

**I. Review – Greater Things**

**A. John 14:12 (NKJV)** – *“Most assuredly, I say to you, he who believes in Me, the works that I do he will do also; and greater works than these he will do, because I go to My Father*

**B. Previous Sessions**

- 1. Session 1 – Understanding Greater Things**
- 2. Session 2 – Greater Things – Greater Thinking**
- 3. Session 3 – Building Your New Self Image**
- 4. The Mystery of Christ In Us**
- 5. Experiencing the Greater Life**
- 6. Greater Help**
- 7. Greater Access**
- 8. Greater Victory – *This session will be released next Sunday due to the special Holy Spirit led service that took place recently.***

**II. Catching God’s Flow**

*Success and blessing are always contingent on catching God’s flow.  
What is He doing? What is He saying? Where is He leading?  
To move into greater things – we must answer these questions and be  
willing to follow his flow. Discover and Catch His flow for this season!*

**A. Catching God’s flow is discovering what He is up to.**

- 1. God does things in seasons.**
- 2. There was the season of the Old covenant.**

3. There was the season of the ministry of Jesus leading toward the new covenant.
4. There was the early church season – the establishment of the new covenant church.
5. Special seasons:
  - a. **The Great Awakening – 1720 – 1750**  
*George Whitfield – Jonathan Edwards*  
*From 1740- 1742- membership in the New England churches increased from 25,000 to 50,000*
  - b. *Hundreds of new churches were planted to accommodate the growth in church attendance.*
  - c. **The Second Great Awakening – 1790s**  
*Led to the founding of colleges and universities and the organization of mission societies.*
  - d. **The Modern Pentecostal Movement** – officially began in 1901 in Topeka, Kansas – Azusa Street – in LA – 1906  
*Our Church of God history actually dates back to 1896 when the first attenders received the Baptism in the Holy Spirit with the evidence of speaking in tongues.*  
**NOTE:** *The Pentecostal experience should have never ceased to the level of needing a renewal – but because of religious tradition and spiritual deadness –many things of the Spirit had been lost in the Body of Christ. WHILE these things may have been lost in the vast majority of churches – there are recorded events throughout ALL of church history – WHERE THE SPIRIT moved supernaturally.*
  - e. **The Healing Revival Era**  
*Occurred from the mid 1940s – through the 50s.*  
*Oral Roberts – William Branham*  
*Outdoor Tent meetings- with a healing and miracle emphasis.*
  - f. **The Word and Faith Movement**  
*Emphasis on the revelation of Gods Word – logos – rhema*  
*Emphasis on the role of faith in the believers life.*

g. **Grace** – *Greater emphasis on grace.*

**6. God works in seasons:**

- a. **Seasons in every individual’s life.**
- b. **Seasons in the Body of Christ – *The Church*.**
- c. **Seasons in our family.**
- d. **FOR GOD’S BEST – *We must discern the season.***

*What is God up to?*

*What is He doing in this season?*

*How do I connect with His flow for this season?*

- e. **Failure to catch the HIS FLOW for the season – is failure to reap the benefit of what God is doing.**
- f. **Luke 12:54-56 (NKJV)** – <sup>54</sup>*Then He also said to the multitudes, “Whenever you see a cloud rising out of the west, immediately you say, ‘A shower is coming’; and so it is. <sup>55</sup>And when you see the south wind blow, you say, ‘There will be hot weather’; and there is. <sup>56</sup>Hypocrites! You can discern the face of the sky and of the earth, but how is it you do not discern this time?*
- Luke 12:56 (GWT)** – *You hypocrites! You can forecast the weather by judging the appearance of earth and sky. But for some reason you don’t know how to judge the time in which you’re living*
- g. **Luke 19:41-44 (NKJV)** – <sup>41</sup>*Now as He drew near, He saw the city and wept over it, <sup>42</sup>saying, “If you had known, even you, especially in this your day, the things that make for your peace! But now they are hidden from your eyes. <sup>43</sup>For days will come upon you when your enemies will build an embankment around you, surround you and close you in on every side, <sup>44</sup>and level you, and your children within you, to the ground; and they will not leave in you one stone upon another, because you did not know the time of your visitation.”*

**Luke 19:44 (NLT)** – *They will crush you into the ground, and your children with you. Your enemies will not leave a single stone in place, because you did not recognize it when God visited you.*

**Luke 19:44 (AMP)** – *and they will level you to the ground, you [Jerusalem] and your children within you. They will not leave in*

*you one stone on another, all because you did not [come progressively to] recognize [from observation and personal experience] the time of your visitation [when God was gracious toward you and offered you salvation].*

**NOTE:** *They failed to discern the times – to get in God’s flow for the season.*

**WHY?** *They were stuck – they were settled into a specific flow of the Old covenant and religious systems.*

**NOTE:**

- *They memorized scripture.*
- *They prayed often.*
- *They lived religiously for God.*
- *They tithed and gave.*
- *They offered necessary sacrifices.*
- *YET, THEY MISSED THE DAY OF THEIR VISITATION from the Lord!*
- *THEY WERE SO CAUGHT IN A RELIGIOUS FORM – they stopped moving progressively forward with GOD.*
- **OLD FASHIONED** = according to styles, or types that are no longer current or common. *Relating to a past era.*

***God is never old fashioned; God is NOW!***

***His mercies are NEW every morning!***

***His mercies are FRESH; God doesn’t have to go back and pick something up from the past – He always puts a FRESHNESS on it!***

**What God is doing in this season may have some appearances of His past movements, but be assured there will be a FRESHNESS to it! He is so innovative and creative, He never runs short of creativity for new things or fresh things.**

- **Jesus seldom healed by the same methods.**  
*Some touched the hem of His garment*  
*Some he touched*  
*Some he spoke the word over*

*Some he put mud in their eyes – (one)*

*Some he put his fingers in their ears*

- ***He wanted us to always be open – to whatever HIS FLOW was for that season.***

*Today might be a touching of the garment day.*

*Today might be a mud in your eye’s day.*

*Today might be a finger in your ear’s day.*

***CATCH HIS FLOW! It’s always fresh.***

## **B. What is God doing?**

### **1. Restoration, Renewal, Revival, Refreshing**

- a. **At this point, the present campus meetings does not appear to have a strong salvation emphasis.**

*This may come later!*

- b. **The obvious is:**

*God is restoring spiritual things to His people!*

*God is reviving passion and zeal!*

*God is Refreshing His people with rain from heaven!*

*God’s people are experiencing a renewal in worship, commitment and zeal for His purpose.*

- c. **This flow is occurring in many campuses and churches around the world.**

### **2. If this is God’s flow for this season, we need to catch it for ourselves.**

- a. **Whatever area of your life needs restoration – *Be Restored!***
- b. **Whatever area of your life needs a renewal – *Be renewed!***
- c. **Whatever area of your life might need revival – *Be revived!***
- d. **Whatever area of your life needs refreshing – *Be refreshed!***

### **3. Definitions**

- a. **Restoration – the act of returning something to a former state or condition.**

**Revelation 2:5 (HCSB)** – *Remember then how far you have fallen;*

*repent, and do the works you did at first. Otherwise, I will come to you and remove your lampstand from its place—unless you repent.*

***God is speaking to a local church that has veered so off course that His counsel is – REMEMBER – EXAMINE EVERYTHING – to see how far you have fallen and do the first works you did before – this is RESTORATION – Returning to a former state!***

***The Methodist Church has lost over 2000 congregations because of a non biblical stance on issues relating to the sacredness of marriage and other issues of the day.***

**b. Renewal – To make like new – To restore freshness.**

***Note: God wants to make our relationship with him FRESH again! Just like it was when we first God saved!***

**Revelation 2:4 (AMP)** – *But I have this [charge] against you, that you have left your first love [you have lost the depth of love that you first had for Me]*

**c. Revival – Revive – to restore to life or consciousness.**

**SARDIS**

**Revelation 3:1-3 (NLT)** – <sup>1</sup>*Write this letter to the angel of the church in Sardis. This is the message from the one who has the sevenfold Spirit of God and the seven stars: “I know all the things you do, and that you have a reputation for being alive—**but you are dead.** <sup>2</sup>Wake up! Strengthen what little remains, for even what is left is almost dead. I find that your actions do not meet the requirements of my God. <sup>3</sup>Go back to what you heard and believed at first; hold to it firmly. Repent and turn to me again. If you don’t wake up, I will come to you suddenly, as unexpected as a thief.*

**Revelation 3:2 (NIV)** – *Wake up! Strengthen what remains and is about to die, for I have found your deeds unfinished in the sight of my God.*

**Revival comes when LIFE – is infused into those areas that are dead or dying.**

**d. Refreshing – To reinvigorate – To restore to strength – to replenish.**

*Elijah was refreshed by the Angels cake.*

**Jeremiah 31:25 (NIV)** – *I will refresh the weary and satisfy the faint.*

**NOTE:** Many have lost strength – *I do not have the strength to continue – YOU NEED A REFRESHING!*

e. Awakening

*Revival/restoration/renewal/refreshing is for the church.*

*AWAKENING – occurs when the community is impacted:*

*IN awakenings – the lost get saved.*

*In awakening strange things happen.*

**Acts 19:17-20 (NLT)** – <sup>17</sup>*The story of what happened spread quickly all through Ephesus, to Jews and Greeks alike. A solemn fear descended on the city, and the name of the Lord Jesus was greatly honored. <sup>18</sup>Many who became believers confessed their sinful practices. <sup>19</sup>A number of them who had been practicing sorcery brought their incantation books and burned them at a public bonfire. The value of the books was several million dollars. <sup>20</sup>So the message about the Lord spread widely and had a powerful effect.*

**4. What is God’s Purpose in this?**

- a. **He wants His church to be strong!**
- b. **He wants His church to be active!**
- c. **He wants His church to be powerful!**
- d. **He wants His church to be effective!**
- e. **He wants His church to be READY!**

**III. Closing Note:** *Pay attention to what God is saying and doing in this special season. Plan to be part of it! Receive what God is doing for your own benefit!*

*THE HOUR OF VISITATION FOR THE PEOPLE IN JESUS DAY – is over!*

*THE HOUR OF VISITATION FOR THOSE AT THE TURN OF THE CENTURY*

*WHERE MODERN PENTECOST WAS REVIVED – is over. **White Williams***

*THE HOUR OF VISITATION FOR YOUR GREAT GRANDPARENTS AND OTHERS!*

*THAT HAVE GONE ON TO BE WITH THE LORD – is over!*

*THIS IS THE HOUR – OF OUR VISITATION – lets catch it.*