Introduction:

We live in a world that is more chaotic every day. There is an obvious clash of good vs evil and a clash of light vs the darkness. Even people who are not Christ followers know that something in our world is terribly wrong.

It is obvious when you look at our world through the lens of Scripture, the enemy, the devil is seeking to steal, kill and destroy as many people as he can in any way he can, as fast as he can.

He is working through much of the media/entertainment, gender confusion movement, drugs, corrupt government officials, needless wars with the proliferation of every kind of evil.

The Prophets of God recorded thousands of years ago what is happening today. Isaiah the Prophet, prophesied about 2800 years ago.

Isaiah 60:2,3 NASB For behold **darkness** (moral and spiritual darkness) **will cover the earth** and **deep darkness** (depression/gloom) **the peoples**; **But the Lord will rise upon you**. Nations will come to the brightness of your rising."

Photo: In spite of all this, we see God at work in the lives of people as never before! In July, Pirates Cove Costa Mesa California - 4500 people committed their lives to Christ publicly in Water Baptism!

This was the largest single water baptism event in the history of our country.

More people are coming to faith in Jesus Christ in other countries than in any time in history.

God is shining the light of His truth and presence into the darkest places of this world.

The Sound of Freedom Movie (Depicts the 152 \$Billion human trafficking industry, especially children) has made a huge impact in our <u>nation (Even the Speaker of the House, Keving McCarthy hosted a screening for all members of Congress to view it together).</u> Now it is going to be shown in 23 Nations of the world and growing.

God is pouring out His Holy Spirit, bringing light and truth of the His Kingdom throughout the earth.

We are witnessing the clash of two Kingdoms. The Kingdom of Light and the Kingdom of Darkness. I believe God wants all of us here today to be reminded of who Wins. God, He is UNSTOPPABLE. Those who walk closely with Him will also be UNSTOPPABLE!

Psalm 2:1-8

Why are the Nations in an uproar and the peoples devising a vain thing? 2 **The kings of the earth** take their stand and the <u>rulers take counsel together against the Lord and against His anointed</u>, saying 3 Let us tear their fetters apart and cast away their cords from us. 4 He who sits in the heavens laughs, the Lord scoffs at them. 5 Then He will speak to them in His anger and terrify them in His fury, saying.
6 **But as for Me, I have installed My King upon Zion, My holy mountain**. 7 I will surely tell of the decree of the Lord; He said to Me, 'You are My Son, today I have begotten You. 8 Ask of Me, and I will surely give you the nations as Your inheritance, and the very ends of the earth as Your possession. 9 You shall break them with a rod of iron, You shall shatter them like earthenware.' 10 Now therefore, **O kings**, show discernment; take warning **O judges** of the earth. 11 Worship the Lord with reverence and rejoice with trembling. 12 Do homage (kiss) to the Son, that He not become angry, and you perish in the way, for His wrath may soon be kindled. How blessed are all who take refuge in Him."

Blessed or Broken! Those who take refuge in Him will be blessed! Those who defy Him will be broken beyond repair! – Our Choice

The Psalmist (David) prophesied that Kings of the earth would stand together against the Lord & His anointed. This <u>happened in David's day</u> as he fought the godless Philistines and surrounding nations. But, this prophecy has a dual fulfillment as is often the case with Biblical prophecy! This conspiracy against the Lord happened with the crucifixion of Jesus and is happening again in our day!

Peter and John after their arrest for preaching the Gospel, joined the church in a prayer meeting.

Acts 4:24-30 NIV 24 When they heard this, they raised their voices together in prayer to God. 'Sovereign Lord,' they said, 'you made the heavens and the earth and the sea, and everything in them. 25 You spoke by the Holy Spirit through the mouth of your servant, our father David; "Why do the nations rage and the peoples plot in vain? 26 The kings of the earth rise up and the rulers band together against the Lord and against his anointed one. 27 Indeed Herod and Pontius Pilate met together with the Gentiles and the people of Israel in this city to conspire against your holy servant Jesus, whom you anointed. 28 They did what your power and will had decided beforehand should happen. 29 Now, Lord consider their threats and enable your servants to speak your Word with great boldness. 30 Stretch out your hand to heal and perform signs and wonders through the name of your holy servant Jesus."

The now, Spirit-filled Apostles, Peter and John and the others knew what was going on. There was a plot, a conspiracy of the Government leaders and the religious leaders to put Jesus to death and stop the work of the Kingdom of God on the earth.

The Apostles named names (Herod, Pilate). They understood who their demonically inspired adversaries were.

*We are living in a day and time where <u>world leaders are actively opposed to God, Christianity and all</u> that is Holy and good.

There is an unashamed **Godless Globalism** that is **against anything to do with Jesus and Christianity.**The **WEF** (World Economic Forum) – A yearly gathering of World leaders in Davos Switzerland, where Presidents, Prime Ministers, the Heads of Google, FB and Tech Giants and Global Business Leaders meet to discuss how to conform the Global community of Nations into their own image. **It is the 21st Century remaking of the Tower of Babel.**

Klauss Schwab – The Founder/Author of 'The Great Reset' is openly calling for a One World Governance and Economic System

Noah Harari – Main Adviser – The idea of God is just superstition – We are gods, we are in control! They openly advocate for population reduction and control. To create a 'Utopia' after their image.

Men can plot against the Lord and against His Anointed Son and His church but will not prevail, because our God is unstoppable.

Isaiah 60:2,3 Darkest of times - *darkness* (moral and spiritual darkness) will cover the earth and deep darkness (depression/gloom) the peoples; But the Lord will rise upon you. Nations will come to the brightness of your rising."

Today, these 'Kings' of the earth are doing the same thing. These Global elite politicians, policymakers and Oligarchs like to think of themselves as 'Kings' and the rest of humanity are just expendable peasants.

They worship Power, Influence and Money at the expense of the common people.

They forgot that Leadership is granted by God and He expects leaders to be God-fearing because they will give a direct account to God for their leadership.

The Bible tells us to NOT BE IGNORANT of the Devil's schemes. Surely on a personal level, but also on the big picture level. Many of the Prophets in the OT sounded the alarm regarding Kings, Nations and Kingdoms.

The prophets Jeremiah, Isaiah and Daniel were given many visions and messages concerning the Kingdoms of their day and our day. The Apostle John was given the Revelation (the unveiling) concerning not only his day, but the days we are living in as well.

What happened after the CONSPIRACY to murder Jesus?

Acts 1:3-5, 8 "To these He also presented Himself alive after His suffering, by many convincing proofs, appearing to them over a period of forty days and speaking of the things concerning the kingdom of God. 4 Gathering them together, He commanded them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait for what the Father had promised, 'which,' He said, 'you heard of from Me;' 5 for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.' 8 but you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be My witnesses both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and even to the remotest part of the earth."

The Resurrection shows Jesus is Unstoppable - it was impossible for Him to be held by Death's power.

Acts 2:23,24 "this Man, delivered over by the predetermined plan and foreknowledge of God, you nailed to a cross by the hands of godless men and put him to death. 24 But God raised Him up again, putting an end to the agony of death, since it was impossible for Him to be held in its power."

1 - Jesus is UNSTOPPABLE - over death, hell, sin and the grave - He REIGNS as King Forever

Vs 3 - He also **presented Himself alive** after His suffering, by many convincing proofs

*There are many voices out there that want your attention.

But there is ONE VOICE that we need to listen to – the One who rose from the dead!

Paul - Romans 1:4 'who was declared the Son of God with power by the resurrection of the dead."

*Jesus is unstoppable - His Spirit, His Power, His Grace, His Love, His Truth, His Justice, His Kingdom!

During the Days of earthly 'kingdoms'...

Daniel 2:44 "In the days of those Kings, the God of heaven will set up a kingdom which will never be destroyed, and that kingdom will not be left for another people; it will crush and put an end to all these kingdoms, but it will itself endure forever."

*Jesus is Unstoppable - The CROSS made Jesus Unstoppable because His Love is Unstoppable

2- Jesus empowered the First Disciples to BECOME Unstoppable

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At first, the Disciples were easily stopped in their own strength

Peter – denied Jesus. – It only took a middle school-aged girl to ask him if he was a Jesus follower **The other Disciples** – all fled when the heat was on and the temple Priests & guards came for Jesus. **Judas** – Just 30 pieces of Silver stopped Judas from following Jesus

* But...Jesus commanded the Disciples to wait for and be filled with His Holy Spirit... and you shall be MY WITNESSES (Martureo) Martyrs.

But, they **obeyed**, they **waited** on God, they **responded**, they **fulfilled their calling** by His power with great endurance. *They laid down their lives for Jesus and the Kingdom of God!

*After Pentecost and the Baptism in the Holy Spirit...these Disciples became UNSTOPPABLE Acts 2:14 "But Peter, taking his stand with the eleven, raise his voice and declared to them..."

Peter surrendered his Cowardice, Pride, Ego and Self sufficiency to the Lord.
In return, God filled Him with power, love, a sound mind and boldness to live in Jesus.

3-Will you let Jesus make you UNSTOPPABLE?

*The Baptism in the Holy Spirit was a defining moment (crossroads) for the early church disciples.

*If you desire to become UNSTOPPABLE, you have to give yourself to God as a living Sacrifice!

*The secret to becoming UNSTOPPABLE is letting the UNSTOPPABLE ONE take charge of your life as you surrender yourself as a living sacrifice. This is what it means to 'be filled with the Holy Spirit.'

*Those who make the greatest impact for the Kingdom of God are those who choose to lay down their lives for Jesus and His people.

Tim Ballard, whom the movie 'Sound of Freedom' is based on, was a Department of Homeland Security agent, tasked with infiltrating pedophile networks, catching child predators and bring them to justice. But it was in a moment where he rescued a little boy at the border of Mexico from the hands of a pedophile, that he was confronted with the little boy's request to rescue his sister who was also enslaved. Tim Ballard made the decision that he was going to rescue this little girl or die trying, but he was not going to turn a blind eye. Out of that decision to give his life, a whole cascade of events transpired that was a catalyst for an organization that he now leads, Operation Underground Railroad.

Today, millions of people around the world are awakened to the reality of human trafficking.

*The reason the light is shining all across the world because of this issue is because ONE MAN decided to give his life if necessary to rescue modern slaves.

*It is this attitude...the attitude of being a living sacrifice that makes a person unstoppable.

This is the attitude Jesus had when he went to the cross!

Enduring THE CROSS to make redemption possible, made Jesus Unstoppable The Cross was the Doorway into Jesus' destiny.

Philippians 2:8,9 "Being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. 9 For this reason also, God highly exalted Him and bestowed on Him the name which is above every name..."

Enduring his ministry Cross made Apostle Paul UNSTOPPABLE -

Gal 2:20 "I have been crucified with Christ; and it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me."

Choosing to endure YOUR tailor-made CROSS will make You Unstoppable!

The Last Days church? Will WE BECOME Unstoppable?

*God's Word predicts a **REMNANT will be Unstoppable**!

"And they overcame him because of the blood of the Lamb and because of the word of their testimony, and they did not love their life even when faced with death."

Revelation 12:11 NASB1995

*The Devil has a tailor-made weapon in his arsenal to try to STOP YOU from your destiny.

Moses – his hot temper

Samson - silly godless girlfriend - Delilah

David - his success (God gave him victory over all his enemies) he stopped fighting – fell for Bathsheba

Judas- 30 Silver Coins

Demas (Paul's Co-worker) - His love for the finer things of this world

You? What's your price? – What is it that can stop you?

Unmet expectations?

An offense? Someone did you wrong?

Unanswered prayer?

Sometimes worldly success can stop some people from serving God!

Mark 4:19 NASB1995 "but the worries of the world, and the deceitfulness of riches, and the desires for other things enter in and choke the word, and it becomes unfruitful."

^{*}My Pastor used to say: "At the center of the will of God for your life is your cross."

^{*}Your CROSS is the DOORWAY into your destiny

^{*}How can you expect to do great things for God if you are not willing to deny yourself?

^{*}Your cross is NOT PERMANENT, but the Glory of God and the rewards of serving Him are eternal!

**Every Living Man has a price - What stops you from serving God?

Jesus said, you can't serve two Masters

Matthew 6:24 NIV

"No one can serve two masters. Either you will hate the one and love the other, or you will be devoted to the one and despise the other. **You cannot serve both God and money**."

*If we are to become UNSTOPPABLE, we must abandon self preservation

Apostle Paul- Acts 20:24 "But I do not consider my life of any account as dear to myself, so that I may finish my course and the ministry which I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify solemnly of the gospel of the grace of God."

*This was the attitude of the first Disciples, they were willing to be 'Living Sacrifices' filled with the Holy Spirit in serving the Lord and His purposes!

Jesus is UNSTOPPABLE, when we allow His Holy Spirit to empower us, He can raise us from the darkest of circumstances.

Apostle Paul - 2 Cor 1:8-10 "We do not want you to be uninformed brothers and sisters about the troubles we experienced in the province of Asia. We were under great pressure, far beyond our ability to endure, so that we despaired of life itself. 9 Indeed we felt we had received the sentence of death. But this happened that we might not rely on ourselves but on God, who raises the dead. 10 He delivered us from such a deadly peril, and He will deliver us again. On Him we have set our hope that He will continue to deliver us."

Conclusion:

- 1-Jesus is UNSTOPPABLE over death, hell, sin and the grave He REIGNS as King Forever
- 2- Jesus empowered the first Disciples to BECOME Unstoppable
- 3-Will you let Jesus make you UNSTOPPABLE?

^{*}Will you choose to be a living sacrifice?

David Guzik – Commentary

- b. **The LORD shall hold them in derision**: Through the centuries, many have opposed God and His Kingdom in Jesus Christ. Each one of these opponents shall be frustrated and crushed.
- i. A famous example of an opponent of Christianity was the Roman Emperor Diocletian (reigning A.D. 284-305). He was such a determined enemy of Christians that he persecuted the church mercilessly, and fancied that he had defeated Christianity. He ordered the making a medal with this inscription: "The name of Christianity being extinguished."
- ii. Diocletian also set up two monuments on the frontier of his empire with these inscriptions:

Diocletian Jovian Maximian Herculeus Caesares Augusti for having extended the Roman Empire in the east and the west and **for having extinguished the name of Christians who brought the Republic to ruin**

Diocletian Jovian Maximian Herculeus Caesares Augusti - <u>for having everywhere abolished the</u> <u>superstition of Christ</u> for having extended the worship of the gods

iii. Diocletian is dead and gone, a footnote on the pages of history. The fame and glory of Jesus Christ is spread over all the earth. **The LORD shall hold them in derision**.