

HIDDEN MANNA

Part 1

"The Travail of Zion"

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*". . . To him that overcometh will I give to eat
of the hidden manna" [Revelation 2:17]*

Hidden manna is found only in the pages of the Word of God that you and I have in hand. In this Book we find the complete will of God for all mankind for all ages. However, only a few readers of the Bible have understood there is a hidden language contained within its pages. This language is a spiritual one that only those that have a God given unction can understand. It is not comparable to any literature ever written. It is the only book written by the Divine inspiration of God Himself! It tells us holy men were inspired by the Holy Spirit of God to write the things written within its pages.

It tells us plainly that God spoke in times past by Prophets and different manners, but in these last days He speaks by His Son. It tells us that in the beginning was the Word and the Word was with God and the Word was God. And the Word was made flesh! This is Jesus, the Son of the Living God; the Living Word of God made flesh!

When Jesus spoke, it was God speaking! The Son of God fully manifested God the Father in His flesh: "*For the fulness of the Godhead dwelt bodily in Christ*". Jesus is the Way, the Truth, and the Life; and He came to show us the way. He revealed the way you and I could attain unto sonship with the Father. He exhorted us *to be perfect!* He said if we would be perfect, we would be like Him (Matthew 5:48;

Luke 6:40). He said, *"Without me, you can do nothing,"* but He also plainly taught us, if we would believe, *"all things were possible"* (Mark 9:23). His Word teaches us to live godly! To live without fears or doubts. The Word teaches us to trust totally in God, and if we did; He would never fail us. The Word teaches faith is much more than a mere word; that faith was our hopes and desires, brought to pass. He told us that if we only had faith as a grain of a mustard seed, we would move mountains!

He taught that if we would live in Him and if He lived in us, we could ask what we will, and it would be done! He showed us the way! But how many have followed The Way? Not just accepting Him and allowing Him to be their Savior. But as the Way!

Jesus at times would take His disciples to the side and reveal to them what He spoke in parables to others. *"And the disciples came, and said unto him, Why speakest thou unto them in parables? He answered and said unto them, Because it is given unto you to know the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven, but to them it is not given."* [Matthew 13:10-11]

Some read the scriptures today as they have for hundreds of years and wrestle them to their own destruction. Some read the scriptures and see only judgment, tribulation, wrath, and trouble. Others read them and see life, peace, joy, happiness, deliverance, health, and prosperity. And then there are those, that see even further into the mysteries contained within these holy scriptures, and great understanding is given by the Holy Ghost.

Yes, God has hidden within the letter of His Word many revelations concerning the end and the glory that await the church of Jesus Christ in the end time.

It is some of these "hidden" things that I want to address in this message. I realize that not all have eyes to see, nor ears to hear. But I trust that each of you that read this article will ask God for understanding of this "hidden manna." And after receiving understanding, you will rejoice with me in knowing that the time is at hand, for the *manifestation of the*

sons of God.

As we approach this subject of "Hidden Manna" we should first learn how to read with a spiritual mind. Remember, the Word has told us that the letter killeth, but the Spirit makes alive (2Corinthians 3:6). We shall learn together as we spiritually discern these verses from the book of Isaiah.

I also will choose their delusions, and will bring their fears upon them; because when I called, none did answer; when I spake, they did not hear: but they did evil before mine eyes, and chose that in which I delighted not. Hear the word of the LORD, ye that tremble at his word; Your brethren that hated you, that cast you out for my name's sake, said, Let the LORD be glorified: but he shall appear to your joy, and they shall be ashamed. A voice of noise from the city, a voice from the temple, a voice of the LORD that rendereth recompense to his enemies. Before she travailed, she brought forth; before her pain came, she was delivered of a man child. Who hath heard such a thing? who hath seen such things? Shall the earth be made to bring forth in one day? or shall a nation be born at once? for as soon as Zion travailed, she brought forth her children. Shall I bring to the birth, and not cause to bring forth? saith the LORD: shall I cause to bring forth, and shut the womb? saith thy God. (Isaiah 66:4-9)

Verses four and five speaks of a time when God called, but none did hear. This passage is also prophetically speaking of the church in the end time. It is a fascinating set of scriptures.

God is speaking by His prophet about a time much like our time when the Word of God has gone forth in many nations to repent and turn to God. It seems few will humble themselves to pray and seek God for their deliverance. Because sin is no longer preached against, few actually repent. Pagan practices and humanism is rampant in the church world and only a few oppose them. Those few that do refrain from being caught up in all the hoopla of religion are looked down upon as trouble makers.

Many have been cast out of their churches for the stand

they have taken for God's Word. Look what God said in verse five: *"Hear the word of the LORD, ye that tremble at his word; Your brethren that hated you, that cast you out for my name's sake, said, Let the LORD be glorified: but he shall appear to your joy, and they shall be ashamed."*

Jesus is His namesake! Remember Jesus is the Word made flesh. He is the NEW TESTAMENT! God's namesake is His Word. We are cast out for His namesake because we expose the traditions and teachings of men that are contrary to the Word of God.

But our joy is set before us, for the Lord has prepared, before the foundation of the world, a joy unspeakable, a glory that cannot be compared with anything that human language can describe. It is for those that have separated themselves from false teaching and have remained faithful.

As we look to verses six through nine; all of a sudden we feel a change in the tone of the Spirit! A cry goes out in verse six: *"A voice of noise . . . A voice from the temple . . . A voice of the Lord!"* What is it? It is a message! The voice of noise is many declaring a stirring message of judgment and the vengeance of our God! Where is the temple? The church is the temple of God. And the voice comes from the temple not from the heavens. And now let us identify the voice . . . *"A voice of the Lord!"* This is the end time prophetic ministry going forth throughout the world. They have, *"Thus saith the Lord!"*

Now look at verse seven: *"Before she travailed . . ."* She? Who is this she that is suddenly placed within these prophetic sayings?

When a woman is prophetically mentioned in scripture it always denotes a church or God's people. God called Israel His wife. When His people would go after strange gods, He would call them a whore. The Bible teaches us that we are the bride of Christ; the church is the Lamb's wife (See Revelation 18:23; 21:2,9). Revelation chapter seventeen, describes a woman that is called the mother of harlots. A woman in prophecy is either the true church or the false church.

Now this woman in Isaiah sixty six, verse seven was obviously pregnant and makes a statement that is questioned in verse eight. Verse seven says, *"Before her pain came, before she travailed to give birth, she had a child!"* Now, the Lord is giving us a warning here that few ever see. The question in verse eight is *"Who hath heard such a thing?"* In other words, is this possible? Can a woman have a child without birth pains? Here is the lesson we must learn; there are many today that believe you can have revival and the blessings of God without the pains of prayer and fasting. Many believe you can live any old way without the pains of a separate and holy life. A common belief today among Christians is that doctrine is not important as long as you believe in Jesus. You can compromise with the ungodly, live according to the religious status quo of modern times, and still make Heaven your home. Modern man fails to respond to the preaching of dedication, sacrifice, holiness and repentance. These words are foreign and cannot be defined by today's enlightened religious society.

You cannot serve God and mammon! You cannot have two masters. You cannot serve your flesh and the spirit, for one wars against the other. Without the pains of crucifying the flesh daily and living only unto the Spirit, there will be no birth!

"Who hath heard such a thing? Who hath seen such things? Shall the earth be made to bring forth in one day? or shall a nation be born at once?"

These are the questions! Now for the answers: *"For as soon as zion travailed, she brought forth her children"*. There it is. It is going to take TRAVAIL! The woman is Zion. Zion is the church! And she is impregnated with the Word of God, Jesus Christ! She has not travailed thus far, but soon and very soon, she is going to travail, (suffer, be in pain) and when this happens she is going to give birth! When will the travail begin, and who will be born?

First let's learn about the travail or birth pains. This is an act of God both naturally and spiritually. A woman cannot make herself travail. The birth pains begin when the baby is

ready to be born! The Word tells us, *"there is a time appointed of the Father!"* Jesus came forth in the fullness of time.

The church will also begin its travail when the fullness of time comes for her to bring forth that which is within her. It will happen in the exact time frame that God has chosen and nothing will stop it!

Now the Lord asks a question in verse nine: *"Shall I bring to the birth, and not cause to bring forth?"* You see, God will bring the church to the birth. He will cause the travail! *"Shall I shut the womb saith thy God?"* Will He bring the church throughout the ages to the very end of time and not complete what He alone has begun? Will God go to all the trouble of bringing His church to travail and pain, and then stop it? Oh, we must realize that our God is going to complete the work in us! We are being created in His image in this sixth day. Christ will be brought forth in us for He has declared it! It is written! Let the scoffers and mockers continue! Let the heathen rage! Let them continue to declare that God is dead and the days of miracles are over.

God shall soon appear to our joy and to the dismay of all our enemies. He has not forsaken those that He foreknew. He will finish that which He has begun!

"Be in pain, and labour to bring forth, O daughter of Zion, like a woman in travail: for now shalt thou go forth out of the city, and thou shalt dwell in the field, and thou shalt go even to Babylon; there shalt thou be delivered; there the LORD shall redeem thee from the hand of thine enemies." (Micah 4:10)

This is the Word of the Lord that will soon come to those that He has chosen, for the church is the daughter of Zion: *"Be in pain, and labor!"* Our complete deliverance and redemption is at hand! The first will soon be the last, and the last will soon be the first!

Now we shall see by the Word of the Lord, further divine revelation concerning this labor and birth. Let's look at the prophet Micah and read very carefully verses two thru four of chapter five.

"But thou, Bethlehem Ephratah, though thou be little among the thousands of Judah, yet out of thee shall he come forth unto me that is to be ruler in Israel; whose goings forth have been from of old, from everlasting." (Micah 5:2)

I am sure you remember the account given in the scriptures about the time when Jesus was born. The wise men came to Herod and asked where the king of the Jews was? Herod became troubled, and asked them where Christ should be born, and they answered him and said, *"Bethlehem."* The wise men got their revelation from this very scripture we have just read.

Now, what we will learn in this passage of scripture is the remarkable, prophetic pattern of the Son of God, that future sons of God would walk in! Remember Jesus is our pattern, He is The Way!

The Messiah was to be born in Bethlehem. He was predestinated to be the ruler of Israel. He would be given all power in heaven and in earth.

Jesus was born in verse two, but what about verse three!? Lets read it: *"Therefore will he give them up, until the time that she which travaileth hath brought forth: then the remnant of his brethren shall return unto the children of Israel."*

She which *travaileth*? There it is again! There is such an astounding revelation in this passage that I hesitate to speak about it. Listen to what the Spirit is saying: Jesus gave His life that we might have life *more abundantly*! Israel was looking for a king to come and rule and reign over all the earth. They were looking for a natural kingdom to come but Christ came in a different way. Jesus gave up His earthly reign in order to bring many sons into glory! He ascended on high and gave gifts unto men. He died that we might live! He became poor that we might be rich! He became sin who knew no sin, that we might be the righteousness of God (2Corinthians 5:21). Glory to God! He became flesh that we might attain unto godliness! *For whom He did foreknow, He also did predestinate, to be conformed to the image of His Son, that He*
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might be the firstborn among many brethren. (Romans 8:29)

He is the only begotten of the Father! The only man truly born of God! And He was going to bring many sons into His glory!

What about verse three of Micah? Mary might have given birth to Jesus, the only begotten of the Father, but *the bride of Christ* will give birth to His brethren!

When Zion travails! God will give them up until she has brought forth . . . Who is them? I believe with all my heart that this is natural Israel, for the scripture says, "*Then the remnant of his brethren shall return unto the children of Israel.*" Oh my, I know this will be controversial, but I must say what is on my heart! Seemingly, God gave natural Israel up after they had rejected Jesus as their Messiah, but Paul said that God has not forsaken them that He foreknew. There is much in Romans about the condition of the Jew after Christ came.

I know that a Jew is not one that is a Jew in the natural, but a Jew is one *inwardly*. "*But he is a Jew, which is one inwardly; and circumcision is that of the heart, in the spirit, and not in the letter; whose praise is not of men, but of God.*" [Romans 2:29] One must become a Jew spiritually to be a child of God. God has elected a people among the natural Jews that will be delivered in the last days. They will call upon the name of the Lord Jesus, and they will be saved as the scripture has said. And I say again, NOT ALL of natural Israel will be saved but a remnant according to election.

We will read in just a moment that "*All Israel will be saved . . .*" (That is to say all the church will be saved; for the church is the Israel of God). To confirm what I am saying, I will give you six scriptures for your study. Also, I would like for you to study the entire epistle to the Romans. Paul speaking about his natural brethren, the Jew, says: "*And they also, if they abide not still in unbelief, shall be grafted in: for God is able to graft them in again. For if thou wert cut out of the olive tree which is wild by nature, and wert grafted contrary to nature into a good olive tree: how much more shall these,*

which be the natural branches, be grafted into their own olive tree? For I would not, brethren, that ye should be ignorant of this mystery, lest ye should be wise in your own conceits; that blindness in part is happened to Israel, until the fulness of the Gentiles be come in." [Romans 11:23-25]

And so all Israel shall be saved: as it is written, There shall come out of Sion the Deliverer, and shall turn away ungodliness from Jacob: For this is my covenant unto them, when I shall take away their sins. As concerning the gospel, they are enemies for your sakes: but as touching the election, they are beloved for the fathers' sakes. For the gifts and calling of God are without repentance. [Romans 11:26-29]

And now for one of the most remarkable, prophetic utterances our Lord made to the Jew: *"For I say unto you, Ye shall not see me henceforth, till ye shall say, Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord." (Matthew 23:39)*

Why so remarkable? Because Jesus is actually proclaiming that the natural Jew will one day recognize Him in a people and will say, *"Blessed is he that comes in the name of Jesus!"* Glory! God was manifested in the man Jesus! Now in these last days, Jesus is being manifested in a man, the "corporate body of Christ". Somebody is going to reveal Christ in these last days and perform greater works than He did! The life of Jesus is about to be revealed in a people! Jesus told the Jews they would never see Him, until they said; *"Blessed are those that comes in Jesus' name."*

Now, let me emphasize that I am not implying that natural Israel will be the only ones affected by this last day ministry. This end time ministry will be world-wide and multitudes will be delivered out of every nation and people (see Rev. 7:9, 13, 14). I am saying that a great Holy Ghost revival is coming to natural Israel! The natural Jew is as lost as anyone without Jesus Christ. They must obey the same Gospel message preached by Peter at the beginning: *"Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost. For the promise is unto you,*

and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call." [Acts 2:38-39] There is neither Greek, nor Jew, male nor female in the body of Christ. There is only ONE PLAN OF SALVATION for all, no matter their natural heritage.

Far out, you say?! Extremist, you say?! Well, end time revelation is not for the fainthearted, nor for babies. It is for those that are mature enough to eat strong meat!

Great things are in store for the church! Mighty happenings in the Spirit are about to take place! You say, what about the tribulation, what about the mark of the beast, what about the wars and troubles, earthquakes, pestilence, judgments and wrath?!

I'll let you worry about that, I am going on with Jesus! He has told all of us to take no thought of tomorrow, what we should wear and eat! He has promised us that He is able to take care of His own! We are to lift up our heads when we see the things coming to pass that the Lord foretold! We are not to let a spirit of fear or doubt grip our hearts.

Our God has all power in heaven and in earth! And He is giving His power to His chosen to use for His glory! The saints shall judge the world! The saints are the very ones that will bring judgment to the wicked! Chosen men of God, are the very ones that will speak plaques and shut up the heavens as often as they will! Wake up! God is in control, not the devil! And we are flesh of His flesh and bone of His bone! We are His kinsmen! His brethren!

Perhaps after reading this message "Project Israel" will be more meaningful to those predestinated to be the manifested sons of God. Arise now, with healing in your wings!

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The Hidden Manna "A Wonder in Heaven"

