five, six, seven, and then it is over. The last awakening, it took place starting in about 1950. We are coming to the place where it is over. Do not take my word for it. Let us turn our attention now from the natural laws of science to the natural laws of history.

The last great revival took place in 1950. There is no more injecting of God into our society. No more. If you would study those first seven great awakenings, you would find the great men that we talk about down through church history: Billy Sunday, D.L. Moody, Dwight Talmadge, Bob Jones Sr., Adoniram Judson, Jonathan Edwards, David Brainerd, George Whitfield, all the great names. Have you ever wondered why there are no great books written by great men preaching, doing great things today? I will tell you why, because it is not happening today. Watch the law. It comes one, two, three, four, five, six, seven. That is a law, and it stops.

The last revival took place in 1950. It started on the West Coast and moved all through there and spread back across America. Let us see what happened. It was not much of a revival.

- 1962, prayer is banned in public schools.
- 1965, the name of Jesus Christ is banned from government prayer. In other words, every time your Congress and your Senate meet on every opening session, they invite somebody in to open up in prayer because they want to do not only the people's business, they want to do God's business. The only problem is the guy who is opened up in prayer has to have his prayer in six weeks before he has to say it, and he is given a little slip of paper that says, "You can pray and pray all you want, but you cannot invoke the name of Jesus Christ." Thank you very much.
- 1970, abortions in.
- 1971, Bibles out of the churches.
- 1972, you now begin to see in the public schools a ban on Easter pageants, Christmas programs. No mention or reference to the resurrection of Christ or the birth of Christ. It used

to be that you would have little manger scenes. A pastor would come in and talk to them. It does not happen anymore.

- 1975, 1980, separation of church and state goes off the chart. Now everything is separated out. Cannot do anything, anything.
- 1985 to 1990, God is now out of all organized religion. Now we have homo pastors and we have lesbian pastors all in a pulpit, and it is just like the whole thing went out the window.
- 1985, 1990, sin is now out of the English language. You are not a sinner anymore. You just got a chemical dependency. You are not a sinner anymore. You are just now, you are sick. You are not an alcoholic anymore. It was in your genes. Yes, that fifth of whiskey was in the back of your genes. That is the problem. There is no, you could not find a sinner in America tonight if you looked for them all day long. Do you know why? Because society is giving you, society hates the word sin. They want any knowledge of God and sin out. So there are no sinners anymore. They are just sick people. I guarantee you there are some sick people, but I also guarantee you, you get in there rooting out with a shotgun and two bird dogs, you will find some sinners.
- 1999, 1995, in society, Christmas is now replaced with the winter festivals. Celebration of winter. When your kids go to school, they are going to have a festival for the winter solstice. By the way, you know that in mythology, December 25th is the winter solstice, and that is when they all went to the sun. You get rid of Christ, you get rid of the Christ, and I know Christ was not born December 25th. You get rid of the sun, you go right back to your beginning of your roots, and now you are worshiping Mother Earth and everything with it. Mother Earth and Mother Nature are sisters.
- 2000 to 2002, now the 10 commandments, the Bible verses out of the courtroom. You are going to sue you now if you put 10 commandments in front of the court to hold you in contempt.
- 2003, they want to get "one nation under God" out of the pledge of the flag.
- 2005, they are now trying to pass bills taking "God we trust" off our money.
- By 2006 plus, you know it will be God at everything.

Do you know why? God took His hand off this country sometime after 1950, and we are on our way down. Now, what does that mean for you and me? It means let us have some fun. That is what it means. It is fun, fun, fun, though daddy took the T-bird away. Let us get in there and do some damage.

Revelation 3:14-16 told you this, the latest in church are the last one. Did you not read over there where the Bible, every one of those seven churches have an angel that represents before God's throne, and when it comes to Revelation 3:14-16, the church of Laodicea, that angel gets spewed out of God's mouth. There is no representing angel in front of God's throne for this church. Do you know why? God has got His hand off this country. You say, "Well, wow, what does that do for you and for me as Christians?" Do you know what? It means that as He said in Revelation, "I stand at the door and knock. If any man hears my voice and opens up to him, I will come in and fellowship." You can build the right kind of church during this period of time, if you just get it out of the natural and into the supernatural. But God has got His hand off this country. This country is going in a downward spiral. It started, you can study it in every aspect. Bill O'Reilly,

Dallin H. Oaks, Tom Brokaw, Rush Limbaugh, Jerry Agar, Mickey Mouse, Charlie Brown, the Red Baron's opinion do not even matter what it thinks about it. It is a law. The law of human collapse.

VII. The Individual's Battle Against Collapse: The War for the Mind

Lastly, and I am finished, this is the law that you and I are up against all the time. Do not you worry about the country going down into a mess. God will take care of those who are doing what is right. Somebody says, "Well, I just worry to death that somebody is going to come over here and God is going to judge America, and some of those Iraqi guys are going to come over and blow off a bomb." You all get to die sometime. If you have got to die, an atomic bomb is a good way to go if you are right close to center. It would have to be exciting. Put some marshmallows in your pocket, put two hot dogs in your back pocket, and enjoy it. You have got to die somehow, unless the rapture takes place. That will probably happen. You all wimpy, whiny people out there, you will be all threatened about it, and about the time that you see this big bright light flash coming to get you, and you see the houses in front of you being torn apart and people burning up in front of you, and you are there at that time right before it gets five feet from you, and the rapture takes place.

As a child of God, we face, this is the law we fight. Paul said in Romans 7:21-25:

I find then a law, that, when I would do good, evil is present with me.

For I delight in the law of God after the inward man:

But I see another law in my members, warring against the law of my mind, and bringing me into captivity to the law of sin which is in my members.

O wretched man that I am! who shall deliver me from the body of this death?

I thank God through Jesus Christ our Lord. So then with the mind I myself serve the law of God; but with the flesh the law of sin.

Do you know what that law is? That is the law of human collapse. It simply means this: in this world, everything is running down. Paderewski was a great piano player, and he was one of the greatest piano players that ever played piano. Do you know what he said one time in an interview? He said, "I practice eight hours a day, six days a week." He said, "If I miss one day of practice, I can tell it in my playing." He said, "If I miss two days of practice, my friends and close associates can tell the difference in my playing." "And if I miss three days of practice out of a week, everybody that hears me play knows there is something wrong."

It is the same way with you and me in the Bible. That is why I am on you all the time, to stay in the Word of God. That is why I am on you all the time, "Let me help you." That is why I say to you young Christians, you need to get disciplined. You need to start that process because there is a law, the law of human collapse, that you have to keep putting God into your life. You have to

renew your mind day by day. You have to reconcile yourself dead to sin daily. It starts in your life and my life of just confessing our sin, the old nature and the war versus the new nature.

This is why Ephesians 6 says:

For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.

Then he says:

Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand.

What is the armor? We could go through every piece of it and lay it out, but simply said and easily put, that armor is God injecting Himself into your life to hold off the devil and his crowd. It is the law of human collapse. He says, "You are supposed to put that armor, but to do all to stand and to stand," because we need to understand, when you get God's perspective, you realize that all things were made by Him and for Him, and your job and my job is to take a stand.

There is a law, there is a law that nations run by called the law of human collapse. We see it down through history in every aspect. I could take the rest of the day and give you examples of it. I had the hardest time in the world picking out how I wanted to examine this thing to give a clear picture of it without muddling it, but without giving you a clear understanding of it. Yet in your life and my life, we find the same thing as individuals. That is the fact that there is a war on for your mind. There is a war on for your mind. It is simple, it is an easy war. It is not a hard war to lay out. It is a war of the mind that wants you to get you to think that you are still in a playground doing your own little thing versus understanding that it was all from God, by God and for Him, and you fit into that program and to grow up and start getting what God wants you to do.

That is why he says in 2 Corinthians 10:4-5:

(For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds;)

Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ;

There it is. There is a law working in our members. Forget the world, forget the church, in our members as New Testament Christians. There is a law, that law is warring against you and me to try to erode. Let me tell you something. You better learn this, the greatest revival you ever have in your life, the greatest personal time where God ever comes in and does something, the greatest revival you ever experience in your life, when you get up off your knees and you thank God and you wipe the tears away and you say, "God, I love you, thank you for touching my heart," and you walk out in the door and get in your car to go home, that erosion starts to take place. There is never a time that our lives are not eroding. That is why there never should be a time that we are not putting the battle of the Word of God in our hearts and in our mind.

It starts with basically getting saved. It starts then with letting somebody disciple you, giving you the basic concepts of the foundational principles. It starts then with letting me help you, put it all together, fashion it, form it. I told you weeks ago, we do not mass produce people here. We build them one at a time individually with what their needs are. We are a specialty group. We do not just put everybody on the assembly line and paint them the same way. We will take and hand fit and hand finish everything in your life that you will be a vessel fit for the use of God. But it starts with you understanding that you have got to get God's perspective. That is a law, and you have got to understand that the law of human collapse is something that is all around us all the time. I cannot do anything about America. I cannot do anything about history, but I can do something about my own life, and so can you. That is, you begin to keep putting God into your life to counter what He does. Coming out of the natural, into the supernatural, realizing and seeing everything from God's standpoint.

I told you that with this I am done. I told you time and time again, the job of every Christian is to come to the place in your life where you let me help you, you let people help you, and you let the Bible do for you what God intended it to do, that you get to the place in your life that everything you see, you see it from God's standpoint and God's perspective. That is the only way you are going to fight this battle and win this battle. Every head bowed and every eye closed.