

True Spiritual Authority In Three Parts

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The Difference Between Power and Authority

Do you ever remember as a child, wishing that you could be royal? Maybe you would spend your time daydreaming about being a prince of a great kingdom, and having the benefits and the lifestyle of royalty. I believe with all my heart that that is perhaps a natural desire, placed there by God Himself, because indeed, ROYALTY is His desire for you. His desire is for you to be a prince in a royal kingdom.

I want to explain the story to you. Today, God, Yahweh is looking for someone with that desire to be royal. I want to read you a chapter out of my book, *The Dream Team*. That chapter is entitled *True Authority*, and I'd like to share with you what I wrote down many years ago concerning authority and royalty. Would you like to rule as a king in Yahweh's future government? That's a question that you need to ponder.

Would you like to see that dream of becoming part of a royal family come to pass? Then I have great news for you. God, Yahweh is accepting applications from those spiritually conceived members of His royal house; oftentimes called the Church, or more perfectly, the Ecclesia. His greatest gift to you will be the authority that He grants you in His government. He will trust you with the souls of all mankind in the coming Kingdom Age. How will He determine your position in His coming kingdom? Now there's a question that deserves to be pondered.

How will your position be determined in that government? This future government will be made up of resurrected sons of Yahweh, and each one will be given either a 30 realm rulership, a 60 realm, or 100-fold rulership of responsibility and authority. The second part of this booklet, *Spiritual*

Maturity: Thirty, Sixty, Hundred-Fold, will go into more detail about the 30, 60, 100-fold. Your responsibility in the coming government of Yahweh is great. Into your care will be entrusted all of creation! From one end of our globe to the other, you will be given authority. This is the greatest gift that Yahweh will ever give to you: His TRUE and LEGITIMATE AUTHORITY.

The way that He will determine your position—30, 60, or 100-fold—is simply this: Right now, at this point in your earthly life, He’s watching, absolutely. He’s watching you in this life every day. The Scripture said that the Eyes of the Lord, or Yahweh, which is really the Angels of the Lord, a euphemism in Hebrew, are watching you everyday. Speaking of the angels, when you see the eyes of the Lord, it is the angels of the Lord. The Bible says that they watch us. They go to and fro upon the earth, and they’re always watching over and camping around those who belong to Yahweh.

They are watching your maturity from rebellion to obedience, and your levels of love for Yahweh by the way that you keep His Law and His Commandments. It is because of what you do in this life that you will be granted kingdom authority. Sadly, the whole Church believes that the purpose of this life is to go to heaven. Just a quick perusal of the Scriptures and a study of your Bible, will prove to you that is not the goal. The goal is ruling and reigning in this government that I’m teaching you about. Do you remember a story in the book of Acts about the seven sons of Sceva? If you don’t, you should go read the story in Acts, chapter nineteen, verses eleven through twenty.

A curious thing happened to this group of believers. This was a group of people who wanted the benefits of Christ’s kingdom without the law of His kingdom. Sadly, this is the testimony of a vast number of Yahweh’s Church today. They desire manna, they desire miracles, they desire the power that comes from the access to His Spirit; yet they do not meet the requirement of OBEDIENCE. These sons of Sceva approached a demon in the book of Acts, and they tried to cast him out in the Name of Jesus, or more perfectly, the Name of Yahshua, which was His original Hebrew name. That’s what

His mama called Him, that's what the angels called Him, and that's what we like to call Him.

They tried to cast the demon out in that Name. As a matter of fact, they used the same words and incantations that the apostles used, but their prayers did not work. Why not? Because unlike the apostles, they had no genuine authority granted to them through obedience. Power without authority is witchcraft, and Yahweh's Church is full of praying witches wanting the power of prophecy, wanting the power speaking in glossolalia or unknown tongues, wanting the power of casting out devils. It's a man-pleasing, fleshly desire. They want power to heal the sick, POWER to display their greatness.

But brothers and sisters, there is illegitimate power, and there is legitimate power. Only when power is attached to AUTHORITY will it yield great and positive results for the Christian believer. This type of authority that I'm teaching you about tonight only comes one way: through your death and His life. It's only when you choose to die while you're living, that you will live while you're dying. This is something I've had to learn, and you'll have to learn in this walk with Yahweh.

Let me ask you this: How is authority granted at your job, the place where you work? Are you the boss or are you a subordinate? Are you the owner or an employee? There is a natural progression management. In our car lot there was room for advancement, but you come in at an entry level. I'll read it from my book, *The Dream Team*. If you've not ordered my book, I encourage you to get it in your hands and let this truth sink into your spirit.

The way that authority is granted on your job is through one thing: the level of TRUST you have earned; the level of your obedience to company policy and those in authority over you—management. Only with the blessing of administration will you ever be granted authority to go up a little higher. I'm amazed when I see a policeman, out of his uniform and without his badge. He wields no power, but the minute he puts on a badge, all of a sudden a powerless man becomes powerful enough to stop an

eighteen-wheeler, a ten-thousand pound vehicle in its tracks, by simply lifting his hand at a traffic stop. Let me read to you.

The policeman who has the power to stop a vehicle, has no power at all over that vehicle without true authority. However, as the policeman spends his time at the academy, and as he works under all his leaders in obedience to them, he is then granted authority by the government, as he abides by the law of the government, and as he advances into that government. Then, all the power of government is at his disposal.

You see, you access the power of Yahweh when you submit to the will of Yahweh. When the policeman lifts his hands to the oncoming vehicle, with that true authority, comes his power. Brothers and sisters, you cannot sneak into Yahweh's kingdom and expect to walk in the power of heaven. True authority over demons only comes when you have overcome demons in your OWN life. The only way you will rule the galaxies is once you've ruled yourself. The only way you will control and reign with Yahweh, is if you have controlled yourself in this lifetime. Then and only then, will your uplifted hand and your spoken word be a threat to demon power.

That's why some people can preach all day long and they never face a battle, they never face torment: they're not walking in authority. They're no threat to demon powers. They're no threat to paganism. They're no threat to witchcraft. They're no threat to the enemies of Yahweh. Why? Because they do not walk in obedience to what they preach.

If you do not have this true authority, you are like an illegal alien in a foreign country. If you are illegal, then you get none of the benefits of the kingdom. If you are illegal, you are in fact breaking the laws of the government, and therefore, you cannot expect any of the benefits of the government. For those who wish to sneak into Yahweh's kingdom illegally without the covering of grace that comes through obedience to His commands, then in fact, you have no true authority whatsoever. Authority is earned as obedience is practiced.

Authority typically comes in incremental advances. Most workers do not start out with any real authority. They do not have the authority to speak to their co-workers and expect a response. Entry level positions carry no authority. When you first come to the altar and give your life to Him, when you first repent and are baptized, you are not walking yet in true authority and true power. Therefore, your character must be TESTED, and your old nature must submit to the nature of Yahweh in order to earn the true authority of the kingdom. Have you ever seen some of the elders in Yahweh's Church and how they walk in such faith and such authority? They're submitted. Their prayer life is submitted. They are in submission. That's where authority comes from.

Yahshua tells a parable about a wedding supper in Matthew twenty-two. This supper represents Yahshua's soon to come wedding with His bride, but there was a person who tried to enter that wedding without a wedding garment. This person evidently believed that Yahweh's way was *not* the ONLY way. This person felt they could enter the kingdom without obedience to Yahweh. *Afterall, why would a silly garment be important to Yahweh? Why does it matter if I have on a certain garment?* Because Yahweh said so. It really is that simple. If you want to rule in this kingdom that is coming, you must come in at the door. You must come into Yahweh's provided way. You can't do it your way any longer. It is time for you to totally surrender to His will.

Everyone of you who is watching me who has been called, been elected and predestined in this age—the Church Age, they alone, you alone, are being prepared for positions of trust that they will earn, and you will earn during this lifetime. You will not earn that trust in the next lifetime; you're earning it now. You see, Yahweh, our Heavenly Father, desires above all things, to share His throne. Oh yes, first with His first begotten Son, Yahshua Hamashiach, Jesus Christ as He is known mistakenly by many. He said, "I will give you to sit in My throne." But it doesn't stop with Him. Then it's to all of the brothers of Yahshua. He is the elder brother; we're the younger brothers. He desires to share that throne with you.

Think about that. The God of Majesty, the Creator of the Curtain of Time, is desirous to place you in His royal family; from a pauper to a prince. He desires to transform you from an animal, to be in the royal government! What a desire He has for you! He wants you to become a fully vested member of His family. He desires to place the badge of heaven's holiness upon your soul. In His coming kingdom, He must have people who have been prepared in the furnace of affliction, tried in the torrents of time, and pressed in the realms of resistance. Please understand that in the Church of the Living God, there are two groups of people. There are two seed lines. There are two vines growing together. There are two twins living in the same house: the Church carnal, and the Church spiritual.

The Sold Out Church and the Lethargic Church. The Overcomers and the Undercomers. The Wise Church and the Foolish Church. This is what deceives so many people: both groups of people are indeed saved. They have placed their faith in Christ, and accepted Him as their Savior, maybe not their Lord, but their Savior. They believe in Him completely. They go to church eight days a week and sometimes on Sunday, and once in a great while on the Sabbath. But their faith is in Him so they are not sinners; they are not wicked. But they are part of one of these two twins sucking off the same breast and living in the same house. And there is only one group in these two, only ONE who have made themselves ready.

There was another group of people, the Church Carnal, who will be made ready. They are not making themselves ready by the washing of the Word, but they will be made ready through a period of judgment. Oh the wonder of it! I will teach it soon: the fiery judgment that that Church must go through. In the tribulation and the coming wrath upon the earth, John saw a group of believers who were made white by tribulation. They didn't make themselves white in the Church Age, which is this age. They did not submit to the Word of Yahweh, and they did not purify themselves by obeying the scriptures, by obeying the commandments, keeping the Sabbath; rather they had to be MADE white, they had to be made pure by the fiery trials of Yahweh that are to come upon the sleeping Church.

Before we go any further, we've written several books and many booklets. One of the booklets is called *The Sin Unto Death*. This booklet is small but it's HUGE. You need to get it. It explains the three stages of Yahweh's divine discipline. If you don't have this book, you'll never understand the sin unto death. This booklet explains what I'm teaching today: the fiery trials that are not coming upon the bride. I encourage you to get it today. We don't charge anything for the work of Yahweh. You'll find how to obtain these booklets at the end of this booklet.

The fiery trials are not coming upon the bride, but the trials of the Antichrist will come upon the bride; see Revelation chapter twelve, when Satan goes to make war with the remnant of her seed. But the wrath of Yahweh, the last three and a half years of tribulation, will not fall upon her, but it will fall upon the other group of believers: the foolish virgins. Pray, therefore, that you will be watching and waiting; that you will prepare your own garments, that you will be counted worthy of kingdom authority.

When exactly did Yahshua receive His full authority? Brothers and sisters, when did Yashua announce that, *all authority in heaven and earth has been given unto Me by My Father*? Did this occur when He was still in the furnace of affliction? Did this occur in the Garden of Gethsemane? Did this occur on the Mount of Temptation? Did this occur on the way to the Cross? Did this occur at the Resurrection? Did this happen while He was in a testing period called life. Did He receive full authority one second before He had proven His absolute obedience, even unto death, and His absolute fidelity to the Word of Yahweh?

In fact, He did not receive full authority until *after* His crucifixion, until after His earthly life, until after He had proven for the records of eternity that He was FULLY submitted, and that He had the very heart, character, and nature of Yahweh, His Father. In the exact same manner, when He came back as the wave sheaf offering being waved before the Father on the eighth day; when He came back after that time, He said, "Now all authority in heaven and earth has been given to me. I've earned it. I came as a Son of man with no divinity except for the predestiny that was on My life."

He said, "I came with no sovereign power. I came as the Lamb, not the Lion. I came and submitted to My Father's will. I did it with no supernatural power. I did it with the same power that you have; that power I received in the River of Jordan, when the heavens opened up and the lamb came out of the water and met with the dove."

The dove has the character of Yahweh, the nature of Yahweh. So does the lamb. The Lamb on earth had to meet with the dove in heaven. Both characters would line up in the water. The Holy Spirit, the Ruach Hakodesh, would infill that human frame, and the Bible said that when He came up out of the water, now He had the infilling. He had it, and it was this Spirit in Him that led Him to His first TEST: the Mount of Temptations, to be tempted and tried by the devil.

Brothers and sisters, after you receive the Holy Ghost, the evidence of that is when you face *that* test, and there is a supernatural power to say no to every temptation that does so easily beset us. In the same manner that Yahshua Jesus received the full authority of Yahweh, you are going to receive authority to be that king that we started off talking about; to be in that royal family after you have been spiritually conceived by the Holy Spirit just as Yahshua was.

In those waters of baptism there is a conception that takes place in you. Water baptism is a requirement, because it is the fulfillment of the righteousness of Yahweh. It is the moment wherein that you were placed in the womb of Mother Church. Do you believe that was not in the scriptures? Go read what Apostle Paul said when he speaks about the New Jerusalem, the Church, Israel. He said that she is the mother of us all. She has a watery womb just like your natural mother did, and you must be placed there where you meet the presence of the Holy Church. It is the sacrament of the Church.

It is in those waters that the old man dies, and a new man is conceived, and you come up in the newness of that LIFE. Now you're walking in obedience,

rather than rebellion. You see, I don't care if you come up speaking in tongues. That doesn't impress me or Yahweh, but what you need to come up with is speaking Truth, and speaking *No* to every temptation, speaking to your own demons and ridding your life of them, and having the power to obey Yahweh.

We also, like Yahshua, receive our authority and our resurrection when we come up as Spirit bodies, when we come forth as the Spirit born sons of Yahweh, no longer flesh and blood, but a divine flesh that has been reconstructed by the power of the Holy Ghost. As we stand before His judgment seat for our job interview, it is there that He determines whether we are 30-fold, 60-fold. I wish the whole world understood the first harvest. Watch our video *To Pentecost and Beyond* on fhtv.tv or Youtube if you don't understand it. If you come up in the first harvest, it is not to be judged to hell or to heaven, it is to be judged to your position in this coming kingdom. That judgment will not be by grace or faith. It will be of your works.

Argue with your Bible. We're not saved by works, but we are judged and appointed by works. Yahshua said in the book of Revelation, "Behold I come quickly to give every man according to the works he has done." I have another video on works and faith that you can watch if you're confused. At that point, you and I will be granted authority over many people among the nations of the world. At this point, if we have been faithful in a few things, we shall be made rulers over many.

Rulers over who? That lethargic church; the ones who did not make themselves ready. The Bible calls them *the nations of the saved*. They're not wicked, but they're not white; they've not washed themselves white as snow. They didn't have oil in their lamp, which are the commandments of Yahweh. They didn't have the desire to keep the commandments, which is what the oil is.

The Holy Spirit comes to give us that desire to obey. Sadly, it must also be acknowledged that this is at the very same event: the Judgment of the

Saints. Many will stand disappointed as silence fills the judgment hall. Thirty minutes of silence in the heavenlies, when millions upon millions realize that they could have done so much more in preparation for the Kingdom of Yahweh.

Here at First Harvest Ministries, we have one message and it is not what many people think it is. It is not the Sabbath Day, although we keep it, it's not the Law, although we keep it. It's not the Holy Days, although we love them. It is not clean and unclean foods, although we believe in them. It is not any of that. Our message is: Repent, for the Kingdom of Yahweh is approaching. It's coming children, sooner than you think.

I wrote that message in this book I hold in my hand called *The Dream Team*. It's three hundred pages of nothing but thought provoking truth. I would encourage you to order this book. My testimony to you is that I promise you before all that is holy, I do not even remember writing this book. I remember going through the motions, but when I read it, I do not remember the thought patterns as I put it on paper. I know that it was a book that was inspired for you to read. I'm not a great author, and you will probably find some misspelled words. It's not a perfect book, but it's a *perfect* message.

Spiritual Maturity: Thirty, Sixty, Hundred-Fold

Ephesians 4:15 **Instead, speaking the truth in love, we may grow up in all things unto Him Who is our Head—Messiah—**

Let's read this out loud together. I'm starting a series on spiritual authority, and I want to talk to you about *speaking* spiritual authority. The title of tonight's lesson is *Spiritual Maturity*, because without spiritual maturity, you will never have spiritual authority. Let's turn now to the book of Matthew.

Mattithyah 13:23 But that which was sown in the rich ground is he who hears the word; *the Law and the Prophets*, and understands; he also bears fruit, and brings forth—some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty.

That which is sown in rich ground is? He who hears *and* understands. Let me say this to you about the Word: Just because you heard the Word, does not mean you will bear fruit. You've got to do more than hear the Word; you've got to do what? Understand the Word. You've got to understand it. *He bears fruit and brings forth what?* I'm going to write it on the board: some 30, some 60, some 100. These three numbers will change your walk with God, Yahweh; the revelation of these three numbers.

I've taught on this before, but not on the level we are going to teach it tonight. Thirty, Sixty, One Hundred. The old timers used to sing a song that said: *Ninety-nine and a half, it won't do*. So tonight, you've got to understand the Word to bear fruit. Many times in this ministry we are accused by people who don't understand us, as being too deep. They say, "Brother Vaughn, you all need to just keep it simple so that everybody can understand it." What they don't understand is that this ministry is not for everybody. It's for the REMNANT, the House of Israel.

The reason this ministry is not for *everybody*, is because *everybody* won't want to understand. They want the Word, but they don't want to understand the Word. These three numbers represent three levels of understanding. If you're ever going to bear fruit, what is fruit? Your spiritual fruit is one of these three numbers. Your Fruit is another word for your Authority. The fruit that you want to get from the Word of Yahweh is what will give you authority *with* Yahweh.

How many of you want authority over demon powers? Let me see your hands. Alright; everybody. Listen carefully. How many want authority over sickness? How many want authority over depression? Anxiety? You *want* that authority! Everybody in Yahweh's Church wants authority. We all want authority over addictions and demons, and we all want knowledge. We

want to understand the mysteries of Yahweh. These are all worthy goals, but spiritual authority brings with it great responsibility; a responsibility that many are not willing to bear.

I'll prove it to you. You don't even have enough responsibility to get to the House of Yahweh on the Sabbath Day. There's a reason I can make a claim on Yahweh. I know my life, and I know if I'm walking in obedience to Yahweh. If you're not, you'll never have spiritual authority. Now let's go to the book of Revelation. Yahweh wants you to have authority. He created you to have authority, but He cannot trust everybody with authority.

Revelation 20:12 And I saw the dead, small and great, standing before Yahweh. And the books were opened; and another book was opened, which is *The Book of Life*. And the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works.

They were judged according to their what? Their Works. I thought it was their faith. *We're not saved by works; we're saved by faith*. What are you going to be judged by at the Judgment, your faith or your works? Your WORKS. It's in the Book; I didn't write it. I'm just reading it. The works that you do is what will judge you at the Judgment. *Brother Vaughn, What works is the Bible talking about?* I'm going to tell you. Here are the works that you will be responsible for at the Judgment: Obedience to the Revelation that was Given to You. That's your works.

There are many of your brothers and sisters in Christ, Yahshua Messiah, who do not have your understanding. They've not been given a ministry like this one that teaches them these things. Therefore, their works will be predicated upon what they *know*. The Bible said that in that day, the servant who knew to do good but didn't do good, would get a lot of stripes on his back. The servant who *didn't* know, didn't get off the hook, but he gets just a few stripes.

If you're asking Yahweh for spiritual authority, before He gives you spiritual authority, He's going to give you the revelation of His Word, and see how obedient you are to that revelation. There's more power in what I just said than you realize. You want authority with Yahweh? He will reveal something in His Word, and you will either reject it or obey it. That is the works that you will be judged by. That's why you don't need to worry about those Christians who aren't doing it the way you're doing it. Why? You're walking in a revelation that they've not been given, and therefore, *you* will be required of that revelation.

Let's go to another verse. How many of you have worked on a job? How many of you have been a manager on a job? Let me explain something to you about a manager. Karen and I used to own a car dealership. We would come to work and all the salesmen, and all the workers in the shop, and all the men in the car wash area were all happy. Everyone was excited to be at work. I wanted to be happy and excited, but every morning because we were owners, we had to go to a back room with the other owners and be given the bad news of how there was no profit in the company, or how we were losing money over here, and we'd have to lay everybody off if we didn't sell more cars.

I'm trying to make a point here. I had authority in that dealership. I had physical authority, but with that authority came a responsibility that they didn't have as workers. When you are in authority with Yahweh, you will have to carry yourself in a responsibility that other Christians do not have to walk in. You will wonder, "Yahweh, why me?" If you don't want spiritual authority, He will never give it to you, trust me. He starts off with spiritual maturity before He gives you spiritual authority. When you receive a word from Yahweh, that word carries with it the responsibility of obedience.

Let me say it again. Let's say you are sitting in this building tonight. Do you know how many people have sat under my ministry in this building and would see before their eyes this truth we would teach? Hundreds of them! They would see it! I've had them stand up and say, "I see that, Brother Vaughn! Saturday is the Sabbath Day; I see it! I see the Pope changed God's

Sabbath to Sunday.” They sit under my ministry and heard the Holy Ghost reveal to them how the Catholic Church changed the entire church world. They saw it.

Now, what happens when you see? It carries with it a Responsibility of Obedience. Believe me, for those who have walked in—and so many people are coming to my mind—and who have walked out; who saw it but they did *not* walk in it—they will *never* have authority with Yahweh. Never, because when Yahweh loves you enough to reveal precious pearls to you, how you handle those pearls is how He judges you at the Judgment. *Brother Vaughn, I believe in being obedient.* After we’re obedient, then we need to seek the Father’s heart to know how to fulfill the Word in the same manner that Jesus, Yahshua, would have fulfilled it.

I’m going to talk about something now that’s very important: The *method* of obedience is more important than obedience itself; the method of obedience. I’ll prove it to you. How many of you have had a child obey you, but you knew by the way they obeyed you that they didn’t mean to be obeying? They were doing it to get out of a butt whooping, right? *But Brother Vaughn, they were obeying.* I agree, but it was not a willful obedience.

I’m going to repeat the line I just said: The *method* of obedience is more important than obedience itself. It’s the *way* you obey. You can say, “I’m going to church because it’s the Sabbath Day,” but if you say it with an annoyed tone, then you failed. *Here’s my tithe. The preacher makes more money than I make, but here...* You might as well keep it. Why obey? That’s not obedience, that’s cultism; you’re in a cult doing what a cult tells you to do. See? But when you fall in love with Yahshua Jesus, you not only desire to obey, but you desire to obey the WAY He obeyed.

I don’t know why it’s not required of some Christians to live the life I live, but I know for me and my house that this is what He has revealed. And the *way* that we obey brings us to another level. For five years we’ve been teaching obedience, but now we’re going to a whole other realm! Instead of

just obedience, we're going into *joyful* obedience. If you want spiritual authority with Yahweh, you don't obey to get out of trouble, you obey to run into blessings. You don't obey to dodge the whip, you obey to get in His lap. HalleluYah!

For example, I might get a word from the Lord, and this has happened before. Maybe He's going to show me some sin that's in our church. The Bible tells me to go to the brother and reveal it to him and talk to him. I can obey the Word of Yahweh and come to you and say sternly, "You better quit all that sinning, boy!" I obeyed. It says if you see your brother in a fault, go do it. I could say, "You better not come to church like that!" But the first scripture we started off with was about speaking the truth in *love*. *I'm going to him like the Bible said to go to him, Brother Vaughn*. I know you are, but are you going to him like Yahshua would have gone to him?

It's beyond obedience. We're moving to another level; it's Yahshua's kind of obedience. I can come to you and I can put my arm on you and say warmly, "Hey buddy, I know you're better than that." I obeyed, and I did it His way. The Method of Obedience is more important than obedience itself! When I've ever heard somebody tell me, *Brother Vaughn, I paid my tithes and my lights got cut off*, I've said to them right there, "The very fact that you said it to me that way, tells me why your lights got turned off." *I obeyed God! I put five extra in!* See? The WAY you obey is more important than obeying itself. The Bible doesn't say that Yahweh loves a giver. It says that He loves a *cheerful* giver. It's the *way* you obey.

You better keep the Sabbath! That's the problem with the Messianics and all these other groups. They're preaching the Word, and they're obeying; but when you criticize your other brothers and sisters in Yahshua who do not understand yet, you have *not* obeyed the way Yahshua obeys. I'm here tonight because I believe that this is the Sabbath Day. It's been revealed to me. I know good people whom it's not been revealed to them. I cannot help that, but I can be here joyfully. I'll tell you like it is: When I do something for my son and he appreciates it, I want to do more. Your Heavenly Father when He reveals to you one truth and you obey, He'll reveal more.

Sister Unica, I'll take you for an example. This is the first year that Sister Unica did not celebrate the hellish holiday of Christmas. This is the first year she didn't celebrate that holiday. Why? I didn't make her not do that. She's not part of a cult. Nobody told her she couldn't do that. She went to her Bible and saw that Yahweh hates paganism, and she wanted nothing to do with it. Yahweh gave her that revelation. Come close to Christmas time, nobody knows He gave her that revelation. She could have very easily forgotten that revelation, but she did not. See? The revelation carries with it the responsibility of obedience.

I wish you could get that in your mind: *Revelation carries with it the responsibility of obedience.* But now I must warn you of what happens when we obey Yahweh in one little area. Let's just say you messed up, because the minute He shows you one thing and He sees you're willing, what's about to happen? He'll show you EVERYTHING. I started out seeing the Sabbath Day. I wasn't looking for the Sabbath; it came looking for me, and I said, "Okay Lord." Even Ray Charles can see that Saturday is the Sabbath." I'll debate the best deniers.

Nobody can argue that Saturday isn't the Sabbath. I dare you to show me one place where Yahshua replaced the Sabbath. It's not in your Book. You can go high, you can go low. We can stay here until midnight and you'll never prove that. Here's what I can say: When Yahweh showed me that, I struggled with it. You can ask my wife; I struggled with it. Do you know why? I just didn't want to do it. But the minute my wife and I obeyed, that's when we found out we couldn't do Christmas or anything else! Why? Yahweh saw He could trust us to walk in Obedience through the Revelation of His Word.

Now, I'm trying to teach you folks at First Harvest and around the world, how to be more than Commandment Keepers. I'm going to try to teach you to be more Christ-like. You need more than knowledge of His voice. You need to identify with His character. I'm going to say it again. How many here have heard Yahweh's voice before? Doesn't mean anything if you don't

identify with His CHARACTER. We need to identify with His character to fulfill His commands correctly.

Identify with His Character! We're going to talk about that character tonight. Everybody in this room wants to be spiritually mature, but do you know that Yahweh has a measuring rod to determine your level of maturity? This is it: 30, 60, 100-fold. This is Yahweh's measuring rod. There's going to come a point in your walk with Yahweh where you're walking in so much authority that your enemies fear you. They tried to destroy you and it didn't work, because you're walking in the authority with Yahweh. Your fruit is authority. When you've got authority, you don't mark, you carry a big stick. That stick is the Word of Yahweh.

Yahweh has a barometer to test your spiritual maturity. You cannot have spiritual authority without spiritual maturity. What is authority? How many of you have heard someone say, "He's an authority on the subject."? Let me tell you what I'm not an authority at. I'm not an authority at being a handyman. You don't want me fixing anything in your house. I'm not an authority on mechanic work. If I touch your car, you'll need to take it to the shop twice.

Now listen up. There are a few things I am an authority on: computer work, cooking, preaching, piano. I'm an authority in those areas. Why? Because I've spent my life gaining experience in those areas. So remember this: Authority with Yahweh comes from experiences with Yahweh. That's why Paul said not to let a young man pastor a church; not to put a novice in the pulpit, because he has no experiences with Yahweh. Therefore, he has no authority with Yahweh. Authority comes from what you have learned from experience.

Here's some things I have learned from my experiences with Yahweh: To hold my peace and let Yahweh fight my battles. That is not something I have just read. That is something I have EXPERIENCED with God: *Victory shall be Mine*. So now, when you tell me that Yahweh's not going to come through for me, I've already been there; too late. I've got experience. I've

got authority in my Faith. Your authority with Yahweh comes from your experiences with Yahweh. Authority is EARNED. When you get a new job, you have to go through a probation period. Then you have to be faithful for a couple of years. Only then are you advanced to responsibility.

When you come to Yahweh, you're going to have to experience Him before you're able to go out and have this great authority with Yahweh. The first time I see someone who is not submitted to the church leadership, is someone who I know will never have authority with Yahweh. Do you know why? Because the first level of authority is RESPECT. Until you learn respect and honor, you'll never *have* respect or honor, and you'll never have authority with Yahweh.

Brother Vaughn, I want authority. Let me tell you what authority is not. It is not over other people, and it's not over sickness or demons. True authority is authority over YOURSELF. True authority is when you have it over yourself. We're going to get you there. I'm going to say this now: If you don't have authority over your own demons, I dare you to go try to cast them out of somebody else.

You've got to get authority over YOU. *Brother Vaughn, I want to walk on water.* Walk on your water first: the water of your gossip, the water of your hurtful words, this water that spills out of your mouth. Learn to conquer that, and you will gain authority with Yahweh. Those who want authority over others without authority over themselves, proves to me that they haven't gotten authority over themselves.

True authority comes from true respect. I respect my wife and she respects me. Do you know why? We have experiences together. We've been together five going on six years, and we have some experiences together. If you want true authority, you have to first get true RESPECT. How many of you have ever had an employer you did not respect? It's mighty hard to come under their authority. But how many of you have had an employer and you respected them? You didn't mind coming under their authority because you respected them. They've earned your respect.

When you have conquered your own demons, then the demons in others will respect your claim to authority. Victories garner respect. Do you know how to get respect if you want it? Just like a good soldier who goes out and fights a battle, he comes back home and what are the people in the streets doing? Clapping. That soldier has garnered a victory, and he's earned respect and authority. Authority is born out of respect. So every time you conquer something in your life that is not like Yahweh, you have garnered a victory. Can I tell you a secret? Everybody around you will notice it.

If you came to this ministry a loud mouth gossiper, and you're no longer a loud mouth gossiper, everybody is going to notice. You've conquered that demon. You've got the respect of the people, and now we can move you into a position of authority. If you want Yahweh to give you authority, you've got to earn Yahweh's respect. You already have His love. I can love you all day, but that doesn't mean I respect you. Yahweh loves you, but He doesn't respect you until you garner some victories. I'm preaching to somebody tonight.

When you get victory over areas of your life, you garner respect from Yahweh, from others, and from demons. And now you can walk in the Spirit rather than after the flesh. What's Yahweh's barometer of spiritual maturity? I'm going to tell you what it's not. It is not your level of knowledge. The people in this room have more knowledge than Christians in this town, bottom line. Everybody in this room knows your Bible better than most Christians in this town. You've been taught; you know it. Yahweh could care less. That's not the barometer.

The barometer is not your knowledge, or even your wisdom. I am going to tell you the secret barometer that Yahweh uses: Your Capacity To Love. Your capacity to love is Yahweh's measuring rod for your level of maturity. This is where I've been trying to get to for the last fifteen minutes. In the Greek language of the New Testament, there are three words in Greek that all translate into the English word *love*. The first one is Eros. That's the first Greek word that's translated as the word love in the Bible. The second love

is the Greek word Phileo. The third word for love is Agape. Listen to me carefully. This is Yahweh's measuring rod of your spiritual maturity. Until you get to the number 100, you'll never be granted authority with Yahweh.

Do you know that the most dangerous person in the world is a person who has authority over people, with no love for them? In the Coming Kingdom of Yahweh to Planet Earth, you're going to be ruling the nations. You're going to have authority. You can kill with the blink of an eye. If Yahweh cannot trust you now, He will not be able to use you then. Stay with me please. What is the meaning of Eros? It's where we get the word *erotic* from. Eros is a physical attraction. It's the sexy side of love. So Eros is Physical Attraction. The first time you met that person and you said, "I love you," you lied. You were horny. Amen? Tell it like it is. That's physical attraction.

Let me tell you who has an Eros type of love. A baby. Let me explain to you. A baby loves its mama, but it's a selfish love. Eros love is a selfish love. Eros love is a love out of need. The baby loves its mama because he needs mama's milk. Babies have Eros love. Brothers and sisters, when you came to Yahweh, you had Eros love. You didn't want to go to Hell. You wanted to go to Heaven. Selfish. You chose to love Yahweh in exchange for something: *I'll love You if You keep me out of Hell*. Just like a baby, you needed milk from Papa Yahweh. See, that is the 30-fold level of your walk with Yahweh, and I'm sad to say tonight, that ninety percent of the Church is in the 30-fold Eros level.

This 30-fold group of people have no authority with Yahweh, because the minute Yahweh doesn't pay their light bill, they're backslid. That's because you never loved Yahweh. You needed Yahweh. I'm trying to preach tonight. I'm trying to help you see what your level is with Yahweh. Eros love is the lowest form of love on the earth. It's a selfish *I need you* love. A baby has no ability to modify his demands. A baby doesn't care if the mother is tired at night, because that baby needs milk. He loves mama, but it's a selfish love.

Yahweh's Church loves Him, but it's a selfish love. Can I prove that to you?



Look at the next revival flier you see in town. To get people to come to a revival, here is what it's going to say: *Come and Get Your Blessing. Come and See the Prophet. He's going to Give you Your Word.* Here we come running. Let's say tomorrow is the Sabbath and Yahweh has commanded you to be there. You can't get anybody there. There's a

reason for it. As we go down this list, I'm going to show you how these numbers equate to the Festivals of Yahweh. Even though there are seven festivals each year, they're in categories of three. What is the first festival every year? Passover. Now if you stay with me, you're going to learn something.

See the word Passover? What is Passover? Passover is that festival that recognizes your initial conversion: the Blood of Yahshua Messiah. Passover is the 30-fold level. Passover is where the Church has stopped. They're all preaching the Blood. They're all preaching the Cross. They're all preaching, *Give your heart to Christ.* They're all preaching, *Come and get baptized.* That is 30-fold religion. It's not an unnecessary religion. The Passover experience is the beginning of your walk with Yahweh. But ninety percent of the Christian churches are stuck right here.

Can I tell you something? Listen to me well. Yahweh loves every one of them. Can I tell you something else? Yahweh isn't mad at these people. Yahweh has totally different plans for the 60 and 100-fold people, than He does the 30-fold people, but He's not mad at one of them. So listen to me. You need to quit being mad at them. No, that group of people aren't commandment keepers, and their church is bigger than this church, but Yahweh isn't mad at them. He hasn't revealed to them what He's revealed to you.

These folks have not understood the Word. They heard the Word, but they didn't *understand* the Word. Yahweh isn't mad at them. Yahweh has a different plan for them. They will not rule and reign in the government of Yahshua with Him. They will be the governed, not the government. Why? Because these folks who didn't understand the Word today, when the Millennium Reign rolls around, they're going to understand it, because the other folks are going to teach it to them. HalleluYah! I'm trying to help somebody right now. I'm giving you the words of life right now! Don't stop at Passover! Come on down to the next feast.

The next feast is Pentecost, First Fruit, or Shavuot. It correlates with the 60-fold and is Phileo love. Phileo love is a better kind of love than Eros love. It's brotherly love: *you're my brother; I love you*. But there's a little selfish reason why I love you: *because you're my brother or my sister*. So we're sort of in this thing, and we've got to love each other. It's better than Eros. None of you are turning me on; this is a different kind of love. I only have that love for my wife. Phileo is a legal type of love where people treat each other with equal justice. It's a 50/50 relationship. I'm going to prove it to you. I hate to say it like this, but it's the truth. Have you ever been in a church and you felt the love? You were loved, but the minute you left, not so much.

Phileo love. It's better than Eros love, because when you were in the Church you didn't want anything from anybody. You loved them: it was 50/50. You were equal. But isn't it funny that those who thought you hung the moon, the minute you left, you weren't even worthy of seeing the moon. Why? Because it's Phileo love. It's a conditional love.

Sadly, husbands and wives have that kind of love. See, Yahweh's love for us as spouses was supposed to be until *death do us part*. Today's marriage love says, *I'll stay with you until you give me a reason to leave*. Phileo. Agape love says, *If you give me a reason to leave, I'm not leaving. Just go into another room. We aren't going anywhere*. Phileo love is 50/50. Phileo love says, *As long as you keep doing what's right, I love you*.

Sixty-fold Christians have come past Passover, and they have come to Pentecost. Pentecost is the outpouring of the Holy Spirit where Yahweh writes His Law in our minds. The funniest thing to me is that everytime I meet a Pentecostal—and I used to be one—a Pentecostal thinks they're pentecostal because they speak in tongues. Even witches speak in tongues; you're not special. Pentecostals are those where the Law of Yahweh has been written into their hearts. That's a Pentecostal. If that's what a Pentecostal is, then I'm a Pentecostal. On the day of Pentecost, what happened was the Holy Ghost came in (Jer.31:13) to pour out His Spirit, and then He goes on to say, "I'll write My Law on their hearts," which is your mind.

So, if you got the Holy Ghost, but you didn't get the Law of Yahweh, you got the Holy-Almost. Pentecost brings us into a commandment keeping relationship with Yahweh. In the 30-fold Passover relationship, we don't keep commands. We don't learn about the Law of Yahweh until we get to Mount Sinai. What is Pentecost a representation of? Mount Sinai. So when we come to 60-fold—and this is the level that many of you who are here and watching me have come to—you are a commandment keeper, and your relationship with Yahweh is more than Him loving you; it's you loving Him back. Guess what that is? A 50/50. Now you love Him in obedience. But in this relationship, everything's got to be fair.

If you've got a house full of children, everybody loves each other, but everything's got to be fair. That's why in this level of your walk with Yahweh, Satan will come to convince you that Yahweh is not fair; that He loves them more than He loves you, and you have to do this, which they don't have to do. I recognize you; slue-foot devil! *Yahweh is blessing them, just like He's blessing the 60-fold believer, and they don't keep the commandments.* Satan, I'm smarter than you. I know that it's not about salvation. This is about GOVERNMENT in the Millennium Reign. Thirty-fold is going to be just as saved as the 60-fold, and 60-fold is going to be just as saved as the 100-fold. But only ONE of these groups is going to govern the other groups. We are told by other Christians all the time that

we think we're better than them. I'm not better than you; I'm *different* from you. HalleluYah!

The next love is the 100-fold love. This is the only level that will have spiritual authority with Yahweh. They're walking in a different kind of love. Agape love is absolutely unconditional. It doesn't have to be fair. In this level you say, "Yahweh doesn't have to be fair; I love You so much!" At this level you say, "I don't care if He blesses the 30-fold more than me!" This level, and the problem with our movement is that we've gotten stuck at Pentecost: the Law. We've gotten stuck at Mount Sinai. We've gotten stuck at commandment keeping, and we're looking over at the 30-fold group and making fun of them, not knowing what we know. Don't you realize, because of that spirit, you're worse off than them?

Agape love is the kind of love that Yahshua had. I'm not going to read it to you, but Romans 5:6 says, *The love of Yahweh was manifested in Yahshua Messiah, Who died for the ungodly and His enemies.* He did not die for them after they became saints. He died for you while you were His enemy! I know the authority I walk with in Yahweh. Do you know why that is? Because I don't have an enemy, and I won't let you become one. Hear what I'm saying: I don't have an enemy, and yet I have so many. I'm determined to come into the 100-fold level of authority with Yahweh, to where He can trust me with my enemies; trust me with these 30-fold babies who make fun of my 100-fold knowledge.

They mock me for my desire to move into the 100-fold agape love arena with Yahweh. This level is Tabernacles. This is Millennium Reign level. This represents, not the Law, not Salvation, but the Government of Yahshua. The Sabbath Day is coming to the earth, and who is coming up in the first resurrection? Only this group! There's two resurrections. The 30-fold and 60-fold will not come up in the first resurrection. I can prove it to you from the Word of Yahweh. You, who are coming up in the first resurrection, you will be part of the 100-fold. Why do you think you're called the 144,000? Because you are one of the 100-fold. Only this group will train the other two

groups. But the way some of you treat this group, Yahweh wouldn't trust you to train them for anything in the world.

Yahweh had to work on me. When I first came from 30-fold to 60-fold, I was their enemy. I didn't realize it, but I thought it was my job to do the Holy Ghost job. But as you've seen of late, in the last year, year and a half, I've been feeling Yahweh push me into those realms of 100-fold anointing where you can love the unlovable, you can love your enemies. You must become like Yahshua Messiah! There's Passover and Pentecost, but until you come to Tabernacles—the government of Yahshua—when a Christian begins to mature and learn obedience, he's like a child who needs his mama.

When a Christian comes to Tabernacles, he reaches a level of spiritual maturity, and he's learned to *hear* the commandments, he's learned to *obey* the commandments, and he's learned *how* to obey it. Instead of the *how* of the commandments, you need to learn the *why* of the commandments. When you've learned those things, you start to enter into the experience of the final feast of Israel: Feast of Tabernacles. This is the realm of AGAPE love of Overcomers. I want to show you who these people are in the next two scriptures. We'll read from Matthew first, then Leviticus.

Mattithyah 6:12 And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.

Overcomers are forgivers. It didn't say to forgive if they asked you to forgive them. Watch this: In the 60-fold, everything's got to be fair, so when you're in this level, the only way you forgive is if they're fair and come and ask you to forgive them. Why? Because that's fair. That's Phileo love. When I get to the 100-fold, I don't need it to be fair. I'm willing to take the beating for my enemies. That's Agape love.

I'm trying to help somebody tonight. I don't need it to be fair in this realm! I don't care if Yahweh let you get away with it. When you're in the 60-fold, you're looking for vindication of your enemies. You're waiting on Yahweh to

make things fair. But in the 100-fold, you could care less if He ever does. Why? Because you love HIM. You have a relationship now where you're not even worried about what His plans are for the people in the other levels.

Leviticus 19:18 Do not seek revenge nor bear a grudge against one of your own people; but you shall love your neighbor; *whether a brother or an enemy, as yourself. I am Yahweh.*

Did you just hear that? I need everybody to pay attention; there's a move of the Holy Spirit in this room tonight! I want you to hear this: *Thou shalt not hold a grudge against the people of Yahweh.* Many times, I've been called weak because I let people walk over me. There were so many times when I could have fought back and maybe should have, but there's something that Yahweh put in me that's beyond rationality. I can't get mad at anybody, and I've got some demon enemies. Listen to me. I'm determined to let Agape love fill my life. I believe the message I teach. I want to be at that level of 100-fold, and I can't do it on my own, but Yahweh can do it through me.

Brother Vaughn, how do I get there? I'll show you how. If you came to the 30-fold, and you submitted in the 60-fold, watch out: you're going to wind up in the 100-fold! Don't just be a commandment keeper; LOVE keeping the commandments. We've got to have the mind of Yahshua Messiah, and I want everyone in this room tonight before we close, to keep those numbers in your mind. That is the measuring tape. My wife gave me a measuring tape today for measuring myself to see how I'm doing on my diet. I want you to take the measuring tape of 30, 60, 100-fold, and everywhere you go, measure your responses to see what level you're in.

Yahweh has PLANS for you, and if nobody in Waveland, Mississippi but you and I keep the Sabbath Day, it's okay. I'm not keeping it now to please Yahweh, I'm keeping it because I *love* Him, and I know He loves His Sabbath. At the 60-fold level, it's not fair. At the 100-fold level, we pray for the lower levels. Listen to me; I want you to hear this carefully. At the 100-fold level, you can get spiritual authority, and you can speak what the Father says, and it will HAPPEN! I've seen in my life where I've spoken

things, and later I would see it happen. I have to be careful to speak *only* what the Father says. We aren't talking about your Cadillac . We're talking about things that matter!

Tonight I spoke for a sister's plane ticket to be paid for. That gives me no benefit whatsoever. None. But I love my sister, and I want her to go to London, even though I've never been, and I want to go. I went to Maui, so I can't say anything. In closing, you follow the commandments, you know Yahweh's Name, you know all of this, but hear this: The *first* time you judge one of your brothers or sisters for not understanding, you're not in the right level. So let us never become that ministry, and we used to be. But let us, NEVER AGAIN.

Rules of Engagement

Would you please stand with us tonight for the reading of the Word of the Lord, and turn to the book of Joel.

Yahyl 2:1-3 Blow the trumpet; *shofar*, in Zion! Sound the alarm in My holy mountain! Let all of the inhabitants of the land tremble; for the day of Yahweh comes, for *it is near at hand*; 2 A day of darkness and of gloominess, a day of clouds and of thick darkness, like the morning *clouds spread upon the mountains.*

It's going to be a day of darkness and of gloominess, a day of clouds and thick darkness—there's your nuclear war right there. Have you ever seen a nuclear bomb explode? Have you ever seen the clouds and the sky after this? It becomes dark and gloomy.

A great people, and a strong; there has not ever been the like, nor will *there be any more after it, to the years of many generations.*

Go back and read that line again with me: *A great people and a strong people*. Let's go to verse three.

Verse 3 A fire devours in front of them, and behind them a flame burns. The land is like the garden of Eden in front of them, but behind them a desolate wilderness; yes, and nothing will escape them.

Now let's go down to verse eleven.

Verse 11 And Yahweh will utter His voice before His army, for His camp is very great. For *He is strong* Who executes His word; *the Law and the Prophets*, for the day of Yahweh is great and very terrible. Who can endure it?

I want to stop reading for a moment at the words *His army*. In verse three, He is talking about A Great People, and A Strong People! Let me tell you something. There is nothing weak about the people of Yahweh. Don't let our forgiveness and our love fool you. The people of Yahweh, according to Yahweh, are a Great people and a Strong people. He said the Lord will utter His voice before His army, for His camp is what? YAHWEH'S camp, and it's GREAT! It's more than great, it's *very* great! I'm glad to be in the Lord's camp tonight. The Lord's camp is strong, mighty, and very great.

You need to remember that tomorrow; that the Lord's camp is great. There's never been a people like us! There will never be a people like us. We have stood through the storms like you've never seen people stand. We've been told lies, we've been lied about, we've been cheated, talked about, rejected, molested, but we're still standing in the strength of Almighty Yah, because we are a STRONG people!

Don't ever let anyone convince you that the Church has died, or the Church is weak. The Church is getting stronger than she's ever been. Yes, we're losing a few along the way, but it's those who are not strong, those who are not Great. If you're going to join the Lord's army, you've got to be very

great. Joel said that there's never been a people like these people, for His camp is very great. The Lord executes His Word! Do you know how the Lord executes His word? Do you know that He doesn't have a mouth on the earth except yours to execute His word through? My God have mercy!

Whenever you quote the word of the Lord over your situation, that is a strong people, who are executing the word of Yahweh. We read that the Day of the Lord is great and very terrible. We used to sing an old song every Sunday night at our church and it said: *Jesus is getting us ready for that Great Day! Jesus is getting us ready for that Great Day! Tell me, who shall be able to stand?* That's the verse that song came from, right there. Who will be able to stand on the Great Day? Now turn with me to Revelation, chapter four.

Revelation 14:1 And I looked, and behold, the Lamb standing on Mount Zion, and with Him 144,000, having His Name and His Father's Name written on their foreheads.

Verse 4 These are the ones who were not defiled with women; forbidden assemblies, for they are virgins; *cleansed and pure*. These are the ones who follow the Lamb wherever He goes. These were redeemed from among men—the firstfruits to Yahweh.

I want to talk to you tonight for just a few minutes on *Spiritual Warfare and the Rules of Engagement*. Let's pray. Father, we thank you for these people tonight. We thank you for the word that you've given to us. We pray it would feed our hearts, and minister to us. May every soul leave here tonight with a blessing from the Name of Yahweh. In Yahshua's Name we pray. Amen.

You cannot go to battle without Rules of Engagement. There is a law that governs war. Tonight I want to talk to you about Spiritual Warfare and the Rules of Engagement. Friday night we talked about spiritual maturity. You can never go into spiritual warfare until you've reached spiritual maturity.

We talked about what tells if you're spiritually mature or not. Tonight we are going to deal with this Army of the Lord.

I want to say this to you tonight: Joel says to *Sound the alarm in My Holy Mountain*. The holy mountain is the Kingdom of Yahweh. You are citizens of that coming kingdom. He wants us to sound an alarm tonight to the Kingdom of Yahweh, and He wants us to tell you that it is time to come up a little higher, and prepare for battle. We're living in the time now where only the strong will survive. I promise you what I'm telling you: Only the strong are going to survive.

We're in the age now of the Great Falling Away. I promise you that the only revival promised in the Word of Yahweh for the end time, is not for the world. It is for the BRIDE: a revival of the Word of God, the latter rain. We are living in a time now where the Church is falling away one by one. They're falling away left and right. Believe what I'm telling you. They have failed to understand that *they are* the Army of the Lord. What I want to talk about is the great tragedy of today: the singular focus on the saving of souls, rather than the preparation of a mighty army. I'll say that again: The Church is focused on saving souls rather than preparing this mighty army that Joel was talking about. I'm not going to lie to you. When I read the description of the army Joel's talking about, and I look at the Church, I see a disconnect.

We have got to get in our minds that we are going to be in the Army of the Lord on that Great Day. If you're going to be in the Army of the Lord, you've got to learn how to do warfare; spiritual warfare. Because if you cannot survive the warfare of this life, you will not survive the warfare that Joel's talking about. Joel said, "I saw an army of great people. There's never been anyone like them before." How can there be an army on that day of great people? I'll tell you how. Soldiers in the Army of the Lord who are coming on that Great Day, are the very ones under the sound of my voice, covered with blood from head to toe.

You are covered with discouragement from head to toe. You are covered with the malicious attacks of the enemy from head to toe. You're black from the top of your head to the sole of your foot. You've been dragged through the mud, you've been lied about by your closest relative. You've been forsaken by the Church. You've been put down, you've been turned around, but some way, there's still a fight left in you. That is the Army of the Lord. That army's not going to get great on that day. That army's getting great right NOW, so we can fight on that Great Day. If you can fight on this day, you'll qualify to fight on that Great Day.

If you ever feel like giving up, if you ever feel like turning around, you need to remember these words: Yahweh doesn't need saved folks; Yahweh needs SOLDIERS. Listen to what I'm saying! The Church is trying to get folks saved. Yahweh is trying to train an army, an army that knows how to fight in the Spirit. You know the Bible said that the Great Army, wherever they went, a fire burned before them. That's not a literal fire. The Word of Yahweh is FIRE! This army's a Word army. This army can quote the Word from Genesis to Revelation. When the devil tells us we won't defeat him, we can tell him, "I once was young and now I'm old and I've never seen the righteous forsaken."

You'll never get in this army through the simple faith in Christ. You better learn how to call on the Lord. You better do better than learn how to call on the Lord; you better fellowship with the Lord. You better learn His character. You better learn His ways. You better learn the secrets of the Lord. Because I'm going to tell you this: Yahweh's looking for an ARMY! How can we qualify for the army if we're not daily becoming something?

Brother Vaughn, would you pray that this would leave my life? Let me tell you something: Every demon that you fight against has been sent by Yahweh to see how you will handle that battle. When you have learned the Word, when the Word becomes your sword, when the Word becomes your weapon, when the Word becomes your refuge, when the Word becomes your everything, then no Jezebel can fight you or touch you, because you're a SOLDIER in the Army of the Lord.

If you join this army with the thought in your mind that if it gets too hard I'll quit, you don't even need to join because it's going to get hard, then it's going to get harder. Then it's going to get Harder, and all that's going to be left of you is a dead corpse; a dead man with not one ounce of pride left. I don't have one ounce of anything left, but the Holy Ghost and the Word of Yahweh! I've had carnal people tell me that they see prayer as a sign of weakness. *What do you mean you're going to pray about it? You need to do something about it.* You don't understand, I don't have the power to do anything. *Do something about it.* I can't. I'm an innocent child. I have to go to my Heavenly Father for the next piece of bread on my plate.

My prayer life is my training ground. PRAYER is where I learn the secret to spiritual warfare: The battle belongs to the Lord! That's how you win spiritual warfare. *Brother Vaughn, I'm broke. I think I'm going to go out and hustle up some money.* Why don't you hustle up some knees, and fall, and trust Yahweh or everything that you need? You'll never go hungry trusting the Lord. Never. Yahweh's not trying to get you saved as much as He's trying to get you sanctified. Because, if you're going to be a soldier in the army of the Lord, you're going to have to fight every day of your life. Listen to me. If anybody's ever felt like giving up, you're looking at him.

I've been fought by Jezebel, I've been tormented night and day every day of my life, but I never fought back one time, because I found out the secret of spiritual warfare. When I go to my Father and fall on my knees, and when I cry, "Help, Lord," my battle is already won. That battle is already WON! Why? Because the battle wasn't over your enemy, the battle was to see if you knew who your real enemy was. The first tactic of spiritual warfare is identifying the enemy. The enemy is not your employer. Let me tell you something. I had one of the biggest lies told about me a few years ago. It involved a lot of money. Today, their business is shut down because of their lies. Shut down from this side of town to that side of town; shut down everywhere. Do you want to know why? Not one time did I ever fight back.

Brother Vaughn, you need to defend yourself. I can't defend myself. If you want to believe a lie about me, I can't stop you from believing a lie about me. Nothing I can tell you will make you not believe that lie. But if I bow down and ask the Lord to fight that battle, and let the truth come out, I'll win every time! If you walk in holiness, you'll win every time. **IF YOU WALK IN HOLINESS, YOU'LL WIN EVERY TIME!** When Satan wants to fight you, do you know that's what the angels of the Lord are for? The Bible said that the angels of the Lord are the ministering spirits that fight your battles for you.

I want to encourage you to learn spiritual warfare. Here is the greatest secret I've ever learned on spiritual warfare: The revelation of *who* Yahweh's trying to destroy. Yahweh is not trying to destroy my enemy. Yahweh is trying to destroy **ME!** Why didn't I get an Amen? Because you don't like that. Yahweh wants you dead. Have you ever heard the words *Living Sacrifice*? How is a sacrifice going to be alive? Only in the believer can we be living dead people. I promise you if Yahweh smells one ounce of flesh left on you, He's going to send another enemy to prove what's in you still. Oh, yes He will!

Brother Vaughn, I don't know how to fight these battles. I want to just give you a couple of keys tonight that might help you. Whenever we realize that Yahweh is calling us to battle, you first have to decide whether it is the enemy bringing the battle, or Yahweh bringing the battle. This is very, very important. Let's turn to Deuteronomy. I want to help you tonight, because Yahweh's people are giving up in the battle. They're dying in the battle. But I promise that if you will develop a prayer life, appointments with Yahweh, you will win *every* battle in your life.

Deuteronomy 28:49 Yahweh will bring a nation against you from far away, from the end of the earth, like an eagle swooping down, a nation whose language you will not understand.

Yahweh is talking to His Church right there. Listen, stay with me. Israel was Yahweh's first Church. Paul called them *the church in the wilderness*.

Here's Yahweh's Church, and do you know what He tells His people? *I'm about to send a warrior your way. There is no need to try and prophesy it away, no need to do spiritual warfare against it, it's coming from Me.*

Here's many of our problems: Many times what you think is spiritual warfare, is the hand of Yahweh coming into your life to finish destroying you. What did Yahweh tell Israel? *I'm sending a nation from far off and they're going to come in so fast you won't know what hit you. You can send your pastor out there, and prophesy to the storm, just speak the Word; you can do all that all day long, but that nation isn't going anywhere. I'm sending them!*

Now I need everybody to listen to me because you're not going to clap on this part; you're not going to get happy, and some of you watching are not going to like it. I say that eighty percent of your battles have nothing to do with Satan. It has to do with your rebellion against Yahweh! It's not spiritual warfare if you slept around all your life and got AIDS. That's not spiritual warfare. It's not spiritual warfare if you were a gossiper and trouble maker all your life and now your life is filled with gossip and trouble. It's not spiritual warfare if you've been robbing Yahweh of His tithe and all of a sudden: *My finances are under attack!* No, they're not, they're suffering from the law of reciprocity.

Many of you are wasting time trying to call down demons. *I'm going out there Brother Vaughn, and I'm going to call down...* Listen. If you've been shackled up with somebody's husband, don't come here talking about the enemy attacking your family. You attacked your family! You are wasting Yahweh's time in spiritual warfare. If you are in rebellion, it's the sin of witchcraft, and that curse will be on your family for generations. Yahweh told Israel, "I'm sending an army, and you're going to think the devil sent them. You're going to stand out there and say, *I command you in the Name of the Lord, turn from whence you came,* and you're making a joke and a mockery out of the things of Yahweh.

Be not deceived. Whatever a man soweth, that shall he reap. There's only one thing you can do whenever Yahweh sends a battle your way. It's called STOP, DROP, and ROLL. Stop your rebellion. Drop in surrender. And Roll into the blessings of the Lord. Stop, drop, and roll. Why? Because as long as you're disobedient to Yahweh, He's going to judge you by fire. *Now Brother Vaughn, I've got friends who are just as disobedient as I am, and they're not under attack.* I know. Because Yahweh didn't send the army to anybody except Israel.

They're not in the House of Israel. They don't have a covenant through water baptism. They're not in the House of Yahweh. Where does judgment begin? Not at your neighbor's house; in the House of Yahweh! Why? Donald Trump can't give one command to the Iranian army, although he's done a pretty good job of it. But anyway, he can't give one command to the Iranian army. Not one. Why can he not command that army? Because he has no intentions for that army, because they're not serving his purpose.

You signed up when you made that trip to the altar, to be in the Army of the Lord. Do you know what you told the Lord that day? *You've got every right to do whatever You want to me so I'll be more like you. If I'm a liar, make me suffer until I quit lying. If I'm a gossiper, make me suffer until I quit gossiping. If I don't love my brother as much as I love myself, send me so many armies into my life until I do. If I've got pride, send those armies Lord!* We need to pray: SEND AN ARMY LORD! Knock it out of me! Yahweh is looking for an army of dead folk; dead people who have no ability to fight within themselves. They're dead, and all they can do is say, "Help Father!" It's those people.

The first thing that Yahweh tells you is that the battle belongs to the Lord. When you try to fight it yourself is the minute He knows you're not fit for the battle, because you didn't get the first lesson: The Battle Belongs to the Lord. Until you learn to quit fighting your battles, you can count Yahweh out. He won't fight a battle that you're fighting. But I learned a long time ago, if I hold my peace and just let the Lord fight my battle: victory, Victory VICTORY shall be mine! Let's go to chapter twenty now.

I want to say this: Our battle in spiritual warfare is for the souls of men. You don't have to turn there, but in I Timothy 2:1 it says, *I exhort you first of all to pray for all men, to intercede for all men.* If you don't have the Agape love of Yahweh, you don't need to be on the battlefield, because this battle is not meant to destroy your enemy; it's meant to convert your enemy. This battle is meant to be won with the LOVE of Yahweh in such a way where people will just shake their head at how you can still have anything to do with them after they've done to you what they've done; and how you can still love them after what they did, and they don't deserve your love. If you're going to be a soldier in the army of the Lord, you can't hate.

Why do you think they court-martialed that soldier a while back, who killed an Iraqi man on video, laughing about it? Because he didn't understand the rules of engagement. We're not here to torment our enemies. No. We're here to liberate them. We're going to set them FREE from what's binding them. The Bible says their eyes are blind. They don't even know what they're doing, and yet, somebody in the Army of the Lord wants to rejoice over their downfall. They will fall; believe me when I tell you that. But if you rejoice the moment they fall, you're just as degraded as they are, and you're not worthy to be in the Army of the Lord.

So again, spiritual authority produces spiritual warfare, but you cannot get caught up in spiritual warfare without spiritual maturity, which is the agape love of Yahweh. The most dangerous preacher in the world is a preacher who loves to preach but doesn't love the people. You've got to have the love of Yahweh! Why do you think Paul said not to let a young man preach? Paul said, "Don't let a novice in the pulpit." Why? Because he doesn't know the love of Yahweh yet. He will abuse Yahweh's precious children because he has only knowledge in the Word. Let me tell you something. I would rather have the agape love of Yahweh and be as dumb as a cow, than forget that the biggest of all of these is CHARITY. That's the greatest of all the attributes of a good soldier.

If you have an enemy tonight, and you're waiting for them to fall, you're not worthy of this army. You need to be waiting for them to be changed, converted, repented, turned around, and rejoice in the Lord if He doesn't make them suffer like you wanted them to suffer! The worst thing you can do is give a sword to a religious man. Yahweh is watching your maturity. He's seeing if you've got the agape love. If you have agape love, you can come up to spiritual warfare. Let me tell you something. You must learn the lesson we're going to learn in chapter twenty, when you go out to battle the enemy. I love this chapter.

Deuteronomy 20:1-4 When you go out to battle against your enemies, and see horses, chariots, and people more numerous than yourself, do not be afraid, for Yahweh your Father, Who brought you up from the land of Egypt, is with you.

I just felt the Holy Ghost! The Lord, thy God, is with thee! I don't know if you know how big Yahweh is, but I just read that the Lord thy God is with thee when you go to battle, if trouble comes into your life, and you have stopped and dropped, and searched your heart, and you aren't playing with Yahweh. He will tell you, if you ask Him if you've done anyone wrong, and so many people will start popping into your mind. If you ignore that, you're going to stay in battle with the Lord. Pray, *Father, if I've done somebody wrong, put their name in my mind right now.* Look how fast He'll do it; just like that!

Can I get a witness? Has anybody prayed that prayer and the Lord brought them right to your mind? If the flesh kicks in and you try to justify what you did to them, that's not what you asked Him, and what He told you. *Brother Vaughn, they deserved it.* See? Yahweh didn't ask if they deserved it; He said, "What did you do?" He could care less if they deserved it. He wants to know, what did you do? If you ask the Lord tonight to search your heart, that's the most dangerous prayer you can pray. If you really mean it, get ready! Because you'll have to call everybody on your cell phone and say, "I have to tell you something." Why? Because Yahweh wants you DEAD.

There are people in this room tonight that Yahweh said to tell you that once you have done that, and you know you are clear with the Lord, the next thing we have to do is to change battle plans, because now we know that attack is from the ENEMY. There's twenty lessons of spiritual warfare, but I think I'll only be able to get to the first one tonight.

verses 2-4 When you are about to go into battle, the priest shall come forward, and address the men of war. 3 And he shall say to them: Hear, O Israyl; Today you are going into battle against your enemies. Do not be faint-hearted, do not be afraid, do not tremble nor be terrified because of them; 4 For Yahweh your Father is He Who goes with you to fight for you against your enemies , and gives you the victory.

Yahweh said the first lesson of spiritual warfare is: No Fear. Yahweh will send you so many fearful things. How many of you have been in a place where you felt an attack and your heart literally starts skipping beats because you're that scared? I've been there. I've been sitting in my house and fear would come upon me. The phone would ring and... Fear! Yahweh allows fearful situations in your life to teach you the lesson of no fear. I want you to look back at everything you've ever feared and answer a question for me. Did the Lord bring you through every one of them? Yes. NO FEAR!

Yahweh sends fearful things into your life to teach you that you don't have to fear. When He comes back and we come with Him as the tribes of Israel, that's the 144,000. When we return, do you know that we are coming into a land full of billions of people who are the enemies of our God, and we will govern them? Do you know that the Bible says when Yahshua returns, that this army will turn all their weapons towards all of us? Did you know your Bible said that in Zachariah? They will turn their weapons to the Lord Himself. They'll think it is an alien invasion.

They're going to be more than us in number. He said, "When you go to battle and you see that they've got more carnal friends against you than you

have spiritual friends standing with you, don't be surprised. Carnal people will always have a big crowd. They'll always have a bigger cheerleading squad. There's always carnal people who want to start drama, talk trash. They can find people all over Facebook. They can find people all over your neighborhood. There you are trying to do the right thing, and you've got to call somebody a hundred miles away from you to agree with you in prayer. There's hardly any spiritual people anywhere around you.

But I just heard the Lord say, *When you go to battle and there are more against you than there are for you, if you're going to be a good soldier, I'll teach you the first lesson: No Fear. NO FEAR!* If you've made it right with the Lord, the next battle if it's from the enemy is the easy battle. The hard one is between you and the Lord.

I feel like tonight I'm talking to somebody who's fighting with the Lord. If you're in this room tonight and you're in a battle with Yahweh, He's going to win, or you are going to die; one of the two. If you're in this room tonight and you can't take the battle anymore, He can stop it just like that with a word of REPENTANCE. Just one word of repentance from your heart, from the depths of your being. Repentance is not *I'm sorry*. Repentance is NEVER doing it again; turning it around.

In Closing

We want to be a blessing to your life. I'm not a perfect man. I've made many mistakes in my life, but several years ago I completely sold out to Him and promised I would preach this Coming Kingdom of Yahweh message until the end of the world. Since then, we have published more than twenty two books as we try to get this message out. I need your help to do that. We have many booklets we've written to answer any questions you may have, and to prepare you for the Coming Kingdom of Yahweh.

These booklets are given to you at no charge. I will send as many as you want to place in your local community. If Yahweh would place it on your

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