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From the Bishop's Pen!

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IN SEARCH OF GOD'S GLORY

Throughout the Bible God speaks of His desire for an intimate relationship and close fellowship with His people. The awesomeness of God's presence brings out a reverence in man towards God. After the creation of man, God would visit with Adam and Eve in the cool of the evenings. .

During His visits His Glory would be revealed to them and they enjoyed His presence and His Glory. However, when they

were driven out of the Garden because of sin, they lost that intimate fellowship with God and the presence of His Glory.

But because of His love, God did not just leave mankind to their fate. He still communicated with people like Abraham and Moses and later with the prophets. Then during the exodus from Egypt, God again revealed Himself in a personal and visible way to the people. His Glory was revealed in the pillar of cloud by day and the pillar of fire by night as He guided His people towards the Promised Land. Exodus 13:20-22 "So they took their journey from Succoth and camped in Etham at the edge of the wilderness. And the LORD went before them by day in a pillar of cloud to lead the way, and by night in a pillar of fire to give them light, so as to go by day and night. He did not take away the pillar of cloud by day or the pillar of fire by night from before the people."

This Pillar of fire and cloud symbolizes God's presence with His people as they came out of sin, and as they journeyed



toward the Promised Land. Without this pillar to guide, to protect, to comfort, to chase away enemies, and to instruct them, they would all have died in the wilderness.

This glorious presence of God is often referred to as the Shekinah of God. The term Shekinah Glory as commonly used, describes the visible manifestation of God's presence and glory, usually in the form of a cloud. People often use the term "Shekinah Glory of God" without understanding the real meaning. Most people have little understanding of what the "Shekinah" of JEHOVAH is, let alone realize the prophetic significance of this manifestation of God.

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In 70 AD, Jerusalem and the Second Temple were destroyed by the Romans. Subsequently, in the year 135, Jerusalem was declared off limits to Jews, who were then scattered throughout the nations, and Israel and Judea were renamed Palestine. After this Jerusalem passed from one ruler to another: the Byzantines (135-638 AD); Persians (a brief interlude from 614-629 AD followed by recapture by the Byzantines); Muslims (638-1099 AD); Crusaders (1099-1187 AD); Muslims again (1250-1516 AD); in 1517, Jerusalem was conquered by the Ottomans, who later became the Turks. So from 70 AD to 1517, there was a period of 1,447 years. The next stage, the Ottoman Empire (1517-1917), was just 400 years. This period was predicted by the German-Jewish mystic, Rabbi Judah Ben Samuel, known as Judah HeHasid (Judah the Pious). He wrote in the year 1200 that when Jerusalem was taken by the Ottomans, they would be driven out after eight jubilee years; the jubilee is 50 years (Leviticus 25:10). Jerusalem would then be a no man's land for one jubilee year. After this ninth jubilee year, he predicted, the Holy City

would again fall into the hands of the Jewish

people and this would be a prelude to the Messianic Age. The eight jubilee years forecast by the rabbi add up to 400 years, and this is indeed what happened. After 400 years, in 1917, British General Edmund Allenby drove the Turks out of Jerusalem. Afterwards, Jerusalem (and specifically the Temple Mount) remained a kind of no man's land for one jubilee year, or 50 years, in the form of British and Jordanian rule, until it was captured by Israel during the Six Day War in 1967. The rabbi's prophecy was fulfilled! The sensitivity of the world toward the Jerusalem issue can be seen in the reaction to the Jerusalem Law passed by the Knesset (parliament) on July 30th, 1980, which declared that "Jerusalem, complete and united, is the capital of Israel." On August 20th, 1980, UN Security Council Resolution 478 declared that this law was "null and void." That, along with Arab pressure, prompted all foreign embassies to leave Jerusalem and move to Tel Aviv, which led to the formation of the Interna-

JERUSALEM as a Stumbling-Stone



The prophet Zechariah predicted 2,500 years ago that all the nations would come against Jerusalem. The battle for Jerusalem is already brewing in international diplomacy, and the prophecy is culminating in our time.

tional Christian Embassy Jerusalem. Today, Jerusalem remains as explosive as ever. The Palestinians are demanding the entire Old City, including the Temple Mount, for their future state so that they can prevent the prophesied Third Temple from being built. This is the only way to understand the hypersensitivity of the Palestinians who regard the building of just 1,100 Jewish homes in Jerusalem as a pretext for Holy War. All of this has been prophesied in the Bible. In Zechariah 12:1-10 Jerusalem becomes "a cup that causes reeling to all the peoples around" and "a heavy stone for all the peoples; all who lift it will be severely injured. And all the nations of the earth will be gathered against it." The noose around Jerusalem is being drawn tighter and tighter. But in the end, the nations will fall into their own trap, for God has declared: "In that day I will set about to destroy all the nations that come against Jerusalem" (Zechariah 12:9). By Ludwig SCHNEIDER

Birthdays in February 2012 - May God bless you all!!

MIENA VAN HEERDEN - 2ND



MARLO PRINSLOO - 10TH

ASNATH MUSHI - 2ND



LETHABO MUSHI - 19TH



HILDA VAN HEERDEN - 3RD



SOPHY SKOSANA - 27TH



ROBYN SKOSANA - 6TH



Why was Goliath so surprised when David hit him with a stone? Because nothing like this had ever entered his mind before.



The story is told of the Atheist who accosted a preacher. "Do you believe in eternal life?" The preacher has no time to reply. "Well its a load of rubbish!" shouted the Atheist. "I believe in science, evolution, survival of the fittest, and when we die, that's it! No eternal life, no great judgement, and no God!" The Atheist continues his assault against the preacher repetitiously and tirelessly. "Eternal life! Eternal life! Ha! "Its all pie in the sky when you die." When I die that's it, the end, no eternal life, no nothing. He continues, until he reaches his climax, "I will be buried six feet under when I die and that's it! Nothing! Caput! When I die I am utterly convinced that that will be the end of me!" "Well thank God for that" replies the preacher!



After a very long and boring sermon the parishioners filed out of the church saying nothing to the preacher. Towards the end of the line was a thoughtful person who always commented on the sermons. "Pastor, today your sermon reminded me of the peace and love of God!" The pastor was thrilled. "No-one has ever said anything like that about my preaching before. Tell me why." "Well - it reminded me of the Peace of God because it passed all understanding and the Love of God because it endured forever!"

Better wait till swine flu is over!!!



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What we Believe:



We are Apostolic Pentecostals

- We are Charismatic and Passionate about Jesus Christ
- We believe in One God
- We believe baptism in the Name of Jesus Christ
- We believe in the Baptism of the Holy Spirit
- We believe in living a Godly Life.