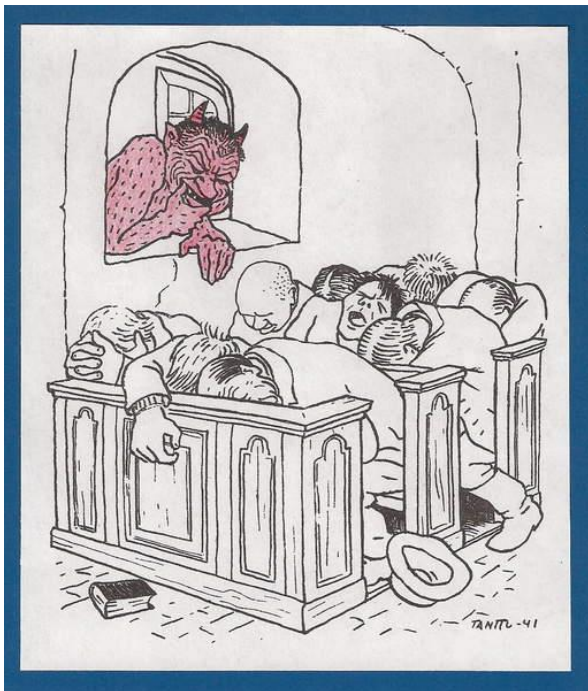


AWAKE Oh You Sleepers!



And do this, knowing the time, that now it is high time to awake out of sleep; for now our salvation is nearer than when we first believed. Rom 13:11 NIV

For the past couple of weeks, I have heard in my spirit that the people of God have been in a slumber and are under the power of hypnosis. The word translated from Greek to English as sleep in the above verse comes from a word *hypnos*, we get the English word hypnosis from this Greek word. It has the meaning of sleep, but it also means a spiritual torpor which is a state of physical or mental inactivity.

I have pondered these thoughts a lot but have not fully pressed in to see what God would release. I haven't pressed in to the degree I should because as my husband and I have been being moved forward in ministry, I too have been under a spirit of sleep. But

God wants to be heard so when we commit to prayer He will break through and bring revelation. I believe that is what happened this day while my husband and I were praying. God broke through.

When God gives me a word, I like to look at it through the lens of scripture so I can be sure of the accuracy of my hearing. As I looked into the scriptures for this word, I found some very interesting treasures that I believe will help us understand this word on a deeper level and release the revelation Holy Spirit desires so that we will all be motivated to pray. This word touches on a few areas of importance, but you will see that the Lord ties them all together at the end.

Heavy with Sleep

Before I share the vision that began this word, I want you to understand a couple of scriptures and their meanings.

Eight days after Jesus talks candidly to His disciples about His death that was to come, He took Peter, John, and James up to a mountain to pray. *As He prayed, the appearance of His face was altered, and His robe became white and glistening.* ³⁰ *And behold, two men talked with Him, who were Moses and Elijah,* ³¹ *who appeared in glory and spoke of His decease which He was about to accomplish at Jerusalem.* ³² *But Peter and they that were with him were **heavy with sleep**: and when they were fully awake, they saw His glory, and the two men that stood with Him. Luke 9:29-32*

This word *sleep* that Peter, John, and James were under was one of heaviness, and spiritual torpor just like the one Apostle Paul said to wake from. Then the verse says *when they were fully awake* that is when they saw the glory of Jesus! This word *awake* (*diagrēgoreō* Strong's G1235) is a unique form of the word awake; it is a verb, an action word meaning to watch, remain, or to be fully awake. It is only used in this scripture in the KJV, and it has a special meaning that implies **to watch for calamity**. This makes sense because the topic of conversation between Jesus, Moses, and Elijah was of Jesus' death

of which He had been speaking on with the disciples before they went to pray; the encounter on the mountain confirmed to them about Jesus' death to come.

The sleep that the disciples were under is the same kind of sleep that overcame a young man named Eutychus while Paul was preaching. This man was so overcome with *hypnos* that he fell out of the window to his death. However, Paul went down to the man and declared the people need not be troubled because his life was still in him.

There will be calamities that come to the world and Christians are not immune to them, as a matter of fact, we must be prepared for persecution. Jesus said *in the world you will have tribulation; but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world.* – *Jn 16:33* We must be fully awake and focused on Christ Jesus, which is the power and glory of God, if we are to overcome in the end days of battle.

Let me take you back to Romans 13:11 to illustrate an important point. Now it is *high time to awake out of sleep*. The word awake in this verse is *egeirō* Strong's G1453; it implies the idea of collecting one's faculties; to waken from sitting or lying, from disease, or from death. This word shouts "stand up, wake up, raise up, rear up, get it together!" Interesting to note is the word before awake that is translated as *to* actually means "us, our we," and is rooted in the word ego that means I, my, or me. Ego in English is synonymous with "self-esteem, self-importance, self-worth, self-respect, self-image, and self-confidence to name a few. This "self" thinking is pure humanism. But love is the opposite of ego in the sense that love is an outward expression of Jesus Christ and self-ish-ness is not.

Apostle Paul is telling the listeners that the night of heathenism and sin needs to end; the time has come to cast off the deeds of darkness and rise to life and purity. But, on another level, I believe this verse also means to get out of self, stop thinking that you can save yourself and that you are or can become a god because your Savior (salvation) is nearer than you think! Stop messing around with your own opinions and believe on the name of Jesus Christ for your salvation.

The time to put on Christ is now. We must stop looking at ourselves and our own lives and put on Christ Jesus! The only way we are going to see God's glory in the form of revival is by being awakened from the spiritual stupor of selfishness and humanism.

Strongman Stirs the Cauldron

I saw a vision of a large demonic strongman that had a large oar type thing in his hand, and he was stirring the atmosphere up high. As I looked closer to the vision, I could see the demonic spirit was using the oar to stir a witch's cauldron. As the Holy Spirit began to speak with me, I saw that there were spirits of hypnosis, mesmerizing spirits and spirits of slumber being released as the strongman stirred the pot. They were being sent out into certain cities, colleges and universities where they were strengthening the belief of the political agendas of hate and of anti-God and anti-holiness. In the vision, there were numerous angels surrounding the demonic spirit but were not doing anything. I asked God to order the angels to take this strongman down, but they continue to watch the strongman brew. For some reason, the angels of God were not ordered as of yet to battle.

As the face of this demon came into focus, I noticed there was a grimacing grin on his face as he methodically stirred the brewing pot releasing other spirits. These demons were being released all

over America with the tools of sleep. They were assigned to shut down thinkers of the Lord and to shut down creativity in God's people.

Next, I saw the words economic creativity in a very large print, like a lit-up sign. A large foot came down upon the words to smash them into the ground. The Lord said I have assigned to some in this newer generation creativity with economic structures, but their voices are not able to come forth because the strongman of SLEEP is releasing lying spirits of many kinds and closing the ears of those who should be able to see these ideas and make them work. Pray for the awakening of My chosen within the universities, colleges, schools, and marketplace. I have strategically positioned many to join together and bring resolution to many of the issues America is facing economically, but this is for My glory and for My kingdom to be built it is not for the prosperity of the people but rather for their use for My glory to come, I desire to reach many but there must be resources to do so. Untapped resources will come forth when the foot of the strongman is removed. All treasures of wisdom and knowledge are hidden in Christ

2 that their hearts may be encouraged, being knit together in love, and [attaining] to all riches of the full assurance of understanding, to the knowledge of the mystery of God, both of the Father and of Christ, 3 in whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge. - Col 2:2-3 NKJV

I realized the angels were not battling this particular strongman because the ecclesia was not praying! The Church needed to wake up, get their heavenly strategy and pray. The people of God have been anesthetized (rendered physically insensible) by this strongman, but the Lord wants them inoculated with the Holy Spirit so that He can speak and be heard. This can only happen when God's people, the Ecclesia, pray and help move forward the greatest awakening ever which will usher in enormous revival so that the greatest harvest everyone is speaking about can come forth.

Mikes Vision

At the same time, I saw this vision; my husband saw a large flame, a candlestick that was ablaze, not just burning but blazing. He said that the same spirit that was trying to overcome us in our personal ministry and life was this same spirit of slumber that was stealing our fire. We were too exhausted to burn as the ministers of fire we were called to be. These slumbering spirits know that God *makes His angels spirits, His ministers a flame of fire. - Psa 104:4, Heb 1:7*

Every time an intercessor awakens to this call, it seems as if the enemy comes with a flame snuffer through the spirit of sleep. This is one of the spiritual enemies holding back the revival fire of God because it is putting the ministers of intercession to sleep!

New Age Capitalizes

I believe the New Age spirits are capitalizing and taking advantage of this sleeping church by ushering in their false prophets and false signs of power. In doing this, many Christians are getting their wisdom from motivational guru's and paying them a lot of money! The Lord showed me there are certain types of false prophets, in the world and in the church; all of them are stealing His title.

I see a spirit of witchcraft, a warlock strongman, that is blowing out of his hand dust that is settling over the people of God that don't read their words nor are they engaged in fellowship. Those who are mesmerized by the Sleep strongman are being overcome by the lies of the new age as if a "fairy dust"

has been blown over them and they believe a lie about love, power, and unity. This is their greatest opportunity to invade the church with these lies, and they will manifest themselves with just enough truth to pull in the other saints of God that should be awake and know better.

6 I am astonished that you are so quickly deserting the one who called you to live in the grace of Christ and are turning to a different gospel-- 7 which is really no gospel at all. Evidently some people are throwing you into confusion and are trying to pervert the gospel of Christ. - Gal 1:6-7 NIV

We must be inoculated against the spirits of New Age, and the only cure for them is the Spirit of the Living God, the Holy Spirit.

As those hungry for a move of God embrace truth, prayer, and declare His Spirit to be poured out, they must also aggressively teach about the baptism of the Holy Spirit and of Fire! The baptism of Fire will cause such a heated awakening in the people of God that it will cause the infectious spirits to be burned out; just as a fever in a sick person causes the body to increase its ability to fight infection so will the baptism of the Holy Spirit and fire cause the Body of Christ to destroy the sickness of SLEEP.

Intercessors Awake

The spirits of SLEEP have put the intercessors to death; they are wrapped in grave clothes and trapped in tombs. We must pray for those who have been locked up to come out of the tomb and for those around them to unwrap their grave clothes, cast the demonic spirits off of them, pray for a fresh infilling of God's Spirit, and set them back to service! We must help them be encouraged to pray again and to lock their shields of faith together, not being lone rangers of prayer but rather teaming together to be a force to reckon with.

9 Two [are] better than one, Because they have a good reward for their labor. 10 For if they fall, one will lift up his companion. But woe to him [who is] alone when he falls, For [he has] no one to help him up. - Ecc 4:9-10 NKJV

Let's Pray,

Heavenly Father, thank You for the revelation of truth and the strategy to pray against the powers of darkness that are manifesting over America and the Church. We need help and are crying out to You now that You would forgive us for sleeping when we should be praying, forgive us for fighting when we should be found in prayer unified. Help me to overcome the schemes of the devil now that I am aware of them, keep me from temptation and deliver me from the evil one. I desire to be set free and help others find freedom as well so today I surrender my life as a new beginning and commit myself to prayer. In Jesus name, Amen

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