

TEXT - I Corinthians 6:12.

"All things are lawful unto me, but all things are not expedient: all things are lawful for me, but I will not be brought under the power of any."

These words of Apostle Paul almost 2,000 years ago, should be so important to us that we too should try and live by them, especially when we see so many things now being made lawful by governments, that may be contrary to God's words. It is so easy to be trapped, especially if we are young, and opposition is put in our way by advice of concerned parents and teachers. The first response is usually "but it is lawful" As our text states things may be lawful but not necessarily expedient or good. For example, it is lawful to smoke cigarettes, but we know now that it is not healthy. It is lawful to drink alcohol at a certain age, but is it good for the person? It is now lawful to read many previously banned books etc., but does it create any good? It is now lawful to gamble in many ways, but is it necessarily good for family life? It is now lawful to play sports on Sundays, and yes, even very special Holy days. Is it good to put these things before the worship of God? It is now lawful for businesses to trade on Sundays, but is it necessarily good in God's eyes?

The list can go on and on and as every week unfolds we see social pressures making more and more things lawful at the expense of God's word. We can see that no longer can we use the yard stick of lawful or unlawful to determine whether it is pleasing with the Lord or against Him. More than ever we need to gain a greater knowledge of His word found in the Holy Bible and preached to us each Sunday, so that His Spirit within us can guide us in the right direction.

The second part of our text is the answer to this problem as the Apostle states: "But I will not be brought under the power of any." It is easy to get heavily involved in these things, that they do begin to rule our lives without us realizing it, because it is lawful. In the book of Proverbs chapter 25-27 is written: "It is not good to eat much honey" and this really goes to the root of our text. We know that the sweet things in life must be taken in moderation or soon we are taking excess. They are still sweet but our health is soon effected. So much more if we take of excess these lawful things in our lives that may not be good for us. If we continually read bad books they begin to affect our way of living. If we continually watch bad shows on television or R. rated videos, they can soon bring us under their power, as seen vividly in news reports of so many crimes being influenced by these things. Attending night clubs and other places of poor repute can soon take control of us, so that if for some reason we are stopped, it seems to that person to be like the end of the world. Getting involved in weekend sport or trading, soon rules our lives, and family and worship take a second place and so it goes. The Apostle Paul summed it up in warning form in I Cor. 15:33, "Be not deceived: evil communications corrupt good manners."

It is up to each of us to measure our intake of honey and not let ourselves be trapped under the power of these things which are worldly. We can strengthen our resolve by Apostle John's words in 1 John 5:4 "For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even our faith."

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TEXT – Matthew 11: 28

“Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.”

The Lord has shown me again His Goodness and mercy; in the book of Mark chapter 4 verses 35 to 41 when I was on this "unexplained sickness and I am really in trouble... The Bible says, *"And the same day, when the even was come, he saith unto them, Let us pass over unto the other side. v36 - And when they had sent away the multitude, they took Him even as he was in the ship. And there were also with him other little ships v37 - And there arose a great storm of wind, and the waves beat into the ship, so that it was now full. v38 - And He was in the hinder part of the ship, asleep on a pillow: and they awake him, and say unto him, Master, carest thou not that we perish? v39 - And he arose, and rebuked the wind, and said unto the sea, Peace, be still. And the wind ceased, and there was a great calm. v40 - And he said unto them, why are ye so fearful? how is it that ye have no faith? v41 - And they feared exceedingly, and said one to another, What manner of man is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?"*

This event illustrates how God is with us and in control of even the most desperate of circumstances. Here we find the disciples, several of whom were seasoned fisherman and sailors, frantically worried that they would perish in this storm. Although Jesus was with them in the middle of it, they thought he was oblivious to the severity of their situation. Yet Jesus wanted them to discover three important lessons.

FIRST: Jesus is aware of our situation. Although Jesus, being human, needed physical sleep for his weary body, He was still fully aware of the disciple's predicament. The moment one of them cried to him, He responded immediately and powerfully. Though the shrieking of the storm did not wake him, the cry of one of His disciples did. Matthew 10:29 says, *“Are not two sparrows sold for a farthing? And one of them shall not fall on the ground without your Father.”*

SECOND: Jesus Will Answer Our Call for Help. The Lord will do the same for us in the midst of our trials and troubles in this life. Sometimes He just lets us reach the point of desperation so we will recognize that he is our only hope. He wants us to remember that He is "on board" with us, so to speak.

THIRD: We Can Make it Through. Every one of us is going to face hardship. But as a child of God we have the promise that God's presence is with us in the midst of the storm. As surely as Jesus said to the disciples, "Let us pass over unto the other side of the lake" v35. God has promised to finish the work He has begun in our life. He will not leave us stranded in the middle of our problem. Although He didn't promise smooth sailing, He did promise safe passage. Apostle Paul reminds us that *“Being confident of this very thing, that he which hath begun a good work in you will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ.”* Brethren, Jesus is with us in Life's storm.

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WORD OF LIFE

No. 19 – 2017.

TEXT: Revelation 1:8

"I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the ending, saith the Lord, which is and which was, and which is to come, the Almighty."

When our Lord declared this to Apostle John, the Apostle would have related it to the greek alphabet, the first letter Alpha and the last Omega. We who speak the English language would have heard the words,

A to Z. If we search the Bible we could all find the names and titles attributed to Christ that support that statement. One set could be.

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| A) | Abiding Vine | John 15-4 | "I am the vine, ye are the branches." |
| B) | Bridegroom | Eph 5-32 | "But I speak concerning Christ and the church." |
| C) | Creator | Col 1-16 | "For by him were all things created." |
| D) | Deity | John 10-13 | "I and my father are one." |
| E) | Everlasting Life | John 3-16 | "That whosoever believeth in him should not perish but have everlasting life." |
| F) | Faithful Friend | I Cor 1-9 | "God is faithful, by whom ye are called into the fellowship of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord." |
| G) | Good Shepherd | John 10-11 | "I am the good shepherd." |
| H) | Hiding Place | Psalms 32-7 | "Thou art my hiding place." |
| I) | Image of God | Col 1-15 | "Who is the image of the invisible God." |
| J) | Joy | I Peter 1-8 | "Thou now ye see him not, Yet believing, ye rejoice with joy unspeakable and full of glory." |
| K) | King | I Timothy 6-15 | "Which in his times he shall show, who is the blessed and only Potentate, the King of Kings." |
| L) | Lord of Glory | I Cor 2-8 | "For had they known it, they would not have crucified the Lord of Glory." |
| M) | Merciful Mediator | Heb 2-18 | "That he might be merciful and faithful high priest in things pertaining to God." |
| N) | Neverending Love | Jer 31-3 | "I have loved thee with an everlasting love." |
| O) | Omnipotent One | Rev 19-6 | "Alleluia for the Lord God omnipotent reigneth." |
| P) | Prince of Peace | Is 9-6 | "The Prince of Peace." |
| Q) | Quieter of fears | Prov 1-33 | "But whoso hearkened unto me shall dwell safely, and shalt be quiet from fear of evil." |
| R) | Rock of Salvation | 1 Cor 10-4 | "For they drank of that Spiritual Rock that followed them, and that Rock was Christ" |
| S) | Sacrificial Lamb | John 1-29 | "Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world." |
| T) | Truth | John 14-6 | "I am the way the truth and the life." |
| U) | Understanding Guide | Prov 3-6 | "In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths." |
| V) | Victorious Warrior | I John 5-4 | "For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world." |
| W) | Word of life | I John 1-1 | "Which we have seen with our eyes, which we have looked upon, and our hands have handled, of the Word of life." |
| X) | Exalted Name | Phil 2-9 | "Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him and given him a name which is above every name." |
| Y) | Your only hope | Eph 2-13 | "But now in Christ Jesus ye who sometimes were far off are made nigh by the Blood of Christ." |
| Z) | Zions Messiah | Is 5-11 | "Behold I lay in Zion for a foundation a stone, a tried stone, a precious corner stone, a sure foundation: he that believeth shall not make haste." |

As our whole life revolves around words we can surely see the message our Lord gave in our text.

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WORD OF LIFE

No. 20 – 2017.

TEXT – Psalm 19: 7 – 8

“The law of the Lord is perfect, converting (restoring) the soul: the testimony of the Lord is sure, making wise the simple. The statutes of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart: the commandment of the Lord is pure, enlightening the eyes.”

In this text we see the Supporting Pillars. The psalmist mentions the four concepts, which are not necessarily unconditionally accepted man laws, testimony, statutes, and commandments! However, in the work of God these are the four supporting pillars that provide blessings and true fulfillment of life!

"The law of the Lord is perfect, restoring the souls." In our earthly existence, all books of law must be updated constantly in order to conform to the time and new developments. Of this we can be certain, nothing refreshing will emanate from them. It has never been necessary to alter or append the law of God. Let us just consider the Law of sowing and reaping. How refreshing it is for us when love and magnanimity, much compassion and forgiveness is employed. Thereby we can reap peace and joy. "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart. Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments" so said the Lord Jesus, "hang all the law and prophets" (Mathew 22: 37 & 40). The law of love refreshes the soul!

"The testimony of the Lord is sure, making wise the simple." The testimony of the Lord is the gospel, the gospel of Jesus and the Apostles. He who plunges himself into the true substance of this gospel will become wise. Through the blood of the Lamb and the word of their testimony the faithful were able to overcome the evil one (of Revelation 12: 11). That is godly wisdom.

"The statutes of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart." What a wonderful statute of God is revealed in Psalm 91: "For he shall give his angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways." The Lord Jesus ordered the Apostle Peter to feed the Lambs and sheep of Christ and also to strengthen the brethren. What a statute that brings joy to the heart! He ordered the apostles to gather and to adorn the souls. This statute is right and brings joy to the bridal community.

"The commandment of the Lord is pure, enlightening the eyes." He who heeds the commandment to buy eyesalve will go with enlightened eyes upon the way of faith. And the commandment to be clothed with white garments and to acquire the gold of truth, shows us how we can become worthy for the day of the Lord. Therefore, we obey it.

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TEXT – Deuteronomy 6-7.

“And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be in thine heart: And thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up.”

We see an instruction that family life and the teaching of faith begins in the family home. When they sit at the meal table, when they sit and discuss the activities, before they go to sleep, when they wake in the morning: all of these things should be embodied within the prayers that we should have at all of those times, and we should then sit and listen to what the children are saying. We should advise them of the dangers that are coming into the world. We should try and increase their faith in our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. We should not make excuses and say - It is not possible. We have to make it possible within our family homes.

The greatest gift or the greatest teaching we have to give is faith: Faith in our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, and this faith comes about through understanding the Scriptures. If we do not understand and do not fully embrace the total Scriptures, our Lord Himself said then His words would come to naught. A great warning especially to family homes today in the world. There is a movement within the world, and it is not only outside of Christian Churches, it is infiltrating within Christian Churches. The great warning is that the Book of Genesis, the first book of the Bible is being taken out of the Bible or not read because it has no relevance, it is just a story. They ask, “who knew what happened in those early days?” There was no one left after the flood of Noah. It was all just here-say coming down through the ages and being changed to suit mankind.

This is why family homes have to now be very careful and listen to their children, to counteract any suggestion that this Book of Genesis should be taken out. Wouldn't it be good for the world if they could take it out. Creation would disappear. There would be all these other ways, how the world came into existence would take precedence over creation. Marriage between man and woman would disappear. The faith of Abraham, Jacob's ladder that showed a connection between heaven and earth would be taken away. All of the things right up to the flood of Noah, it would be taken away and Noah's flood would be treated as a fable. The Tower of Babel would be treated as a fable. Sodom and Gomorrah. All of these things that play on people's consciences today would disappear and there would be an open go, but the other thing that would disappear will be - to be able to believe Christ words. He Himself warned us.

He gave this teaching to the people already in His day in John Chapter 5 verse 45-46 as follows: *“Do not think that I will accuse you to the Father: there is one that accuseth you, even Moses in whom ye trust. For had ye believed Moses, ye would have believed me: for he wrote of me. But if ye believe not his writings, how shall ye believe my words?”* We see therein that our Lord was explaining how the Book of Genesis came into being. It was by Moses. When he was taken up into the mountain for forty days and forty nights he did not only receive the ten Commandments. God told him what had happened from the beginning of the world, and he wrote that down. He wrote of me, because Christ is prefigured in all of that creation and all of that period of time up till then. Our Lord said - He would not accuse the people, they would be accused by Moses who wrote them. The Book of Genesis was divinely given unto Moses to write down for us. If we cannot believe it, our Lord said, then we cannot believe and will not believe His words.

If there is no foundation holding up the Words of Christ and that foundation is taken away then doubt will come into everyone's hearts, especially the children of the future. We see it is so important for us to revisit family life within our homes and revisit the need to introduce the teaching of faith into the world, into the hearts of our children.

The writers of the Book of Hebrews made it very clear what faith is and where it begins, and we find written in Hebrews Chapter 11: *“Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen. For by it the elders obtained a good report. Through faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that things which are seen were not made of things which do appear.”* If we take the creation away then faith will collapse.

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TEXT – Luke 4: 18 – 21.

"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; he hath sent me to heal the brokenhearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised. To preach the acceptable year of the Lord. And he closed the book, and he gave it again to the minister, and sat down. And the eyes of all them that were in the synagogue were fastened on him. And he began to say unto them, This day is this scripture fulfilled in your ears."

The spirit of the Lord is upon me. In Isaiah 61:6, it says, "But ye shall be named the Priests of the Lord: men shall call you the Ministers of our God". Do we think of ourselves this way, regardless of our nature and abilities? To be the servants of God, we must do the work of our God, then the word of 2 Corinthians 1:21 will apply us. "Now he which stablisheth us with you in Christ, and hath anointed us, is God".

Because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor. We usually consider the poor to have no food, no family, no home, lacking the essentials of life. Spiritually the poor lack the essentials for the rebirth and do not really belong to anybody (no future). We are anointed to preach (teach) the gospel to those who stand in their own blood (Ezekiel 16:6) "And when I passed by thee, and saw thee polluted in thine own blood, I said unto thee when thou wast in thy blood, Live; yea, I said unto thee when thou wast in thy blood, Live". We must bow down and have compassion for these souls. Preaching is more than standing behind the Altar, we must all go out to them on the wayside where usually trash (sin) accumulates. Souls must be dealt with warmly to draw them into the community. We have to do a soul's work, this does not come out of our own nature, but must be prompted by the Spirit of the Lord.

He hath sent me to heal the brokenhearted. The most sensitive operation is usually a heart operation. Spiritually too, if we do not have understanding for the souls, they will die. To heal is a hands on, person to person activity.

To preach deliverance to the captives. How many souls are captive in their own ideas, thoughts and passions. To preach deliverance is a true teaching that takes time, patience and love. By love the souls are drawn out of their circumstances into the joy of the Lord.

Recovering of sight to the blind. Recovering the sight means they have seen once and now do not see. Many times, we as the Officers and the visible church are the reason that people are spiritually blind. They cannot see in us true servants of God. They cannot see in our way of life and our activity the Lord's Altar and the true meaning of the Lord's Work. Perhaps we and our family do not uphold the Lord's Altar and thereby they become blind to the Lord's Work through our way of life.

To set at liberty them that are bruised. Let us leave things alone that have happened in the past. If one constantly touches a bruise, it can never heal. If we always bring up the mistakes of the past, it can never heal. Let us free ourselves and others from the attitude and events of the past.

To preach the acceptable year of the Lord. This means that we preach that which is acceptable to God in order to make our worthiness for the first resurrection and Christ's return.

The question now presents itself, can we say that "**this scripture is fulfilled**" in us and our activity, so that our brothers and sisters have access to the blessings of our Heavenly Father? Let us take this text word as a handbook, so that what we do is prompted out of the Spirit of the Lord and that it can be said of us, we are truly "Priests of the Lord". 1 Peter 2:9 "*But ye are a chosen generation, A royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar (blessed) people; that ye should shew forth his praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light.*"

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TEXT – 1 Thessalonians 4: 13-17.

“But I would not have you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning them which are asleep, that ye sorrow not, even as others which have no hope. For if we believe that, Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him. For this we say unto you by the word of the Lord, that we which are alive and remain unto the coming of the Lord shall not prevent them which are asleep. For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.”

We see the apostle gave a graphic example of the resurrection of the Church: those that were in the grave, the dead in Christ will come out and be converted to be as Christ, and those prepared that are living on the earth will be converted in the twinkling of an eye and we will then be as the fullness of Christ, and we will then ascend with Him to His Father's throne to be presented to receive that great gift from His Father which will be the Kingdom of God, a thousand years of peace on this earth, where there will be no death, and there will be no sickness or sorrow, or want; there will only be continuous peace for a thousand years.

It is a wonderful promise that we have and it is only available unto us if we allow Christ to become the Head of the Church. We know He is the way, the truth and the life, and we have to go through Him to receive this blessing. God remains on His throne in heaven. God could not come down to the earth to fulfil this labour, for God is so glorious that no one on the earth would have been able to survive His visitation. Jesus has to remain in His Father's throne because He is the bridegroom. With a Jewish wedding, once the wedding is announced the bridegroom has to return to his father's house and prepare the bridal chambers, and the bride then had to make herself ready, and that was done when she returned to her house which is the church, to receive that preparation for that wonderful day.

Jesus cannot come down to earth again because He has to wait until He is sent by His Father, so God in His love through Christ has sent the Holy Ghost into the world to be the labouring deity, that Spirit of God that cannot be seen for it is like the wind but it can be felt, that Spirit that will lead and guide all of those who wish to attain this wonderful gift. This required a special time where it could be sent as a power to His apostles so that they could begin the work, for the work has to be done by earthen vessels inspired by the Holy Spirit.

This we know happened on the day of Pentecost. This was foretold that this would happen in this way through the Prophet Hosea who prophesied in Hosea Chapter 1:8-11 *“Now when she had weaned Loruhamah, she conceived, and bare a son. Then said God, Call his name Loammii: for ye are not my people, and I will not be your God. Yet the number of the children of Israel shall be as the sand of the sea, which cannot be measured nor numbered; and it shall come to pass, that in the place where it was said unto them, Ye are not my people, there it shall be said unto them, Ye are the sons of the living God. Then shall the children of Judah and the children of Israel be gathered together, and appoint themselves one head, and they shall come up out of the land: for great shall be the day of Jezreel.”*

Hosea when he brought that prophecy stood in a street in Jerusalem, a street called strait, and he delivered that message to the people that God was so disappointed in them that He would say unto them that they are no longer His people. That happened we know when our Lord was on the cross, when the Jewish nation said that they would take upon themselves the blood of Christ for their generation and for all generations thereafter. Our Lord was saddened for He knew now that they were not the people of God. The promise was that there would be a greater promise to them and that same Street, and that was on the day of Pentecost when the Holy Spirit fell from heaven as flaming tongues of fire and sat on the apostles head, and they were able to proclaim to the people that they were now to receive a better title than being the people of God. They were able to take hold of the title to be sons and daughters of God through the workings of the Holy Spirit. Now there was this greater blessing.

It is recorded all of those that were assembled were Jews at that time from all the tribes, and there had been a great dispute on who should become the next king, but they put those disputes aside and they elected one to be head over them and that was our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, and He became Head of the Church.

He ascended to heaven. He was anointed to be the Highpriest forever, was anointed to be the future King, and He was to become our Prophet forever. His words will stand forever and if we give ourselves to those words then we will receive the great reward that He has promised through His grace.

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TEXT – Haggai 1:7-8

“Thus saith the Lord of hosts; consider your ways. Go up to the mountain, and bring wood, and build the house: and I will take pleasure in it; and I will be glorified, saith the Lord.”

The book of Haggai is a brief collection of messages written by Haggai as given to him by the Lord in 520BC. It takes us past the exile period to the time when the people of Israel were repatriated. The prophet charges the people to build the house of the Lord and promises the receiving of God's blessings for such an undertaking. The prophet tells the people that by looking at their own interests they will not please God.

The prophet laments that the people build their own "panelled" houses while the Lord's house, the temple, lies in ruin.

The word "panelled houses," can lead us to meditate that sometimes we "panell" our own worldly things together for ourselves.

However, this does not last. Only the Godly, is eternal and that is the way that God wishes us to serve Him, not by our own thoughts and ideas, but by the way He wishes us to serve Him.

Haggai starts off by speaking in the second year of King Darius reign to Zerubbabel, Governor of Judah and grandson of king Jehoiachin, and Joshua the son of the Jehozadak, the high priest, stating that the Lord says that His people says that it is not the time yet to build the house of the Lord, yet all the people live in their own panelled houses while God's house is in ruin (Haggai 1: 3-6).

One may say that the rebuilding was important as God's honour was at stake as the temple and the covenant went hand in hand. God therefore asks through Haggai that the people consider how they have fared, they have sown much, but harvested little, and they have earned wages but have placed them in bags with holes.

Haggai urges the people to go and fetch wood so that the house of the Lord may be built, but is disappointed in that the people rush away to build their own houses. Seeing this attitude of the people, God withheld the rains from heaven and this affects all the animals and soil produces (Haggai 1: 11).

Therefore, Haggai comes in the seventh month of the second year of king Darius's reign and affirms God's covenant with God's people and says unto them that they will be God's people and that His spirit will dwell among them (Haggai 2:5). God is ever faithful. Haggai continues to bring God's promise of victory to them when he says that God will shake the heavens and the earth and all nations so that His house can be decorated with splendor. God assures His people that the latter splendor of the new temple will be greater than the former.

When Zerubbabel and Jehozadak heard the call from God to rebuild His temple from the prophet Haggai, they, together with the remnant people obeyed the voice of the Lord their God and the words of his prophet Haggai. This caused God to say that He is with them. Consequently, they all came to work on the house of the Lord of hosts on the twenty-fourth day of the sixth month (Haggai 1:15-15).

The Lord shows them that before they started to build His temple, they laboured in vain, however, He says now that they have come together and worked together so that the foundation has been laid, He will bless them abundantly.

Haggai tells the people that through obedience to their covenant, they will be blessed. When the day came that they put God first God blessed every aspect of their lives (Haggai 2 10-19).

We find written in the Prophet Haggai Chapter 2 verses 6-9 the prediction of what would happen within the world:

"For thus saith the Lord of hosts; Yet once, it is a little while, and I will shake the heavens, and the earth, and the sea, and the dry land; And I will shake all nations, and the desire of all nations shall come: and I will fill this house with glory, saith the Lord of hosts. The silver is mine, and the gold is mine, saith the Lord of hosts. The glory of this latter house shall be greater than of the former, saith the Lord of hosts: and in this place will I give peace, saith the Lord of hosts."

We see therein the prophet was foretelling that there would be a great shaking throughout the whole world, a shaking that would have the people of the nations of the world to come unto the house of the Lord, not the natural house and temple that had been built by the former kings, but a latter house, the house of God, the spiritual house, the church, where every baptised soul becomes a living stone in that living temple, and it shall be glorious and there shall be peace found there, for the Prince of Peace will have come and established the building of this temple. We today are recipients of this.

That shaking came about in a very small way. It came about with the birth of a child, the second created man of God who was now born into this world without sin, because He was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and He lived His life without sin. He paid the atonement necessary for the sins of the world, and on the cross He requested His Father to forgive them for they know not what they do, meaning the nations of the world who did not know of Him and did not know what they were doing for they were following the traditions of their forebears which had been contaminated by Satan.

He asked then according to the Scriptures where the prophets foretold, 'Ask of me, and I will give you the nations of the worlds for thine inheritance.' Our Lord, when He asked for that forgiveness for the nations of the world, our Heavenly Father then opened and shook within their midst over a period of time.

That shaking is still going on. That shaking shows that the Word of God is valid and powerful, and can bring about the promise of God and the Kingdom of God and eternal life.