A NEW WINESKIN FOR THE NEW WINE THE 7M (MOUNTAIN) EKKLESIA SERIES

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HAPPY 4TH OF JULY!

INTRO: The darkness is increasing around us. Isaiah talks about the deep darkness that is covering the earth (Isaiah 60:1-2). In the U.S., at the time of our message, we have gone through a severe shaking since 2020.

- Global pandemic.
- Forty-year-high inflation as a result, including high interest rates, which is now resulting in a recession.
- We are in the early stages of *stagflation* (recession and high interest rates).
- One out of four restaurants went out of business in the U.S. during Covid-19.
- Over 19,000 businesses closed in California.
- 2020-2021: The mayor of Los Angeles, Eric Garcetti, defunded the police reducing a billion-dollar budget by \$150 million. As a result, homicides increased by 11.8%, and deadly shootings involving police officers increased by 142.9% (according to the <u>LAPD</u>).

Let's talk about California and the evil legislations being passed:

- 1. SB 145 (2020): Sex with a minor aged 14 or older is legal.
- 2. Prop 1: Late-term abortion was codified into our state constitution on January 1, 2023.
- 3. SB 107 (2023): California became a sanctuary state for transgender individuals.
- 4. AB 665: The state of California will take custody of your children, if you don't allow for gender transition for your child. It will be considered child abuse. This bill will legalize kidnapping your child over this crazy transgender issue. This hasn't passed yet, but I ask you to contact your state senator and say no to this evil bill.
- 5. SB 357: Police cannot arrest anyone loitering for the purpose of prostitution.

All these bills have one thing in common: It is an attack on our children and our family. A prime example of this principle occurred just this week: Participants in New York City's annual Pride Parade <u>chanted</u>, "We're <u>coming for your children</u>." Others shouted, "Five, six, seven, eight, don't assume your kids are



straight." Other scenes included nude adult men exposing themselves to children—both in New York City and in Seattle. We must fight this madness with spiritual warfare prayer but also by *our actions*. As the Ekklesia, we are to attack the gates of hell! (Matthew 16:18)

Yet in the midst of the darkness, we are seeing light. I believe that this season of transformation began on 4/14/2022. I woke up, and in my quiet time, I heard the Lord say in that small still voice, "You are entering into a season of transformation."

- Let Us Worship with Pastor Jay Koopman and Sean Feucht went to hundreds of cities, doing worship warfare and seeing thousands come to Christ.
- Mario Murillo went to another level in his tent meetings, seeing thousands of people getting saved.
- Roe v. Wade was overturned on June 24, 2022.
- Asbury College and Seminary: Revival broke out on February 8, 2023.
- Global Summit, April 12-15, 2023: A major highlight was the women being activated as reformers on 4/14/2023. Dutch Sheets shared his vision of revival breaking out in an open vision he had after 9/11/2001.
- Lance Wallnau's seminal message on Micro-Churches and the 7 Mountains.
- God spoke to Mama Sue and me that there is going to be a new wineskin.
- This goes back to a prophetic word from Ed Silvoso: "Turn your heart back to California. As you do so, God is going to give you an apostolic strategy for a great harvest and revival." I knew that it meant an apostolic strategy to transform California.

I. A NEW WINESKIN

- A. Matthew 9:17 "Nor do *people* put new wine into old wineskins; otherwise the wineskins burst, and the wine pours out and the wineskins are ruined; but they put new wine into fresh wineskins, and both are preserved."
- **B.** A PRINCIPLE OF REVIVAL
- 1. The wine is the Holy Spirit.
- 2. The wineskin is God's people.
- 3. God sends revival to bring about His purposes. We, as God's people, must be flexible and obedient to hear what the Spirit is saying to the Church, and receive and obey what God is saying and doing (John 5:19).

C. TWO ABSOLUTES OF A NEW WINESKIN

- 1. A RENEWED MIND OR A PARADIGM SHIFT
- a. Matthew 4:17 "Repent, for the Kingdom of heaven is at hand."



2. A FRESH CONSECRATION TO OBEY WHAT THE SPIRIT IS SAYING TO THE CHURCH

a. Sixteen times the Bible says, "He who has ears to hear, let him hear what the Spirit is saying to the church."

II. THE BIG PICTURE: THE GREAT COMMISSION

- A. Matthew 28:18 And Jesus came up and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. 19 Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, 20 teaching them to observe (obey) all that I commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age."
- B. Five major truths from this commandment from Jesus:
- 1. God has delegated authority to all believers to fulfill the Great Commission ("All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth," implying that the authority is now given to us).
- 2. We are to make disciples of nations, not just win souls and disciple them in nations, which is part of the Great Commission. But we take this text literally that God wants us to disciple all nations.
- 3. All the nations in the Greek is "panta ta ethne," which means all the people groups. This includes ethnic groups but also social people groups like those involved in different industries, such as government, arts and entertainment, and the other seven mountains of society.
- 4. We are to baptize the nations in the Father's love, the teachings and commandments of Jesus, and the power of the Holy Spirit ("baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, teaching them to obey all that I commanded you").
- 5. God's power and presence will go with us as we obey the Great Commission ("and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age.")

III. GOD'S APOSTOLIC STRATEGY TO TRANSFORM NATIONS: THE EKKLESIA

- A. Matthew 16:18 "I also say to you that you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build My church; and the gates of Hades will not overpower it. 19 I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven; and whatever you bind on earth shall have been bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall have been loosed in heaven."
- B. The Ekklesia



- 1. "Called-out ones." God's people! You are the called-out ones.
- 2. Jesus takes a secular Greek word, *Ekklesia*, which was a legislative body in Athens. The Ekklesia or Ecclesia came from Athens, Greece, 400 years before Christ. It was a legislative assembly of the citizens of Athens who would make policies and important decisions for the nation of Athens, which was a city-state. For example, they would vote to send the male citizens to attack the city-state of Sparta from 431 to 405 B.C., in what was called "The Peloponnesian War."
- 3. Ekklesia became the word for "church" in the New Testament.
- 4. Jesus did not say, "I will build My synagogue" or "I will build My temple." "He picked this word because the called-out ones are not just to meet and gather on Sundays, but they are called out to legislate in society through prayer (Matthew 16:19) and action seven days a week, 24/7."
- C. THE NEW TESTAMENT EKKLESIA MET FROM HOUSE TO HOUSE AND AT THE TEMPLE
- 1. Acts 2:42 They were continually devoting themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer.

 43 Everyone kept feeling a sense of awe; and many wonders and signs were taking place through the apostles. 44 And all those who had believed were together and had all things in common; 45 and they began selling their property and possessions and were sharing them with all, as anyone might have need. 46 Day by day continuing with one mind in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, they were taking their meals together with gladness and sincerity of heart, 47 praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord was adding to their number day by day those who were being saved.
- D. WE ARE STARTING A NEW SMALL GROUP MINISTRY CALLED 7M EKKLESIAS
- 1. WE HAVE SUNDAY CELEBRATIONS ON FIVE CAMPUSES OR APOSTOLIC CENTERS
- 2. WE HAVE SMALL GROUPS CALLED LIFE GROUPS. THIS IS THE WAY WE DISCIPLE PEOPLE.
- 3. WE WANT TO GO TO ANOTHER LEVEL IN DISCIPLESHIP
- 4. WE ARE ADDING 7M SMALL GROUPS CALLED 7M EKKLESIAS
- 5. The goal is for each 7M Ekklesia to seek God in prayer and ask for His divine strategy to transform our society one step at a time.

CONCLUSION: Papa Ché and Mama Sue's prophetic journey.



- 1. 1982: "Come to Los Angeles for a great harvest" and "the time of revival is at hand."
- 2. November 2017: Ed Silvoso's prophetic word, "God is going to give you apostolic strategy." By this he meant strategy to transform California.
- 3. April 16, 2023: The penny dropped when Lance spoke on Micro-Churches on all seven mountains.
- 4. This summer, I and the other pastors will lay the theology for the Kingdom, the Church, community, and small groups.
- 5. In the fall, we will start a series on the Seven Mountains. Our goal is by January 2024, we will launch the 7M Ekklesias.

