**IT’S TIME THAT WE MUST INCREASE IN THE LORD**

I come to you in this Newsletter with a burdened heart! Our Bible tells us plainly that these are the “Last Days” we are living in that Jesus warned us would come. Over two thousand years ago, Jesus looked into our very day and warned us that right before He returns for His Church to take His people out of this world, Iniquity shall abound, and because of it so rapidly and blazingly increasing, the love of many shall **Wax** cold. The great apostle Paul through the Holy Ghost also warned the Christians that Perilous Times (unsafe and wickedly dangerous) would come, that Evil men and seducers shall **Wax** worse and worse!! It will be a time of Lies, Deceit and ungodly Lust of every kind as it was in the days of Noah right before the flood of God’s judgment came and destroyed the world. It will be a time of unprecedented sin and evil as it was in the days of Lot right before God sent judgment of burning fire and rained it down, destroying the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah and left them in a pile of ashes as a witness that you can’t trifle God’s Holy Laws by your horrible sins and ungodliness and get by – He will intervene and stop it!

Bible history teaches us that before God intervenes in men’s affairs and sends judgment to destroy nations, kings and kingdoms, He waits till the cup of iniquity is full. When sin reaches its zenith, a high pitch, that’s when God rises in righteous anger. O America, America, your cup of iniquity too is at the very brim and ready to run over. We are now seeing and hearing of calamities and disasters escalating all over this nation! Our whole globe is being shaken by major earth shaking events that’s causing much trouble and suffering! It’s going to get worse!!! DO YOU KNOW WHY? People have forgotten God and pushed Him aside. A poll was recently taken and they found that all of Europe in the UK that once experienced great moves of God - Salvation and healing revivals is now post Christian! This generation has rejected the Lord. His Holy laws have been removed from society. Christ and the Gospel is banned. People have turned away from the Truth and what is Holy and their hearts have embraced this world’s idols and the false gods of other religions. Thousands of churches that once had great revivals and God moved in, have closed their doors right here in America and most of the remaining ones have compromised with this world and is now married to its pleasures of sin and entertainments! The religion of Islam has now replaced Christianity and taken first place. Do you see the escalation and the increase by the Word **Wax** that Jesus and Paul used, how SIN is growing leaps and bounds in the hearts of people? OH GOD HAVE MERCY on this sinful and adulterous generation!! Another poll was taken and they found that out of every 100 people that come to Christ and make a profession of faith, seven years later only 3 out of that 100 are still committed to serving God!! Dear Lord have mercy! Satan is pulling and playing hard!

Jesus told John the beloved on the isle of Patmos in a vision: John, I want you to write a letter to the Church of Laodicea and tell them that I know their works that they are neither hot or cold; I would that they were either hot or cold and because they are lukewarm I will spew them out of my mouth. It’s such a cold age now that many people who were once on fire for God, who loved and served Him with all their hearts, have now lost their desire and affection and drawn cold. They have fallen away from the faith and have dragged others with them. Most of the professing church world has lost its vision, she has lost her brokenness and tears, she’s no longer stirred or moved by the increasing evil! Where are the travailing saints at the altar? Where are the hungry yearning hearts? Where’s the cry from the Bride for her beloved Groom and Lord?

PLEASE DON’T LET YOUR LIGHT GO OUT

Oh God, the candle is just about gone out. The word **Wax** **Cold** in scripture is taken from the image of a candle that is lit and the wick is burning bright hot by the flame when it is first lit and starts out. At the base of that wick, there’s a little pool of liquid wax that is crystal clear as glass. As long as the wick stays lit and the fire burns, that pure liquid pool of wax will remain clear, but if it goes out, the Wax will set up hard and cold, there’ll be no more light or heat!! There are lights going out all over America, can’t you see and feel it? It’s going out in many homes. It’s going out in many churches! So many hearts are growing hard, dark and cold. The love of God and the love for Jesus is dying and fading away. Does this stir you dear reader? Where do you spiritually stand with God?

ARE YOU GETTING

WEAKER OR STRONGER

 Ungodliness is getting stronger – sinful man is getting morally weaker. This is no time for God’s people (the Church) to get weaker, no time to lose heart and draw cold! If we ever needed Revival and a re-commitment to God and His work, it is NOW! We must have the Holy Ghost to renew our vision lest we die! It’s time to rededicate ourselves to the Lord in fasting and prayer, lest the spirit of this age turn us cold and indifferent.

**2 Sam. 3:1** – The Bible said that the House of David **Waxed** Stronger and Stronger and the House of Saul **Waxed** Weaker and Weaker.

We can’t afford to lose our desire for God and become slack in our Praise and Worship. Dear reader, your faithfulness to the Lord means EVERYTHING in this hour – Hold on to it – Hold on to your Faith and desire and don’t let up or let go for anything or anybody. Pray with determination and say – “Lord Jesus, I refuse to doubt and let troubles and trials get me down. I refuse to get weaker. I refuse to let the enemy of my soul get me discouraged in serving my God!! I will not let up, I will not back down, I will not slide back, I will not grow weaker but I will get **Stronger** in my Lord whom I serve!! I will trust Him and go on!!”

WE MUST INCREASE

 AND GET STRONGER

**Isa 29:19** The meek also shall increase their joy in the LORD, and the poor among men shall rejoice in the Holy One of Israel.

**Job 17:9** The righteous also shall hold on his way, and he that hath clean hands shall be **stronger** and **stronger**.

**Pro. 4:18-19** The way of the wicked is as darkness: they know not at what they stumble. But the path of the Just is as the shining light, that shineth **More** and **More** unto the perfect day.

 Do you see the increase the Holy Ghost is pointing out? He is saying: “Since the day that Jesus saved us, we should be closer to Him now and shining more brighter than when we first started!! We should be nearer to Him than we’ve ever been!” As you stay on this righteous path serving God in this good Holiness Way, the farther you walk it, the Brighter and Brighter it shines! Heaven fills your mind. Serving God is ALL that matters to you. Jesus is becoming More and More Precious to you each and every passing day! Your Love for Him has Grown more and more Sweeter and Stronger as you near the end! How many people are looking for Him and longing for Him to come? Are you eagerly anticipating His return and desiring to look upon His face? Will He meet you with a smile as He calls you up hither? How many in the professing Church world is still holding on to the Vision and will love His appearing? Will Jesus say to you – “WELL DONE my Child, you have been faithful?” God cannot tell you “Well Done” if you haven’t given Him your best!

IT'S TIME TO DRAW CLOSER

IN SERVING GOD AND TRUSTING HIM

**Heb 10:22** Let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience, and our bodies washed with pure water.

 **23** Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering; (for He is faithful that promised;)

 **24** And let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works: (That word provoke means: To Inspire and Encourage each other to remain strong in the Lord!)

 **25** Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so Much the **More**, as ye see the day approaching. (Do you see the Increase God is calling us too?)

**Heb 3:13** But exhort one another daily, while it is called Today; lest any of you be hardened through the deceitfulness of sin.

 **14** For we are made partakers of Christ, if we Hold the beginning of our confidence **stedfast** unto the end.

WE MUST CONTINUE

HOLDING FAST

Look at the words – Hold Fast -Stedfast – Cleave:

 Thank God, we know the Lord in the power of His resurrection; We know Him in His Saving and delivering power from sin; We’ve tasted of His Mercy; We’ve experienced His Grace; We’ve seen His miracles; We’ve tasted of the good Word of God and the powers of the world to come; We’ve been made partakers of the Holy Ghost; We have felt His Divine presence and the Anointing that breaks and destroys yokes; We know what it’s like to be brought out, lifted up, touched, strengthened, healed and delivered! We have seen Him make ways when there was none; He’s opened doors we could not see; He’s come through and supplied our every need over and over again!!! God is saying – after all I’ve done for you, after all I have and shown you and given you – HOLD ON TO IT!! Take a death like grip on it and don’t let go! You got to make up your mind and set your feet down and tell the devil, “I refuse to let go of what I know, what I have seen and felt and been assured of!” Dear reader, we can’t doubt it and we must shout it. We are going to keep believing and trusting till we run the last mile and the Victory has been Won!!

The Good sweet Holy Ghost through Paul said:

**1Th 5:16** ¶ Rejoice evermore. **17** Pray without ceasing. (keep rejoicing and praying!)

 **18** In every thing give thanks: **19** Quench not the Spirit.

 **21** Prove all things; **Hold fast** that which is good.

CLEAVE TO YOUR GOD

Dear reader, we’ve already seen and experienced enough of God’s grace and power to ever doubt Him now! Hold on, we’re going to make it, we’re almost home!

Notice what God told His chosen nation Israel in the Old Testament: The Lord spoke to His people through Moses that numbered close to 3 million souls saying: “You saw what I did to Paraoah the devil when you were suffering in bondage and affliction! I delivered you out of his hand and I brought you out of his land. When I brought you out, there wasn’t a feeble one among you. I divided the sea and brought you through and across with joy and gladness! When you reached the other shore, you sang a victory song. I drowned Pharaoh and his army. I led you these 40 years through a no man’s land of deserts, serpents and pits. My Angel went before you and led you through a wilderness land of drought. I opened the doors of heaven and gave you angels’ food. I fed you with sweet manna, sending it down every morning in the dew and it lay on the ground all around your tents. I gave you flesh to eat, sent forth my wind and brought qual in from the sea that fell in your camp 3 feet deep to satisfy the hunger of every one of you. I furnished you a table right out in the wilderness – you ate and you were filled. When you thirsted, I clave the Rock and gave you drink out of great depths. I brought streams out of a dry flinty Rock that caused waters to run down like rivers. Here you are now ready to cross the Jordan river to go in and possess the good land filled with milk and honey that I had promised you in the beginning. I have not failed. I have kept my Word. Lo, these 40 years, your clothes never waxed old and the shoes never wore out on your feet!! **Deut. 4:4** - Ye that did **cleave** unto the LORD your God are alive every one of you this day.

Look at the word Cleave! What God did back then for His chosen children that held on to Him, He’ll do for us today, He has not changed!! He will see us through but we must hold on, hold fast and **continue** on in the Faith, rooted and grounded in His Love. We must Cling to His Word and promises and never doubt!

**Rom 12:9** Let love be without dissimulation. (Don’t let it be fake but let it be pure and genuine) Abhor that which is evil; **cleave** to that which is good.

 **10** Be kindly affectioned one to another with brotherly love; in honour preferring one another;

 **11** Be fervent in spirit; serving the Lord; **12** Rejoicing in hope; patient in tribulation; continuing instant in prayer;

 The definition for the word **Cleave** means: “To hold together, stick together as a bond of glue that will not weaken, break, or fall apart!”

LORD, MAKE US TO

INCREASE AND ABOUND

Listen to Paul’s earnest prayer for the Thessalonian saints:

**1Th 3:12** - And the Lord make you to Increase and Abound in love one toward another, and toward all men, even as we do toward you:

 **13** To the end he may stablish your hearts unblameable in holiness before God, even our Father, at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ with all his saints.

Is your spiritual heart still strong in the Lord? Is your Love and Desire for God still as strong as it was months and years ago when He first called you and you started out? Is the Candle still burning bright in your soul? Is your Love for Jesus still growing sweet and strong? Is it still your joy to serve your Lord and please Him? Are you waxing stronger or weaker? May God Bless all my readers!!