

## The Hour of His Return Draws Close

*Calling This Generation to Repentance, Watchfulness, and Readiness for the Appearing of Our Great Royal High Priest – Yahshua the Messiah!*

Today's Message is addressed to every leader, father and mother, son, daughter, shepherd, watchman, worshiper, teacher, and soul claiming allegiance to YHWH Elohim. This isn't an End-Time lecture for curious minds; it's a summons to everyone before the appearing of our King and Royal High Priest, Yahshua HaMashiach. His return can't remain a side doctrine or a chart at the edge of the pulpit visited once in a while to tickle the ears. His appearing is the appointed hour when nothing will remain concealed – every doctrine will be tried by truth, every motive exposed, every household brought into account, every ministry measured, every hidden compromise uncovered, every public confession tested, and every private affection revealed by the Kingdom which it was truly surrendered to. Several weeks back I taught a message titled: **'That's Not My Jacket'**, then, I proceeded to follow the leading of the Holy Spirit and preached: **'Repent, For The Kingdom Of Heaven Has Come'**. From this time forward a shift took place and I was instructed to minister a heartfelt and life impacting message titled: **'He Loved Me Too Much To Leave Me There: The Power of Forgiveness'**. Each of these is intertwined somehow in their own way. Now, we journey forward into today's message of preparation for the coming of our King – will you be ready, and are you ready now?!

The Tanakh and the N.T. declare the End as YHWH's appointed intervention against mankind's rebellion. Isaiah saw Him coming with fire. Zechariah saw His feet standing upon the Mount of Olives. Daniel saw the Son of Man receiving everlasting dominion. Yahshua declared that He would appear in the clouds with power and great glory, and John saw that same King coming as every eye beheld Him. The One who first came to bear sin will appear again to judge rebellion, gather His people, overthrow the kingdom of Darkness, cleanse what sin corrupted, and openly establish the Sovereignty of Elohim among the Nations upon the earth.

End-Time conversations often begin with the Beast, the Mark, digital control, wars, signs, timelines, and Calendar debates that have sometimes produced more division than unity. Scripture begins deeper by exposing the condition of the heart the warning was sent to awaken. Has the promise of His return produced repentance, clean garments, guarded homes, restored relationships, steadfast endurance, and oil that hasn't run dry? Prophecy wasn't given merely to fill the mind with knowledge. Prophecy was given to search the heart, correct the life, and prepare a people for the appearing of the King. A person may explain Revelation in impressive detail while resisting the correction Revelation demands. A congregation may preach that the King is coming while refusing to submit to His authority now. Expectation without obedience becomes self-deception, and knowledge of His return means nothing when the life remains unprepared. Prophecy that doesn't produce repentance becomes information without transformation. The Kingdom Message still begins where Yahshua began: "Repent, for the Kingdom of Heaven has come."

Our generation possesses access to Scripture unlike any generation before it, yet access hasn't always produced obedience or the fear of YHWH. Homes may be filled with Bibles, apps, videos, and teachings while the altar of prayer and obedience remains neglected. People condemn Babylon publicly while tolerating Babylon in the mind, marriage, finances, entertainment, appetites, and speech. Heaven hasn't failed to warn this generation. The danger is that men have learned to hear the warning without changing, until conviction becomes familiar, repentance is delayed, and mercy is treated as permission to remain unchanged. Scripture brings every witness into the courtroom of conscience, where truth is weighed, motives are exposed, and every life stands beneath the judgment of YHWH. Noah and Lot testify that visitation follows warning. Egypt testifies that the blood must be applied before midnight. Sinai testifies that His Presence carries holiness and accountability. Jerusalem testifies that religion can preserve sacred forms while missing the hour of visitation. The Prophets declare that the Day of YHWH will humble pride and expose false worship. The Apostles command the saints to watch, remain sober, endure, and reject deception. The Temple watch warns that a man may stand in the right place, wear the right

garment, and still be exposed if he sleeps when the Master inspects the house. Every witness presses one question upon the heart: “When YHWH examines my life, will He find me awake?”

The Blood of Yahshua still speaks mercy, the Ruach still convicts, the Word still searches, and the door remains open for now. Mercy must never be twisted into permission to delay the obedience YHWH requires. Heaven’s command remains clear: return to YHWH, believe the Good News, obey the King, endure to the end, and be found awake at His appearing. This Message sounds the trumpet so no household can claim it wasn’t warned, no shepherd can excuse silence, and no watchman can remain asleep at his post. Love for His return must become more than a confession. Love for His return must become a life marked by repentance, obedience, endurance, and readiness. Yahshua declared that no man knows the day or the hour. No Calendar calculation, celestial formula, Feast-Day position, or dogmatic claim can overrule the settled words of the King. The Appointed Times bear witness to YHWH’s redemptive order, yet they were never given authority to make man know what Messiah said no man knows. Every attempt to force certainty where Yahshua commanded watchfulness is silenced by His decree: “No man knows.” The faithful aren’t commanded to predict the hour, defend a Calendar as though it possesses authority over Messiah, or place confidence in calculations. The faithful are commanded to watch, obey, endure, and remain ready for the King who will come at an hour men do not expect.

### THE PRESENT CONDITION OF THIS AGE

The world has learned to live as though Heaven has gone silent, bowing over devices and scrolling for hours while rarely bowing before the One who gave mankind breath. Nations count transactions, track stock market movements, study latest trends, stock pile silver and gold and predict behavior with their Minority Report AI systems, yet remain blind to the eternal worth of one soul. The merchants of the earth have mastered the art of selling distraction as comfort, rebellion as identity, lust as freedom, greed as vision, pride as healing, and confusion as compassion, until an entire generation is being trained to embrace Darkness without recognizing that it has departed from the Light. Yahshua warned that lawlessness would increase and the love of many would grow cold; this speaks of Covenant fidelity which is lawlessness. *anomia/lawlessness* isn’t just open wickedness; it is the rejection of Divine instruction and the refusal to remain beneath the rule of YHWH. Cold love can still sing, quote Scripture, post verses, preach, attend gatherings, and applaud worship while losing the ability to submit to the Word, grieve over sin, forgive when no one sees, or obey when faithfulness costs comfort, influence, or reputation. Lawlessness doesn’t always destroy from the outside; it often empties from within, draining the warmth of Covenant love until the language remains, the gatherings continue, and the form is preserved, while the heart has already grown cold within and before YHWH.

The return of the King will shatter every false refuge, strip away every deceptive veneer, and expose every covering mankind trusted in apart from Him. Money won’t bribe the Judge, influence won’t intimidate the Throne, beauty won’t bend the verdict, and bloodlines won’t replace the Blood of Yahshua. Titles can’t cover unwashed garments, giftings can’t silence what is written in the books, and reputation can’t stand where repentance was continually refused. The Master who walks among the Menorot in Revelation 2-3 still searches the heart beneath the confession, exposes what men labor to conceal, awakens those who have become spiritually dead, rebukes the lukewarm, and promises life only to those who overcome. Every End Time message must carry the moral clarity and weight of Scripture. The Prophets confronted Babylon, John confronted Herod, and Yahshua confronted Satan and religious rulers who guarded their appearance while devouring the vulnerable. Paul refused to withhold the whole Counsel of Elohim, Peter warned that the coming Day will expose the works of the world, and John saw the slain Lamb as the Lion who opens the seals and the King who judges every throne, power, and authority that resists His reign. This isn’t fear separated from faith; this is the fear of YHWH restored to its rightful place, bringing hidden sin into the light, purifying a people from compromise, and preparing a faithful remnant to stand before the King when every false refuge has fallen.

## HEBREW TERMS THAT DEFINE THE LATTER DAYS

The Hebrew phrase **A'charit Ha-Yamim** – אַחֲרֵי־יָמִים means “the latter days” or “the end of days,” the appointed time when YHWH completes His promises. Thirteen passages use this expression; Daniel 2:28 preserves its Aramaic form in the prophecy of the great image and the kingdoms moving toward Beast rule. A numerical connection joins **A'charit Ha-Yamim** with **סדר מלך שלם** – **Seder Melekh Shalem**, “The Order of the King of Salem,” pointing toward our Royal High Priest after the Order of Melkhizedek. The latter days don't reveal Heaven's failure. They reveal the triumph of the Priesthood established by Oath and the King whose authority will outlive every Beastly throne, overthrow the final disorder of **Tohu V'Bohu**, and restore righteous Order. Moses prophesied Israel's return to YHWH in the latter days after Great Tribulation (*Deuteronomy 4:30; 31:29*). Jacob gathered his sons to reveal what would happen to them in the **A'charit Ha-Yamim** (*Genesis 49:1*). Balaam declared that a Star would come from Jacob and a Scepter would rise from Israel to judge every power resisting the government of YHWH (*Numbers 24:14, 17*). Isaiah saw the mountain of the House of YHWH established in the latter days as the Nations came to learn His Torah and walk in His ways (*Isaiah 2:2–3*). Rebellion will reach its limit, then the King will judge every rival throne. The End belongs to the One whose Priesthood rests upon the Oath.

**Qetz** – קֵץ reveals that the End isn't uncontrolled collapse, but a boundary fixed by YHWH. Every empire has a limit, every rebellious power a deadline, and every hidden work an appointed exposure. **Galah** – גָּלָה means to uncover or expose, while the Greek **apokalypsis** speaks of an unveiling. The End will expose what rebellion concealed. Yahshua will be revealed as the rightful King, false thrones will fall, the Bride will be distinguished from the Harlot, and hidden loyalties will enter the light. What men refuse to judge through repentance, the King will judge at His appearing. **Paqad** – פָּקַד means to visit, inspect, number, or reckon. YHWH visited Sarah in promise and Egypt in judgment, showing that Divine visitation brings mercy or terror according to the heart. Yahshua's appearing will bring households, pulpits, governments, markets, secret rooms, and concealed motives beneath His inspection. **Kavod** – כְּבוֹד speaks of glory, weight, and honor. The returning King isn't the weightless god modern religion has created, one who blesses without ruling and forgives without cleansing. His Presence carries holiness, authority, and judgment.

Scripture calls this visitation **Yom YHWH** – יוֹם יְהוָה, the Day of YHWH. Joel declared it great and terrible (*Joel 2:31*). Zephaniah described it as a Day of wrath, distress, darkness, trumpet, and alarm (*Zephaniah 1:14–16*). Amos warned that those who desired that Day while remaining in rebellion would encounter darkness rather than light (*Amos 5:18–20*). Malachi saw that same Day burning against the proud while rising with healing for those who fear the Name (*Malachi 4:1–2*). One Day will produce two encounters: terror for the rebellious and healing for the faithful. Religious language won't determine the difference. Allegiance proven through repentance and returning will. **Shuv** – שׁוּב means to turn or return and stands at the heart of **Teshuvah**, repentance. YHWH declares, “**Return unto Me, and I will return unto you.**” Whoever rejects mercy's call will meet Yahshua as Judge. Whoever returns now will rejoice when He appears as King. Repentance brings the whole life beneath the authority of YHWH. Warning comes before visitation so mankind may return before the boundary is reached, the hidden work is uncovered, and the Day of YHWH arrives, prophetically revealing the final Day of Atonement and the Closing of the Gates.

The combined numerical value of **Qetz, Galah, Paqad, Kavod, Yom YHWH, and Shuv** is 834. The Hebrew title **מַלְכֵי־צֶדֶק מְלֹךְ שְׁלָם הַכֹּהֵן** – **Malki-Tzedek, Melekh Shalem, HaKohein, “Melkhizedek, King of Salem, the Priest,”** also equals 834. The declaration, “Behold, surely the man who fears YHWH shall be blessed,” carries the same value. The Greek *eulogéitai*, “is blessed,” bears the same witness in Hebrews 7:7, where the lesser is blessed by the greater. Numerical connections don't create doctrine; they confirm what Scripture established.

Every boundary, unveiling, visitation, warning, and call to return points toward the promised King-Priest. The End belongs to the One whose Throne stands in righteousness, whose reign establishes peace, whose Priesthood doesn't depend upon human ancestry, and whose authority rests upon the unchangeable Oath of YHWH.

### **THE PATTERN OF WARNING BEFORE VISITATION**

YHWH establishes a witness before judgment. Noah preached righteousness while the Ark was being prepared, and every strike of the hammer testified that mercy had made a way of escape. Then the door closed and the flood came. Yahshua said His coming would be like the days of Noah: people eating, drinking, marrying, planning, and living without the fear of Elohim until judgment suddenly interrupted ordinary life. Daily life wasn't the sin; living without reverence, repentance, or readiness was. His Day was completed with the Covenant sign in the sky – the Rainbow. Lot lived in a society where perversion became culture, violence became appetite, and righteousness became offensive and perversion the desire of men's hearts continually. Fire fell only after warning was rejected and the righteous were brought out. Yahshua said the final hour would follow the same pattern. Noah's generation carried the sign of the rainbow; Lot's generation was marked by pride, sexual corruption, and open rebellion. Do we not see those same signs twisted and celebrated before us today? Commerce, construction, entertainment, celebration, and daily routine will continue while repentance is mocked as extremism and dismissed as being "too religious." Judgment won't wait for society to become ashamed of sin. When mercy has finished speaking, judgment arrives.

Egypt reveals both the patience of YHWH and the danger of continually refusing Him. Frogs, lice, flies, pestilence, boils, hail, locusts, darkness, and the death of the firstborn came in an ordered sequence. YHWH could have ended Pharaoh's resistance immediately, yet every judgment exposed another false god and gave Pharaoh another opportunity to humble himself. Pharaoh's heart didn't harden in one moment. Every refusal prepared him to resist again until the man who repeatedly rejected warning could no longer recognize mercy standing before him. The pattern remains: every conviction rejected makes the heart less tender, and every act of obedience delayed makes surrender more difficult.

Sinai reveals the weight of drawing near to YHWH. Thunder/Voices sounded, lightning flashed, the cloud thickened, the shofar grew louder, the mountain trembled, and YHWH descended in fire. Hebrews declares that we have now come to a greater Mountain, a better Blood, and a Voice that will shake not only earth, but Heaven also. Grace hasn't made YHWH less holy. Grace has brought us near through the Blood of Yahshua, and that nearness carries greater responsibility. Those who have received greater light cannot treat His Presence as common, His Blood as common, or His warnings as commands to obey only when convenient.

Jerusalem reveals the tragedy of preserving religion while missing the hour of visitation. Yahshua wept because the city didn't recognize the time when YHWH came near. Jerusalem possessed the Temple, priesthood, sacrifices, songs, Feasts, genealogy, and sacred history, yet resisted the One to whom every part of that worship pointed. The same danger remains in every Assembly. People can defend sacred words, appointed days, customs, ceremonies, and forms of worship while resisting the searching authority of Yahshua. Religion can preserve everything surrounding the King while the heart still rejects the King Himself. The pattern remains unchanged: warning, witness, opportunity to return, inspection, then separation. Mercy speaks before judgment falls. Warning received becomes deliverance; warning rejected becomes testimony. Passover brings that truth to the door of every house, where mercy required more than agreement. The blood had to be applied before midnight.

### **WHEN THE BLOOD SPEAKS BEFORE MIDNIGHT**

Passover reveals the Blood standing before judgment. Egypt possessed wealth, armies, monuments, sorcerers, knowledge, and Pharaoh's throne, yet none of them could shield a house from the midnight decree. Only the blood upon the door stood between the Firstborn and Death. The lamb had to be chosen, slain, and applied. A lamb admired, discussed, or understood without blood on the door couldn't save the household neither is just speaking about Yahshua is enough. His Blood must be received through repentance, faith, and surrender.

Deliverance came through obedient faith beneath the blood YHWH commanded. Messiah, our Passover Lamb, has been sacrificed for us and His Blood isn't religious language used to decorate a sermon. His Blood is Covenant witness, redemption price, cleansing power, Priestly purchase, and the testimony of victory. Hebrews declares that Yahshua entered the Holy Place once for all through His own Blood and obtained Eternal Redemption. Revelation declares that the saints overcome through the Blood of the Lamb, the word of their testimony, and their refusal to love their lives unto death. His Blood never excuses rebellion; His Blood marks a surrendered life and establishes the only ground upon which the guilty may stand forgiven before YHWH.

The final generation must recover the fear and reverence due to the Blood and stop arguing over doctrinal issues that produce no fruit. His Blood pardons, yet His Blood also testifies. His Blood cleanses the repentant, while Hebrews warns against trampling the Son of Elohim underfoot, treating the Blood of the Covenant as common, and insulting the Spirit of grace. Mercy remains available, yet mercy can't be separated from the sacrifice that made forgiveness righteous. No man can claim peace with the coming King while rejecting the Blood through which that peace was purchased. Goshen carries this warning into every household even to this day. Israel lived within a protected region, yet every house still required blood upon the door. Ethnicity, nearness to Moses, sacred language, calendar knowledge, ministry activity, and religious association couldn't replace obedience. When judgment passed through Egypt, every house stood beneath the blood or remained exposed. The same truth remains: only the Blood of the Lamb, received through living faith, repentance, and surrendered obedience, can stand against the midnight decree.

Fallen mankind can't be restored through information, ritual, genealogy, technology, calculations or inheritance. Fallen Adam is restored only through the Blood of the Last Adam, Yahshua HaMashiach. Artificial Intelligence can organize information, imitate language, and produce immediate answers, yet it can't redeem one soul, cleanse one conscience, or replace the shepherding voice YHWH appointed within His Body. These days of deception require vigilant hearers grounded in the written Word. The first Adam opened the way for Death through disobedience; the Last Adam opened the way for Life through obedience unto death. The first Adam hid among the trees in shame; the Last Adam was lifted upon a tree to remove our shame. The first received a covering after sin entered; the Last Adam clothes the repentant in garments washed white through His Blood. Continuing with our revelation:

Midnight came upon Egypt, and an appointed hour will come upon this world. Matthew 25 reveals wise virgins carrying oil and foolish virgins holding lamps without enough supply to endure the night. Both groups knew about the Bridegroom, heard the midnight cry, and carried the outward appearance of expectation, yet only those prepared before the hour were ready when He came. The Blood brings us into Covenant, while the oil keeps the witness burning. Public confession can't replace private consecration, and the appearance of readiness can't sustain a flame that was never fed in the secret place. Yahshua rebuked men who could interpret the sky yet couldn't discern the hour standing before them. The same danger remains. A generation can study the heavens, calculate seasons, defend calendars, debate timelines, and follow prophetic events while still missing the visitation because the heart carries no oil. Knowledge of the hour can't replace obedience within the hour, and recognizing the signs can't make an unprepared vessel ready. You can tell when oil is missing, when brothers and sisters separate because of a disagreement in the Scriptures that neither have authority to claim authorship to. Let us stand even if we don't agree with certain things with exception to Mashiach and WHY He came here. The Bridegroom isn't coming for religious noise, titles, information, or outward appearance. He is coming for a people covered by the Blood, filled with the His Spirit, walking in obedience, and prepared before the midnight cry is heard. Blood upon the door must be joined with oil in the vessel and faithfulness at the watch. His appearing won't create readiness; His appearing will reveal who was already living ready.

## **THE TEMPLE WATCH AND THE THIEF IN THE NIGHT**

The phrase “thief in the night” has often been taught as though Yahshua intends to keep His faithful people spiritually blind, yet Paul taught the opposite. The Day comes as a thief upon those saying, “Peace and safety,” while the brethren are told, “You are not in darkness, that the Day should overtake you as a thief.” The thief surprises those dwelling in darkness, not the sons and daughters of light who remain awake, sober, armored, and watchful. Believers won’t know the exact hour, yet they are commanded to discern the season and refuse spiritual sleep. Someone told me recently that following the wrong calendar would cause me to miss Yahshua’s return. Such a claim gives one man’s calendar conclusion more authority than the words of the King. Yahshua never said His people would be gathered only if they calculated the correct system. He declared that no man knows the day or hour, (and no this isn’t speaking about the Day of Trumpets) then commanded His servants to watch, endure, and remain ready. Readiness isn’t secured by winning a calendar argument. Readiness is a life aligned with YHWH through repentance, obedience, clean garments, oil in the vessel, and faithfulness to our King before the midnight cry.

I asked the man, “**Have you ever had to estimate or make a judgment call while marking the shadow?**” His answer was yes. Cloud cover, weather, location, visibility, human error, and missed observations can affect those markings, yet no one concludes that YHWH’s Appointed Times lost their authority because the observation wasn’t perfect. That admission should produce humility, not condemnation and division. The Appointed Times belong to YHWH, yet no man possesses a flawless system that authorizes him to cast others out, invalidate their worship, or declare that salvation and readiness depend upon agreement with his calendar position. We must honor the Appointed Times without turning our understanding of them into a throne. We must mark them faithfully without marking sincere seekers as rejected by YHWH because they reached a different conclusion. The King closed the door to absolute fleshly certainty with His own words: “**No man knows.**” Calendar knowledge can help us discern the Appointed Seasons, yet it cannot replace repentance, obedience, or watchfulness, nor can it grant authority Messiah withheld. Pride stood at the root of the first rebellion, and that same spirit rises whenever interpretation is exalted above the plain words of YHWH. The humble remain teachable, the faithful remain watchful, and the prepared will be found obeying when the King appears.

Temple-watch imagery sharpens this warning. *Mishnah Middot 1:2* describes the overseer of the Temple Mount making his rounds while guards stood at their appointed watches. A guard who failed to rise and greet him was exposed as sleeping; he could be struck, and his garments could be burned. *Mishneh Torah, Beit HaBechirah 8:10* preserves the same discipline. The overseer wasn’t a terror to the faithful guard. His arrival exposed the man who carried responsibility near the Sanctuary while neglecting the watch. Revelation 16:15 joins these images with precision: “**Behold, I come as a thief. Blessed is he that watches and keeps his garments, lest he walk naked, and they see his shame.**” Watchfulness, garments, nakedness, and shame stand together. The sleeping watchman lost his covering; the faithful watchman kept it. Yahshua warns the careless priest, lukewarm Assembly, and unwatchful servant that outward assignment won’t conceal inward sleep. The Greek word *gregoreo* means to watch, remain awake, and stay alert. Yahshua used it in Gethsemane when He commanded His disciples to watch and pray lest they enter temptation. Temptation is never a sin unless you materialize that through the flesh temple, then separation and judgment can take place. Watchfulness isn’t nervous speculation; it is Covenant alertness. The Greek word *nepho* means to remain sober, clear-minded, and free from intoxication. A person can be intoxicated without wine. Fear, politics, lust, success, entertainment, conspiracy, false prophecy, and religious knowledge can all intoxicate the mind. This is the season of auditing what goes in your mind and what doesn’t and who is in your life and who should not be. Sobriety means truth governs the mind rather than appetite, panic, or fascination.

The Hebrew word **shamar** – שָׁמַר means to guard, keep, observe, and preserve. Adam was placed in the Garden to serve and guard. Priests guarded the Sanctuary, watchmen guarded the City walls, and prophets guarded Covenant faithfulness by warning the people when they departed from the voice of YHWH. End-Time believers aren’t called to passive prediction. We are called to shamar the testimony of Yahshua, shamar the commandments of Elohim, shamar the garment of His Priesthood, shamar the lamp, shamar the Altar, shamar the marriage, and shamar the house. Revelation 3:3 gives the same warning to Sardis: “If you will not watch, I will come upon you

as a thief, and you will not know what hour I will come upon you.” The thief-coming is conditional. The unwatchful Assembly meets Him as a thief; the watchful Assembly lives in remembrance, repentance, obedience, and readiness. Sardis carried a name that she lived, yet Yahshua declared her dead. Reputation, history, and former fire couldn’t protect her. Present repentance, watchfulness, and the strengthening of what remained were required. The exact hour isn’t revealed, yet the season must be discerned, the garment kept, the lamp tended, and the heart guarded. Judgment begins at the House of Elohim, and the servant standing nearest the Altar carries greater accountability, not less.

Garments carry Covenant meaning from Genesis to Revelation. Adam and Chavah attempted to cover their shame with fig leaves, yet YHWH provided the covering. Priests wore garments for glory and beauty. Joshua the high priest stood in filthy garments until his iniquity was removed. The prodigal received the best robe before the Feast, and the Bride is granted fine linen, clean and bright. The Hebrew word **Beged** – בגד means garment, while the related word **Bagad** – בגד means to act treacherously or deal deceitfully. A garment can testify of Covenant covering, while a corrupted garment exposes betrayal. The sleeping Temple watchman didn’t simply neglect his clothing; his sleep revealed that the uniform remained while faithfulness departed. This warning belongs to every servant still wearing the garment of assignment. A title can remain after the oil diminishes. A platform can remain after prayer ceases. The uniform can remain in place while vigilance dies. The question isn’t whether men still recognize the office, but whether Heaven still recognizes faithfulness in the life behind it.

Oil carries the same weight of warning and preparation. **Shemen** – שמן means oil, and throughout Scripture oil consecrated kings, priests, prophets, shields, and sacred vessels for service unto YHWH. Oil also fed the Menorah so its light could burn continually within the Sanctuary. The Menorah stood as a firmament of light, bearing the pattern of Redemption through its branches and lamps as the stars shine within the firmament above. The flame wasn’t self-sustaining. Light continued only while oil remained in the vessel and priestly hands faithfully tended it. The wise virgins carried oil with their lamps, while the foolish carried the outward form of expectation without the hidden supply needed to endure the night. The lamp was visible in public, yet the oil had to be cultivated in private. The midnight cry produced no oil; it exposed who had prepared before the cry sounded. Testing never creates the inward life; it reveals whether that life was already present.

The Menorah required daily priestly attention because the oil had to be prepared, poured, tended, guarded, and replenished. No powerful gathering, moving sermon, prophetic dream, ministry title, conference, or viral message can sustain a vessel that neglects the secret place. Prayer, obedience, Scripture, repentance, worship, fasting, fellowship, and a conscience kept tender before the Ruach fill the vessel before darkness tests the flame. Yahshua taught that the lamp of the body is the eye, revealing that the End-Time battle is also a battle over what men choose to behold. What image is shaping desire? What screen has become an altar? What voice enters through the eye-gate and trains the conscience to accept what YHWH forbids? A generation that refuses to guard its sight won’t preserve its light. Whoever continually surrenders the eye to darkness will eventually surrender the flame meant to burn before YHWH. The watchful must therefore guard the season, the garment, the oil, the eye, and the Altar, for the coming of the King won’t create faithfulness. His appearing will expose whether faithfulness was already there.

### THE VOICE OF THE PROPHETS CONCERNING THE DAY

Isaiah saw the Day when every lofty look would be humbled and **YHWH alone exalted**. Men would cast their idols of silver and gold to the moles and bats and flee from the terror of YHWH and the glory of His majesty. Modern idols may not resemble carved images, yet men still bow before markets, bodies, brands, flags, experts, machines, platforms, and magnified versions of themselves. Every idol becomes worthless when YHWH rises to shake the earth and reveal who alone deserves worship. Joel heard the shofar sound in Zion and the alarm upon

the set-apart mountain. His call wasn't religious excitement, but fasting, weeping, mourning, and the tearing open of the heart. Torn garments mean nothing when the heart remains closed to conviction. The final Message must recover true repentance, where sorrow produces turning, fasting produces obedience, prayer produces consecration, and confession produces fruit. YHWH isn't seeking religious display before the Day arrives. He is seeking hearts broken open before Him.

Amos warned those who desired the Day of YHWH while practicing injustice, false worship, and spiritual pride. For them, the Day would be darkness rather than light. That warning belongs in every Assembly singing about the return of the King while refusing His righteousness. Fascination with prophecy isn't readiness, and knowledge of signs doesn't prove the soul is clean. A man can study charts while remaining defiled. A shepherd can preach the Second Coming while exploiting the sheep. A worshiper can long for His appearing while refusing to forgive. The Day will reveal whether expectation was joined to obedience. Zephaniah declared that silver and gold couldn't deliver anyone in the Day of wrath. This warning doesn't condemn righteous stewardship. The remnant may steward land, silver, gold, businesses, inheritance, storehouses, and generational provision, yet none of these can become a savior. Sound money cannot save an unsound soul. Land, trusts, houses, farms, and foundations may serve obedience, but they cannot replace repentance or stand between a soul and the Judge.

Malachi saw the Messenger of the Covenant suddenly coming to His Temple and asked, "Who may abide the Day of His coming?" His appearing brings refining fire and launderer's soap. The sons of Levi are purified so righteous offerings may return to the Altar. This connects directly with the Temple watch: the King inspects the priesthood, refines worship, cleanses servants, and purifies His House. Glory doesn't rest upon mixture. The Presence that fills the House is the same Presence that exposes everything unworthy of remaining there. Zechariah saw YHWH reigning as King over all the earth, living waters flowing from Jerusalem, Nations coming to worship, and holiness reaching even the ordinary vessels. The End doesn't conclude with creation abandoned. The King returns to judge, cleanse, restore, and reign. Mountains, cities, Nations, waters, Feasts, fields, and ordinary life will come beneath the government of His Kingdom. Redemption isn't an escape from YHWH's purpose for creation; redemption brings creation beneath its rightful King.

Daniel saw beasts rise, arrogant horns speak, and the saints worn down under pressure, yet the vision didn't end with the Beast prevailing. The Court sat, the books were opened, and the counterfeit kingdom was summoned into judgment. That order must govern the confidence of the remnant. Beastly power appears final only until the Ancient of Days takes His seat. The saints don't build courage upon the weakness of the Beast, but upon the absolute authority of the One who appointed its end. The Beast may pressure, persecute, deceive, restrict, accuse, and attempt to wear down the people of YHWH, yet it never possesses the final word. The Court will sit. False authority will answer. Dominion will be given to the saints of the Most High. Prophetic warning wasn't given to make the remnant fear the Beast; it prepares them to remain faithful until Heaven openly enforces what YHWH has already decreed.

### THE NEW TESTAMENT COMMAND TO WATCH

Yahshua didn't preach a sentimental return. He warned of deception, false messiahs, wars, famines, earthquakes, persecution, betrayal, hatred, false prophets, lawlessness, cold love, the abomination of desolation, Great Tribulation, cosmic signs, and the Son of Man appearing with power and great glory. His Message wasn't panic; His command was endurance: "He that endures unto the end shall be saved." Endurance means more than surviving hardship. Endurance is Covenant faithfulness under pressure, obedience when compromise offers relief, love when lawlessness increases, truth when deception becomes acceptable, and worship when the kingdoms of this world demand allegiance. The Olivet warning begins with one command: *"Take heed that no man deceive you."* Deception comes first because every counterfeit finds entrance through a heart that no longer loves truth. A deceived generation can call bondage freedom, poison medicine, pride identity, rebellion justice, and apostasy

progress. Religious deception is especially dangerous because it borrows the language of truth while removing the fear of YHWH, repentance, obedience, and the authority of the King.

Paul declared that the Day wouldn't come until the falling away occurred and the man of lawlessness was revealed. The final crisis isn't merely political; the final crisis is worship. The Adversary seeks sanctuary, image, throne, allegiance, and the claim of godhood. Lawlessness isn't limited to crime in the streets. Lawlessness is the rejection of YHWH's authority while spiritual language remains. The man of lawlessness appears after the mystery of lawlessness has already trained mankind to live as though Divine rule no longer matters. Peter declared that the Day of YHWH will come as a thief, the heavens will pass with a great noise, the elements will dissolve, and the earth with its works will be exposed. His response wasn't date-setting, but holy conduct and godliness. Prophecy was never given to satisfy curiosity while leaving character unchanged. Whoever studies the coming fire while refusing holiness has missed the apostolic purpose. Knowledge of judgment must produce a life prepared to stand before the Judge.

John saw Babylon intoxicate kings and merchants while turning the souls of men into merchandise. Babylon doesn't trade in products alone. She traffics in attention, identity, bodies, data, children, dreams, fear, and worship. A system can appear prosperous while human souls are reduced to instruments of consumption and control. Heaven's command remains: "Come out of her, My people." Coming out requires more than criticizing Babylon. Separation means breaking agreement with her desires, values, rewards, and methods. James warned the rich who stored treasure in the last days, withheld wages, and lived in self-indulgence. The return of the King judges economics. He hears the cries of oppressed workers, sees wealth used as a fortress against compassion, and weighs the difference between stewardship and greed. Every business, ministry, employer, landowner, and household stands beneath His standard of justice. The coming Kingdom never separates worship from the treatment of laborers, the poor, the stranger, and those without power.

Jude warned of ungodly men, fleshly corruption, rejection of authority, boasting, favoritism, grumbling, and mockers ruled by their lusts. He then raised Enoch's ancient witness: the Master comes with myriads of His set-apart ones to execute judgment. Jude's response wasn't speculation, panic, or retreat. Build yourselves up in the faith, pray in the Ruach HaQodesh, remain in the love of Elohim, and look for the mercy of Yahshua unto Eternal Life. Readiness requires a guarded life, a praying spirit, Covenant love, and eyes fixed upon mercy while judgment approaches.

### **THE ANCIENT WITNESSES OUTSIDE THE CANON**

Extra-Biblical writings must never rule over Scripture or become the foundation of doctrine. The Torah, Prophets, Writings, and apostolic testimony remain the unchanging plumb line. Ancient texts may show how earlier communities understood watchfulness, judgment, endurance, and the intervention of YHWH, yet every ancient witness must bow beneath the written Word as historical testimony, never equal authority. First Enoch preserves the judgment witness echoed by Jude. The Didache commands believers to guard their lives, keep their lamps burning, gather faithfully, and remain ready through deception. Fourth Ezra and Second Baruch preserve the anguish of communities waiting for YHWH to answer evil, while the War Scroll presents the conflict between light and darkness with final victory belonging to Elohim. None replaces Scripture. Together they show that ancient believers did not treat the End as entertainment, but as a demand for holiness, endurance, and faithfulness.

Scripture establishes the governing truth: evil ripens, sin reaches fullness, and YHWH will not allow rebellion to mature forever without an appointed harvest. Genesis says the iniquity of the Amorites was not yet full. Revelation says Babylon's sins reached unto Heaven. James warns those who fattened their hearts for the day of slaughter. Systems, cities, ministries, households, and souls mature either in holiness or rebellion. The return of the King is the harvest, when everything cultivated in secret is gathered according to its fruit. The final counterfeit will not appear in an empty world; it will rise from desires, compromises, loyalties, and systems ripening beneath the surface for generations.

## THE BEAST SYSTEM AND THE FINAL COUNTERFEIT

The Beast system isn't merely a future political arrangement. It is the mature expression of mankind's ancient desire to dethrone YHWH and enthrone the Beast Kingdom within. Babel revealed the pattern: one language, one project, one name, one city, and one counterfeit ascent into Heaven. YHWH came down, inspected the work, confused the language, and scattered the builders. The final system pursues Babel's ambition through centralized identity, controlled commerce, managed speech, engineered agreement, monitored movement, and an altar of allegiance. The machinery may be modern, yet the rebellion remains ancient: unity without YHWH, security without righteousness, knowledge without obedience, and a kingdom without the King.

The Serpent's first sermon began with a question against the Word: "Has Elohim said?" The final deception carries the same voice through new technologies, teachers, prophets, governments, institutions, and cultural authorities. Has Elohim said man and woman? Has Elohim said holy? Has Elohim said repent? Has Elohim said judgment? Has Elohim said Yahshua is the only Way? Has Elohim said the dead will rise and the King will return? Compromise begins wherever the Serpent is permitted to reinterpret the command until rebellion sounds reasonable. Revelation reveals a Beast receiving worship, a false prophet performing signs, an image granted breath, and a mark tied to buying and selling. Electrical infrastructure, data centers, and artificial intelligence may increase the reach of control, yet Scripture places the deeper issue beneath every machine: worship and allegiance. The mark isn't merely a transaction problem; it is a Covenant problem. The Beast seeks the forehead and hand—thought and action, identity and obedience. YHWH commanded His Word to be bound upon the hand and placed between the eyes as Covenant remembrance. The Beast counterfeits that claim by demanding the same territory of mind and deed.

The final system won't need to appear monstrous at first. Deception enters through promises of relief, safety, convenience, access, belonging, speed, protection, and solutions to crisis. Conviction can be traded for access long before the final demand becomes visible. The image won't shock a generation already trained to worship images, and the lie won't sound foreign to those who surrendered truth through smaller compromises. Final apostasy is prepared through daily decisions that appeared harmless, practical, necessary, or temporary. The last demand only reveals the allegiance those earlier choices were forming. **Artificial Intelligence**, biometric identity, digital currency, surveillance, automated decision-making, and systems that merge access with compliance must be approached with discernment, not panic. Technology isn't the throne by itself. The true questions are who governs the system, what allegiance it demands, what truth it suppresses, and whether access is conditioned upon disobedience to YHWH. The remnant must reject both blind fear and blind trust, testing the fruit, guarding conscience, preserving human dignity, and refusing every system that demands worship, falsehood, or surrender of Covenant obedience.

The Greek word *Pharmakia* appears in Revelation in connection with Babylon's sorceries. The word doesn't make every medicine wicked or excuse carelessness toward the body. The warning concerns powers that manipulate body, mind, conscience, worship, and allegiance through deception. The crisis that intensified across the world in March 2020 revealed how quickly fear, emergency authority, technology, medicine, commerce, and access could converge and reshape ordinary life. The Assembly should have learned how rapidly conscience can be pressured in the name of safety. Babylon knows how to numb conviction, commercialize escape, and call bondage healing. The saints must remain sober in an age when science, medicine, technology, and expertise can be treated as priesthoods beyond moral accountability. Knowledge isn't the enemy; knowledge enthroned above the Creator becomes an idol. Every power touching the body, mind, identity, or conscience must remain accountable to truth, righteousness, human dignity, and the written Word of YHWH. The final conflict won't be decided by who understands the machinery best, but by who refuses to bow when the machinery demands what belongs to the King alone.

## THE INDICTMENT AGAINST A SLEEPING CONGREGATION

This generation has normalized what Scripture calls sin and allowed screens to disciple children before many parents established truth through daily example. Homes have become altars of entertainment while prayer remains occasional, hurried, or mechanical. Men know passwords but no longer recognize the voice of YHWH. Young people are handed confusion, then praised for embracing it. Pulpits proclaim destiny without deliverance, blessing without obedience, and worship without repentance. Darkness hasn't merely entered the culture; darkness has been invited to teach inside the house while the lamp remains unattended. YHWH will not be mocked. A Nation cannot shed innocent blood and call itself righteous. An Assembly cannot embrace Babylon and call herself the Bride. A man cannot serve lust in secret, then raise set-apart hands as though the Holy One cannot see. A household cannot enthrone idols in private and expect peace in public. A shepherd cannot preach comfort to sleeping sheep while wolves surround the fold. The return of the King demands that every hidden agreement with darkness be brought into the light.

Too many pulpits weaken conviction before the Message is even preached. Leaders fear empty seats more than empty lamps. Ministries measure success through attendance, influence, money, visibility, and applause, while Heaven measures purity, obedience, prayer, endurance, justice, and love without mixture. Sardis carried a name that she lived, yet Yahshua declared her dead. Growth isn't proof of approval where repentance and the fear of YHWH are absent. A full room can still contain empty vessels, sleeping watchmen, and whitewashed tombs. The family altar has fallen in many homes, especially across America. Fathers have become passive at the gate, absent from responsibility, or rejected within the house. Mothers carry spiritual burdens alone while children rebel and men abandon their post. Algorithms now disciple many children more consistently than Scripture, producing confusion, dishonor, and contempt for authority. Marriage is assaulted through selfishness, pornography, bitterness, exhaustion, secrecy, and counsel that excuses Covenant breaking. The return of the King requires the altar to be rebuilt within the home. Joshua's declaration must live again: "As for me and my house, we will serve YHWH."

The spirit of Cain remains active wherever men offer worship while refusing correction, bring gifts while hating a brother, and hear that sin is crouching at the door while opening the door anyway. Cain shed righteous blood, then built a city. Modern civilization can combine religion, wounded pride, violence, achievement, and progress while refusing repentance. The Blood of Yahshua speaks better things than Abel, yet Abel's blood still testifies that Heaven hears innocent blood crying from the ground. The spirit of Balaam also moves through prophetic spaces. A person may carry revelation, speak accurately, or operate in a gift while still loving reward. Balaam couldn't curse Israel directly, so he taught a path of compromise. Prophetic accuracy joined to corrupt desire is one of the most dangerous End-Time mixtures. Gifts without holiness become snares, and revelation without obedience becomes poison. The Beast system will carry prophets, signs, lying wonders, and persuasive language. Discernment requires more than amazement. Fruit, doctrine, allegiance, motive, and character must all be weighed by the written Word.

Paul warned that when men say, "Peace and safety," sudden destruction comes like labor pains upon a woman with child. The warning isn't against true **shalom**, but against security declared by a world still at war with YHWH. False peace is peace without the Prince of Peace. False safety is safety without repentance. False unity is unity built around rebellion. Shalom carries wholeness, welfare, completeness, and Covenant harmony. Babylon can offer temporary order, surveillance peace, military peace, economic peace, medicated peace, and enforced peace, yet true shalom flows only from righteousness. Labor pains intensify as the birth approaches. Wars, earthquakes, famines, pestilences, betrayal, lawlessness, deception, and persecution aren't the birth itself, yet they testify that the age is under pressure. Romans 8 reveals creation groaning, the saints groaning, and the Ruach interceding as all things move toward redemption, resurrection, and the revealing of Elohim's sons. The remnant must refuse every comfort purchased through compromise: no peace without the King, no safety against the Word, no unity against YHWH, and no access purchased through allegiance to the Beast. The coming Kingdom will expose every counterfeit refuge and reveal whether our homes, pulpits, gifts, businesses, and lives were truly governed by the King.

## **THE FALLING AWAY AND THE LOVE THAT GROWS COLD**

The falling away isn't a small doctrinal disagreement or a harmless difference of opinion either. The Greek word apostasia speaks of rebellion, defection, and departure from allegiance. Apostasy is not limited to leaving a building or church. Apostasy can remain inside religious structures after the heart has departed from the King. A preacher can keep preaching and fall away, a singer can keep singing and fall away, a congregation can keep meeting and fall away, a Nation can continue saying "God" while rejecting His authority.

Yahshua connected increasing lawlessness with love growing cold. Love does not grow cold in a vacuum. Lawlessness drains love of holy fire until what remains is sentiment, tolerance without truth, flattery, lust, enabling, and emotional manipulation. When YHWH's authority is rejected, love loses correction, purity, sacrifice, and the fear of Elohim. True love does not rejoice in iniquity; it warns, disciplines, forgives, restores, protects, and refuses to call poison bread. Counterfeit love says never confront; Covenant love rescues from the fire. Counterfeit love calls holiness judgmental; Covenant love recognizes holiness as beauty. Counterfeit love says identity is whatever man declares; Covenant love receives identity from the Creator. Counterfeit love says repentance wounds; Covenant love knows repentance heals. Counterfeit love says every path leads home; Covenant love declares that no man comes to the Father except through the Son.

Cold love appears when believers can watch destruction without weeping, argue about prophecy without praying, expose failure for entertainment, mock the broken, and call cruelty discernment. Correct doctrine without a tender heart can become another form of pride. The last days require truth burning in the inward parts and love that remains clean, courageous, faithful, and submitted to the King. The remnant must reject compromise without becoming hard, speak truth without delighting in judgment, and carry holiness without losing compassion. Shepherds and watchmen must sound the alarm with clean hands and a broken heart, refusing both cowardly silence and fleshly harshness.

## **THE MIDNIGHT WARNING TO SHEPHERDS AND WATCHMEN**

Shepherds will answer for how they led the sheep. Ezekiel warned that a watchman who failed to sound the trumpet could carry blood upon his hands. Paul told the Ephesian elders that he was innocent of the blood of all because he hadn't held back the whole counsel of Elohim. That standard must return. Partial counsel leaves people partially prepared. Soft preaching produces weak soldiers. Entertained sheep become easy prey. The shepherd's responsibility is to feed, guard, correct, bind wounds, confront wolves, and prepare the flock for the appearing of the Chief Shepherd. Comfort isn't love when it leaves the people unprepared for the hour of testing. The pulpit isn't a stage for personality; it's a place of Covenant accountability where the messenger must stand beneath the Word before speaking the Word. Every sermon plants seed, yet every warning avoided plants seed as well. Flattered sin becomes a chain, and cowardly silence becomes testimony. A shepherd who protects his reputation at the expense of truth may preserve applause while leaving the flock exposed. Love requires courage to strengthen the weak, correct the wandering, confront pride, restore the broken, expose the wolf, and bring the house beneath the government of YHWH. Some have said I speak too strongly. That strength isn't anger; it comes from the responsibility to deliver what YHWH commanded and from genuine love for His flock.

Jeremiah warned that prophets ran though YHWH hadn't sent them and spoke visions from their own hearts. YHWH declared that had they stood in His Council, they would've turned the people from evil. That remains the test of prophetic ministry. Does the word produce repentance? Does the revelation increase the fear of YHWH? Does the messenger make Yahshua supreme? Does the warning agree with Scripture? Does the messenger's life bear fruit from the secret place? A message that fills the mind with knowledge while producing no transformation has served the stale bread of men rather than the living Manna of YHWH.

The Hebrew word **Sod** – **סוד** isn't just the word for deep mysteries and secrets in the Hebrew text; it speaks of counsel, confidential assembly, and intimate fellowship within the Council of YHWH. Prophets must stand in the **Sod of YHWH**, not in the echo chamber of platforms and public opinion. The final hour requires messengers who know the Counsel of Heaven more than the trends of earth. A messenger who hasn't trembled before the Word may use the Word to entertain. A messenger who hasn't wept between the porch and the Altar may perform before the people. A messenger who hasn't been searched by truth may handle the sword without understanding its weight.

Revelation received in the Council of YHWH first cuts the messenger, cleanses the motive, pierces the heart, and brings the mouth beneath accountability before reaching the congregation. As preachers, we must walk through these Messages before we're sent to deliver them. YHWH is raising watchmen who won't soften the alarm to preserve friendships, trade conviction for opportunity, excuse wolves as misunderstood, or remove accountability from the Message. They will cry aloud, lift their voices like a shofar, expose transgression, and still carry the tenderness needed to bind the wounds of those who repent. Their authority won't come from volume, anger, or performance. Their authority will come from Scripture, prayer, a clean life, the fear of YHWH, and a heart that would rather lose opportunity than lose the Presence. A Message may feel strong because the walls built against conviction are finally being shaken.

### **THE MIDNIGHT WARNING TO FATHERS, MOTHERS, AND HOUSEHOLDS**

The return of the King isn't only an Assembly Message; it's a household Message. Noah built an Ark for the saving of his house. Abraham commanded his household to keep the way of YHWH through righteousness and justice. Joshua placed his house beneath Covenant declaration. Passover blood marked the doors of homes, and the early believers broke bread from house to house. The final hour requires more than public gatherings surrounded by private disorder. Homes must become sanctuaries of truth, prayer, discipline, forgiveness, worship, and daily submission to the Word.

Fathers, rise from passivity, because the Serpent often enters where guardians sleep. Adam stood in the Garden where the command had been given, yet the fall unfolded at the tree. Fathers must guard the gates again: the screen, table, atmosphere, friendships, doctrine, marriage Covenant, prayer Altar, and hearts of the children. Guarding isn't domination. Guarding is sacrificial authority beneath YHWH, carried by imperfect fathers and mothers who have also been corrected, restored, and taught through hardship. A father can't demand order from his household while refusing the government of the Word over his own appetites, speech, anger, time, money, and conduct. The first gate he must guard is his own heart. I've spoken words to my children at times that I regret. That confession doesn't remove responsibility; it deepens my need for repentance, humility, and faithful obedience. YHWH uses imperfect vessels who remain submitted to His correction.

Mothers, rise with spiritual discernment. The Adversary targets the womb, voice, weariness, compassion, and influence of women, seeking to turn nurture into agreement with rebellion, exhaustion into surrender, and love into permission. The Ruach can make a mother a watchtower within the house. Hannah's prayer shaped Samuel. Jochebed's courage preserved Moses. Elizabeth carried the forerunner. Miryam's surrender carried the Messiah. Hidden obedience can shape generations even when the world never applauds it. A mother who keeps the Altar, guards truth, speaks wisdom, and refuses agreement with darkness is defending the future of her house. None of these women was perfect, yet each answered the call placed before her.

Children and youth, hear the warning of YHWH. The world isn't your shepherd. The screen isn't your father. The algorithm isn't your prophet. Your feelings aren't your god. Your body belongs to the Creator, your breath belongs to YHWH, and your future won't be found in rebellion. The King is worthy of your youth, strength,

purity, mind, hands, dreams, and calling. Don't wait until the world has spent your strength before offering YHWH what remains. Give Him the years when choices become habits, habits form character, and character directs the course of life.

Households must recover confession, forgiveness, Scripture, prayer, worship, discipline, and Covenant order. A house can contain smart devices and foolish hearts, security cameras without spiritual discernment, stocked pantries and empty oil vessels, land without legacy. The true Goshen of the final hour is more than geography. Goshen speaks of Covenant covering, blood upon the door, obedience within the house, worship in the darkness, and a family governed by the voice of YHWH. Repentance must enter the kitchen, bedroom, finances, marriage, devices, conversations, and every hidden place where the household decides who will rule. The King is coming, and every house must answer whether it was governed by His voice or surrendered to another.

### THE CALL TO REPENTANCE

Repent before warning becomes judgment and hidden sin becomes public exposure. Preacher, repent before sermons become evidence against the life behind the pulpit. Prophet, repent before the gift is weighed against the character. Worshiper, repent before the song is judged by the surrender beneath it. Father, repent before children inherit compromise. Mother, repent before tolerated darkness becomes a chain around the house. Son and daughter, repent before rebellion hardens into identity. Repentance isn't humiliation before men; it's mercy opening the way back to YHWH before pride turns correction into condemnation. Return to the fear of YHWH! Return to the Altar, the Word, disciplined prayer, fasting that breaks the rule of appetite, forgiveness before bitterness gains authority, purity before lust writes laws in the body, Covenant before convenience destroys the house, and the Blood before religion teaches the soul to appear clean while remaining bound. Return while conviction still speaks, the door remains open, and mercy is calling your name!

The Hebrew word *Nacham* can speak of grief and sorrow over what has been done, while *Shuv* commands return. The Greek word *metanoia* speaks of a changed mind that brings the whole life beneath the authority of the King. True repentance reaches thought, allegiance, conduct, relationships, money, speech, time, body, and worship. Sorrow, tears, and public confession alone aren't repentance. Repentance becomes visible when self leaves the throne, agreement with the lie is broken, restitution is made where possible, forbidden doors are closed, and obedience bears fruit.

Yahshua stands as Lamb and Lion. The Lamb was slain for sinners; the Lion judges rebellion. The same Blood that cleanses the repentant testifies against those who trample it beneath their feet. Mercy is mighty, yet mercy refused becomes evidence. Grace is priceless, yet grace twisted into permission for lawlessness becomes condemnation. The crucifixion doesn't decorate the old life; it judges the old ruler, breaks sin's claim, and brings forth a new creation beneath the reign of the King. Whoever comes to the Lamb in repentance will find mercy. Whoever uses the Lamb to excuse rebellion will meet the Lion. No man will stand before YHWH and blame his pastor. No woman will blame culture. No youth will blame confusion. No minister will stand before eyes of fire and blame the crowd. Books will be opened, motives weighed, works tested, and secrets brought into the light. Those hidden in Messiah, washed in His Blood, filled with His Spirit, and walking in faithful repentance will rejoice at His appearing.

This Message isn't terror for those who are in Messiah. The return of YHWH is terror to rebellion and comfort to the remnant. Paul told believers to comfort one another with the hope of resurrection and the coming of the Master. Titus called His appearing the blessed hope. The Bride doesn't fear the Bridegroom when her garment is clean and her lamp is burning. The remnant mustn't become consumed by the darkness it discerns. Discernment without worship becomes heaviness. Prophetic awareness without hope becomes exhaustion. Warning without

beholding the Lamb leaves the soul staring at the Beast instead of standing in the victory of Yahshua. The same Message that awakens the careless must strengthen the faithful. The joy of YHWH is strength. The promise of resurrection is strength. The Blood, Ruach, Word, and fellowship of the saints are strength. Daniel saw the saints worn down, yet he also saw the Kingdom given to them. Revelation saw martyrs slain, yet also saw them reigning. Yahshua warned that men could kill the body, yet no earthly power can destroy the life held by YHWH. The saints don't love their lives unto death because they've found Life that death can't touch.

HalleluYah! The return of the King means resurrection. Graves will open. Mortality will put on immortality. Corruption will put on incorruption. The dead in Messiah will rise, the living faithful will be transformed, tears will be wiped away, Death swallowed up, and the last enemy destroyed. This hope isn't escapism. Resurrection is warfare, and a people convinced that Death doesn't have the final word can't be controlled by threats. The return of the King also means justice. Every trafficked child, murdered innocent, exploited worker, silenced martyr, betrayed Covenant keeper, righteous tear, hidden prayer, unseen act of obedience, cup of cold water, and secret sacrifice will be remembered before the righteous Judge. The Kingdom won't forget what Babylon buried or what men refused to honor. The Throne won't lose the record of faithfulness because the world failed to notice it. The remnant must stand with clean courage. Truth mustn't become cruelty, love mustn't become passivity, discernment mustn't become fear, separation mustn't become pride, and purity mustn't become isolation from the Body. Stay in the Word. Stay in prayer. Stay beneath the Blood. Stay filled with the Ruach. Stay gathered with the faithful. Stay tender before YHWH and immovable before Babylon. The remnant doesn't overcome by copying the anger, manipulation, or methods of the system it opposes. The remnant overcomes through the Blood, the testimony of Yahshua, patient endurance, holy love, and allegiance that Death itself can't purchase.

### **THE FINAL APPEARING OF YHWH ELOHIM**

The end of the age isn't the collapse of YHWH's plan; it's the public unveiling of the plan declared from Genesis to Revelation. YHWH is not reacting to the Beast, the false prophet, Babylon, or the rebellion of Nations. His Counsel stood before their systems were formed. His decree already governs the End. His Son has been appointed heir of all things. The return of Yahshua is Heaven's Royal answer to the entire testimony of Scripture, the hour when promise, prophecy, warning, Covenant, judgment, Priesthood, redemption, and hope come beneath the visible authority of the King. Genesis begins with creation beneath the authority of Elohim, and Revelation ends with creation beneath the manifest reign of Elohim and the Lamb. Genesis reveals the Serpent entering through deception; Revelation reveals the ancient Serpent judged. Genesis reveals exile from Eden; Revelation reveals access restored to the Tree of Life. Genesis records the ground receiving the blood of Abel; Revelation reveals the martyrs vindicated before the Throne. Genesis promises that the Seed of the woman will crush the Serpent's head; Revelation displays the Dragon cast down and the Lamb openly victorious. The Bible does not end with the Serpent negotiating terms. Scripture ends with the King reigning, the curse removed, the servants of YHWH seeing His face, and His Name upon their foreheads.

The promise to Abraham reaches inheritance. The promise to David reaches the Eternal Throne. The promise through the Prophets reaches restoration. The hope of the Apostles reaches resurrection. The cry of the martyrs reaches vindication. The groaning of creation reaches release. The longing of the faithful reaches its answer. The priesthood after the Order of Melkhizedek stands openly above every counterfeit order, because the King who offered Himself once for all now reigns as the Eternal Royal High Priest. YHWH Elohim is not returning as a guest in man's world; He returns as Owner, Judge, Redeemer, King, Covenant Keeper, and Restorer over everything He created, promised, purchased, and will make new. Every tongue will confess and every knee will bow, yet not every knee will bow from the same place. Some will bow as sons and daughters who loved His appearing, kept the faith, endured the pressure, and longed for the King. Others will bow as rebels who refused the warning until the books were opened. The mercy of this hour is that men can bow now in repentance. The terror of that hour is that every knee will bow then beneath undeniable authority. The call is not to admire Yahshua's return as doctrine, but to prepare through repentance, obedience, clean garments, burning lamps, holy

fear, enduring faithfulness, and love for the King whose appearing will bring every hidden allegiance into the light.

### THE FINAL CALL TO REPENTANCE AND READINESS

This Message now stands as a witness before all of us and those who will hear this one day. These words can't remain as just notes on pages without obedience to the cry. Yahshua's return isn't a theory, chart, or timeline to defend. His appearing will bring every soul beneath the searching eyes of the King who enters the field of this world. No one will hide behind a denomination, ministry, title, reputation, platform, gift, or public confession. The books will be opened, hidden things exposed, motives weighed, and every excuse silenced before the One who sees the heart. The One who came as the Lamb will return as the reigning King. The One judged by corrupt rulers will judge the rulers of the earth. The One crowned with thorns will appear crowned with authority. The hands pierced for our redemption will govern the Nations, and the voice men mocked will command every kingdom. Every throne will answer, every idol will fall, and every tongue will confess that Yahshua HaMashiach is Master to the glory of Elohim the Father.

No believer has permission to sleep or slumber at this hour. No shepherd has permission to soften the alarm. No watchman has permission to protect his reputation while the sword approaches the gate. Isaiah 58:1 commands the voice to be lifted like a shofar and spare not. Paul warned that the Day comes as a thief upon those saying, *"Peace and safety,"* yet he told the brethren, *"You aren't in darkness, that the Day should overtake you as a thief."* The people of YHWH weren't called to panic, speculate, or live in fear. We were called to wake, watch, remain sober, and walk as children of light. The warning concerning the sleeping Temple guard must remain in our conscience. His garment testified that he had neglected a sacred assignment. Revelation 16:15 declares, *"Blessed is he that watches and keeps his garments."* Public gifting won't cover private compromise. Prophetic language won't replace purity. Applause won't silence the testimony of Heaven. The King will reveal whether our garments covered faithful lives or religious positions that continued after our hearts fell asleep.

Now isn't the hour to study Babylon while desiring her rewards, preach holiness with unclean hands, sing worship with divided tongues, or speak of the Kingdom while negotiating with darkness. Excitement, religious identity, emotional fire, and public momentum won't carry anyone through the hour of testing. Endurance belongs to those who love truth more than survival, fear YHWH more than men, overcome through the Blood of the Lamb, guard the testimony of Yahshua, keep the commandments of Elohim, and refuse to bow when obedience becomes costly. Public refusal of the Beast will be formed through private obedience to the King. Repent now! Choose holiness now. Choose obedience and the fear of YHWH now. Choose the Blood over human approval, the Word over the Serpent's whisper, Covenant over convenience, prayer over numbness, truth over popularity, endurance over comfort, and clean garments over religious appearance. Delay isn't neutrality. Indifference isn't innocence. Partial surrender isn't Covenant faithfulness.

Every house must decide whose voice will govern it. Fathers must lead beneath the Word rather than surrender their children to the spirit of this age. Mothers must discern what is shaping the hearts of the next generation. Shepherds must warn rather than protect their names. Prophets must keep revelation joined to holiness. Teachers must keep truth clear. Worshipers must bring songs from surrendered lives. Every believer must decide whether readiness will remain something spoken or become the way we live. This generation doesn't need more prophecy information without repentance. We need lamps filled with oil, garments kept clean, watchmen who won't compromise, shepherds who love the flock enough to warn, households governed beneath the Word, worship free from mixture, and sons and daughters who know the Shepherd's voice. The remnant mustn't sell its birthright for access, comfort, money, influence, technology, acceptance, or survival. The Beast won't be resisted by lukewarmness. Babylon won't be overcome by divided hearts. The lie won't be defeated by people who still love its rewards. Watch. Repent. Endure. Overcome.

Readiness isn't panic when the Heavens begin to open. Readiness is the life we lived when no one was watching. Keep the garment clean, the lamp burning, the heart tender, and the household beneath the Word. Keep worship free from mixture and the conscience sensitive to the Ruach HaQodesh. Keep your eyes upon Yahshua, your feet from compromise, your mouth from agreeing with fear, your mind from Babylon's influence, and your body surrendered as a vessel of holiness. Settle your allegiance before the pressure comes, for pressure won't create loyalty; pressure will reveal where loyalty has already been placed. Don't cry, "*Come, Master Yahshua,*" while protecting a divided life. He isn't returning to excuse compromise, preserve rebellion, or approve what His Word condemns. He's coming to expose what religion concealed, judge what mankind refused to repent of, restore what the Serpent corrupted, gather His people, vindicate the faithful, and establish His righteous government.

His appearing isn't the defeat of the remnant. His appearing is the answer to every prayer offered through tears. His appearing will vindicate every witness who refused to bow, every household that guarded the Altar, every shepherd who sounded the warning, every father who stood at the gate, every mother who covered her children in prayer, and every son and daughter who chose truth while deception was being rewarded. The world will know that the Lamb it rejected is the King who reigns, the Stone it cast aside has become the Head of the corner, and the Blood it treated as weakness carries a testimony Babylon couldn't silence, the Beast couldn't overcome, and Death couldn't hold.

The final question isn't whether Yahshua is coming. He is coming. The final question isn't whether the Day of YHWH will arrive. That Day is appointed, and the unbelief of men can't delay it. The question before every soul is this: When He comes, will He find faith still living in us, obedience still standing, oil still flowing, garments still clean, love still burning, and allegiance still unbroken? Please don't hear this Message and walk away unchanged. Don't let conviction become another moment you felt but never obeyed. Don't wait for greater darkness before choosing the light. Don't wait for pressure before deciding whom you serve. Return to YHWH while mercy is calling. Bring the house beneath the Word. Clean the garment. Fill the lamp. Repair the Altar. Forgive what must be forgiven. Close every door that must be closed. Obey what YHWH has already spoken.

May Yahshua find us awake, sober, faithful, set-apart, enduring, and sealed beneath His Blood. May He find our homes ordered, our worship pure, our hearts undivided, and our testimony unashamed. Hear what the Spirit is saying to the Assembly. Prepare the way of the King.

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