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Good morning everyone. Thank you for tuning into the message this morning.

We have an urgent prayer request this morning. Paul has been a long time supporter of this ministry. He's preached at our conferences. He is a follower of Jesus Christ. Awhile back he had a stroke that has damaged him and he is asking us to put him in our prayers. He's having all sorts of issues, doesn't seem to be getting any better. He says he can move himself around somewhat but just has problems communicating with people. Please pray for Paul. He is a great man of God and deserves our prayers.

All Bible prophecy has been fulfilled. As much as I have tried - for the most of 40 years now - to get people to see this - I believe - that if someone does not understand that - it will be impossible for that individual to understand the Plan of God, the Will of God for His Creation ever since He sent His Only begotten Son to walk this earth - a long time ago.

Jesus said it. In some of the clearest Words of Jesus that has been translated into English (or, if anyone gets this statement, please let me know) - listen now - In some of the clearest Words of Jesus that has been translated into English from the original English - He said. Look at it once again quickly this morning before we get started, Luke 24:44-45:

And He said unto them, **These are the words which I spake unto you, while I was yet with you, that ALL things must be fulfilled, which were written in the law of Moses, and in the prophets, and in the Psalms, concerning Me.**

THEN opened He their understanding, that they might understand the Scriptures, This is not hard. This is, should be, one of the easiest things to understand in our Bibles. Jesus said that ALL things which must be fulfilled - things that were written in the Law of Moses, things that were written in the prophets - (the explanation of the Law) Bible prophecy - things that were written in the Psalms - concerning Christ - in other words - everything that was written in the Bible - all things must be fulfilled - and once a man understands this - THEN - I rarely put words in the written transcript in all caps because people think that means you're screaming at them - but in this instance - I am screaming. I am yelling at the top of my lungs. I've been screaming this for nearly my entire adult life.

“You cannot understand the Scriptures, if you do not understand and believe these simple Words of Christ.”

THEN, then opened He their understanding, that they might understand the Scriptures.

I have been a lot - and I mean a lot - of times accused of being so narrow minded that I won't listen to anyone else. Guilty. I plead guilty. If you want to talk Bible to me, if you want to talk about what we are supposed to be doing, how we are supposed to be living, what's next as a Christian, what does it even mean to be a Christian - we have to get first things first established - and that is - what do you believe about Bible prophecy?

If you believe Bible prophecy is yet to be fulfilled. Then, I'm not your student. I'm not available for you to teach me. Because you are in need of a teacher. You can't possibly have the Biblical answers to those questions - and more - if you do not understand that Jesus Christ - the Jesus Christ of the first century - fulfilled All Bible prophecy. And, the most important thing about understanding Fulfilled Bible Prophecy is that Jesus Christ took the prophesied throne of David - established the Government of God on this earth - and since then - has required every single man, woman, boy and girl - and creature if it could possibly happen - to come out of the little g “governments” of men - that which the Bible declares as the domain of darkness - and into the exclusive Government of God - that which the Bible declares to be - the Commonwealth of Israel.

We live in a world where 99.9% of people believe that the Government of God - where Jesus Christ takes the throne of David and begins to rule over God's Creation - has not yet occurred - but will in the future take place. And I'm telling you today, that 99.9% of the people in the world today - are 100% wrong. And because they are 100% wrong - they have never had their

understanding opened, that they might understand the Scriptures.

And friends, this is not God's fault. This is the fault of every man and woman - who has failed in their own due diligence to study the Word of God themselves - instead of depending on and relying on someone else to do it for them. Listen now, I'm not saying that I am anything, I'm just a piece of dirt like everyone else - but something inside of me said - many many years ago - I am not going to trust my own eternity to someone else - in believing what someone else has told me I'm supposed to believe. I'm going to study the Word of God myself - and let the Holy Spirit of God guide me into all truth.

And, the very day I made that decision, the very first passage of Scripture I read, was Matthew chapter 16. Look at it with me quickly. Beginning with verse 24.

[24] Then said Jesus unto His disciples, If any man will come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow Me.

[25] For whosoever will save his life shall lose it: and whosoever will lose his life for my sake shall find it.

[26] For what is a man profited, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?

[27] For the Son of man shall come in the glory of His Father with His angels; and then He shall reward every man according to his works.

[28] Verily I say unto you, [that's Jesus to His disciples, in the first century] There be some standing here, which shall not taste of death, till they see the Son of man coming in His kingdom.

At that very instant - though I had previously read those verses hundreds of times in my short life. I saw something in verse 28 that I had never seen before and it opened my eyes as I progressed through the rest of that chapter and in less than a week - all by myself - without any outside influence - I understood for the first time in my life - that All Bible Prophecy had been fulfilled by Jesus Christ - in the first century - the Government of God was established then - and it was my responsibility to live accordingly ever since - and that was around 40 years ago.

God is a rewarder of them that diligently seek Him - and friends - that doesn't mean turning on the radio and listening to the local "Christian" radio station instead of the rock station. That doesn't mean going to the local bookstore and buying a book called "How to be a Christian for Dummies" - on watching youtube videos of people trying to tell you what the Bible means. It means opening the Book and reading and studying for yourself. It means begging God, pleading with God to make Himself real to you. And He does that by revealing things from His Word. He doesn't speak audibly to anyone. He doesn't cause your breakfast cereal to arrange itself in cryptic letters or faces. He doesn't make Mary statues in Catholic "churches" stream tears down its face.

He reveals Himself through the study of His Word.

One of the biggest problems - if not the biggest problem that most people face today is that they have been exposed to enough "churchianity" in their lives - that it is very difficult to read - or even study the Word of God - from the incorrect, deceptive, purposefully deceptive perspective of that thing called "church." Because of this, there is a need for true men of God to point seekers in the right direction. "Church" is the enemy of God. "Church" is the enemy of truth. "Church" is the religious arm of the state - the very entity that murdered Jesus Christ, killed and persecuted His followers - and if He were physically walking this earth today - they'd try to do it all over again.

We need to be the voice of God today in warning people that are seeking Christ, seeking God, seeking truth - that their search must be separate from that thing called "church." "Church" - a word that should not even be in our English Bibles. A word that even the most popular English translators of all time told people - before they even got to Genesis 1:1 - they told their readers that they did not have the authority to use the word "church" - they were going to abandon that scrupolosity of the Puritans - who did not use the word "church" - but were going to do it anyway.

And, of course, it didn't take long for the "church" to remove the section called The Translators out of the English Bibles - so the 99.9% don't even know it was ever there.

Fulfilled Bible Prophecy means that Jesus took the throne of David. Fulfilled Bible Prophecy means God brought down all the kingdoms of this world, took away any authority they may have had in the Old Covenant World - and made His Son the Only King, the Only Potentate, the King of kings and Lord of lords - and that all took place in the first century. Since that time, it has been the responsibility of every living, breathing creature to conform to the exclusive Government of God - and to come out from the little g "governments and kingdoms" of the world.

Last week, we were looking at "Repent, for the Kingdom of Heaven is at hand." We left off with the Words of Christ found in Matthew chapter 4. Please turn there again this morning. Read again, please, beginning with verse 1.

[1] Then was Jesus led up of the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted of the devil.

[2] And when He had fasted forty days and forty nights, He was afterward an hungred.

[3] And when the tempter came to Him, he said, If Thou be the Son of God, command that these stones be made bread.

[4] But He answered and said, It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God.

As I have pointed this out before, let's look at it again. These Words of Jesus were not the first time they were ever spoken - as clearly indicated by the Words, "It is written." Here is an excellent key, a guide point, in showing us how to study the Word of God.

"It is written."

Okay. Where is it written? Maybe we should take this as a really good idea that when we read - we should go a step further and study - seek, search out - where is "It written?" In this case, it's Deuteronomy chapter 8. Keep your finger here and let's go to Deuteronomy chapter 8.

“Well Charlie, how did you know that? How did you know that Jesus was talking about Deuteronomy chapter 8?” It's because in order to understand things that were written hundreds of years later, we must read and understand the things that were written hundreds of years earlier. The influence of that thing called “church” has been such that what was written from Genesis to Malachi was basically of little value other than cute little bedtime stories for the kids. Nothing could be further from the truth.

What is recorded in Genesis through Malachi is where we find the Will and Plan of God for His Creation. In those Books, we find God audibly speaking with Moses. We find God audibly speaking to Abraham - and others recorded in those Books. And, we find it often. From Matthew through Revelation - we don't see this - if so, it's very rare. Hebrews, listen to this, before we look at Deuteronomy 8. Hebrews 1:1-2:

[1] God, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the prophets,

See? That is exactly what I just said. “In time past”, but, when He sent His Son, that changed. Verse 2.

[2] Hath in these last days spoken unto us by His Son, whom He hath appointed heir of all things, by whom also He made the worlds;

[3] Who being the brightness of His glory, and the express image of His person, and upholding all things by the Word of His power, when He had by Himself purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high;

In time past, God spoke to the fathers in Israel, some of them directly, and some through the prophets. There is so much to learn about the Mind of God, the Will of God by studying those Books - but most of us were told all our lives - there was very little value in them. And especially because those Books contained that awful Law of God.

But Jesus speaking, in those last days, it was Jesus Who said, “What was written in Deuteronomy chapter 8 - is still valid for the first century. And I submit to you today, that not only was it valid in Deuteronomy chapter 8, not only was it valid in Matthew chapter 4 - but it is an eternal principle that is still valid today - and if we miss it - which the 99.9% has missed - we cannot understand what the Will of God is for today. Verse 1.

[1] All the commandments which I command thee this day shall ye observe to do, that ye may live, and multiply, and go in and possess the land which the LORD sware unto your fathers.

[2] And thou shalt remember all the way which the LORD thy God led thee these forty years in the wilderness, to humble thee, and to prove thee, to know what

was in thine heart, whether thou wouldest keep His commandments, or no.

[3] And He humbled thee, and suffered thee to hunger, and fed thee with manna, which thou knewest not, neither did thy fathers know; that He might make thee know that man doth not live by bread only, but by every Word that proceedeth out of the mouth of the LORD doth man live.

Look at those last three Words.

“Doth man live.”

The little g “governments” of men are in place to tell man how to live. That is not for the follower of Jesus Christ. That is not for the follower of the God of the Bible. We are supposed to live - doth man live -

...but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of the LORD doth man live.

You can't live both ways. You can't have it both ways. Men's little g “governments” who demand that people live according to their commandments, their definitions of good and evil, their “laws” - have created, continue to create, will always create “laws” that are contrary to the Commandments of God - which - if a man claims to be a follower of the God of the Bible - God said, Jesus said, “This is how a man is supposed to live.”

That's the whole thing that Jesus was teaching in Matthew chapter 4. Matthew chapter 4 is Jesus telling people to make their choice. Are you going to live according to the kingdoms of the world - or are you going to live by the Commandments of God.

Because “church” has done such great service to its creator - the “government” - it has made the 99.9% of people living today - not even have a clue - that obeying men's “governments” - their “laws” requires them to disobey God's Laws. The “church” has convinced the 99.9% that God Himself did away with His Laws. They were awful. They were mean. They weren't fair - so God Himself put them away - and conceded that man could do a far better job at lawmaking than He ever could. How insane is that? Yet. That's exactly where we are today.

I've told the story before and it's got value again today. When our family was being attacked by the lily white “christian” men here - while they were raping our home for four hours one day - we were having a discussion with the man who claimed to be in charge of the raid - and I told him that all I have ever done in my life, is try to live according to the Laws of God. At that point, one of the other cops there that day - and friends - I believe he was being as sincere as he could - I do not believe he was mocking me - as he overheard the statement that I made, but he peeked around the corner and said, “Charlie, do you really believe that God's Laws were better than ours?” I wish all

of you could have heard that. Most of the cops there that day, I found out later, were members of one of the local southern "Baptist churches." No doubt, their understanding of the Laws of God was limited to - "God did away with His Laws." Yet, they would be the first to stand and claim to be "Christians". But a Christian is simply one who claims to be a follower of Jesus Christ. One who wants to adhere to the teachings of Jesus Christ. That's what an i-a-n is. It's simple.

And Jesus is declaring in Matthew chapter 4 that a man must decide. The kingdoms of the world - or the Commandments of God.

Ted Weiland authored one of the greatest books that we have available today. He went through pretty much every single word of the u.s. CONstitution and compared it with the Bible. I've read the book. I've listened to the audio series. When compared with the Bible - there is not one single thing about the u.s. CONstitution that is in agreement with the Laws of God. There's one thing there that might be stretched and that is the "states are not to make anything but gold and silver a tender in payment of debt." But that's a joke. They keep that one, don't they? And because the "churchmen" have pulled off one of the greatest CON jobs in the history of man - there's hardly a man in a million that knows that obeying the CONstitution means disobeying the Laws of God. If you have never read Ted's work on the CON, you really should. You can find the information at www.bibleversusconstitution.org.

Forget the argument about whether those men were good intentioned men or not. None of that matters. What matters is how "doth man live?" We are to be living according to the exclusive Laws of God. Man was never given the Authority to make law. That is something exclusively reserved to God. Which brings to remembrance something that James-Wayne asked me about this week and I told him I would try to clarify.

In John chapter 10, where Jesus asks the jews, "Ye are gods?" Jesus was asking them this - not because of the Laws of God - Jesus never broke a Law of God - not once - ever. He was asking them if they were gods - because they had been making their own laws. Then, accusing Jesus of breaking them. And even worse still, they were doing exactly what men do today. They make their own "laws", then try to convince people that God allowed it, then force others to obey them. When men pass themselves off as "lawmakers" - they are putting themselves in the place of God - capital G. When men pass themselves off as "lawmakers" - then they are putting themselves in the realm of gods - little g. And that is something that God condemned over and over and over. And Jesus condemned it, too, in John chapter 10. I suggested James-Wayne take another look at Mark chapter 7 where Jesus was again blasting the people of His day for making

their own “laws” - forcing or allowing even - others to live by those “laws” and Jesus told them -

“If you do this, you make God's Word of no effect in your lives.”

And friends, that's one of the scariest places a man could ever find himself. Untouched by the Word of God. The Word of God having no effect in our lives. Go back to Matthew chapter 4, please, verse 5.

[5] Then the devil taketh Him up into the holy city, and setteth Him on a pinnacle of the temple,

[6] And saith unto Him, If Thou be the Son of God, cast thyself down: for it is written, He shall give His angels charge concerning Thee: and in their hands they shall bear thee up, lest at any time thou dash thy foot against a stone.

Keep your finger here. Jesus had just referred to the Law, the written Law given to Moses. Now, He's going to go to the Psalms. He's going to go to the Psalms to show that Bible Prophecy was fulfilled concerning Christ. Psalm 91, verse 1. At least one listener today is going to especially get a smile from this passage. That's not some mysterious revelation - it's part of an ongoing conversation we've had this week. No need for more details. Verse 1.

[1] He that dwelleth in the secret place of the most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty.

[2] I will say of the LORD, He is my refuge and my fortress: my God; in Him will I trust.

[3] Surely He shall deliver thee from the snare of the fowler, and from the noisome pestilence.

[4] He shall cover thee with His feathers, and under His wings shalt thou trust: His truth shall be thy shield and buckler.

[5] Thou shalt not be afraid for the terror by night; nor for the arrow that flieth by day;

[6] Nor for the pestilence that walketh in darkness; nor for the destruction that wasteth at noonday.

[7] A thousand shall fall at thy side, and ten thousand at thy right hand; but it shall not come nigh thee.

[8] Only with thine eyes shalt thou behold and see the reward of the wicked.

[9] Because thou hast made the LORD, which is my refuge, even the most High, thy habitation;

[10] There shall no evil befall thee, neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling.

[11] For He shall give His angels charge over Thee, to keep Thee in all Thy ways.

[12] They shall bear Thee up in their hands, lest Thou dash Thy foot against a stone.

[13] Thou shalt tread upon the lion and adder: the young lion and the dragon shalt Thou trample under feet.

[14] Because He hath set His love upon me, therefore will I deliver Him: I will set Him on high, because He hath known My name.

[15] He shall call upon Me, and I will answer Him: I will be with Him in trouble; I will deliver Him, and honour Him.

[16] With long life will I satisfy Him, and shew Him My salvation.

Whatever this devil was in Matthew chapter 4, he, it, whatever, knew that Jesus was the fulfillment of the Psalms. Did you know that the jews say that Jesus wasn't the fulfillment here because Jesus "died" at an early age. That's funny. When you believe the lie that some jews stole Jesus' body out of the grave in order to make it look like He actually rose from the dead, you wouldn't understand how that was - as they say - debunked - because Jesus did rise from the dead - was seen by many many people - and has been living again ever since. Back to Matthew 4, verse 7.

[7] Jesus said unto Him, It is written again, Thou shalt not tempt the Lord thy God.

Once again, another eternal principle. Looking back to the Law and the prophets, we see that the phrase "tempting God" refers to times where men doubted God and when men left the Laws of God for their own. You can read for yourself really good examples found in Psalm 78. Forsaking His Laws, forsaking His Commandments and following man's is a form of tempting the Lord thy God.

[8] Again, the devil taketh Him up into an exceeding high mountain, and sheweth Him all the kingdoms of the world, and the glory of them;

As I said last week, what's wrong with that? We've been told our entire lives that no matter what "government" or "kingdom" a baby happens to surround him when he is born - God commands - it is God that commands obedience to that "government" or "kingdom." The kingdoms of the world are great. They are glorious. God commands participation with. God commands man's allegiances to them. You're supposed to stand and put your hand over your heart and sing praises to man's "kingdoms." You are supposed to swear oaths and pledge allegiance - one nation - under god. That's what you are supposed to do in the New Covenant World. Well, somehow, some way, Jesus

didn't get that memo. Jesus didn't get that directive and Jesus failed miserably in that mission.

But somehow, some way, men today can claim the “kingdoms of the world, and the glory of them” and be perfectly at peace in their conscience that they are right with God. “Christians” so-called today can be proud, flag-waving citizens of all the “kingdoms of world” - and be right with God. Amazing how that works.

[9] And saith unto Him, All these things will I give thee, if thou wilt fall down and worship me.

[10] Then saith Jesus unto him, Get thee hence, Satan: for it is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and Him only shalt thou serve.

I'm telling you today - the 99.9% has taken the “kingdoms of the world.” They have no problem whatsoever with the “kingdoms of the world.” Somehow they've been deceived into believing that submitting to and obeying the “kingdoms of the world” - listen friends - believing and following that lie - is the same as falling down and worshiping the devil.

We can't serve man's “governments” and the God of the Bible at the same time. And, you know what? That also isn't God's fault. Man is the one that came up with all these “laws” that are in violation of the Laws of God. It isn't God's fault that people don't know this. And the truth of the matter is that if we would simply obey faithfully in one single area -

But I say unto you, Swear not at all.

Just living according to that basic foundation, we would have been spared a life of living contrary to the Laws of God - because man's “governments” mainly begin with swearing oaths. Instead, when we violate that one, then a chain like dominos begins to fall and before you know - we've been trapped into a lifetime of living contrary to the Laws of God and it happened so fast - most people didn't even know what happened to them. Sad. So sad, but it's true.

Listen now. I'm not saying this to beat it over your heads. God knows how sorry most of you are. God knows how much the truth hurts. For those of you who are hurting over this - please don't feel like I'm piling on. I'm trying to prevent young people from making the same mistake. But we live in a world where the 99.9% have lived their entire lives on “social security.” Even some to the point where they're entire life support comes from “social security.” But we know that Jesus said it is a system that - if we participate in it - God's Word will be made of no effect in our lives. Yet, again, there's

not a man in a million that knows this. But Mark 7 has been in our English Bibles for hundreds of years.

But when we have failed to see that Jesus rejected the “kingdoms of the world” - and then we “doth live our lives” to the contrary - when the dominos have fallen - we look around and see that we've pretty much lived a life contrary to the Laws of God - and most didn't even know it.

Beyond repentance, pleading for forgiveness, which I know so many of you have, I don't have an answer. All I can do is beg the young people to make the correct choice today. Today, today, while there's time, make the right choice. Verse 11.

[11] Then the devil leaveth Him, and, behold, angels came and ministered unto Him.

Oh what an example that is. Why did the devil leave Him? It's another eternal principle that we must apply to our lives. Why did the devil leave Christ? Turn to James chapter 4. The answer is there. The principle is there. Verse 1.

[1] From whence come wars and fightings among you? come they not hence, even of your lusts that war in your members?

[2] Ye lust, and have not: ye kill, and desire to have, and cannot obtain: ye fight and war, yet ye have not, because ye ask not.

[3] Ye ask, and receive not, because ye ask amiss, that ye may consume it upon your lusts.

[4] Ye adulterers and adulteresses, know ye not that the friendship of the world is enmity with God? whosoever therefore will be a friend of the world is the enemy of God.

[5] Do ye think that the Scripture saith in vain, The spirit that dwelleth in us lusteth to envy?

[6] But He giveth more grace. Wherefore He saith, God resisteth the proud, but giveth grace unto the humble.

[7] Submit yourselves therefore to God.

Now watch. In addition to everything we just read in the first 7 verses, this one is as clear as can be. Why did the devil in Matthew 4 leave Christ?

Resist the devil, and he will flee from you.

It's all right here in James 4. Friendship with the world. The friend of the world is the enemy of God. This is talking about the little g “governments” of the world. Sure it is. That's what pretty much the whole theme of the Bible is about. It's living according to the Commandments of God - or living according to the “laws of men.” James 4:7 is

about resisting the devil - and Jesus gave the greatest example of resisting the devil as we find in our Bibles - and it was resisting the offer of the glory of the "kingdoms of the world." If that's not such a bad thing - then why is it even in the Book? Jesus sure made a big deal out of it. James sure made a big deal out of it.

[8] Draw nigh to God, and he will draw nigh to you. Cleanse your hands, ye sinners; and purify your hearts, ye double minded.

[9] Be afflicted, and mourn, and weep: let your laughter be turned to mourning, and your joy to heaviness.

[10] Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord, and He shall lift you up.

Back to Matthew 4:12.

[12] Now when Jesus had heard that John was cast into prison [of course he was cast into prison], He departed into Galilee;

[13] And leaving Nazareth, He came and dwelt in Capernaum, which is upon the sea coast, in the borders of Zabulon and Nephthalim:

[14] That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet, saying,

[15] The land of Zabulon, and the land of Nephthalim, by the way of the sea, beyond Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles;

[16] The people which sat in darkness saw great light; and to them which sat in the region and shadow of death light is sprung up.

I am going to say something again today. I've said it before, but it's timely again. The perspective from which I've been preaching for around 40 years now - is unique - to say the least. It's the .1% as opposed to the 99.9% that I have referred to today. I do not believe in men's little g "governments." I have not believed in them for pretty much my entire adult life. I do not participate with them - as far as their identifications, their direct taxes, their social security system and their social security number - I believe that all of those things - if I were to participate in them - would cause me to violate the Laws of God - which as a follower of King Jesus - I cannot do. I will not do. They can threaten me. They can jail me. They can do whatever they want to do to me - I'm not going to serve them. I made my choice a long long time ago - I'm going to worship God and serve Him only.

When a man has that belief system, when that is the perspective from which he preaches, he reads, he studies the Word of God - the conclusions he comes to - are going to be different - usually totally different than what someone else concludes - for

instance - from the perspective of someone who was in the u.s. military, or is a cop, or is a politician.

Example. I believe Romans 13 is exclusively talking about God's Government. My perspective tells me that when I read Romans 13, it is telling people to obey nothing but the Government of God. The 99.9% believes that when they read Romans 13, it is telling people to obey man's "government" - and - to obey man's "government" no matter what. These viewpoints are 100% diametrically opposed one to another. One is right. One is wrong. And - not only that - for the side that gets it wrong - look at with me. Turn to Romans 13 for a minute. Read from verse 1.

[1] Let every soul be subject unto the higher powers. For there is no power but of God: the powers that be are ordained of God.

[2] Whosoever therefore resisteth the power, resisteth the ordinance of God: and they that resist shall receive to themselves damnation.

There's only two ways to see this. The Power of God. Or the power of men's little "governments." And the two oppose each other. And whichever of these is wrong. Whichever viewpoint you take, if it's the wrong one. The Scripture says,

they that resist shall receive to themselves damnation.

If any of you are on the fence here. I'd call very special attention to one very important word here in verse 2 - and that is the word "resist." And I would strongly encourage you to examine that word in light of Jesus' resisting the "kingdoms of the world" in Matthew chapter 4 and James' "resisting the devil" - as in whosoever is a friend of the world is the enemy of God.

There's only one side that's correct in this battle. It's the Government of God versus the "government" of men. And whichever one gets it wrong - is in serious trouble.

Now I said all that to say this. From the perspective of the .1% - I know that I have said lots and lots of things that some people have never even heard before. Of course, I get that. I understand. The perspective, the approach to understanding the Word of God is - not only is it not "main-stream" - we're not even in the same body of water as the "main-stream".

When I was studying for this message, I went to see if there was anyone else that was tying Matthew 4:14 back to Isaiah 9:1-7. I have to tell you I had to do quite a bit of searching to see if I could find someone else tying Matthew 4:14 back to Isaiah 9. Then, that led me to looking at what the 99.9% had to say about Isaiah 9:6-7. And what I found, was not surprising. But before we talk about that, if there's time left, I want us to turn back to Isaiah 9:6-7, but this time, I am going to read this from the Septuagint.

And I'm telling you, tying Matthew 4:14 back to Isaiah 9:6-7 comes from perspective.

And again, why the Septuagint? "They" (in quotes) say that Jesus spoke Greek. They say that the "New Testament" was written in Greek. The Septuagint is the "Old Testament" translated from the Hebrew into Greek. There are some incredibly valuable things to see from the Septuagint - because it is presented in supposedly the same language from which the Greek to English was translated. Isaiah 9:6-7 from the Hebrew to the Greek to the English is very powerful. By the way, on the website at www.godsendusmen.com if you go to the Links page, I have a link to the online Septuagint that I am reading from. Listen to this:

For a Child is born to us, and a Son is given to us, whose Government is upon His shoulder, and His name is called the Messenger of great counsel, Wonderful Counsellor, Mighty God, Potentate, Prince of Peace,

Now watch this.

Father of the Age to come:

This is absolutely staggering. This is one of the most awesome things I have ever read in the Septuagint. This is why it is so important to understand Fulfilled Bible Prophecy. When we understand Fulfilled Bible Prophecy, we understand what the phrase "the end of the world" means from Matthew 24. We understand that what Jesus was talking about in Matthew 24 was not the end of the grass, the trees, the birds, the people. The end of the world - the word world comes from the Greek word *aion* which means Age. Jesus was talking about the end of the Old Covenant Age. When the Old Covenant Age ended, the New Covenant Age began.

In Isaiah 9:6 - we find the exact same word *aion* - age - in the text. The Government of God as described in Isaiah 9:6 is prophesied for the Age to come. This is exactly what Jesus was talking about.

"Repent, for the kingdom, the Government of Heaven is at hand."

Jesus was preaching this message in the end of the Old Covenant age - just prior to the beginning of the New Covenant age - and friends - there's not 2,000 thousand plus years in between the two ages. One age ends. Another one begins. The Old One ended and the New One began. There's not 2,000 thousand years in between.

Isaiah's prophecy - what God told him to write - that which Jesus declared in Matthew 4:14 - Jesus said - "Go and read Isaiah 9:1-7 - I am the fulfillment of Isaiah 9:1-7" - what we read in Isaiah 9:6-7 is what Jesus meant in Matthew 4:17 when He said,

"Repent, for the kingdom, the Government of Heaven is at hand."

Read it again from the Septuagint.

For a Child is born to us, and a Son is given to us, whose Government is upon His shoulder, and His name is called the Messenger of great counsel, Wonderful Counsellor, Mighty God, Potentate, Prince of Peace, Father of the Age to come : for I will bring peace upon the princes, and health to Him. 7 His Government shall be great, and of His peace there is no end: [it shall be] upon the throne of David, and [upon] His Kingdom, to establish it, and to support [it] with judgment and with righteousness, from henceforth and forever. The zeal of the Lord of hosts shall perform this.

And when shall the Lord of Hosts perform this? In the Age to come. Isaiah was writing in the Old Covenant Age. Isaiah was prophesying of the New Covenant Age. Jesus was telling the people of His day - in the first century - that He was the fulfillment of Isaiah 9:6-7 and the time of the Kingdom of Heaven was at hand.

Friends, I'm telling you, if you believe Isaiah 9 is yet to be fulfilled, you are lost. You are not in Christ. You can't deny Christ and be in Christ. It's like night day, left right, good bad, north south, east west.

And it doesn't matter how nice you are. It doesn't matter how many times you speak the sound J-e-s-u-s - to deny that Jesus Christ fulfilled Isaiah 9 in the first century is to deny that Jesus Christ came in the flesh. And if you have friends or loved ones that believe that Isaiah 9 is yet to be fulfilled, you need to plead with them to come to this understanding, to get this right.

The Government of God is right now. The Government of Christ, of Heaven, is right now. We are to come out from the little g "governments" of men and into the Only God Ordained Government allowed to exist today - and that is the One that God told Isaiah to prophecy concerning in Isaiah 9:1-7.

The little g "governments" of men are established by men to cause men to live by their "laws, their rules and regulations, their statutes and ordinances" and they cause men and women, boys and girls to disobey the Laws and Commandments of God.

How "doth we live?"

It is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and Him only shalt thou serve.

Back to Matthew 4:17:

[17] From that time Jesus began to preach, and to say, Repent: for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.

From what time? From the time that Jesus told the people of His day to read what was written in Isaiah 9:6-7 and to understand that He was the fulfillment of those verses.

The fulfillment is at hand. Soon to come to pass. Near in proximity and in time. "Is at hand" does not mean 2,000 years in the future. Jesus did not say that He was the fulfillment of Isaiah 9:6-7 - only for the effect to lay dormant for thousands of years.

The effect of the Words of Jesus Christ - the effect that worked in the lives of those who believed His Words - is found in the lives of those who would become His followers.

What is a Christian? Someone who believes the teachings of Jesus Christ and implements those beliefs into their lives. What's next for us? What are we supposed to be doing? Believing and living according to the teachings of Christ.

This shouldn't be difficult. This shouldn't be hard. But for the "church." But for the "churchmen." The "churchmen" have convinced - not because the people have studied it for themselves - but because the "churchmen" went to some seminary - which also isn't even in our Bibles - and some professor told them how they were supposed to preach and teach the Bible - and then those men and women who made a profession, a way of living, a job choice, employment as a religious man - have gone and been able to convince the naive 99.9% that Jesus really isn't King now. Oh, you can sing your songs and weep and cry and get emotionally charged about your king - but the reality is - he's just a coming king.

It's the "kingdoms of the world" that God has ordained to rule in the New Covenant world. Ha. Do you realize how painful that was to say - even if it was just mocking the "churchmen's" false doctrine. The "kingdoms of the world" - the "governments of the world" - how can Matthew 4 be any clearer? Jesus made it clear that the "kingdoms of the world" - the "governments of the world" are the realm of satans. And Jesus flatly refused them. There wasn't even a discussion. There was no case for rationale, for explaining how Jesus could have taken the "kingdoms of the world" and still be right with God.

Jesus showed how simple the choice is. It's either the "kingdoms of the world" as in "how doth we live?" or it's - Thou shalt worship the Lord, and Him only shalt thou serve in "how doth we live?"

I'm telling you friends, if we knew the Law of God like we are supposed to. If we knew the Mind of God like we are supposed to. If we knew the Will of God like we are supposed to - we would see - as clearly as Jesus did - what choice to make when faced with the choice between the "kingdoms of the world" and "Repent, for the Kingdom / the Government of Heaven, is at hand."