THE CLOUD OF GOD

Healing The Bitter Water In Today's Church

TODAY'S CHURCH WALKING ASTRAY

Days of Adam, Enoch & Noah

ince the days of Adam and Eve, the world has become infamous as a place for a *detestable* form of heedlessness to the living word of God. This level of blatant lawlessness is what had earlier caused Adam and Eve to be *cast* out of the Garden in Paradise, and thrown farthest from the *tree of life*, in the most disgraceful manner ever. If humanity were to count her losses, then the towering truth of what she lost in that fall, can cause her to stagger, stumble and fall. In HIS original plan, the LORD had intended that no *death* be factored into the equation that defined man's life. Death and decay were not found there! All these pleasantries that the LORD advanced towards mankind at Eden, were based on the assumption that Adam and Eve would observe a faithful *worship* of *righteousness*. This worship of obedience is what had earlier on earned Adam and Eve an adorable first phase of their life in the garden, a phase in which



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When GOD'S CLOUD touched the Revival Meeting: Dec 31st, 2012

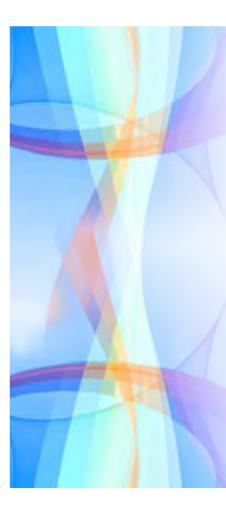
man walked with God in the cool of the day.

> And they heard the sound of the Lord God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and Adam and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God among the trees of the garden (Gen 3:8 AMP)

It is this walk with God that the original *apostasy* in the garden eroded from the inscriptions that defined man's life on this earth. That is how death was finally factored into the equation that describes man's life here on earth. And as if to prove HIS original beautiful disposition of love towards the church, God Almighty then found the faithfulness of Enoch to be befitting of HIS communion. And



GRAND MEGA REVIVAL, KAKAMEGA KENYA / DEC 31, 2013 - JAN 1, 2014 This 8 year-old boy was born totally crippled but during this Historic Grand Revival meeting of The LORD, amidst thunderous jubilation and celebration, he got up on his feet and could not stop walking.



about Enoch the bible said that he walked with GOD and was no more, meaning that he never ever saw death. Enoch walked with God in a holy communion of *obedience* and righteousness to the extent that the LORD God had to *snatch* him away into HIS heavenly glory.

> And Enoch walked in habitual fellowship with God; and he was not, for God took him home with Him (Gen 5:24 AMP).

The tidings of Enoch's life and the wonderful significance of his testimony, have today been spread across the face of the earth as a true test of proof that God is faithful to the faithful. Oh! How today's church would have learnt this invaluable lesson on the eternity she so craves! It was indeed based on this premise of Enoch faithfully walking with God and not seeing death, that the coming of the Messiah was anchored. The Messiah's coming was long foretold by prophecy, and God in heaven longed that mankind receive THE CHRIST based on that testimony. By raining manna from heaven, the LORD

basically intended to employ that wilderness experience of Israel, to underscore the fact that HE was essentially foretelling on the bread of life that was about to be released from heaven. The LORD GOD principally released manna from heaven to the Israelites, in order to symbolize the true Bread of Life, Jesus Christ, that was about to be released from heaven.

> ³² Jesus said to them, "Very truly I tell you, it is not Moses who has given you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. 33 For the bread of God is the bread that comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." ³⁴ "Sir," they said, "always give us this bread." ³⁵ Then Jesus declared, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never go hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty (John 6:32-35)

In the same context, by *walking* with Enoch and safe-guarding Enoch from the cruelty of *death*, JEHOVAH intended that mankind

appreciate the coming of our LORD JESUS clothed in the human form. It was indeed meant to be a lasting lesson on the centrality that the LORD JESUS would behold in the life of the church. The coming of the Messiah at Bethlehem, veiled in the human form, was indeed the *watershed* moment that restored, *the walking with* God in the cool of the day, that Adam and Eve lost at the garden. Moreover, even when the LORD descended HIS word on the stone tablets, and fully inscribed ten commandments, it was Christ JESUS the Messiah, HE foretold about. This is because in HIS eloquent act of releasing the ten commandments unto Israel, the LORD wanted the priests of Israel, the teachers and the nations to know that the greatest events of the ages was about to take place. By emphasizing that Israel walk with HIS Word in her journey, the LORD vividly asserted that Christ JESUS Who is the Word, was to be born of the seed of Abraham and of David's lineage so that HE may communicate to the world the light of Sacred Truth. In all manner and rank of that Mt. Sinai visitation, the LORD was fundamentally playing out what it would mean to receive the salvation of the grace of JESUS. "Tie them as symbols on your hands, and bind them on your foreheads, write them on your doorframes...", essentially prefigured the salvation of the Cross in which believers would have to receive JESUS, and walk with HIM throughout, in the journey of their lives.

> ⁸ Tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. ⁹ Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates.

¹⁰ When the Lord your God brings you into the land he swore to your fathers, to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, to give you — a land with large, flourishing cities you did not build, ¹¹ houses filled with all kinds of good things you did not provide, wells you did not dig, and vineyards and olive groves you did not plant—then when you eat and are satisfied, ¹² be careful that you do not forget the Lord, who brought you out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery (Deut 6:8-12).

It is the Mt. Sinai encounter that highlighted the need for Israel to correct her past life by faithfully walking with GOD. This would require that the Israelites embrace the Word of God in their hearts, at all times. and for all the days of their lives. And as we have seen, when the LORD did that, HE principally implied that HE was longing to walk with man again, as HE did in the garden with Adam prior to the fall. It also became the greatest indicator yet, that in the near future, HE would send HIS One and ONLY begotten Son to come down to the earth and dwell among men and walk with them. This is HE whose name is the Word, and that whosoever would receive HIM and walk with HIM for all the days of their lives, would never perish but see eternal life. This is why HE THE LORD JESUS came in the name EMMANUEL which means. GOD walking with man. JEHOVAH knew that by walking with Jesus all the time, it would primarily require that Jesus live in the

hearts of men. This was the only designed pathway of *exit* through which mankind would mitigate on the losses that were incurred at the garden of Eden, and get their restoration. Those that would subscribe to walking with this new word of grace, would essentially evade the cruelty of *death*, just like did Enoch. Come the glorious day of reckoning at rapture, such a church will be no more because God will snatch her away in the magnificence of HIS Glory (1 Thess 4:16-17; 1 Cor 15:50-56; John 14:1-3; Rev 19:6-9).

PROGRESSION OF SIN

ow it is clearly evident that prior to their reprehensible insubordination, Adam and Eve had earlier on been fully guaranteed eternal life here on earth, and beyond. However, it is also true that as time went by, the condition of mankind rapidly deteriorated, as Adam and Eve transmitted that DNA of disobedience and sin, down the subsequent *generations* and *bloodline*. Courtesy of that virulent fall in the garden of Eden, the earth has since then transformed itself into a most unremorseful centre of sin. With defiance against God now *reigning* high, there was no way the subsequent generations from the time of Adam, would have escaped the wrath of God, and the severe consequences of sin. The original sin of disobedience that Adam and Eve displayed at the garden, has today become the hallmark of insubordination that has severely infested humanity. What began as a simple but steady progression of heedlessness, gradually spilled over into Noah's generation. To make matters



KAKAMEGA REVIVAL / DEC 31, 2013 - JAN 1, 2014 A section of the Stadium. A humongous crowd thronged the New Year's Eve Meeting of the LORD

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worse, when the LORD JESUS HIMSELF came into the spiritual *landscape*, HE vividly foretold of this deplorable progression of sin that would increase in the days prior to HIS glorious return. And HE further pronounced that such a *falling away* from faith is what would terribly *eclipse* the relationship between God and man, in these last days. That was when the CHRIST projected that things would not improve, but instead get worse in the days prior to HIS return. The LORD also *alluded* that this generation would not escape that shameful *fall*, owing to the fact that their hearts would be darkened by this world, and in their worship, they would perfectly mirror the evil days of Noah.

> ³⁶ "But about that day or hour no one knows, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. As it was in the days of Noah, so it will be at the coming of the Son of Man (Matt. 24:36-37).

To best underscore this *abhorrable* revolt that the LORD JESUS foresaw coming to these last days, it is absolutely imperative to *appreciate* the human condition that *prevailed* in the days of Noah. It is that perished human condition that caused the erosion of God's moral benchmarks in the hearts of men. Such was the defiance that *calibrated* Noah's generation, to the extent that mankind essentially





became reckless and totally irresponsible in his handling of God's irrefutable word. This kind of blatant negligence towards God's law, is what has *resurfaced* in the present-day church, and extensively *polluted* the hearts of this generation. The irony though is that this kind of *resurgence* of sin is no stranger to humanity, since it is the same *affliction* that marooned Noah's generation. Having negatively impacted the communion between Noah's generation and God, this generation is likewise confronted with this same kind of wickedness and iniquity.

THE CROSS...

t is this very menace of depravity, and corruption that has today *re-emerged* and utterly *ruined* the novel *devotion* that our LORD JESUS *crafted* for the church. If only today's church knew that our LORD JESUS *painstakingly* laid down HIS life to earn for us that original *blueprint* of holy worship at the Calvary Cross! The King of Glory had to stoop to the *irreducible low* in order to take *humanity* in her most wretched state. Foul and abusive was HIS earthly surrounding to the extent that HE was *compelled* to *veil* HIS Glory and take the *shame*. If there was any horrendous cost of *redeeming* mankind, then this was it; that the King of Glory could *veil* away HIS inherent Glory, so that the Majesty of HIS outward *appearance* might not become the object of human attention, but the symbol of heaven's humility. He became a *worm* to *redeem* mankind (Psalm 22)! Having come from the Kingdom of GOD'S splendour, it is totally *unpercievable*, how the LORD JESUS could *shun* HIS inherent display of *might*, heavenly adornation and honour, in order that HE may rubbish

KAKAMEGA REVIVAL, JANUARY 1, 2014:

This young girl was carried to the meeting of the LORD, and as soon as the MIGHTIEST PROPHET OF THE LORD walked into the stadium, just as HE had pronounced live on Jesus is LORD radio weeks before, She instantly felt her legs strengthened and immediately got up and began to walk. HALLELUHIA TO THE LAMB!

all form of human greatness in HIS mission. In this way, HE rescued humanity. The LORD JESUS indeed paid this hefty price in order to openly testify in the public space, that human greatness of whatever rank, can indeed never ever save a soul from hell! Only the splendour of heavenly truth was HE caused to *administer*, in order to *draw* mankind to the uncompromised core values of God. Men know it not, but the *tidings* fill heaven with tremendous *rejoicing* when this core value of truth achieves its maximum in the *heart* of the believer. And yet the LORD in HIS disposition of love to the church, has promised to inundate those who seek this truth with HIS wisdom. No wonder God declares, "I will pour water upon him that is thirsty, and floods upon the dry ground." (Isaiah 44:3). And yet with astonishment and shock, we have all paid witness as to how this heavenly Messenger of God's truth was awfully beheld in greatest *contempt*, and appalling *indifference* by the very people HE came to *redeem*. Never has that contempt struck its highest, than it does today. With such a horrific disdain to God's law, it is no wonder that today's life is largely characterized by abuse and human suffering, since no guiding principles



are in place. This generation today finds herself in a very unique place at which *history* appears to be accurately repeating itself. It is a place where there is the full blown resurgence of insurrection, wickedness, and the total disregard of God's Sacred command of the grace. This high has never been achieved on earth, except at the height of *rebellion* that defined Noah's days. It is this virulent *ailment* that has spilled into the congregation, and caused the lives of the believers to morally *degenerate* into a pervert lot, whose pastors can even be captured on secular TV in bed with a woman! The situation does not seem to get any better, especially with the legalization of abortion and homosexuality, all across the face of the earth. This state of putrefication has led to an outrageous level of *decay* in christian salvation, to the extent that *homosexuality* has also gotten its way into the church of Christ. To witness today's church casually discuss homosexuality outside the realm of sin, is indeed the most baffling sin of our time. No gravity is attached to that sin at all! One wonders what happened to the book of Romans chapter 1 verses 24 through 28, where God HIMSELF vows to abandon mankind for that sin. How is it possible that the very church that was originally purposed to be the light for this hour, can turn around and begin to accommodate sin as a matter of modernity? It is indeed very heart-breaking to witness the unfolding of this horrendous *apostasy* at the pulpit. It is a very sad experience to live to *witness* this generation attempting to justify their moral inexactness within

the framework of God's Unchanging Exacting Law. God's law of *holiness* is an age-old *yardstick* that has not only defined HIS nature, but also set the benchmark upon which the rapture will take place. How then can such a *pervert* generation that has conceded defeat to sin, partake of the Glorious holy coming of the Messiah?

> Strive to live in peace with everybody and pursue that consecration and holiness without which no one will [ever] see the Lord (Heb 12:14 (AMP).



APOSTASY IN TODAY'S CHURCH

Today's Christians drinking toxic water in Church

n her original *blueprint*, the church was designed to be an Oasis of clean drinking water within the spiritual *wilderness* of travail. That is how the LORD created it to be, right from the beginning of time. And drinking from this *Oasis* of clean water, was originally intended to facilitate both the physical and spiritual wellbeing of the LORD'S flock. Such a God-given *welfare* was without a doubt meant to project the *light* of righteousness from the church, and into this perishing dark world. However, going by what we see being dispensed by the present-day church, it is obvious that both the physical and spiritual well being of the flock have been greatly compromised. Unfortunately, instead of engaging in the long-

awaited endtime harvesting of souls, the present-day church of Christ is busy spewing wickedness and immorality, including homosexuality as her trademark. It is hence no doubt that this *defilement* is what has greatly blemished the intended image of light that the christian believer ought to have beheld at this hour. Whereas the congregation of believers was supposed to have towered higher on matters of *morality*, today we find ourselves in an ambiguous place where a disturbing similarity has developed between the church and the world. Regrettably, *moral decay* within the church itself, has now reached greater heights that are even comparable with that









GRAND MEGA REVIVAL, KAKAMEGA KENYA / DEC 31, 2013 - JAN 1, 2014: At this meeting of the LORD, a historic number of cripples got up and began to walk all over the stadium.

of this rotten world. As a result of this *deplorable* condition at the pulpit and among christians, the strength of the church's *light* has today greatly diminished. This has caused the church to engage in the rehearsal of her shallow worship, even as the same afflictions that have plaqued the dark world, now equally menace her. The House of the LORD is in severe *dire straits*. While the non-believers are busy battling with homosexuality and pornography, the church-goers too, are today faced with their own bout of the same vices. This is what has seriously devastated the *image* of christian salvation, and ravaged the believer's ability to evangelize salvation as the way of *purity*, in the public space. For this reason alone, the LORD IESUS went to the Calvary Cross and paid an *exorbitant* price, that HE may build in our hearts a city of royal lineage from one extremity of the heart to the other, as HE cleans out the vanity of darkness that therein beheld.

THE FOUNTAIN

nd it is at that place of shame by the well in Samaria, that the LORD dug unto the church a fountain and proclaimed therefrom that, "I am the Living water..."

> ¹⁰ Jesus answered and said to her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is who says to you, 'Give Me a drink,' you would have asked Him, and He would have given you living water." ¹¹ The woman said to Him, "Sir, You have nothing to draw with, and the well is deep. Where then do You get that living water? ¹² Are You greater than our father Jacob, who gave us the well, and drank from it himself, as well as his sons and his livestock?" ¹³ Jesus answered and said to her, "Whoever drinks of this water will thirst again, ¹⁴ but whoever drinks of the water that I shall give him will never thirst. But the water that I shall give him will become in him a fountain of water springing up into everlasting life."

It is this *fountain* which JESUS dug at the altar of salvation that was intended to quench the thirst of the weary along life's journey. However, when a water fountain that was originally purposed to release life, turns into a 'rock' at which *death* is instead being gushed out across the land, then it can be said of that *Oasis*, that its waters have turned *toxic*. And so is the case in today's church where the fountain of *living water* that JESUS dearly dug unto her, has turned toxic. The water that christians are drinking in today's church has by no doubt become *poisonous* to a consecrated christian lifestyle. While the original object of the LORD was that the church be a refuge



to which the afflicted can ran and find *remission*. today we see that the contrary has *established* in the house. Owing to the current form of apostasy, it is today evident that the Church of Christ has now converted itself into a place at which the innocent that strive to maintain a *consecrated* holy life, instead find themselves in compromising circumstances in

church where they learn their first sins. In this day and age, it's no hidden secret that the gospel of prosperity that squarely

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Cripples abandoned their wheelchairs and crutches as they got up and began to walk away.

focusses the believers on money and material things of this world, has become the greatest contamination at the *well* that JESUS dug. This has caused a *reckless* and *careless* form of practice that does not engage holiness to establish at the altar of the New Covenant. The enrolment of people into subscribing to this decay of materialism and immorality, is what has caused an escalation of the gospel of *prosperity* and *apostasy* within the vast dominions that today's *corrupt* pastor oversee. In this way, the *contagion* has infected the entire body of Christ. This malady has not left the youth behind. It's now no hidden secret that God Almighty greatly laments the youth church of this day as they openly wallow in sexual sin, christian discotheques, dating, and blatantly engage in *immoral* discussions in church, virtually uncontested. Things have become so bad that innocent youth become pregnant in church through immorality, and not only get involved in the horrific





act of *abortion*, but also contract and intentionally disseminate the dreadful HIV/AIDS! The House of the LORD has been turned into the tabernacle of satan! If the dressing of women in the church was anything to go by, then it would indeed be said that the *current* worship in the House of the LORD has as a matter of fact taken away from the glorious gospel of *light* that Jesus brought. With such a *resume* then, it is vividly evident that the water in today's church has not only become *bitter*, but also turned *poisonous* to a holy christian lifestyle. It is as though the congregations that assemble every Sunday, simply strive for one thing; to perform their worship rights to be seen, and not as a means of deriving a *livelihood* from the LORD. It is this kind of *contaminated* fountains that have littered the present-day church all across the globe, and greatly poisoned a *consecrated* christian salvation.

DECAY IN TODAY'S CHURCH

t is poisoning the original *holy salvation* of the Cross through which the Lord Jesus had intended to win the nations. In this way, the kind of *worship* being administered from today's pulpit certainly testifies to a church that has lost her original identity of holiness and resigned to a mediocre-form of salvation. This surrender literally amounts to a compromised christian walk, that exalts the earthly pleasures of promiscuity as the daily bread. It is a brand of Christianity that has cost the church her authority in society, and caused an ugly decay to eat deep into the hearts of the believers. It is a virulent form of *apostasy* that has not only spread deep into the body of Christ, but also become the addiction of your average pastor. With impunity, this falling away has undeniably consumed the christian congregation from nation to nation, like a wild bushfire. To make matters worse, this *decay* has become so *crafty* that is has disguised itself by *packaging* into a sweet horizontal gospel that appeals to the flesh.

While denying holiness, today's message of prosperity promises to address the believers earthly challenges here and right now. Such an instant gospel that promises everything under the sun while lacking the power of holiness, is what is squarely responsible for the open commercialization of the word of God, even on television. Such a trend by the present-day pastors is extremely disturbing since it amounts the shameful rampant selling of the Blood and the Cross of Jesus, in the market space! Without any due quilt, or moral consciousness, this corrupt gospel of the flesh has continued to *conquer* the hearts of the shepherds; one pastor after the other, world over. What particularly creates a bitter agony in the heart of the LORD, is the manner in which this *virulent* gospel has created a *euphoric* frenzy in the *clamour* for money, thereby plaguing the church. Such a state of affairs clearly testifies on the extent to which apostasy has spread as a cancerous wound in the body of Christ, and literally soiled the image of the present-day house of the LORD. This unrelenting decay is singularly responsible for the *wanton* erosion of all God's moral benchmarks in the current church of Christ. As though to add insult onto injury, this menacing gospel of prosperity has gone ahead to birth out false prophets who perpetrate the teachings of the adulterated form of salvation that lacks in power and durability. The apostasy of this day, has baffled even the best of theologians, observers and scholars of revivalism since by all standards one can clearly see that not much heavenly gains have accrued to the church since its inception. Every believer of sound spiritual mind well understands that the only gains that are acceptable to God the FATHER, are those that directly lead to the harvesting of the souls.

KAKAMEGA REVIVAL DEC 31, 2013 -JAN 1, 2014: This boy crippled at birth, was practically carried to this **Revival Meeting of** the LORD. The LORD healed POWERFULLY Strengthened his weak legs and he instantly got up, and began to walk away. Surely, by HIS Stripes we were indeed healed! Praise the LORD!

BOVE:



Without instructing the church on holiness, it then becomes true that today's pastors have literally converted the holy pulpit of the LORD into a place that essentially *perverts* the bible in order to ratify *fraudulent* activity. Going by the recklessness with which money and *immorality* have co-mingled at the present-day pulpit, it would appear like *falsehood* has now become an *acceptable* norm in church. Such eroded norms in the church essentially spell doom to the present-day generation. As a result of this failure to perceive the gravity of the LORD'S *travail* on the Cross, today's pastors appear to have *resorted* to an open living for the stomach. And by publicly selling the *Sacred* Blood of Jesus at any market price, without any shame whatsoever, today's shepherd has indeed humiliated Jesus!

¹⁸ For, as I have often told you before and now tell you again even with tears, many live as enemies of the cross of Christ. ¹⁹ Their destiny is destruction, their god is their stomach, and their glory is in their shame. Their mind is set on earthly things. ²⁰ But our citizenship is in heaven. And we eagerly await a Saviour from there, the Lord Jesus Christ, ²¹ who, by the power that enables him to bring everything under his control, will transform our lowly bodies so that they will be like his glorious body (Phill. 3:18-20).

KAKAMEGA REVIVAL, JANUARY 1, 2014:

This Baby was born crippled and remained crippled until he was brought to the Grand Mega Nakuru **Revival Meeting of August 19th**, 2013, WHERE THE LORD TOUCHED AND HEALED HER. He got up and began to walk in that meeting. Four months later, on January 1, 2014, his mother brought him before the **MIGHTY PROPHET OF THE LORD** to show THE MAN OF GOD, and affirm to HIM that her son, who was born crippled and healed at Nakuru, WAS STILL WALKING. **GLORY TO GOD!**

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The Toxic Waters Of This Present-day Church

hen God created the church and placed her in the garden of Eden, it is amazing that *death* was not factored into the equation of man's life. The CREATOR intended that a faithful walk with mankind would automatically earn the church *unfettered* eternity with God. In that original masterplan, the LORD JESUS CHRIST was placed at the very centre of man's livelihood. And with the CHRIST centred in the life of man, mankind was intended to tap the unlimited life that the MESSIAH beholds. That is how it was meant to be in the beginning, that in her righteous obedience to God, humanity would never hunger nor thirst, and neither would she suffer the afflictions of disease. All these were meant to be courtesy of her faithful anchorage upon the bread of life, and the living water, that would exude out of the pulpit of the church. With all these pleasantries in place, it is indeed unfortunate to live to witness what *apostasy* has achieved at the pulpit area of the present-day church. The House of the Lord has today indeed become the place at which toxic and poisonous undrinkable water is perpetually being dispensed. This comes at such a time when the *thirst* among the folk in the church is at its highest, hence disaligning the church with her prophetic destiny for this hour. The church was originally intended for the great awakening of this critical hour by maximizing on the grand *harvesting* of the souls towards the glorious coming of the Messiah. Miserably though, the apostasy being discussed in this segment, has *disconnected* her from that purpose, and hence caused the christians to backslide left, right, and centre. The situation in the House becomes even much more dire, owing to the tremendous global distress that has set in, and the great desire of all believers to pursue at least a minimal level of *remission*. Having lived through a tremendous loss of property and wealth through earthquakes, tsunamis, hurricanes, floods, wars, etc, all believers indeed right now desire some little hope of assurance beyond the tombs. The magnitude of injury that the gospel of prosperity has caused the House of the LORD, may never be understood in this lifetime. Indeed, the fountain of living water that once flowed from heaven must have stopped rolling down into the House of the LORD owing to the detestable worship by today's believers. This has caused a nightmare situation in which the desperate sheep are painfully thirsting to death. It is true that the Marah waters are finally inundating the church of Christ. Spiritual injury has been caused by attempts to drink from this fountain of Marah waters.



BITTER WATER at Marah

HERE is no better place at which to understand God's plan for the church, than the encounter Israel had with JEHOVAH at Marah. As the Israelites set out in their *pilgrimage* to the Promised Land, they went through a vast stretch of desert terrain that beheld very harsh conditions. It was then that by design, the LORD directed Moses to *lead* the Israelites into the desert of Shur. As they journeyed through this desert of Shur, they reached a moment at which they ran out of their supply of fresh drinking water. A very distressful situation arose in which they began to desperately search for drinking water. However, in their search, they were so *disappointed* to find none at all. That gruelling journey took them a whole three days as they thirsted and were very weak due to excessive dehydration. This made their search for water even much more frantic in that *wilderness* of Shur. Considering that they had women and children, together with livestock and property to carry, this then turned into such an agonizing experience for Israel to behold!

The Waters of Marah and Elim

²² Then Moses led Israel from the Red Sea and they went into the Desert of Shur. For three days they traveled in the desert without finding water. ²³ When they came to Marah, they could not drink its water because it was bitter. (That is why the place is called Marah.) ²⁴ So the people grumbled against Moses, saying, "What are we to drink?" ²⁵ Then Moses cried out to the Lord, and the Lord showed him a piece of wood. He threw it into the water, and the water became fit to drink. There the Lord issued a ruling and instruction for them and put

KAKAMEGA REVIVAL DEC 31, 2013 - JAN 1, 2014: As the PROPHET OF THE LORD walked towards the worship team, the powerful anointing of the Holy Spirit *touched* them and slaid them to the ground.

GLORY TO GOD ALMIGHTY!



them to the test. ²⁶ He said, "If you listen carefully to the Lord your God and do what is right in his eyes, if you pay attention to his commands and keep all his decrees. I will not bring on you any of the diseases I brought on the Egyptians, for I am the Lord, who heals you." ²⁷ Then they came to Elim, where there were twelve springs and seventy palm trees, and they camped there near the water. (Exodus 15:22-27).

From this narrative, we see very clearly that the Israelites had hit a most desperate stretch in their pursuit for *fresh* drinking water in that *unforgiving* desert of Shur. As one can imagine, the women and children must have become too weak to sustain the journey, owing to the *abhorrable* dehydration and thirst that was now threatening their lives. It is in that desperation, that they discovered a place called Marah, at which they finally found water. One can only imagine how their *hopes* were instantly *rekindled* and the glow that *beamed* from their faces as the news of this find spread through the camp. Under such circumstances of extreme duress, finding



water was equivalent to finding life. All must have broken *lose* with children and parents unpacking their water containers with the *sound* of containers rubbing on one another *ringing* high in the sky that evening. With their throats in great anticipation for a drink, the heads of households confidently marched towards the springs at Marah. Everybody was in great craving of a drink to run down their throats and quench their thirst. However, this elation was very short lived, given that no sooner had the water been found, than it was discovered to be *bitter* and very toxic. The water at Marah was indeed not adequate at all for human consumption.



KAKAMEGA REVIVAL / I JAN 2014 - TOTALLY DEAF EARS POP OPEN:

Just as the MIGHTIEST PROPHET OF THE LORD prophesied way before the meeting of the LORD, live on Jesus is LORD radio, HE said that the deaf ears would open, and that they would be very sensitive to sound. The LORD indeed powerfully popped open this girl's totally deaf ears, and they were too sensitive to sound.

Even by today's public health regulations, we would expect that such a water would not be *permitted* for human consumption. That is when Israel's *desperation* now began turning into anger. That is when they *murmured*, *grumbled* and *bitterly* complained against Moses. In that bitterness, they laid out their case very clearly to Moses that they indeed detested that type of *treatment* that they were being subjected to. One can only imagine the burden that Moses bore on behalf of all the Israelites in their greatest hopelessness. As the Israelites cried out in great anger towards Moses, Moses too had no option, but to cry out to the LORD. That is when the LORD showed him a tree. When the LORD showed Moses that piece of wood, HE must have also instructed him on what to do with it. IEHOVAH the God of Israel then directed Moses to take that piece of wood and throw it into the bitter waters of Marah. It was then that the bitter waters of Marah instantly turned into sweet water that was now suitable for human consumption. That is the point at which their hopes were rekindled again and every Israelite drew out their fetching containers and went out to drink cool refreshing water at Marah

Revealing God's Hidden Design At Marah

hen the Israelites came to Marah, their encounter with the LORD defined the watershed moment in the relationship between man and God. In that episode there emerged certain key hidden *nuggets* of God's wisdom that the presentday church must *capture* for her own deliverance. Central among these aspects of wisdom, is the fact that in the Hebrew context; JEHOVAH showed Moses a piece of wood, translates into JEHOVAH showed, trained, coached, and instructed Moses on the *piece of wood*. That means that the LORD taught Moses the *skills* necessary to do that *task* with the piece of *wood*, and most likely through a practical experience in the dream, or vision, with the purpose of *improving* that situation. This definitely implies that the *process* through which the LORD passed Moses in order to bring deliverance to the Israelites at Marah, was by no means a simple *one-step* procedure. The LORD must have instructed Moses on how to take that piece of wood, and prepare it, if need be, and finally on how to throw it into the Marah waters. Otherwise, Moses as a person wouldn't have known how to handle that treasured piece of

wood that now beheld the redemption. As mentioned, this may have also involved a series of *dreams* and *visions* that allowed Moses to put everything together in order to *diligently* and flawlessly obey the instruction of the LORD.

Deliverance at Marah

s the Israelites arrived at Marah, and the Marah waters became too *bitter* to drink, God Almighty had to instruct Moses on a piece of wood. It is as though on that *piece of wood* was an inscription for Israel's deliverance. It seems like the *bitter waters* of *Marah* required the sweet wood of God in order to become sweet waters that are consumable. That is the only way the Marah waters would be able to support the lives of the Israelites in their journey. However, the most important key to this *deliverance* at *Marah*, was the fact that the LORD had a different focus designed for Israel. In this underlying design, it was not the three day journey through the desert of Shur that mattered most to JEHOVAH. Nevertheless, it was the segment from Marah to Elim that mattered most to the LORD. The deliverance of Israel at Marah was essentially meant to replenish their strength in order to sustain the final stretch they had to travel from Marah to Elim. Once at Elim, their predicament would be over, since they

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rising from this decay therefore, the body of Christ has acquired a characteristic blemish in which the worldliness of this age has not only entered the congregation, but also fully entrenched at the pulpit. Irrefutably, this lack of deliverance in the present-day church of Christ has become full blown in the ranks of the church

would find the plentiful supplies from the twelve springs and seventy palm trees. Before the Israelites could embark on the final stretch to Elim, the LORD saw that their *hearts* were still *bitter* owing to the cruel bitterness of the slavery they had just undergone in Egypt. There was hence a great need for the LORD to inscribe HIS spiritual instruction on the piece of wood and accordingly instruct Moses, in order to heal the bitterness at Marah. The healing of the bitter water at Marah, was very symbolic of a much more significant spiritual healing of the bitter hearts that the Israelites beheld out of the endless years of a *bitter slavery*. There was hence an urgent need for the LORD to change the *conformation* of Israel from a more Egyptian-style horizontal earthly living, to a more vertical and God-oriented life. The real key is in the fact that when the Marah waters were very bitter, the Israelites cried out to Moses, who in turn cried out to the LORD. And when Moses cried out the



LORD, he was shown the piece of wood that brought *healing*. In other words, the LORD is saying that at the Marah theatre, HE taught an important lesson to Israel. And in that lesson, the LORD was saying to Israel that, however bitter the situation they encounter may be, if they would harken to HIS command, He would listen to their cry and heal that bitterness. The name Marah means bitterness and the fact that the LORD healed the bitter water at Marah, also inevitably implies that whatever the level of bitterness Israel would ever encounter, if they turn to the LORD, HE would heal them. In the narrative of the Marah healing then, we clearly see the LORD saying that at this place HE tested Israel, implying that all this was as a matter of fact, by design. That can only project the fact that the *healing* of *bitter* water at Marah was more of the healing of the Israelites. No wonder, HE said I am the LORD who heals you. It is important to note here that despite *healing* the *bitter waters* at Marah, the LORD deliberately avoids saying that HE is the LORD that *heals* their bitter waters. On the contrary, HE says, "I am the Lord, who heals you". This healing of Israel at Marah was very important because we see the way in which they

directed a bitter rhetoric towards Moses when they found out that the Marah water was virtually unconsumable. The *healing* of the *bitter water* at Marah then became very symbolic of the healing *deliverance* that the LORD wanted to accomplish in the life

of Israel. The LORD OF HOSTS had to bring healing and *deliverance* to Israel at Marah, that she may prepare herself for the grand entry into the land of super plenty, Elim. At Elim, the LORD unleashes HIS abundant and plentiful supplies.



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