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LOSING GOD WITHOUT KNOWING IT

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Judges 16:20

What is the destiny of the world?

Only 120 men in that Upper Room when the Spirit of God fell on them and they went and turned the world upside down.

I believe that Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever.

If the Holy Spirit descended on this group this ^{today} ~~morning~~, the record books would be re-written in the church of the Living God.

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Critical time -- have much evangelism and so little religion. Christianity!
Play around with Sin & the World!

100 years after the mighty revival of John Wesley, the power of God had already waned - England was again in the valley of the shadow of death spiritually.

1865 a man half Jew and half Gentile came on the scene and men and women began to go to the back alley meeting places.

One thing you do not have to do -- you do not have to advertize that fire. Fire itself advertises. William Booth put on the banner blood and fire. He wrote one of the most evangelist hymns in history. "With Christ the burning cleansing flames send the fire. Look down upon this waiting host -- send us another Pentecost!" I'm not sure we want another Pentecost, but we need it!

Where fire falls and burns it's always attractive.

The Arch Bishop told Booth he would fail because he broke two of the Commandments. (Not Baptist or Observe the Lord's Supper). Booth sent message, said that the church of England will also fail, the Bible says wash one another's feet and you don't do that.

The Holy Spirit must come again upon his church in sovereign power.

Person may ask are you Pentecostal - no, not likely, I'm way beyond that, I'm Biblical.

Doctrine of the Holy Spirit has suffered the greatest distortion of any doctrine in the Word of God. We are afraid of the Holy Ghost - Where in God's name do we get our authority to turn the Holy Ghost on at 11^{Am} and turn him off and go watch the Bulls play the Rams. That is what you do Sunday afternoon - watch the goats play the rams and go back to church at 7 and turn the Spirit on and turn him off at 8:30 -- and turn him on again on Wednesday night. That is nonsense - blasphemy!

Like having a house fire and call up the Fire Dept. They say wait a minute, who do you think we are, we work on a schedule -- 11 o'clock Sunday, 7 o'clock Sunday and 7 on Wednesday. If you are going to have a house fire arrange it on our schedule.

What if you went to the hospital and say to your wife who is dying, - and they say we only open on Sunday from 11-12, 7-8 on Wednesday, you'd say it's outrageous.

We are the biggest fire department in history. The world is on Hell fire today because the church has lost the Holy Ghost fire.

Satan has put in the heart of man sin.

"If I could do what I want to do - do your own thing".

Let her rip - you can do without God. Ego is on the throne. Man makes the decisions - does everything he wants.

Generation now who can do anything they want, go anywhere they want, say anything they want, anything is tolerated, and now they have had it all, done it all, blown the fuses, and they are still not happy. Sin is not where it is after all. The idea you are free to do whatever you want to do has not satisfied anybody.

End days Satan will take charge - people exposing their nudity, saying down with God, down with the Government, down with the flag, soldiers, the cops, the preacher, the church, the home, the Ten Commandments -- we will create a world in which man controls!

Divorce, crime, drug traffic, sexual immorality, stealing, retail stores - stealing goods at rate of 8 million per day.

Past 25 years - Ministers and Priests decreased from 250,000 to 200,000.

Social workers and mental health personnel increased from 14,000 to 100,000.

The people today are spiritually sick - trying to heal themselves.

Cancer patient - keeps comfortable, pain shots.

Problems of world rest in hands of the Christians! Will we transform the world.

The answer is in humble, broken, contrite men at the feet of Jesus who have what Paul had. He said on the Damascus Road, God revealed himself to me - when I was in Arabia, He revealed himself in me.

Forty years ago, we had some great men, spiritual giants. We call them the Puritans, John Owen said the history of the Old Testament is that men would not listen to God. The history of the New Testament is that men would not obey the Son of God. The history of our day is as sad - we will not allow the Holy Spirit to have his place in our lives. If John Owen came back today he would not have to change one of these truths.

Ency. Britannica ⁷ gives one page and 1/2 to 3rd person in Trinity. I turned over 31 1/2 pages given to a name, he's a bachelor and won't mention his name but he lives in Rome. A page and a half to the Holy Spirit and 31 1/2 to Papacy.

Millions of people every Lord's Day recite the Apostles Creed. "I believe in God the Father"- and only one reference to the Holy Ghost.

Many regard the Holy Ghost as junior partner in the God head. He is not. He is equal with the Father and the Son. And his works are full of majesty. He created the world in which I live. It was a piece of dead clay and he breathed on it and brought out of it order. That same one brooded over that virgin girl and she conceived the Lord Jesus Christ.

And men took eternal life and tried to kill it. That's what man did. They took Jesus and killed him, but how come you kill eternal life. Put him in a tomb, a stone over that, and seal over that, and soldiers over that. So you've got a dead Saviour, dead as this floor and everybody said he is dead and that is the end of it. On that slab. The (first count down) was not at Cape Cannaveral -

It was on Easter Morning. The Devil said if we can hold him here we can take the world. The Devil called every demon of Hell to come and roll every sin against that stone and they did. I like that hymn and we only use it on Easter. "Death can not keep its prey, Jesus My Saviour, He tore the bars away." How did he do it? The Spirit touched him, the Spirit that raised up Jesus from the dead! All the work of the Holy Ghost is majestic.

When a person is born again, all Heaven gets excited when a person is born again. It is the work of the Holy Ghost applying the work of Jesus Christ to the heart of the sinner.

We have those fellows in the Upper Room-- all afraid. And suddenly I like that word suddenly - Mal. 3:1. "The Lord whom ye seek, shall suddenly come to his temple."

When shepherds were watching their flocks by night - suddenly there was a Heavenly Host and down came the angels bearing the news of the Son of God.

Men in the Upper Room and suddenly - I like that word. It would be something if while you were here in this church the Holy Spirit suddenly came.

The Gospel is for these thousands lost sinners and those who won't get moving. God is going to bypass you.

He is the King of Glory - People went to see him.

2.6
Judges 16:6 [Delilah said to Samson] '' tell me where is the secret of thy strength lie.

Great day when world begins to ask the church - what is the secret of thy

Great Power.

The church was founded by a bunch of men in the Upper Room agonizing.

Today the church is in a back room criticising. Prov. 6:16-19.

The church was founded by fire.

The pillar of fire that led Israel and now all some have is a few weeping candles on the altar.

What is the secret of thy great strength? After all a man doing this much damage, you've got to find his secret and got to get a woman in it. There has been a woman in everything since the downfall of the world anyhow.

Best known story of America in literature and English - "Rip Van Winkle". Was he a senator. I've forgotten anyhow. Politician - he went to sleep. The teacher said this man slept for a 100 years. He went up the hill to sleep and there was a sign with the head of George III of England waving in the breeze and when the old boy came down 100 years later, with finger nails as long as a modern office girls - he was a sight when he got into the valley. He got into an argument and he could have saved himself a lot of trouble because they had painted out the head of George III and had put the head of another Englishman, George Washington. There was the sign. The thing about the story is not that he slept for a 100 years, but he (slept through a revolution!)

I suggest that is what the church of Jesus Christ is doing at this moment. Sleeping through a revolution.

Fortunately only about 5 men have dominated the world in history.

Alexander the Great did it when he was 27.

Little man with Charlie Chaplain's mustach tried to do it in 1939 by the name of Hitler. He liquidated 6 million Jews, pushed his coastline a 1000 miles. Pushed more Kings off their thrones than any modern man.

Before him was a man by the name of Napoleon. One of the greatest military men in History. He gathered his war lords and one day put his finger on a map and said there is a giant that is asleep, let it sleep, the country that he outlined was none other than that amazing country of China. If that nation begins to struggle and think of its millions of man power, look out world! Time today.

Napoleon also put his finger on England - if it were not for that spot, I could conquer the world.

The Devil says the same thing about Calvary today - if it wasn't for that spot, I could conquer the world.

He says there is the church of Jesus Christ asleep. Let it sleep. Because if the church ever discovers the power of the Holy Ghost - the church will lay hold on the promises of God and hurl them like thunder bolts against the powers of darkness. Then a new faith will be written in the history of the world.

What is secret of Thy strength?

V.7 Fooled around with her a little bit and said if they bind me with 7 new green withs - I shall be as another man. Isn't that sweet.

new cords - must them -

They tied him up and he got out of them.

V. 10
V. 11

V. (10) - 2nd time he said if I am bound - new ropes - I will be like another man.

We are cursed in the church with mediocrity - cursed with (wanting to be like the world) instead of being what the Holy Ghost wants to make them.

They fastened him with ropes and he got out of them.

V. 15

V. (15) - Then she came with that devastating weapon that women have "you don't love me".

V. 16-17

He said listen - you hold your horses ("I do love you") - you know what my secret is - I'm a Nazarite, I've never had my hair cut, I've never tasted wine, I never touched anything dead."

With that instinct of hers, she said that is the answer -- ah, Poor Samson.

You know if he had stayed on his knees he would never have got on her knees.

The secret is not in long hair - if it was, this place would explode. Today

People say should not talk about baptism of the Holy Ghost. The first one who ever said it was a Baptist!

We got this all distorted - you must speak in tongues.

(Clear as daylight) - you know if tongues was the initial sign of the Baptism of the Holy Ghost. The greatest teacher in the world would have said by this shall all men know ye are my disciples." If you speak in tongues, but he didn't

say that.

If tongues was a sign, the only sign of being filled with the Holy Ghost - he would have said ye shall receive power after tongues come upon you. Doesn't say that.

If tongues be the sign, then how do you explain he gave to one the working of miracles and to another the gifts of tongues - not to everyone but to another.

The church of God will work only one way. He gives us as he will.

The church right now could do with some apostles, some evangelists, prophets, some teachers.

In such a mess today that we need an evangelist to evangelize the evangelist and some councilor to council the councilors.

Acts 6 - You know that he says - a preacher had to do. There are two things. Give himself to prayer and the word. The Deacons can do the rest. You've got to have Deacons - the Bible Standard. They were full of faith and the Holy Ghost. The reason some have Deacons is they own two oil wells or own a hot dog stand.

— He's got something. They got it all planned out.

The Holy Ghost is incorruptible. If men could buy it - they would get out their check books and give a 100 or 1000, or million. Thank God for an incorruptible Holy Ghost.

You can be a shop worker, a house wife, a poor widow, and have the Holy Ghost!

There was a poor widow in the war time. People made a path to her door. Some coming at 5 o'clock and asking her to pray with and for them. There came a day in her life when she said, "Lord, I don't want to go through this life useless. Oh Lord, fill and make me useful." He did and gave her the ministry of prayer!

If God gave you a choice today - would you choose faith and prayer! ? ←

v. 18-19 V. (18-19) The woman knew she got the answer. So she said you rest your head on my lap and gave him a hair cut. My, that was an expensive hair cut, wasn't it!

20 V. (20) You know what happened, she said as she said before Samson - the Philistines be upon you and suddenly he woke up.

Here was a man way up there - the woman was not the secret of your strength. His arms the size of watermelons, chest like rocky mountains. But he could do what no other man could, because he was anointed of the Spirit, and only because he was anointed. That is what the anointed church can do by the Holy Ghost.

Woman said the Phil. be upon the Samson! I will go out as before, same size as he was before. (Saddest words in Bible)

"He wist not that the Spirit of God had departed from him".

They took boiling water and put a frog into it. He wiggled and cursed, and

hopped out and said I don't live in boiling water. Got out. Then they put frog in cold water and turned gas jet up and sat down 5 minutes. Turned 2, 5 minutes. 3, 5 minutes. And he got warm and wiggled and said I got through that. I'll get through the next - so he settled back down and it is not too serious anyhow. He got through a bit more and a bit more until they boiled him to death!

— Come on Christian, tell me what boiled you to death?

14.5-6
Wist not - this story is very natural - you know why. He fell in love with a lovely girl and he went to a place called Timnath. Some would have said don't go this way - why? There is a lion in the way.

If Samson is a type of man filled with the Spirit and I believe he is, then the lion is a type of the Devil in the way and Samson was not afraid of the lion. He told some men you sit around the corner, I've got a bit of work to do and he got hold of that lion and ripped it as though it was a kid of a goat. That is in Miracle The next is greater than the miracle, He said nothing about it! If someone had done that we would have photographed it from the first to the last - it would have been the biggest, fiercest, terrible lion - and you know what, I killed it all by my self!

I do not care whether I am the worst or best preacher.

Matt. 3:13 - This is my son in whom I am well pleased.

I long for God to say the same about me. Have you ever thought of your sinful life and thought wouldn't it be wonderful if God could think the same of me?

It is not important what men say about me or even think.

It vitally concerns me what God knows about me - my life will be determined by what God knows.

I know that you have spiritual needs and so do I. But I do pray that my name will be known in Hell.

I'd like for the Demons of Hell to say, Jesus I know, Paul, I know, Frank Hughes, I know. That is the greatest possibility in human redemption.

You see when the church gets back to the power - there will be Deacons who can lay hands on the Sick, somebody with a word of wisdom, and a word of knowledge.

We are not like the New Testament church!

We don't compare with it - we contrast with it!

Man in Europe, ^{Bloomhoff} bloomhalf - He became interested in people mentally derranged - they started bringing to him names and he would go and pray in the house two hours, 5 hours, 6 hours. He would pray until the demons came out of those people. Until they were restored mentally. One day he had run into a solid wall. He prayed for this girl 2 weeks, 4 weeks, 2 months, 4 months - 8 hours a day in that girl's room with another woman present less he be scandalized. The demons said you are wasting your time. We will never come out. He said if I don't get out til the day I die, I'll stay here! One afternoon, 10 months after he started to feel the surge of the Holy Ghost's power coming in him, he saw her eyes rolling and foam in her mouth. He said "In the name of Jesus Christ, the Son of God, I rebuke you demons, come out of her". People in the valley said it sounded like a freight train going through the valley as the legion of demons went out of that girl. He said, Hallelujah, What A Saviour!

When the Holy Ghost works in your church - you won't have any trouble working up a program for the kids - all you need is to get the Holy Ghost here.

Once you get the signs and wonders there, I am not arguing for a Pentecost! I am arguing for Biblical Christianity to be restored in this lost world.

In every anointed church there will be men with wisdom and signs and wonders.

6:12
6:13
Judges back 10 chapters - Find little fellow and what is he doing. He is thrashing corn. Why because he belongs to God's chosen people.

Angel comes to the side of him and says to Gideon - "God is with you".

He could have said what do you mean. You see that hole, I live there and we are in captivity to the Midranites.

Greatest danger to America - this hour is not communism, drug business, greater threat -- that hangs over America - hangs over the church. It's this - we are in danger of God moving our candle stick!

Al. Shaffer wrote, "God has given up on the cities of America, they gave up on God first and he has spit them out of his mouth. God has not spoken to the Jews in 2000 years. You think he can walk out on America! Unless the congregation moves out into the aisles for God, church at home makes difficult for miss.

We don't need more of what we've got, we need another breed.

Gideon said I'm living in the cave there, my uncle is living in the next one.

You know the answer - he gave the angel?

6:13 He said if God be with us, (where be his miraeles?) Nobody here under 25 has seen a Holy Ghost revival. I mean a Finny type revival, when God envelopes a whole community and people can't sleep, and can't eat, can't sin, can't lie, and can't even do their business.

Let me tell you the greatest need of the church and the Holy Ghost is an exposure to the holiness of God!

Isaiah saw him, he said, woe is me! I'm undone, I'm unclean, dwell in midst of people of unclean lips.

You know our people don't come to church to meet God anymore. They want a sermon about God. Brother, when the Holy Ghost comes, they won't be looking at their watches, wanting to run home.

If the Holy Ghost come in he could burn down communism in six months.

V121 Samson did his exploits. He destroyed the lion. 2,000 men came upon him and they couldn't tie him up. The woman tied him up alright. V. 21.

You know what they did - they put out his eyes.

Summarize it, his whole life in 3 words in sin.

First -- Bind him.

Second - Blind him.

Third -- Grind him.

Basement going round and round - grinding grain for the enemy.

Are you going to suggest those sockets are without any tears.

Do you not think he had said, Lord, I wish I had died after I killed that lion! I wish I had died after I lifted the gates of Gaza! I wish I had died with the anointing on me!

The greatest part of your life like Samson is behind the closed door. It is not out prancing in public or being a show piece.

No man is greater than his prayer life!

I do not remember Samson because he went up or because he fell down. But I remember Samson because he prayed! V. 28.

25 V. 25 - One day while he was going around and around and he heard some feet and he said, who are you. And he said, I am a boy. I'm a Midramite. I want to take you to the Temple of Dagon. The fish God. Because there are a lot of people there. There were 3000 in the galleries and maybe 7000 in the lower floor.

V. 26 They led Samson in there, he was blind. He prayed the prayer I challenge you to pray this hour.

V. 30 - "Let Me Die"

For the secret of the Holy Ghost - revival is when we die to self - self-interest - self-seeking, self glory, self pity, self righteousness.

It is one thing for sins to be done away with.

It is another thing for sin to be dealt with in my life.

Samson does not say Lord will you restore Israel - will you return and make me a Judge over Israel, does not say Lord will you give me freedom. Does not say Lord will you give me my eye sight back.

He prays, Oh Lord, I've failed and these wretched Philistines are laughing and saying Baal is their God. And they are saying that today!

Samson went and put his hands by the pillars - He prayed this prayer.
"Lord strengthen me just once".

"Let me feel the anointing, I use to feel! Even if I die!"

And the Spirit came upon him - and it says in the story over and over again - "the Spirit of the Lord rested upon him".

The greatest thing in the world is the anointing of the Spirit. The demons and carnal members will fight you and do everything they can to get rid of you.

Strengthen me just once He said!

The Spirit came upon him and he pulled out the pillars and the house came down.

He killed more in his dying than in his living!

He got the victory - listen.

The church is not waiting for Jesus to come and bury it! It is waiting for Jesus to come and energize it. Fill it with the Holy Ghost and sent it out

to this lost world.

Do you know why you've got problems?

You got four people inside of you.

- ✓ 1. One you think you are.
2. One other people think you are.
3. The one you think that other people think you are.
4. The person God knows you are!

You may be painting one picture of the church and of yourself God is also painting a picture and they are not alike.

Have you lost God without knowing it?

Sit down - you had better have a Revelation now than have it on the Judgement morning. Poor, blind, wretched --

Al - Sin in the camp!

Church had power - anointed of the Spirit

- in one place
- in one accord
- in prayer

The answer this hour is die and get filled with the Holy Ghost!

World (Chess Game) - Fischer and Spasky.

Art gallery in Europe painting - The (Devil) and young man playing for his soul.

Looks (like a draw) *or win for Satan*

Chess master study - exclaimed - young man you have one move - it will win the game and sweep the board.

The next move is up to you - Satan has you in an impossible position.