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We as servants of Christ and ambassadors of his Kingdom would like to remind you of our ministry here at Church Built of Living Stones. It is a ministry of reconciliation given to us by our Father. Our instruction is not to teach you the things of God in rules and regulations, but to encourage you that the only one who can teach you of the Father is Jesus Christ and he will do this by the power of his word and Spirit. Our teaching ministry towards you is for you to trust that you can be taught of the Lord and that you need no man to mediate between God and yourself except the man Christ Jesus.

This may be daunting to you at the beginning, but it will eventually release you into God's Holy Kingdom from which you will never wish to depart.

The attacks and slanders will be immense and will continue until the last enemy is overcome.

But fear not the Lord will be on your side. (Read Psalm 124).

The Kingdom of God is like leaven or yeast in a lump of dough and it is growing and advancing throughout the earth and will bear fruit to God's glory. We are saying that Christ is building his Kingdom and its inhabitants are as living stones built up to be a holy habitation for God. We will never have a bricks and mortar building. We do not solicit money to spread the good news. At the same time, we encourage giving to the poor in spirit, by this we mean give your whole life to Christ and his Kingdom and you will see the salvation of God in effect. Our endeavour is to see God's people go forth and proclaim Jesus and Christ's Kingdom without the restrictions of denominational power overriding them.

Everyman in the body of Christ Jesus has a purpose and can go forth in the power of God's Spirit with a new tongue and prophecy. The new tongue is the Gospel and the Spirit of Prophecy is the Lord Jesus Christ. They tell the world that God the Father is not holding their sins and lawlessness against them and that he grants them the Holy Spirit to guide and lead them into all truth.

The Holy Spirit leads them to Jesus and Jesus teaches them all things of the Father.

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### **May His Kingdom come**

We cry out in the wilderness of this present evil age amid the hindering religions of this world to the seeker, the broken hearted, the captives, the bound, the sick, the down trodden, the voiceless and those that live in darkness who see a great light – look up for your King comes. His name is Jesus and he brings a Kingdom which encompasses all the glories of the coming age. Seek and you shall find, ask and it will be given you, knock and it will be opened unto you. He will grant those that seek first his Kingdom riches of glory that this world knows nothing about. He comes not for the righteous but the sinner and he will receive you with open arms and give you a vision of hope that has its origins from the heart of God. Obey his calling - come into the light, don't hover on the edge of the light, come into the light, all your prayers will be answered in the light.

### **Fear not, do not be afraid**

In the world you will have trouble and tribulation from which none of us who belong to Jesus are exempt, as it is the arena of redemption for the faithful. Jesus' own words reverberate and echo in our minds *"I have told you these things so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble, but take heart! I have overcome the world"*. And in (1 John 4: 4) *You, dear children, are from God and have overcome them, because the one who is in you is greater than the one who is in the world.*

We have warned for many months that men are going to be tried and to be found wanting because their trust is in the arm of the flesh which cannot save. It is abominable to see so called men of God fawning over leaders in the political sphere. It is paramount that prayers, intercessions and thanksgiving be made

for everyone – for Kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all Godliness and Holiness. We must pray for these men, but not put our trust in them. There will be earthquakes, famines and pestilence in various places and fearful events and great signs from heaven and men's hearts will fail them through fear of the events coming on the earth. The only true peace comes from Christ who is our life, who is abiding in our hearts. Get ready for greater upheavals in the financial realm, where gold and silver will not be able to save as it corrodes. The corrosion will eat your flesh like fire. These are not my words they are the words of the apostle James (5: 3).

The warning to us all is not what do we trust in – but whom do we trust.

*Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding, in all your ways acknowledge him and he will direct your path.*

Every man's work will be tried by fire and it will not be the evil one's purpose (though he may be an instrument). It will be Jesus' coming as the John the Baptist has prophesied in (Luke 3: 16-18).

*16 John answered them all, "I baptise you with water. But one more powerful than I will come, the thongs of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie. He will baptise you with the holy Spirit and with fire.*

*17 His winnowing fork is in his hand to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his barn, but he will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire." 18 And with many other words John exhorted the people and preached the good news to them.*

You may think these words troubling, but in essence they are the truth, and the truth is good news and will set you free.

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Psalm 14 and Psalm 53

Psalm 14

¹ *The fool says in his heart,
"There is no God."
They are corrupt, their deeds are vile;
there is no one who does good.*
² *The LORD looks down from heaven
on all mankind
to see if there are any who understand,
any who seek God.*
³ *All have turned away, all have become
corrupt;
there is no one who does good,
not even one.*
⁴ *Do all these evildoers know nothing?
They devour my people as though eating
bread;
they never call on the LORD.*
⁵ *But there they are, overwhelmed with
dread,
for God is present in the company of the
righteous.*
⁶ *You evildoers frustrate the plans of the
poor,
but the LORD is their refuge.*
⁷ *Oh, that salvation for Israel would come out
of Zion!
When the LORD restores his people,
let Jacob rejoice and Israel be glad!*

Psalm 53

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⁴ *Do all these evildoers know nothing?
They devour my people as though eating bread;
they never call on God.*
⁵ *But there they are, overwhelmed with dread,
where there was nothing to dread.
God scattered the bones of those who attacked you;
you put them to shame, for God despised them.*
⁶ *Oh, that salvation for Israel would come out of
Zion!
When God restores his people,
let Jacob rejoice and Israel be glad!*

April 2021 Message

Dear Friends,

The month of April begins with a “Fools Day” according to the tradition of men and the world. Yet, in reality a day of the fool begins when a person does not believe there is a God.

The Psalmist of scripture made it perfectly clear where he stood on the matter in Psalm 14: 1 declaring that a fool was one who says in his heart “there is no God”. In the Hebrew language the fool denotes a person who is morally deficient.

The message of Psalm 14 was so important to the writer that it was repeated again in Psalm 53 (except for changes in verses 5 and 6 of both Psalms). Never the less the insight revealed the state of the heart and mind of an unbeliever is as real today as it was thousands of years ago.

Even though the sin of unbelief is manifest in every nook and cranny of the systems and institutions of the world, where men endeavour to build their own kingdoms, the hope of Israel still managed to be expressed by the Psalmist. In the last verse of each Psalm (Psalm 14 and Psalm 53). The message of the glorious gospel of Jesus Christ and his kingdom shone forth out of the depth of despair and darkness.

Psalm 14: 7 and Psalm 53: 6

*Oh that salvation for Israel
would come out of Zion!
When the Lord restores the
fortunes of his people,
let Jacob rejoice and Israel
be glad.*

The bible has much to say about the fool and the foolish and even though the fool and the wise man both die, only the wise will see the light of life. The foolish man builds his house upon the sand. The five virgins that had no oil in their lamps were considered foolish. A fool speaks as the world speaks and their mind is busy with evil and a fool repeats his folly.

Proverbs 26: 11-12

¹¹ *As a dog returns to its vomit, so a fool repeats his folly.*

¹² *Do you see a man wise in his own eyes? There is more hope for a fool than for him.*

Those who do not submit their ways unto the Lord and remain wise in their own eyes are in more danger of Gehenna than a fool. Why? Because a fool can be changed from his folly, but the so called “one” remaining in his own wisdom and abiding in the wisdom of this world remains blind.

Jesus coupled the two words “blind” and “fool” together against a certain class of people. (see Matthew 23: 17). They were the hypocrites who sat in Moses seat. He called them blind guides, blind fools. He said they were not to be called Rabbi, as we are all brothers and servants of one Father. They were not to be called teachers for you have one teacher, the Christ. The only thing we are to be called are servants.

Matthew 23: 11-13

¹¹ *The greatest among you will be your servant.* ¹² *For whoever exalts themselves will be humbled and*

those who humble themselves will be exalted. ¹³ *Woe to you teachers of the law and Pharisees, you hypocrites. You shut the kingdom of Heaven in men's faces. You yourselves do not enter, nor will you let those enter who are trying to.*

These men that “lie in wait to deceive” are with us now and pride themselves in their own wisdom and speak and preach lofty stories that glorify their own self-ambitions and denominations, bringing the word of Christ into disrepute and not leading the sheep to the green pastures of the kingdom of God. They fleece the flock instead of feeding the sheep.

The seven woes that Jesus preached to the crowds and his disciples, can be read and studied in Matthew chapter 23. And after giving this discourse Jesus said “look your house is left to you desolate. For I tell you, you will not see me again until you say “blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord”. Then in Matthew chapter 24, Jesus left the temple, and the disciples in their blindness still could not see the natural temple as a place of worship was obsolete. Jesus from that day forward never entered the temple again. Jesus left the natural temple and was building the true temple – the body of Christ. The temple made without human hands. Made up of the true believers into the image of Christ as living stones.

The saying that Jesus quoted “blessed is he that comes in the name of the Lord” is from Psalm 118. This saying in this Psalm is preceded by this statement in verses 22-24.

Psalm 118: 22-24

²² *The stone the builders rejected has become the capstone;*

²³ *The Lord has done this and it is marvellous in our eyes.*

²⁴ *This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.*

Are you captivated by what the Father has done and rejoice that Christ has become the capstone of the new house that God is building? Jesus is now the head and he is making us as believers into living stones, a holy habitation of the Lord. A place where you have no need that men teach you, but the Lord Christ is your teacher. The Holy Spirit now guides and leads you into his kingdom – the kingdom of Christ, which Jesus will offer up to the Father, a holy and pure people without spot or wrinkle. Do you believe this or is your heart and mind overwhelmed with surfeiting and the cares of this world and the lust for other things? The deceitfulness of riches and the pride of Caesar like empirical systems that rely on mammon for power casts a veil over men's eyes and places the teachings of Moses and the law above the teachings of Christ.

We can diligently study the scripture and ask the Holy Spirit to reveal the intent and purpose of the teachings of Christ. In John chapter nine, we observe how Jesus by demonstration of a miracle of physical healing revealed the thoughts and intentions of men's hearts. This also provoked an investigation from the religious leaders of the day and their lawful response to God's goodness. Many things are revealed in this chapter that are far too numerous and amazing to contain in this feeble writing of mine. The miracle of physical blindness and the power revealed through the Messiah Jesus Christ exposed the blindness of natural men who claimed to know God and his ways. Their claim that Jesus was not from God (John 9: 16) was because he did not keep the Sabbath. The Lord of the Sabbath stood before them and their judgement of him was unjust. This claim is still made by the teachers of the law in this hour of this present day.

This lesson of Jesus was about spiritual blindness which is as relevant as it was when Jesus walked in the land of Israel.

The blind man's parents were afraid to speak because they would be put out of the synagogue if they testified to the truth that Jesus was the Messiah. The healed blind man was declared a sinner and was warned by the leaders "how dare you lecture us" and was thrown out of the meeting place of the day the synagogue. Here is the example of the sin, "superiority over inferiority". The healed man became a believer in the Messiah Jesus Christ and worshipped the Lord. Jesus will never cast the true believer out of his kingdom and no man can pluck you out of the Father's hand.

Jesus told this man in **John 9: 39-41**.

³⁹ For judgement I have come into this world, so that the blind will see and those that see will become blind. ⁴⁰ some Pharisees who were with him heard him say this and asked "what, are we blind too?" ⁴¹ Jesus said "if you were blind, you would not be guilty of sin; but now that you claim you can see, your guilt remains.

This question is "does your guilt remain?" or have you acknowledged that we are sinners and are in captivity of blindness from which Christ can make you free. Do men still beholden you to them as your teacher and keep you from being taught by the Lord?

Do they say you are a Sabbath breaker, so declaring you cannot be from God?

Do they still bind you to the tithe to maintain their temples and bind you to the care and maintenance of themselves and their schemes?

Do they prevent you from entering the kingdom of Christ?

All these false teachings will deny the living Christ as your Mediator.

We pray that you enter the true temple of God and let the Holy Spirit open the eyes of your heart and you will see Jesus as your teacher, Saviour Redeemer and the only one who can give you eternal life. There is no man, woman or child on this earth that can give you this present abundant life. If they claim eternal life is by adhering to their restrictive beliefs and teaching's, they are false prophets or false lords. They are deceivers that hide behind a veneer of religiosity that only will end in death. God the Father gave only one man the power of gifting eternal life and that man was the Lord who came down from heaven. Unless you abide in his teachings you will not see life. He humbled himself, made himself of no reputation, suffered the false judgements against him and endured the shame and ignominy as a criminal on the cross and bore the wrath of God in his earthly body and was punished for our unbelief and sin. He was crucified and died. Yes, he died which is the penalty allotted to all sinners. Yet, he was without sin, thereby he suffered the penalty of sin which is death so we could have life. He was taken from the cross and buried in a tomb, but on the third day according to God's plan, he rose triumphant from the grave. This is abundant proof that all men who trust in Jesus will rise from death on the last day, but it must be received by faith. Jesus overcame death and his life in us testifies to the truth that Jesus is alive. Any man that lives in this world today that abides in Christ and Christ abides in him will be on the path to glory and will receive a crown – the crown of life.

To live is Christ and to die is gain.

Perfected love casts out all fear, for fear has torment.

Jesus came to deliver us who our whole lifetime were bound in subjection to torment and to the fear of death.

No denomination, no person can deliver you from this bondage except Jesus Christ. Jesus is the way, the truth and the life and no man comes to the Father but through him.

I have been at the bedside of countless denominational people who hovered in the pangs of death. They may have served faithfully to their denomination or church, yet, hardly any had the assurance of eternal life. The earthly shepherds had failed them.

Jesus told the teachers in his day, “you nullify the word of God for the sake of your traditions”.

John 15: 7-9

⁷ *You hypocrites! Isaiah was right when he prophesied about you: ⁸ These people honour me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me. ⁹ They worship me in vain; their teachings are but rules taught by men.*

Read what else the prophet Isaiah wrote **Isaiah 29: 13-21**.

¹³ *The Lord says:*

*“These people come near to me with their mouth
and honour me with their lips,
but their hearts are far from me.*

Their worship of me

is based on merely human rules they have been taught,¹

¹⁴ *Therefore once more I will astound these people
with wonder upon wonder;
the wisdom of the wise will perish,
the intelligence of the intelligent will vanish.”*

¹⁵ *Woe to those who go to great depths
to hide their plans from the LORD,
who do their work in darkness and think,
“Who sees us? Who will know?”*

¹⁶ *You turn things upside down,
as if the potter were thought to be like the clay!
Shall what is formed say to the one who formed it,
“You did not make me”?*

*Can the pot say to the potter,
“You know nothing”?*

¹⁷ *In a very short time, will not Lebanon be turned into a fertile field
and the fertile field seem like a forest?*

¹⁸ *In that day the deaf will hear the words of the scroll,
and out of gloom and darkness
the eyes of the blind will see.*

¹⁹ *Once more the humble will rejoice in the LORD;
the needy will rejoice in the Holy One of Israel.*

²⁰ *The ruthless will vanish,
the mockers will disappear,
and all who have an eye for evil will be cut down—*

²¹ *those who with a word make someone out to be guilty,
who ensnare the defender in court
and with false testimony deprive the innocent of justice.*

Now today is the day you must throw off the shackles that bind and throw off the rags of self-righteousness and rekindle your relationship with the Lord, even if it means you are cast out of the synagogue or any temple that man has built and you must become a living stone, a holy habitation for the Lord. He will take you to the highest hill in this world a mountain higher than Mount Everest. You

will be humbled on this hill, because it is the mountain of the Lord. With faith the size of a grain of mustard seed you will say to every other mountain to be cast into the sea and every other hill will be brought low.

The hill you stand upon is Calvary where our Lord was slain, from this place you will lose every other thing except your identity.

You will lose the nature of a fool and become wise in the Lord Jesus Christ.

You will lose your corruption.

You will lose your vice deeds.

You will lose your own goodness.

You will lose your false understanding.

You will lose your rebellion.

You will lose your stubbornness.

You will lose your pride.

You will lose your evilness.

You will lose your lying tongue.

You will lose your disobedience.

You will lose your own false judgement.

You will lose your dread.

You will lose your gossiping.

You will lose your fear.

You will lose your frustration.

You will lose your covenant with death.

You will become wise in the Spirit of the Lord – the wisdom from above will become yours. This wisdom is first pure, then peace loving, considerate, submissive, full of mercy, impartial and sincere. Peacemakers who sow in peace raise a harvest of righteousness.

Is the harvest you are reaping honouring the Lord Jesus Christ or does it bring honour and glory to your ego and your self-importance.

Don't be a fool, live only for Jesus, be born into his kingdom, receive the discipline of the Lord as a son and you will find that on the last day *"all things do work together for good for those that love God and are the called according to his purpose."*

Don't make your own assumption of what is good and right.

I urge you brothers, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God – this is your spiritual act of worship. Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is – his good, pleasing and perfect will.

God bless you as you seek the kingdom of God and his righteousness.

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