

I. Christ as the Bread of Life: A Review

If you have your Bibles, turn back to John chapter 6. You will remember that last week, we broke into Christ as the Bread of Life, John chapter 6. Then we connected it back to Exodus chapter 16. I showed you how the Bible will always run itself back to an Old Testament story to establish a New Testament principle. He does this to illustrate visually the teaching or a doctrine that Christ is trying to give to us.

As you know here in this church, we do not follow the Greek, we do not follow the Hebrew, we do not put any stock in scholarship in any way, shape, or form. We believe the Bible unlocks itself just as we compare Scripture with Scripture, and that is all you need to unlock the Bible. We just stay with what we know in the book.

Then I showed you that the manna back in Exodus chapter 16 was God's bread from heaven to sustain His people in the wilderness of sin. Then I showed you, when we made the connection in John 6, that Christ Himself claims to be connected to the manna as the Bread of Life which comes down from heaven. Both are God's supernatural gift to man to sustain him in our journey through our own wilderness of sin today.

Learning the Bible, the easy part of learning the Bible is just following a few basic rules. One of the rules will be that the Bible will always follow the same consistency. Once God establishes a pattern, He never deviates from that pattern. The circumstances or the people or whatever may be different, but the pattern will always be the same. As long as you follow that simple process, you are going to be able then to unlock; the Bible will unlock itself. You will use the keywords which we talk about all the time. You will use the pictures or the types like we saw last week. Many times God will use His own creation: the sun, the moon, animals, people, situations. Through those stories, if you follow the pattern and then you just stay with the consistency, the Bible will lay itself out. That is really what I showed you last week as we compare John 6, where He claims to be the manna from heaven, the bread from heaven, and then going back to Exodus chapter 16.

As I walked you through last week, before we got into that chapter by chapter, I showed you as a New Testament Christian how the book of Exodus, the second book in the Bible, will really lay out from a practical standpoint everything that we should be following as a New Testament Christian. It is quite incredible.

II. The Deep Things of God

Today we are going to finish out John chapter 6. This has been an amazing chapter for us, and in closing it out, we will see one of the most amazing things in all of the Bible. Today is going to be a different message than you normally get because we are up against a verse that is unbelievable in its context when you begin to lay it out. It is completely unknown today, and when it is presented, it is completely rejected today. It is a concept biblically that is so deep that it is far

beyond the grasp of the Laodicean pastor, teacher, Christian, and for sure the Bible colleges or the seminary.

I am going to take my time this morning and I am going to walk you through this because I want you to see this verse as it really lays itself out. At the same time, I do not want to just do that; I want to show you how it connects and establish the pattern that God has established here. Again, there will be no Greek today, there will be no Hebrew, there will be no going back to a lexicon or a Greek text, just the Bible as we read it, comparing Scripture with Scripture.

Now we are going to go down deep today. We talk about deep things every Sunday and Thursday night, but compared to this one, that is just milk. So you better get a deep breath. I was reading an article this week about the submarine Thresher and the submarine Scorpion. Both of those submarines, they do not know for sure what happened, but both of them met with disaster with all hands on board. As I was reading that story, which I already knew, they talked about how that in a submarine you have a crush depth. The crush depth is that your submarine can only go down so deep before it implodes. We think of "explode" as outward; "implode" is inward. What happens is that a submarine, the deeper it goes, the more pressure on the hull. When the submarine gets down past its crush depth, it could have as much as 40,000 pounds of pressure per square inch on that hull, and it just implodes.

As I was walking through that, I did a couple of other things, but I just wanted to, because I got thinking how they like to use this today. In World War II, the average World War II submarine could go down about 300 feet, maybe not much more. Past that, you would start to hear the hull creaking. You got much farther than that, the rivets would start popping out of the pipes. You get much farther than that, and the whole thing just implodes, and everybody dies in an instant. There is no "I am going to drown or suffocate"; you are turned inside out so fast you do not even know what hits you. Modern-day submarines actually can go down 1,200, 1,300, 1,400 feet because they have different pressure hulls now that they can do that. But even they, and that is what happened to the Thresher and the Scorpion, they had some kind of propulsion malfunction that they began to sink, and they could not get out of it. They actually went down below their crush depth and imploded, and everybody on board got killed.

I think of that, and the ocean is really deep. The deepest part of the ocean is a little over 36,000 feet; that is in the Marianas Trench. Man, believe it or not, has gone down a little over 35,000 feet, but he did not go in a submarine. They have obviously bathyspheres or things that can handle the pressure; they are designed that way. Do not ask me how; I do not know. I had one, but I had to sell it because the neighbors did not want me parking it in the driveway. Anyway, they are incredible. Then, of course, they have what they call the DRSV, which are the rescue ships that can go down to great depth to try to get a crew out.

The bottom line is, I was thinking of that, and I thought to myself, if that is not true of most of God's people. When it comes to the Bible, most of God's people have a crush depth. It is a point where they come with a Bible that they get down so deep they cannot handle it, and they implode because of the truth. Now, we know that if the Marianas Trench is 36,000 feet deep, I tell yourself, in the Word of God, the mind of Christ must go millions of light-years in depth. The

real question is, how much can the average Christian absorb going into that Bible and getting that deep without malfunctioning?

I put a couple of calculations together. This is not based on anything scientific, just based on my own thinking of 50 years in the ministry. I would say the average Christian, on a scale of the Bible, probably has a crush depth of about 12 feet. You get much below that depth in the Bible, and you do not know where you are at, and you are going to implode. I would say that the average pastor has a crush depth of about nine inches. He gets past that, and he is in trouble. I would say the average Bible college professor has a crush level of about two, two and a half inches, and then he is in trouble.

So I say all that to say this: let us all pretend we are getting in our bathysphere today. Steve, you make sure when you are the last one in, you close the hatch. John, you make sure that the air valves are turned on so everybody can breathe. We will take turns sitting at the window because we are going down much deeper than the Marianas Trench today, and you are going to see some things out of the Bible. I knew this verse was coming, and I really wondered, "How am I going to do this verse on a Sunday morning that just does not cause everybody, beyond some of you, to implode?" I think I figured it out. I am just going to skip over it. No, I think I figured it out. So I am going to do my best to break it down. But I am sorry if you were looking for some pabulum, milk toast, or those little beanie-weenies that you got when you are young; you are in the wrong place this morning.

I have to say this, but before 1900, what I am about to give you this morning out of this verse was standard Bible 101. This is a clear concept taught in Hosea chapter 8 verse 12 that says that the great things of the Word of God have now become strange things to us. Boy, if that is not a true verse! One time there was such depth to the Bible and God's people, even back to the Waldensians and the Albigensians, and the Huguenots and the Anabaptists, there were things that they knew about the Bible that they believed about the Bible, and they did not even have the Bible you got. But it is all lost today, and it is lost today by design. We are big into conspiracies today, and I understand all of that, but I am going to tell you something: the greatest conspiracy that ever was hatched was the conspiracy to take that book from you. That is where we are at today.

III. The Blockbuster Verse in John 6

Let us read John chapter 6. We will pick it up in verse 66 and we will come on down to the end of the chapter today and we will close this out. Here we go:

John 6:66-71

From that time many of his disciples went back, and walked no more with him.

Then said Jesus unto the twelve, Will ye also go away?

Then Simon Peter answered him, Lord, to whom shall we go? thou hast the words of eternal life.

And we believe and are sure that thou art that Christ, the Son of the living God.

Jesus answered them, Have not I chosen you twelve, and one of you is a devil?

He spake of Judas Iscariot the son of Simon: for he it was that should betray him, being one of the twelve.

Now, Father, we do thank You and praise You today, and help me today, Lord. Help me to lay this out as cleanly and clearly as I can. Help me to connect the dots. Help me to not lead these people into confusion, but to lead them into a clear understanding. Lead and guide every word that I say. Put me under the blood, Lord. Help me to be there for You in all that I can do today, and these good people that are Yours. I thank You and praise You in Jesus' name. For His sake, we ask it. Amen.

Now let us use our trained eye for a minute. We have been talking about the trained eye. I hope you have been working on your eyesight with that. But now this passage here is going to deal with the most wicked person on planet Earth in the history of the world: the Antichrist. If I was somebody paying attention here and I was reading John chapter 6 and I was coming down to the end of the chapter here, and I had my trained eyes turned on, I would note a couple of things here. The first thing that would catch my attention, which always catches my attention in the Bible, is there is a paragraph mark here in verse 66. Paragraph marks are absolutely imperative in your Bible, and you do not find any paragraph marks after Acts chapter 20. There is a reason for that, but we do not have time for that today. If I was using the trained eye, that would be the first thing that I would see because they are very important. Then I would see and understand that I am entering into a passage that starts after the paragraph mark in John chapter 6 verse 66. So I am dealing with something that is dealing with 666. Now that is just me. That is what a trained eye will do for you if you are paying attention.

This passage, and in it, will be what I call a blockbuster verse—a verse revealed to the true body of Christ, the true biblical Bible student, that will forever change the dynamics of the Word of God. I know saying that to some of you younger Christians, maybe you cannot get to that point yet, but you will if you stick around long enough and learn your Bible.

I would say this, based on my experience with the Word of God, which I know is very limited compared to some of you, but based on my experience with the Word of God, I would say that the whole Bible probably is built around seven or eight, maybe nine, blockbuster verses. God designed it that way, deeply hidden by laying right in the open. I love that. I love how something like this and a few other places that we are going to just look at to give you an understanding and a perspective this morning, they are the deepest things that you will ever get into, laying right on the top of the ground. That is the way it is, and right under God's people's noses. It is just like I preached a couple of weeks ago that this verse is just like Christ to the nation of Israel; it becomes a stumbling block.

1 Corinthians 1:23

But we preach Christ crucified, unto the Jews a stumblingblock, and unto the Greeks foolishness;

We know that Christ now is in the body of the book, and I want to tell you, it is verses like these that are a stumbling block to most of God's people. Just as the truth in the embodiment of Christ was going to pass them by walking on the sea, the truth of the Word of God in your lap today will pass you by if you are not paying attention. Incredible.

Just for references, let me show you how a couple of these work. We do not have time to get into them all this morning, and I tried to pick ones that kind of go with where we are going.

➤ My first blockbuster verse that I came across years ago was in 1 John chapter 3 verse 9. It simply says:

➤ The second blockbuster verse that they struggle with is in Genesis chapter 6 verse 4. Here is where it says:

➤ My next one very quickly here, Genesis chapter 4 verse 15. We have a guy showing up by the name of Cain. I do not know if you know it or not, but Cain is the first type of Antichrist you have in your Bible. First time you start in Genesis, the first type of the Antichrist is going to be Cain. You have the first type of Christ in the Bible, and then you have the first type of Antichrist in the Bible, and from those two, everything else is defined.

Stay with me here before you get out the tar and the feathers and the faggots and burn me up. I would rather be burned without the faggots if I have a choice. You know where that term comes from, don't you? The hot things, the little embers that are burning down inside the fire. You ever, when you have a campfire, you see those real red things down deep inside the fire? They are called faggots. You know why they are called faggots? Because back in the old days, when the Bible was still the Bible, with the Waldensians and the Albigensians, back when it was, they talked about somebody who lived that lifestyle was going to burn in a lake of fire, and so they used the term faggot. Sorry. Do not get mad at me about that. I did not, I was born in 1950; that is way before my time. I am just telling it. You want to know? Fine. Hey, if you do not want to know, just go like that, and I will stop. We are here for truth today. I do not know what else to tell you. Okay, I am sorry. Let us go. My wife said I am too excited today. I need to turn it down a couple notches. Thank you for being here today. We are really glad that you are here, and we want to get going as fast as we can here.

When you get all the material together, it will change everything you thought you knew about the Bible and what God and the devil are doing. Satan infiltrates with his implants here in God's first church to destroy what God is doing.

Over in 1 Corinthians chapter 11 verses 1 through 3, we get another piece of this little puzzle. Paul speaking here, talking about how the church is going to be destroyed if possible by the devil. Look what he says:

1 Corinthians 11:1-3

Be ye followers of me, even as I also am of Christ.

Now I praise you, brethren, that ye remember me in all things, and keep the ordinances, as I delivered them to you.

But I would have you know, that the head of every man is Christ; and the head of the woman is the man; and the head of Christ is God.

You see the parallels now. You need to take a time on a rainy afternoon to study the word "beguiled." Study what it means in the Old Testament and study what it means in the New Testament. But now you begin to see the parallel: the devil will infiltrate Adam and Eve to destroy what God is doing, and Eve is the type of the church. Adam is a type of Christ. Let us all connect it together in Genesis chapter 3. To destroy what God was doing, the devil shows up, comes to the church, that is what Paul is afraid of, and says, "Yea, hath God said?" But then he changes what God said. Can you not see that parallel to you today? You have a King James Bible in your hand today, and you go to another church, and they will tell you, "That is not what God said. This is what he said in my NIV." This is how it works. Now you and I are given these blockbuster verses so we can understand.

Clearly, stay with me, Cain was of that wicked one, not of Adam. I could go through that process this morning and lay it out clearly for you, but we do not have the time today. Cain in your Bible will be, as I said, your first type of the Antichrist. So that is a key. He is the first type in the Bible. He is called the man of sin in 2 Thessalonians chapter 2 verse 3. In John chapter 8 verse 44, in a spiritual sense, it says:

John 8:44

Ye are of your father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own: for he is a liar, and the father of it.

Who is that? Cain, who is of that wicked one. So we begin to see some things develop here. One little verse just laying on the surface, and under it, a pathway to the Marianas Trench and beyond. Most people do not see this. I have told you this many, many times: the Bible, like the Lord Jesus Christ, it has two natures. Christ was the Son of Man, but He also was the Son of God. So in your Bible, you are going to have the Bible presented on an easy, understandable spiritual application as the Son of Man, in a sense that deals with your everyday stuff. But then the Bible has a dimension to it as the Son of God, which is the depth of God. Most of God's people never get past the Son of Man stage, let alone get into the Son of God. It is an incredible aspect.

Now, our blockbuster verse for today, stay with me now, stay with me, John chapter 6 verse 70. See, I had to give you a couple other ones to get you ready for this one. Here it comes. Jesus speaking to His disciples. Peter says, "Where in the world do we have to go? Who do we have to follow? We believe You are God." You know what He answers to him?

John 6:70

Jesus answered them, Have not I chosen you twelve, and one of you is a devil?

Immediately, all commentators and pastors and teachers will do one of two things, and boy, I have watched this for 50 years:

1. They will either completely ignore the verse because that is the easiest thing to do.
2. Or they will try to make it say something that it does not say. They will say, "Well, that just means that Judas was acting like the devil." "It means that Judas was fooling the devil." "Well, it means that Judas was controlled by the devil." "Well, it means that Judas was influenced by the devil." I do not know what your problem is. That verse, 99 percent of it is one-syllable words: "Have I not chosen you twelve, and one of you is a devil?" Now you can either like that or lump that, and if you do not like it, my advice to you would be Hobby Lobby. You say, "What is in Hobby Lobby?" An X-Acto cutter. Cut it out. That is what they all do anyhow.

The implications, I will be the first to tell you here, kids, the implications of that are staggering. Are you kidding me? A subhuman, half-human, half-devil manifesting himself as a minister of righteousness? Yes, I am sure I read that someplace. Oh, yes, 2 Corinthians 11:14.

2 Corinthians 11:14

And no marvel; for Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light.

I knew I read that someplace. But that could not apply here now, could it?

IV. The Pattern of Satan's Infiltration

Now the trained eye, we start to see a pattern emerge. Stay with me. Genesis chapter 3 and 4: the devil infiltrates God's plan and has Cain, who is of that wicked one. That is not my words, that is the Bible. Clearly, he was of that wicked one. There is only one way you can take that, or you just ignore it. Stay with me. To infiltrate God's plan with Adam and Eve, so he kills Abel to stop the plan from God going forward. Stay with me, here it comes. Let us fast forward 4,000 years in the future, first coming of Christ. And now again, here it comes, he does the same thing. 1 Corinthians 15:45, 49. With the second Adam, where the first Adam he infiltrated through Cain, when the second Adam, Christ, shows up, he infiltrates through Judas to stop what God is going to do with the cross. Plain and simple, folks, Judas was a devil. John 6:70. You now have entered into the Twilight Zone of the Bible. So deep, so unbelievably beyond understanding for most of God's people, through a verse that is just laying on the surface to give you the key to the blockbuster verse in John chapter 6 verse 70. Lost to anybody without a King James 1611, and very honestly or sadly to say, lost to most of them that have it.

I do not know what you pay attention to. I pay attention to everything around me because I realize that God told me that the things around me will teach me. I remember not too many years ago, I cannot remember which one came out first, but it was a big flap about it. Christians were flocking to see it. I remember when *The Last Temptation of Christ* came out; it was a movie. Then I remembered when *The Passion of the Christ* came out, and that was a movie. The theaters and pastors were just saying, "You need to go see this, you need to go see that. This is the greatest thing." People, it was, and many pastors and churches thought that brought a sense of revival to

churches, to Christians personally. The most spiritual movie I ever saw that is much more spiritual than that would be the one of Audie Murphy, *To Hell and Back*. There was nothing spiritual or biblical about either one of those movies. You know what came out of it? Judas got a bad rap. You know that? There are in your Bible four Gospels: Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John. You know, in actuality, in the Christian world and the scholarly world, there are over 80 Gospels. You know who wrote a Gospel? Judas. After that movie came out, all the religious left-wing people and all the, oh, they all said, "Poor Judas, he got a terrible rap." And they made reference to the fact that Judas wrote a Gospel, which he did not. But it just goes to show you, people today, we live in a world of conspiracies, as I said earlier, and God's people fell for the biggest conspiracy the world has ever seen. I am going to show it to you just a little bit; it includes all this. Somebody said one time, "Did you, did you go see the movie?" I said, "No." "Why not?" "I read the book. Much better than the movie."

All of this will be key to our living in the last few moments of the church. If you do not understand that, if you are one of these Christians or anybody who thinks that what is going on in the world around you, we are, we are on God's clock. Just sand in the hourglass, the last grains of sand are dropping through that clock before the rapture of the church and the coming events of prophecy are about to be fulfilled, which we know as the rapture, tribulation, second coming, the millennium. After the rapture, everybody has some kind of understanding that the chief player will show up, which will be the Antichrist.

Here is something that most people do not know, and you need to know this: in your Bible, there are two Christs. Now I know that may be shocking to you. I am just glad you got past John 3:16 without falling apart. That may be shocking to some of God's people, but there are two key players that the Bible wraps itself around, and I got news for you, they are both Christs. Hence, we have the word "Christs," which means "anointed." That is what it means. I will not get into the root words of it. It means the word "Christs" means "anointed." You were told in Ezekiel chapter 28 verse 14 that the devil is the anointed cherub. So he is a Christ. So we have the Antichrist, and then we have the true Christ. I do not know, trained eye, maybe you are blind, I do not know, maybe you lost your spiritual glasses, I have no idea. But if you are paying attention, you will find that through the Bible how the Holy Spirit of God tells you that there are two Christs by making a differential between the two.

Revelation 11:15

And the seventh angel sounded; and there were great voices in heaven, saying, The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever.

It talks about the second coming of Christ, and this is right in the middle of the Antichrist doing everything that he is doing, and it says, "The kingdoms of the world have become the kingdoms of our Lord and His Christ." You know, I said "His Christ" because there are two.

Revelation 12:10

And I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, Now is come salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of his Christ: for the accuser of our brethren is cast down, which accused them before our God day and night.

A great chapter on the devil. You know what it says in verse 10 about the Lord Jesus? "His Christ." He is showing you that there are two by making an example that one is His and the other is not. It goes so far in Luke chapter 2 verse 26 that He is called "the Lord's Christ."

Luke 2:26

And it was revealed unto him by the Holy Ghost, that he should not see death, before he had seen the Lord's Christ.

Again in Acts chapter 4 verse 26, it goes to the great length of calling Him again "His Christ."

Acts 4:26

The kings of the earth stood up, and the rulers were gathered together against the Lord, and against his Christ.

There are two, and one imitates the other in everything in life.

Now stay with me, there are some things that you need to know about the devil and the Antichrist. The devil first off will always be an imitator of Christ, trying to counterfeit everything He does, and I could spend another hour laying that out for you. We do not have time today. The problem is fundamentally Satan wants to be God. Back in Ezekiel 28, Isaiah 14, and all through the history of the Bible, he has tried to overthrow God to take His place. He said, "I will be like the most high God. I will sit on the side of the north." No, you will not. But he wants to, and everything in life, everything in history, everything we have experienced, everything that goes on needs to be viewed and looked at in that context. His son will be the Antichrist. God's son will be the Lord Jesus Christ. I told you the word "Christ" means "anointed one."

Allow me to be clear here, and then we will come back. Judas is the Antichrist. In your Bible, you have two terms for the Antichrist: the man of sin and the son of perdition. Both are a reference to Judas and the Antichrist. You find the term "son of perdition" only two times in your Bible.

3. Once in 2 Thessalonians chapter 2 verses 1 through 10.
4. The second place is in the Gospel of John chapter 17 verse 12. Jesus again speaking, and He said:

Let us put it all together for you here to make it clear. We are going to go so far, then we will stop and we will bring it back up so you stay with it here.

5. We know that Satan is a great imitator of God in every way. We know that.
6. He wants to be God. We know that too. From Genesis to Revelation, he infiltrates the world and tries to stop God's plan. I have told you this one before: all history, I do not care what it is, all history needs to be viewed through the view scope of the fact that history is nothing

more than God moving in a direction to accomplish His plan and the devil moving to stop it by counterfeiting it.

Now watch this. We never went to one thing outside the Bible yet, and we will not, because the Bible is all you need. Now watch this. In the tribulation, particularly in Revelation 12 and 13 that deals with that, the devil has a counterfeit trinity. I mean, if he is going to be God and he is going to sit in the temple of God and claim to be God, then he has got to play the thing to the hilt. So you know what he does? In the tribulation, he has a counterfeit trinity. Look at it:

- Revelation 13:2: You have the beast, that is God the Father.
- Revelation 13:14: You have the image of the beast, that is the false son of God.
- Revelation 13:11: You have the false prophet. There is the fake Holy Spirit of God.

He counterfeits everything. Now you see how that all works. This has been going on for 6,000 years. You have just been hanging out with the wrong crowd.

Now back in John chapter 13, where Jesus gets betrayed by Judas, we talked about this a couple of Thursday nights ago, not to this depth, but we talked about it. This is where He passes the sop, the sop being a piece of bread that they dip and then eat it that way. This will be chapter 13 verse 27. After He gives the sop, He says, "If whom I give the sop to, that is going to betray Me." At that moment in time, when Judas leaves, the Bible tells us that Satan now enters into him to finish the work, to kill Christ. The devil thought for sure once he got Him on that cross, he could get Him to quit. Are you not glad He did not? You know where we would be this morning if the devil would have figured that one out and won that one? Praise God, He did not. It always bothered me why the devil put such pressure on Him with such a plan to get Him to quit, and Christ did not. But the devil does not have to do nearly anything like that to me and you, and we do quit.

Now the first three and a half year mark in the tribulation period, the end of Christ is revealed as the man of sin. At the second three and a half year mark, the great tribulation to destroy Israel, the devil now enters into him at the mid-trib, just like he did Judas to betray Christ. Now he goes into the temple, and just like Judas at the first coming of Christ, he goes into him and to do the work just like he did in John 13 verse 27. You will note in Matthew chapter 27 verses 1 to 5, after he betrays Christ, then Judas goes out and hangs himself, does he not? Did it ever catch your eye that he goes out and hangs himself in a tree, and Christ is crucified on a tree? Did you ever catch that? Probably not. Did you ever catch this? The Bible says when Judas went out and hung himself that he went to his own place. He did not go to heaven, he did not go to hell, he went to his own place. How many times over the years have I heard somebody say, "Well, I wonder where that, I wonder where that place is?" It is in the Bible. We will get to it in a little bit. But you know that is a great story how that all happened. We do not have time for that today.

I will give you this:

- Psalms 109:6
Set thou a wicked man over him: and let Satan stand at his right hand.

Christ talking about Judas and the Antichrist over Christ. And letting Satan stand at his right hand. You have to see Psalms 144:8. Those are all verses that show you that the Antichrist and the devil are the same. Where one stopped Christ at the first coming, the other one is going to stop Christ at the second coming, or try. They are both called the son of perdition.

All this is called again, going back to 2 Thessalonians 2:7, "the mystery of iniquity." It says again now, "For the mystery of iniquity doth already work: only he who now letteth will let, until he be taken out of the world." Now there are two or three things here. This mystery of iniquity that we find here, and I do not know if you know this or not, it is one of the seven mysteries that you find in the Bible. There are seven mysteries in the Bible, and actually the Bible is built around those seven mysteries. We have taught them anytime, taught them in Bible Institute, they are on the website. Paul told the church in 1 Corinthians chapter 4 verse 1, which nobody ever bothered to listen to, that the church pastors are to be stewards of those mysteries. Now we do that here. I would venture to say if you go to a Baptist church someplace and, or you just ask your average Baptist preacher next time you rear-end him in a truck stop light someplace, ask him before the cops get there, "What are the seven mysteries in the Bible?" He will not know, much less be stewards of them. And yet Paul tells us through the inspiration of the Holy Spirit of God that me as a pastor in this church are to be stewards of those mysteries. One of those mysteries is the mystery of godliness, the anti-Christian. You know what that mystery is? Everything I have laid out for you from Genesis. He said, "The mystery of iniquity doth already work." In Paul's day, it was in full swing because it goes back to Genesis. Of course, this mystery, this mystery man, in full working order here, and when Paul writes this, this mystery is going to town. A lot of people who down through history will get caught up in conspiracies or conspiracy theories, the mystery of iniquity will be the mother of all conspiracies. Every conspiracy that is out there today, whether it is theory or bona fide, will go back to this mystery. The quicker you learn that, the better you are going to keep from getting caught up in all that stuff. This mystery will answer every question for you that you are going to face today. Understanding this will be the key to getting through what we are about to go through.

V. The End Times and the Great Conspiracy

You know, if I did not know God's people were so far out of touch with reality, I would know it by this way: God's people today, and I get it, they just, this country and our lives has been so cush. It has been so wonderful. We have all the freedoms in the world. We can go state to state, buy a boat, buy a car, buy a motorcycle, buy everything you want to do, have fun, go where you want to go. No, no, your papers are not in order. Everything is just perfect. We have gotten so satisfied with that and so lulled to sleep by that. You just have a hard time today, folks, and I love you and I understand, but you just have a really tough time today grasping a hold that life on planet Earth, if you once knew it, is gone. It is over. That is, and I get it, I get it. Some of you look at me like a deer I saw the other night driving with my headlights on in the middle of the road. I get it. But you have to come to the grim reality for you and for life on planet Earth, it is done. It is over. We keep looking for the light at the end of this tunnel. That light is a freight train coming to you at 90 miles an hour. No light at the end of the tunnel. Where have you been? Do you actually believe, do you, do you believe in, you know, we are going to go through life

holding hand in hand, singing "Kumbaya" and just having a great time? It is Monday, it is Tuesday, it is Wednesday, oh, we are having a great time, and then on Thursday, the rapture takes place and we are gone. Really? You know what my greatest fear at the judgment seat of Christ is? Honest to God, my greatest fear at the judgment seat of Christ is not what I am going to get or what I am not going to get, because I am fully persuaded in my mind, I will not get anything. My greatest fear at the judgment seat of Christ is I will stand there before God never having paid a price for what He gave me. Now that bothers some of you. Why? You have lost your mind. You think this world is all peachy keen and going to have a great time and all we want to do this, we want to fix that. There is no fixing anything. It is over.

Now, I get, you ought to see the emails I get. Oh, I get, and so from all across the country, and I will tell you what, you ought to not be worrying about anything other than how you are going to take your stand to pay the price. That is all. The model for that is the Lord Jesus. My greatest fear is that I am going to have to stand at the judgment seat of Christ alongside the Waldensians, the Huguenots, the Paulicians, the Anabaptists, Harland Popov, stand beside them and, and, and having paid no price at all, all compared to what they did. Do you think God is okay with that? Do you really? We have lost our minds.

Okay, let me lay it out completely, and then you will get to lunch here. We are in good shape today. I want to show you how Satan pulled this off down through history step by step.

7. You will see how Cain was in reality of that wicked one, and how it was connected to Eve. Genesis 3:13, Genesis 4:1-2, and 2 Corinthians 11:1-4.
8. Then it will show you how Judas came into this world and how the devil produced a half-human, half-devil to infiltrate the 12.
9. Then you will find out how Judas's mother played a role in Psalms 109:14. Oh yeah, man, missed that one, did you?

Now since most of you think I am already over the wall and been on too much on my meds or not enough on my meds, let me just go one step further. I would say what I am about to say based on all the material, and there is a lot I cannot give you today because we have the time factor. Simply today, I wanted to put, and I struggled how to do this, I just wanted to put John 6:70 into a context for you so you could better understand it, and I hopefully did that. But I did not have any intent to getting all the depth of it and lay it all out. We just do not have the time for that. We have talked about it in Bible Institute, we have been through it several times, you know, and all of those things.

But now I would say this: in Matthew chapter 2, I am just spitballing now. In Matthew chapter 2, you have recorded for you the birth of the Lord Jesus Christ. I would say while everybody in some way today is familiar with that, I would say while the wise men were celebrating with their gifts, and each one of those gifts is a great study in itself, I would say while the heavenly host filled the sky and the star of Bethlehem hung over the place and the heavenly host is singing Christmas carols, you know, "Holy Night," "Silent Night," "Hark the Herald Angels Sing," I would say that that same night another baby was born, not in Jerusalem or Judea or Bethlehem. I would say in Kerioth in Eastern Syria. Oh yeah, man, you missed that one, didn't you? Too many

presents under the tree. Just as Cain and now Judas and later the Antichrist himself in the tribulation period will all be of that wicked one, the work begins to infiltrate the 12 to stop God from establishing His government. You see, the pattern now is completely established for anybody that is looking for it.

Now, never forget the devil is a counterfeit and an imitator. I am about to give you another blockbuster verse that lands right on these verses that I have been giving you today.

- We know that the devil has an imitation religion.
- We know that the devil has an imitation nation.
- We know that the devil has an imitation city.
- We know that the devil has an imitation bride.
- We know that he has an imitation church.
- We know that he has an imitation name.
- We know that he has an imitation birthday.
- He has an imitation minister, ministers.
- We know that it has an imitation choir.
- We know that it has an imitation Bible.

Now, in this particular instance, turn back to Genesis chapter 3 verse 15. Here comes a five million ton concrete block right on your head. Genesis 3:15, the first prophecy in the Bible. Verse 15, on the first and second coming of Christ. Verse 15, God speaking to Eve:

Genesis 3:15

And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel.

Now, you know what that is there? The first and second coming of Christ. You know who the first coming of Christ, His seed is? It is Judas. You know who the second coming of Christ, where he gets his head bruised? It is Judas. It is the Antichrist. Now, watch this. Lest somebody would say, "Oh, he is speaking spiritually." This next verse is for you.

Genesis 3:16

Unto the woman he said, I will greatly multiply thy sorrow and thy conception; in sorrow thou shalt bring forth children; and thy desire shall be to thy husband, and he shall rule over thee.

The seed is literal children. The devil has got a counterfeit seed. It showed up in Cain, then it showed up in Judas, and it is going to show up in the Antichrist. God's seed versus the devil's seed.

Now, when the tribulation begins, probably before it really, Satan again will bring forth a son into the world, just like Genesis 4 and just like John 6. The pattern is clear: the son of perdition. A human being with the spirit of Judas, son of perdition, with the spirit of the Antichrist. 1 John chapter 4 verse 3. I would say most likely, he is already in the world, probably.

Now, I am going to leave you with this. Oh, I got 15 minutes. I am going to leave you with a lot of things. I am going to leave you with this. I do not know what you watch. I really do not. I know most of God's people, their minds are not on the Word of God. Your minds are on what is going on around you. You are scared to death, but you have no idea how to connect it back to the Word of God. I feel sorry for you in that sense. It is a thing where, you know, it is a, but if anybody is paying attention, the 20th century was a real key to show you where we are at, the end, and what is coming. God using the very events of our time in history in the 20th century.

For instance, bear with me:

- In 1900, you had the beginning of what was called the Zionist movement. The Zionist movement was the beginning, which led to ultimately Israel becoming a nation. This started around 1900.
- Then we had World War I. Anybody paying attention? We have talked about it many, many times, how that the land completely changed, and where the monarchies of Europe had run it for five, six, 700 years, they are all gone now. England is in possession of Jerusalem.
- In World War II, we now see that the Jew, who would not go back, was forced to go back because of the persecution that they went under. So you heard me say it many, many times: World War I got the land ready for the Jew, and World War II got the Jew ready for the land.
- We saw, anybody paying attention, between 1933 and 1945, the last type in history of the Antichrist that the church would ever get in Adolf Hitler. I have showed you before, the "coincidinkies," that his party number was 555. Because the next one coming was going to be 666. Then praise the Lord, the one after that will be 777.
- Then, right after 1945, something happened in 1947, on June the 24th. With a man by the name of Kenneth Arnold, who was flying his little plane all over in Washington around Mount Rainier. Lo and behold, six or seven shiny discs come out of nowhere. Buzz him, chase him, all over the place. He lands hysterical. From that point on, we have the UFOs all over the place. It was shortly after that that Roswell took place.
- Then, 11 months later, 11, 11 months, the 11th hour, 1948, the Jews get back in the land and become a nation. We are told now, in Matthew chapter 24, that when this happens, this is the last generation before the tribulation comes. We are 70-some years into that generation, my dear friend.

When the UFO flap all begins to take place, the devil kicks into high gear with his bosom buddy, Hollywood. Now, all the UFO movies start to come out. There was nothing before this. Oh, Orson Welles and The War of the Worlds, I get that, 30s, but there was nothing. After 1947, the devil puts it into high gear because he knows now, 1948, the Jews are in the land, and now he knows that what God just did, God is driving a four-speed, by the way. If you ever drove a four-speed, you know you get on going good in second, and then you bang it back to first, and then you bang it back to second, and then you throw it up into third. Then when you got that thing going about 60 or 70, you want to really take off if you got a hot car. You throw it in fourth gear and you step on the gas. You know what God did in 1948? He threw it in fourth gear and He stepped on the gas. We are headed for the rapture of the church because the last generation that is

going to be alive is going to see what happened in 1948. Hey, do not get mad at me. I am just telling you what the Bible says.

So now here they come, the thing, 1951, I love it. Then we got *The Brain from Planet Arous*, love it. Then we got *The War of the Worlds*. Then coming on up there, we had *E.T.* Then we had *Alien*, one, two, three, four, five. Then we had *Invasion of the Body Snatchers*. Then we had *Species*, one, two, three, and four. Then we had *Predator*, one, two, and three. Then we had Jodie Foster in *Contact*. Never ends. What the devil did from 1947 on was prepare everybody in this world for where we are at right now, that everybody is looking for life in outer space. For 70 years, your government told you, they lied to you. They told you that it was all fables. They told you it was not true. Most of God's people were so stupid that they believed it. He told you for 70 years, it is not true. Hey, I remember, I had a copy of the Blue Book report back in the day. I stole it out of a library. It is okay, I asked God to forgive me, and we are good. But it is the thing where I wanted a copy of it. Let me tell you something. There was a place someplace in Indiana, and it was about four o'clock in the afternoon. All these people in the town saw this shiny disk. It had grain places there, where they stored grain in. This shiny disk is zipping in and out of this grain thing, and then up into the sky. The Air Force came out and investigated. You know what they said it was? Venus rising early. Now folks, let me just be honest with you. When Venus starts zigzagging in and out of the grain funnels, it is time to go home. I mean, you are in trouble. Now, after all those years, it is now true. See, I am just telling you, let us take my word for it. Just look at the 20th century.

You know what happened? Oh, come on now. Come on, what have you been doing? About 1970, 1980, all the movies switched. Now you had movies about the Antichrist. You had *Rosemary's Baby*. You had *The Exorcist*. You had *The Omen*, one, two, three, four, five, six, seven, little Damien. Remember little Damien? Little Damien was the Antichrist. He had all kinds of people, excuse me, I did not mean that. Then he had all kinds of people that were sent by the devil to protect him. How did little Damien get here? He is fathered by the devil. You ever see Al Pacino in, not *The Godfather*, that is a good one too, but Al Pacino in *The Devil's Advocate*, 1997, where he is the devil, comes down. All these movies have one thing in common now. You are being bombarded with the devil coming down and producing children. Under all the Antichrist, right under your nose. Right under our nose. Did God's people catch any of that? No, why? World Series was on. Super Bowl. The Olympics, all the stuff that we were focused on right under your nose. Wake up. I do not know what to tell you. Now look where we are at. God's people are as confused today. You can define our times by one verse today and everything in it: 2 Thessalonians 2:7, "the mystery of iniquity doth already work." Folks, get a hold of this. We are 120 years into it. Actually 120 plus one. 120 years, that is the exact same time God told Noah to build a boat, and then He gave man 120 years to repent before God's judgment came. You are at the end. When that judgment came, talk about a remnant. When that judgment came, out of eight million people on planet Earth, eight got in. Now I cannot speak for you, nor would I presume to, but I am telling you right now, I am going to be one of those eight. The great conspiracy is about to completely unfold, but it is not the one that most of God's people have bought into.

VI. A Call to Stand and Pay the Price

Now let me just say this, so you do not think I am closed-minded or negative. I love a good conspiracy. I love conspiracy theories. A lot of you guys play video games and you sit on your couch and you spend all your life chasing whoever, shooting whoever, and it is all fake because if you ever really got into combat, you would wet your pants before you ever got out of the boat. So you stay in the safe little zone on your couch where you get to shoot people. It is one of those things where you do not know what life is all about till the bullets go zizzing by your ears. That is another story. But anyway, I love a good conspiracy. See, you guys, you young guys and gals, you are just caught up into this one. I have been around them for all my life. Over the years, I have found the true test that you test every conspiracy against. I found five things in the Bible that you use that will define for you where you are at and what you really got or what you really do not have.

I am under no illusion. What is coming our way, you know, last time the COVID-19 came through here, it purged Christianity. It purged our church. But I am going to tell you right now, get set because there is another purging coming, and probably another one after that. I dare to say it, I told you this before. Last time, nobody believed me. I am telling you right now, probably this time next year, half of you might be here. We are in the final stages of this great conspiracy of all time. God's people are so fearful and filled by bad information that they are going to get nailed. I am telling you right now, you better get a different mindset. You better get used to it. You better get used to some things. You better get into your Bible, get out of whatever you are into, and you better begin to accept some things that we once knew on this planet had to come to an end for God to do what He has got to do. I am going to tell you folks, 20th-century Christianity, every one of you, me, this church, every Christian, you are up to bat. The devil is going to try to throw you a fastball and a curveball. It is over. If you think I like saying that, hey, I do not like saying that. I mean, but it is. I have to deal with the reality. I have never been the illusionist to think that we were just going to hip-hop through life. Are you sleeping during my message? Your eyes are closed. Keep your eyes open. If I have to put toothpicks, I will get it. Bring me that stapler. I am going to staple your eyelids up to the top of your head. No, I am just kidding. You did not get any sleep this weekend. I know the problem. No, I am good. No, you are not. You were sleeping. I am not mad at you because I slept all weekend, and I am still going to fall asleep right now. So I am good with you. But I am telling you, God's people have no clue. We are living in a dream world. You are, folks. I love you to death. You are listening to everything that is out there, and you are fearful of everything that is happening. Yet you could not go to the Bible and lay out those five concepts that tells you where you are at.

While we are here this morning, he is out there this morning, just waiting. He is testing the waters with things. He is pulling things together that the average person will never see. He is filling the world with fear and disinformation. His goal, obviously, at the end in the tribulation, is to get everybody together. You are beginning to see the beginnings of that right now. Showing total confusion because when God's people are confused, they are afraid. That is what the devil will always use in your life. That is why the Bible says, "Greater is He that is in you." It is in the works. When the Bible says, "Perfect love casteth out fear." See, we love Him. We just do not have a perfect love for Him. I could spend an hour on that one. I am telling you, as far as I am concerned, we get to be part of it. I cannot speak for you, but for me, it does not get any better

than that. I mean, you have got to love what is going on around you today. If you get any kind of spiritual temperature, somebody sent me an email last week, some guy down in Florida, and he shot this big, long thing. I love these things. Hey, keep sending them. I enjoy them. I am not saying this to criticize you. I respect your opinion. I read everything everybody said. Oh, I should not have, I just blew myself with that. My emails will blow up now. But anyway, he said, "Do you know that they are going to put every Christian in a camp?" "What do you think of that?" I emailed him back and I said, "Praise the Lord. We need to, we want to start our camping program again." Now.

You know what our problem is? Every one of us. I want to talk to you as your friend. I am not even your pastor now. I am just your friend. You know what our problem is? We think we are something special. We do. "They are going to put you in the camp." You mean like the Jews did in the Warsaw ghetto when the Nazis put them in the camps? You mean like them? Now, what makes us any better than them? You mean like Harland Popov that got tortured beyond his belief in Russia for his stand, and you put in a camp, a gulag? Are we better than that? No, no, we want to be. We want to think we are because we live in this plastic world that, oh boy, my great suffering is that the air conditioning broke at work today. It was really hot. I am going to tell you, you have no clue what is coming your way. You better not only understand it, you better learn to enjoy it. You know what the Bible says about Jesus Christ dying on the cross in agony? "For the joy that was set before him." What is wrong with us? Somebody says, "Well, they are going to come in there and put you in a camp." "Well, they are going to take away all your freedom." You mean like with the Jew and in captivity in 606 BC? Like them? Why are we better than them? Now, I know you say, "Well, that was God's judgment." Yeah, that was God's judgment, but I want you to tell you right now, Ezekiel, Daniel, and all the great prophets that were doing right, they went into that captivity too. You say, "Yeah, but in World War II, the Jews were disobeying God, so God was punishing him and sending them." Yeah, He did. Corrie ten Boom and her family went too. She was not a Jew. She is from Holland. Her family helped the Jews, and she was a born-again Christian, and her whole family died. Of course, you know what I am about to say. This is why you are going, see? You just cannot wait for her whole family, except her, died in Auschwitz. So let us go to Auschwitz. Oh, this is wonderful. We are going to eat afterwards? Yeah, they would have given anything to have the crumbs off of what we get to eat. We will go there like we go to a ballgame and never stop and think that it was not just the Jews that were there. It was every born-again, blood-washed child of God that loved the book just like we say we do. They went into their captivity too. We are something special. We should be spared that because why again? This is where God's people are today. We are living in a dream world, and I am telling you. I am not saying this to scare you. I am not scared. I told you before, they put me in a camp, I will start a camp prison ministry. I do not care. I will do what Ezekiel did. I will do what Daniel did. You know what? I will go wherever God wants me to go, and wherever I go, I will keep doing what God has called me to do. A year from now, if half of you are gone, I can promise you one thing. I do not know who will be here or who will not. I can promise you one thing, I will be. I will be preaching the same thing I am preaching now. Nothing is going to deter me from it. Nothing is going to make me fearful of it. Nothing is going to stop me in doing it because that is what God called me to do. If that requires me suffering like He suffered, then so be it.

Somebody said, "Well, we will just have to resist." You mean like Jesus did? The Bible says He was dumb like a lamb before His shearer, and He opened not His mouth. He went because He was going to be the sacrifice. I will go wherever because I am going to be that sacrifice with you or without you. Now listen. All this is by God's design. All that we are facing, I do not know what people think. They act like God is out left field someplace, and all this is the government, all this is the devil, all this. What we are facing right now is what Israel faced in 606. We are facing God's judgment on His people, you and me. Now I know many of you are doing what is right. I know that, praise the Lord. Maybe you will get a mattress. Maybe they will kill you quickly. But I am telling you, my greatest fear of the judgment seat of Christ is to stand there before Him, knowing now what He did for me, the price that He paid, the agony that He went through. I get to skate because I am special. I get to sidestep it because I am something special. God help us not to wind up before His throne with no scars on our back, no nail prints in our hands, no spear hole in our side.

When I look at everything that has happened, that is happening, and is going to happen, I have one life verse that keeps everything in perspective for me. It is Genesis chapter 50 verse 20. It simply says this, Joseph to his brethren:

Genesis 50:20

But as for you, ye thought evil against me; but God meant it unto good, to bring to pass, as it is this day, to save much people alive.

God wants to take us and use us in the tough times coming. Just like the easy times we all have right now. It does not cost me nothing to preach. I just come down and do it. See what I want to say. It does not cost you nothing to disciple somebody. It does not cost you anything to go to church. It does not cost you anything to have a Bible. Oh, we have got it so good. We actually think that we are so special, that there is something about us that just precludes us from being persecuted. Oh yeah, it is all this nasty stuff out there. Yeah, the mystery of iniquity doth already work. The greatest conspiracy in the world is that one. Everything else is part of it. You better get your head out of whatever it is and realize we need to prepare ourselves to pay the price. I know clearly saying that most of God's people will not. You know why? You cannot pay a price now when there is no persecution. What are you going to do when it comes down and hits the fan? I know what it will be. You know what it will be? It will be like the 12 apostles. One of them was a fake. When the real hit the fan, everybody took off except one guy. One out of 12. If that is correct, one, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, nine, 10, 11, you are going to get to do what is right. One, two, three, four, one out of 12. I wish I had time to count you all up. I would just stand and I would say, "That is going to be our church a year from now, probably."

I am telling you, I do not know what you are thinking. I do not know where you are at. I do not care. I mean, I make no judgment. I love conspiracies, and I love to listen to them and talk to people about them. I enjoy it. But I am under no illusion what the real issue is. I got a church out there. I got a church out there in Indiana that is buying guns and buying food and buying ammo, stocking it down the basement. Well, I do not know if you know it or not, but if this world goes to hell in a handbag, they will overrun your church in about 15 minutes. All you are going to do

is apply all that stuff for the 5,000 guys who are going to mob you. You see, I do not need guns. I do not need bullets. I do not need hand grenades. I do not need landmines. I got a sword. That is all I need. It has got me through 71 years of my life, and it is going to carry me home. Amen. I cannot speak for you, but I will take my stand, paying a price that He paid for me. Now you see the pattern. Now you see the blockbuster verses that show you the mystery of iniquity. It has already been at work. Here we are, praise the Lord. We get to be part of it.

I mean, I cannot tell you how the Jews were butchered all through history. I cannot tell you how the Waldensians and the Albigensians were tortured and butchered for all they believed that you believe today. I cannot tell you even across this country in the last 20th century, the Christians in other countries, Romania before it fell, and Russia were tortured and murdered for what they believe. All the while we are just having our little lattes, our little cupcakes, our little parties, our little camps down to the lake, our little trips to Warsaw or whatever. All of the little fun things we do. Oh, the Chiefs are playing tonight. Oh, the Royals are playing. Oh, I am going here. That is all fine. It is all fine. But it has put us asleep. We have lost sight of the reality.

Romans 12:1-2

I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service.

And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

I am to be a living sacrifice. He died for me on the cross; I live for Him here right up to the point where they take my life. That is the way it has to be. I am not cutting and running. I am not turning my back on the One who never turned His back on me. He gave His back and His cheek to the smiters. So will I. They hung Him on a cross, mutilated Him for me. For Him, so will I. If that is what it is, that is what it is. I mean, is the end result that terrible? Heaven? Heaven? The best part is I get to come back and kick the snot out of everybody that did it to me. Now maybe that is not Christian, but okay. I will confess that a little later too.

You see, this is why there is an advantage. No, I know nobody wants to die. Nobody wants to die. We do not. I do not want to die. You want to die? You do not want to die. You do not want to die? Oh, he is sleeping, I am sorry. You do not want to die. What do you, you do not want to die? Nobody wants to die. We all get up and we say, "Oh, this is a really bad time. The rapture is going to get us out of here, and we are going to go out in the rapture." No, I want to tell you something. That bothers me. There has got to be some kind of compensation for dying now than those of us who get to go to the rapture. You know what I think that, I found it one time. It is not a blockbuster verse, but it kept me awake. You see, the Bible says in Revelation 19, we come back on white horses. You all know where that is at in Revelation 19:11. But then I got over there and the Judges picture the second coming, and somebody is coming back on white donkeys. Be my luck, time the rapture comes. All that is left is the donkeys. Everybody else that died before got a horse. I could just see me coming up in the rapture saying, "Lord, I am ready to come back. I have been thinking about my white steed that will run around, and I can say freedom." Lord says, "I got some good news and some bad news." "Yes, sir." "We are going back." "Praise the

Lord." "But all the white horses are gone. Take a jackass over there." Now, you want to know how biblical I am? I am pretty spiritual. You know what I would say to the Lord? I would say, "Yes, sir." He said, "You are okay with that?" And I would say, "Yes, sir." He said, "You stand with ease?" "Yes, sir." "Why are you okay with that, sir?" You know as well as I do as a Christian, I have been a jackass most of my life. So it is very fitting. He says, "You know what? That is a good answer. Bring this guy a white horse." I know how to play the system, boy. I will tell you.

Hey, I said it last week. You know what the thing that will get us through it, if anything gets us through, besides the Bible, is the love we have for each other. How we take care of each other. It is phenomenal. I cannot help but think that God just has not built that into us for what is coming. I am going to tell you right now, this is a scary time in the life, in the world, to be without a Bible, believe and sure, to be your backup. I do not know how you are going to make it. Here, we take care of our own. I tell you, like I said, I love a good conspiracy. I do out there, I love and enjoy them. I listen to them, I do. But I use my five principles for myself. Because I am ultimately going to have to take my stand for the Lord, and I know what that stand is going to be. It is going to be to pay the price, whatever that may be. Well, let us hold up and get out of here now. I appreciate you. Do not forget to kickball tonight. Do not forget all the things we got this week, and we will be back in it.

Father, we thank You and praise You for the Lord Jesus. Thank You for the crowd here today. Thank You for their love for You and the book. Thank You for them being my friend, and the privilege of me being theirs. Well, Lord, we know some tough times are coming, and we are going to have to hold together and stand together. Help me as a pastor and a leader to lead through it, to hold the line, Lord, to do what is right, and always preach the book, and always keep it between the white lines. Help me, Father, always follow the principles, not in life, but even in the things in the end time, that we do not stray off the truth of the Word of God and get caught up in the wrong things. We will thank You and praise You in Jesus' name. For His sake, we ask it. Amen. God bless you.