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1. Opening

Welcome to the Devotionals of The House of Bread. In the Word we read that we are to receive the Word of GOD by the Spirit, so I strongly urge you to pray before you receive the Devotional. Let Christ take the lead in your Spiritual Development.

You can Watch on YouTube at: https://youtu.be/Q_IS0hkHoTc

Introduction

This morning, I was awoken early to go and help a fellow brother in need. As I sat in the car, looking out over a very green field, I was instructed to open my note-writing app on my phone, with only the title given to me: “**Storms and Times of Storms.**”

As we, as believers, have entered into a time long prophesied about, we look around us and find that the storms have now all but surrounded us.

You see, your storm and someone else’s storm might look a little different, but they are storms all the same.

For some, it’s financial stress.

For others, it’s work.

And for some, it’s even within their own families — their wife and kids.

But all of these are storms in our lives.

And as we, as believers, watch the world around us, we see that a storm has now encamped around the Church — the institution itself. You know how pastors always say, “Read your Bibles. Get to know the Lord for yourself.”

We are in that very moment now — where silence might fill their stages, and buildings once alive may become dead and still.

Could you believe it when you heard the news about this coming to pass? For those who believe, we knew it was coming.

2. Scripture Text

Amos 8:11-12 KJV

“[11] Behold, the days come, saith the Lord GOD, that I will send a famine in the land, not a famine of bread, nor a thirst for water, but of hearing the words of the LORD: [12] and they shall wander from sea to sea, and from the north even to the east, they shall run to and fro to seek the word of the LORD, and shall not find it. “

<https://bible.com/bible/1/amo.8.11-12.KJV>

3. Devotional Reflection

Now, this is a harsh word — yet it was prophesied in the Word of God a long time ago. When we understand this famine, it becomes even more terrifying, because for some (not all), this famine has already taken root in the church they attend.

Rather than hearing the true Word, they listen to feel-good messages and motivational speeches. The famine crept in slowly — but now it’s ramping up in a big way.

As the churches marched against the government here in sunny South Africa, one thing became perfectly clear: not many looks beyond our borders. If they did, they would see that what is taking place here in South Africa is a worldwide thing — not just local.

My hope is that there is still more time for many to come into the fold. But the stage is set, and this may be the moment where whatever oil you have with you will be the only oil you’ve got.

There have been warnings, time and time again, urging people to get to know the LORD personally. Yet the response is often, “I’ll do it tomorrow.”

But you see — we aren’t promised tomorrow.

We are promised eternity with the LORD, if we follow the Book of Conditions — yes, that very Bible that gathers dust in the corner.

The storm has set in, friends.

People are reacting out of instinct, not out of a sound mind.

They take offense where none was offered.

And when true offense does come, they take drastic action.

When you're in a storm, it takes a lot to consider those around you. Because if you don't have Jesus Christ as your King and Savior, you become the most important person in your own show. This world becomes your stage — and you will have things your way, and no other.

Yes, these are hard words. But this is only the start of the storm. The sea still holds its borders, and the sun — though hotter than before — is not yet weaponized.

So, I stand here, not asking for your admiration, nor for you to understand. But I plead with you: go and meet with the LORD.

Because the **times of storms** are upon us.

And though I am not permitted to explain how bad things will get in such a public forum, know this — when you walk this journey with God, **you will be okay.**

Because your King **commands the storms.**

But friends, before this famine reaches your doorstep, take a step back — and **consume the Bread of Life.**

Written by the Hand of a Servant of the Living God.

Son of David

Selah. Shalom

4. Resources

Playlists:

Over the last few months and years, we have compiled a few playlists on SoundCloud. Feel free to explore it, download it and share with friends and family.

Find playlists at: <https://soundcloud.com/houseofbread4u/sets>

NEW: Download Music



We have added the ability for you to download the music you heard in the devotionals. You can listen to the song before hitting the “Download” button to know it is the right song you wanted. For now, at least, these are free downloads, and my hope is that I can keep it free. Enjoy!

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