

Will Wellspring Ministries Survive?

by Dr. Art Mathias

We are at a crossroads as a nation, as a worldwide community and we are at a huge crossroads here at Wellspring Ministries. Our personal crossroads is the primary focus of what I need to share, but first I want to put this all in perspective with this time in history and in our nation. Do you believe that God talks to us? Can you think of the many ways He does speak to us? How many ways has He spoken with you?

I want to talk about one particular way He communicates for a few minutes.

- In Genesis 1:14-18, God said, "Let there be lights in the dome of the sky to divide the day from the night; let them be for signs, seasons, days and years; and let them be for lights in the dome of the sky to give light to the earth"; and that is how it was. God made the two great lights – the larger light to rule the day and the smaller light to rule the night – and the stars. God put them in the dome of the sky to give light to the earth, to rule over the day and over the night, and to divide the light from the darkness; and God saw that it was good." CJB

We have heard Pastor Pat Hadley, Mark Biltz, John Klein and others teach us that the signs and seasons, mentioned in vs. 14 are His Moed or Appointed Times. He has created His moadim or Appointed Times for us to meet with Him on His calendar which His "lights in the Heavens" reveal to us. The cycles of the moon reveal His times and seasons or Appointed Times.

He wants us to understand His calendar so we are not surprised or overcome by what is coming. He has placed these signs, this communication, there for everyone to understand.

- Romans 1:13-20 says: "Brothers, I want you to know that although I have been prevented from visiting you until now, I have often planned to do so, in order that I might have some fruit among you, just as I have among the other Gentiles. I owe a debt to both civilized Greeks and uncivilized people, to both the educated and the ignorant; therefore I am eager to proclaim the Good News also to you who live in Rome. For I am not ashamed of the Good News, since it is God's powerful means of bringing salvation to everyone who keeps on trusting, to the Jew especially, but equally to the Gentile. For in it is revealed how God makes people righteous in his sight; and from beginning to end it is through trust – as the Tanakh puts it, "But the person who is righteous will live his life by trust." What is revealed is God's anger from heaven against all the godlessness and wickedness of people who in their wickedness keep suppressing the truth; because what is known about God is plain to them, since God has made it plain to them. For ever since the creation of the universe his invisible qualities – both his eternal power and his divine nature – have been clearly seen, because they can be understood from what he has made. Therefore, they have no excuse...."

God is revealing Himself and His ways to all of mankind so we can repent bringing salvation to ourselves and everyone who keeps on trusting. Again: "What is revealed is God's anger from heaven against all the godlessness and wickedness of people who in their wickedness keep suppressing the truth; because what is known about God is plain to them, since God has made it

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What has He made? Everything, including the lights in the Heavens. The stars and the sun and moon are there to reveal God to each of us **and to show us His calendar**. The key point in this passage is that we must repent from our ways and live by faith, trusting in Him. Part of this is studying what He has ‘made’ because those things reveal Him.

God’s Calendar begins with 7 days in a week; then seven moadim or appointed times that He has chosen to meet with us every year. Each of these Moadim or Appointed Times have a special message about Him that He reveals in Passover, Pentecost, Trumpets, Atonement, and Tabernacles. Then His calendar continues the cycle of seven with a cycle of 7 years. Every 7th year is called a Shemitah year. Then a series of 7 Shemitah years culminate with a Jubilee year. This cycle continues over and over again. Many believe that there will only be 120 Jubilee years for mankind and that 2017 is the 120th Jubilee year.

He also communicates through the stars in what is called Constellations. John Klein taught us in his book, *Anatomy of the Heavens,* that each of the many Constellations of stars actually tell the Gospel story and there is also a calendar or clock of sorts in how the Constellations move and rotate.

According to “Science” this all just happens. I am happy that we do not have to depend on what the world calls science and accept that all is just happenstance. Let me give you a couple of examples of what I am talking about. Mark Biltz, author of the book *“God’s Day Timer,”* suggests God often uses celestial signs to send direct messages to the nations.

Biltz said: “Just look at the biblical pattern. Many know the story of Jonah and Nineveh from the Bible, but not the historical background events as to what had already transpired, and why they repented. In 765 B.C., a plague broke out in Nineveh. Which was followed by a civil war and then another plague. “An archaeological find of cuneiform tablets was found in the 19th century describing events in Nineveh. The Tablets tell us of a famous eclipse known as the Bur-Sagale eclipse, which is verified by NASA as occurring on June 15, 763 BC. The path of totality (total darkness) was right over Nineveh. Remember God had declared the sun and the moon were for signs, and now the Ninevites saw the wrath of God coming even before Jonah arrived a couple months later. When Jonah arrived, they were ripe for repentance.”

The path of totality of the Bur-Sagle Eclipse, occurred just north of Nineveh during the reign of King Ashur-Dan III of Assyria. Biltz then wrote “We know that the Prophet Jonah was a contemporary of King Ashur-Dan III because of a brief mention of him in the Second Book of Kings, which places his prophetic ministry during the reign of King Jeroboam II of Israel.”

He explained then, “Given the fact that this solar eclipse was one of the most noteworthy events to [have] occurred during the reign of Ashur-Dan III, it has prompted many theologians to suggest that the occurrence of the Bur-Sagle eclipse was the primary reason why the Ninevites were so keen to repent upon hearing Jonah’s message of doom - a curious reaction which is left unexplained in the book of Jonah itself.”

He continued, “the Assyrian chronicles inform us that a plague had broken out in the city of Nineveh just a few years before the eclipse 765 BC, which was soon followed by an internal revolt which began during the very same year that the eclipse occurred - a series of events which would undoubtedly have been attributed to the wrath of the gods.”

The circumstances left the Ninevites, he explained, “only too eager to listen.” Biltz argued signs of this kind also occurred during the modern era just before cataclysmic events.

“Now fast-forward to another solar eclipse on August 21, but this time in 1914,” he said. “This is the first day of the month of Elul, which begins the month of repentance in ‘God’s Day

feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars. She was with child. She cried out in pain, laboring to give birth.'

"The woman clothed with the sun is the constellation Virgo and represents the nation of Israel. The 12 stars represent the 12 tribes of Israel. Interestingly, the constellation Leo, the Lion, which is above Virgo, is made up of nine stars. The Lion represents specifically the tribe of Judah. It just so happens this year during the Days of Awe, three planets will join the constellation Leo making up 12 stars. Virgo will be clothed with the sun, and the moon will be under her feet, fulfilling this sign to precise detail!"

Historically God's people have taken the 40 days before Atonement or Yom Kippur very seriously as a time to repent and prepare for the coming of the Messiah during the Fall Appointed Times. Especially the "Days of Awe," which are the 10 days between the Feast of Trumpets and Yom Kippur. They are called the "Days of Awe" because they are awesome.

During these 40 days, especially the last 10, we are to do everything we can do to get right with God, to make things right with others, to forgive others and to repent for our sins. This is all about becoming a vessel of honor; to be His pure bride; prepared for every good work. Do you remember what it felt like when you truly forgave others and truly repented for your shame and guilt? Do you remember the freedom? This is why these are Days of Awe!

Mark Biltz believes the eclipses and constellations are signs of God is reinserting Himself into human history as prophecy becomes fulfilled as never before. Therefore, Biltz says, it is especially important for Christians to "learn from history" and lead a movement for repentance.

"I recommend believers unite in fasting and praying for our nation," he said. "This eclipse is just before the month of Elul, begins at the same time Jesus, Yeshua, went into the wilderness for 40 days after being immersed by John, coming out just before Yom Kippur. "This begins the same time Moses went back up the mount to make atonement for the sin of the golden calf, coming down on Yom Kippur.



"This is the same time frame Jonah went to Nineveh telling them to repent before judgment would fall on Yom Kippur! So according to 'God's Day Timer,' the United States has 40 days to repent by Yom Kippur, as judgment will be meted out over the following year either for bad or good." WOW!

This all brings me to the issue I need to address with all of us.

Wellspring Ministries is at a huge crossroads. For the past two years we have been borrowing about \$25,000 per month to make the mortgage payments on our building and to support our counselling ministry. The counselling ministry costs us about \$100,000 per year. We cannot continue to do this. Please understand, no matter what happens to the ministry, Wellspring Church will continue.

Ten years ago we purchased our building to have office and church space and for the purpose of having rental income to fund the Ministry. This has worked very well when we had a good tenant. Two years ago that tenant moved and we have not been able to replace them. We have been crying out to God for over 2 years for a tenant and then for a buyer and neither have happened so far.

I am asking that we do as our ancestors of the past and take the month of Elul, the next 40 days, to pray and fast for His deliverance for our nation, our world and for Wellspring Ministries.

Over the last 18 years I have written several books that have sold over 120,000 copies; we have taught 100's of seminars all over the world; we have established offices and ministry partners in many nations; we have helped to start churches in many nations; we have conducted over a 100 personal counselling sessions per week for almost 18 years; we have

trained over a 1000 counselors in our Schools of Ministries; I have appeared on several TV and radio programs, etc.

When I look at this audience and the 1000's that we have ministered to and have been healed, all over the world, I cannot believe that our mission is over. Is our mission over? Are there still sick and hurting people in the World? Are there those that still need the Gospel? How can we leave all our partners behind?

Please pray! Please join me in prayer for the deliverance of our nation and Wellspring Ministries.

God Bless you!

Dr. Art Mathias

PS: For those of you here in Anchorage, we are going to keep room 210 open from at least 7 am to 7 pm everyday beginning on Monday for the next 40 days. Come and Pray!



Wellspring Church Is Growing in Pakistan

Leadership Praying in Wellspring Church

These pictures are from the Chak 132 Silanwali, a new city near Sargodha, Pakistan.

The pastors have been distributing clothes to the widows and books to the children.

The women of Wellspring Church Pakistan have started a class for the children (pictured below). Before this they did not know about the Bible or Adam and Eve! It is very encouraging to watch joy and peace come over these special children.



Massive Flooding in East Nepal

Wellspring Ministries of Nepal - Pastor Daniel

"I am in Kathmandu suffering from shooting pain in my right hip. I am getting some relief.

Our missionary to northwest Nepal travels six hours on foot and twenty hours by bus to reach Kathmandu to visit with me. We have talked about the unreached people groups in his area and there are quite a few and we made a plan to see what we can do. Two young girls have accepted the Lord Jesus as their personal Savior last Saturday.



We have been hit hard by monsoon rains since Friday August 12th through 14th for 72 hours straight. I have been receiving calls from our pastors about the situation in east Nepal and the news of heavy flooding and landslides. Many have been killed and injured by floods. Immediate assistance is needed for pastors, churches and believers for clothing,

blankets, rice, and tents. Since Tuesday I am not receiving any more calls due to no electricity in those areas from flooding with bridges down and airports are closed. I will update you as soon as we hear more news.

Dambar B.(School of Ministry graduate) has also been ministering in east Nepal where the flooding is occurring. Itahari has more than sixty houses in the Bhadrapur Jhapa district that have been inundated after the flood water from Mechi River gushed through the town on Monday, August 14, 2017."



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