

**Discussion: God Loves You! The Perfect Storm Prophecy**

Discussion questions (Ask the question, what does this mean to you?)

1. What is “crisis”? Crisis is the fruit of following the wrong god. God allows calamities to happen in order to draw us to Him.
2. God allows us to reap the fruit of that which we serve.
  - i. Walking in God’s ways bring blessings and fruitfulness.
  - ii. Walking in the ways of this world will bring the fruit from the god of this world: decay, destruction, deterioration and death.
3. Don’t over react to media hype and spending.
  - a. Don’t assume the worst.
  - b. Don’t panic.
4. Simplify and stream line your life.
  - a. What do you do that is pure convenience?
  - b. Save money/cut back – that which doesn’t fit your life mission.
  - c. Do things that count.
  - d. Simply Church Expression...house2house (Act’s 2:46 – seek simplicity in life).
5. Connect with Friends and Family, Vine Fellowship Network Family.
  - a. God is our source: not 401K, job, government, etc.
    - i. Friendships play a major role in healing.
    - ii. Be friendly today for friends tomorrow. (Prov. 18:24)
6. Rethink your focus
  - a. Live life by principles (not circumstance or pressure).
  - b. Revisit your vision – write them down. (This all could be God’s wake up call to remind you of your original vision, your purpose and why God made you.)
  - c. Where there is no vision the people perish. (Prov. 29:18)
7. Be an influence wherever you are.
  - a. Study for the promotion that may be coming.
  - b. Study trends don’t chase them.
  - c. Look for original and innovative ways.
  - d. Look and ask God for solutions and ways to engage and meet the needs of others.
    - i. You’ll succeed by these strategies when others fail.
8. Take more time to listen.
  - i. People will have a new set of needs.
  - ii. Lord wants to give new ideas and innovated ideas to those who are close to Him.
  - iii. Prayer is important, but you need to take the time to stop as well and listen. There is a lot going to take place in this time frame that we don’t know about and we need to hear God explain to us our what, when and where.

**What are tough times all about?**

- Tough times are often disappointing, frustrating and filled with tension and anxiety.
- If you focus on what you lost or might lose or on how difficult your life has become or what might happen, you're going to miss the most important aspect of why God allows times like these to occur in our life.
- What sets you apart from all your friends and co-workers in these tough times? Is it how you handle tough things?

**FOUR THINGS TO ETCH IN YOUR SPIRIT IN ORDER TO SURVIVE IN THESE TOUGH TIMES:**

1. Tough times are not about what happens to you, it's about what you do with what happens to you.
  - a. Your entire life to this point has been a dress rehearsal for what will happen next in your life.
  - b. Being a person of influence. How you handle these times will affect two kinds of people.
    - i. Those who watch how we handle our own adversity.
    - ii. Those who will be changed by the counsel you give them which gives them hope.
2. God allows tough times so that massive change is a result.
  - a. In His plan, all things will be better once the tough times are over.
3. It's the people who focus on others and guard their words to reflect their source of provision in the times of crisis who will see the salvation of the Lord.
4. First thought that some Christians have when tough times come is to stop or diminish their giving. The widow of Zarephath proved when we remain faithful to give in times of crisis no matter what "it looks like," God will supernaturally take care of us. (1 Kings 17: 8-24; II Cor. 8:1-2; Mal. 3:10)
  - a. Giving in troubled times, even in the times of Jacob, have always attracted God's attention.

**Jacob Generation – The Generation of those who seek God's face (Psalms 24)**

1. A generation that truly seeks Him and seeks His face.
2. If we meet the qualification it will happen: clean hands and not harming others, pure heart and no hidden motives or agenda (except God's agenda), not driven by ego or self promotion.
  - a. If you have sinned, you can repent and God will restore to you clean hands and a pure heart.
3. What will happen to "Christians"?
  - a. It will not include the people we call "lukewarm" as it is now.

- b. They will ascend to the hill of the Lord, or be elevated or promoted above those that are around you.
  - c. You are going to live in the thick holy presence of God.
    - i. That means you'll hear Him and be guided by Him.
  - d. The gates of heaven will be open to you...
    - i. Those spiritual questions that have been difficult for you to understand will become known to you.
    - ii. Everlasting and ancient doors will be open to you.
    - iii. Ancient truths will be revealed.
  - e. The might, strength and power of the Lord and his host will come into your circumstances and they will fight on your behalf.
  - f. The Glory of the Lord will rest in your house === "SELAH"
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- During this time of trouble champions will be made – they will help many people with their needs and they will be promoted.
  - God chose you, designed you and established you for this season. He is about to take the nations through you. Great things are in store for those who seek God's face!
  - This is not a time for fear, but a time for those who know God to do great exploits on behalf of His Kingdom here on earth!

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