

16 May 2021 Children, Be Holy as I am Holy Pastor Sharon Bendixen (WTB)

Scripture reference:

Revelation 18:1-5 (AMPC); 2 Corinthians 6:14-15 (KJV); 2 Corinthians 6:14-18 (AMPC); 2 Corinthians 7:1 (AMPC); Zechariah 13:1-2 (AMPC); Psalm 119:9 (AMPC); Lamentations 3:27-28 (AMPC); Proverbs 4:23 (MSG, AMPC, NLT); Ecclesiastes 11:9-10 (AMPC); Ecclesiastes 12:1 (AMPC); 1 Peter 1:13-16 (AMPC); PSALM 71:17 (AMPC); 1 John 1:5-10 (TPT); James 4:4-8 (TLB); James 4:6 (AMPC)

Good morning, everybody. Hallelujah.

Thank you for the privilege, Lord, of being able to minister to Your people today, Your Word. I pray that it will minister to the hearts of Your people, as You intend it to. That every person here this morning will hear what the Spirit of God is saying to our church—to our local church, to all those that are positioned and appointed and placed and set into this local church, by the Holy Spirit. I thank You for that in Jesus' name. And we say amen. Amen.

So, I'm continuing with what the Lord has been speaking to me about, now for a couple of months. He's been speaking to us all about it. I'm going to read out of Revelation chapter 18, from verse 1 to verse 5 from the Amplified Bible. This is an admonition. It's actually a command, and it carries in it a warning as well; That the Spirit of God is saying this to this church, at this time.

¹Then I saw another angel descending from heaven, possessing great authority, and the earth was illuminated with his radiance and splendor. ²And he shouted with a mighty voice, She is fallen! Mighty Babylon is fallen! She, mighty Babylon. Now just keep in mind that mighty Babylon is the world system. The Word of God says that Satan is the god of this world system; Babylon, Egypt, all a type of the world system at work today in the earth, that Jesus said that He has come to deliver us from this present world system. Jesus calls it wicked, filled with twisted ways and twisted thinking and twisted speaking.

So here's she, ² **...he shouted with a mighty voice, She is fallen! Mighty Babylon is fallen! She has become a resort and dwelling place for demons, a dungeon haunted by every loathsome spirit, an abode for every filthy and detestable bird. ³For all nations have drunk the wine of her passionate unchastity, and the rulers and leaders of the earth have joined with her in committing fornication [idolatry], and the businessmen of the earth have become rich with the wealth of her excessive luxury and wantonness. ⁴I then heard another voice from heaven saying, and here's the risen, resurrected Christ speaking to His Church, Come out from her, my people, so that you may not share in her sins, neither participate in her plagues. ⁵For her iniquities (her crimes and transgressions) are piled up as high as heaven, ... (Revelation 18:1-5 AMPC)**

There was another time in the history of God's timeline, in the days of Noah, where there was transgression and iniquity that was piled up as high as heaven. There comes a fullness of time in the heart of God, where He will move by His mighty hand.

He moves in His Church and through His Church. That's why He's telling His Church to come out of her. They are piled up as high as heaven, and God has remembered her wickedness and [her] crimes [and calls them up for settlement]. (Revelation 18:5 AMPC) This is that time right now.

I'm going to read now from 2 Corinthians chapter 6, from verse 14. Yes, from verse 14. **14Be ye not unequally yoked with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness,** it seems as if I put this in the King James. **14Be not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness... (2 Corinthians 6:14 KJV)** Are you the righteousness of God, in Christ Jesus? Were you made righteous by the Blood?

This is a very popular thing in, especially with people that have been in the faith way for a long time; I'm the righteousness of God in Christ Jesus. They have made that statement as if it gives them license to do whatever they want to do. But if you are declaring that; "I am the righteousness of God in Christ Jesus," then as a believer, we ought to be living right. We're to be living by that righteousness that we've been made. Right.

14...what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? And what communion hath light with darkness? 15 And what concord hath Christ with Belial? (2 Corinthians 6:14-15 KJV) That's Satan. I'm just turning here now to the Amplified Bible, 2 Corinthians 6.

Pastor John has recently read the Scripture, actually quite a few times now. Verse 14, out of the Amplified, **14Do not be unequally yoked with unbelievers [do not make mismatched alliances with them or come under a different yoke with them, inconsistent with your faith]. For what partnership have right living and right standing with God with iniquity and lawlessness?** We just had a look in the book of Revelation that Babylon is filled with iniquity and lawlessness, right? **15What harmony,** verse 15, **can there be between Christ and Belial [the devil]?** The devil is the god of this world. What harmony can there be between Christ and the devil? What harmony can there be between Christ in you and the devil in the world?

15...Or what has a believer in common with an unbeliever? What do you have in common with an unbeliever? Are you supposed to have anything in common with an unbeliever? These are questions God is asking us. **16What agreement [can there be between] a temple of God,** here I am the temple of God **and idols?** What are idols? Anything else that takes your attention and your fancy and that you are attending to that is not God. Right? That you worship, that you want in your life.

16 What agreement [can there be between] a temple of God and idols? For we are the temple of the living God; even as God said, I will dwell in and with and among them and will walk in and with and among them, and I will be their God, and they shall be My people. 17 So, come out from among [unbelievers], 2 Corinthians 6:14-17 AMPC) So, come out. Does that sound like the scripture where Jesus is talking in the book of Revelation? So, come out. This is what the Spirit of God is saying to this church at this time, this local church. Come out, come out, come out, come out. **17...come out from among [unbelievers], and separate**

(sever) yourselves from them, says the Lord, and touch not [any] unclean thing; then I will receive you kindly and treat you with favor, ¹⁸And I will be a Father to you, and you shall be My sons and daughters, says the Lord Almighty. (2 Corinthians 6:14-18 AMPC)

Now we're going to the very next Scripture in chapter seven. **¹Therefore, since these [great] promises are ours, beloved, let us cleanse ourselves, beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from everything that contaminates *and* defiles body and spirit, and bring [our] consecration to completeness in the [reverential] fear of God. (2 Corinthians 7:1 AMPC)** Thus says the Lord through Scripture today.

Then the Lord gave me this Scripture to bring today. He said to me, a couple of months ago, "Let Scriptures speak, I will give you Scripture to bring to My people, and there will be hearts that will allow the Scripture to speak to their hearts, because all Scripture is breathed by My Spirit and is profitable for correction, for training in obedience, for reproof, and rebuke, and admonition. That is what My scripture is profitable for." God brings His Scripture to us this morning. From His precious, holy written Word.

His Scripture says, what He is saying to Heritage of Faith at this time, Zechariah 13 verse one and two in the Amplified Bible, **¹ In this day** I know the Scripture says in that day, but this Scripture is talking about, specially the days of Jesus Christ after He has shed His blood for His church. **¹ In that day there shall be a fountain opened for the house of David and for the inhabitants of Jerusalem [to cleanse them from] sin and uncleanness. ² And in that day, says the Lord of hosts, I will cut off the names of the idols from the land, and they shall no more be remembered; and also I will remove from the land the [false] speakers' prophets and the unclean spirit. (Zechariah 13:1-2 AMPC)**

The world system is full of unclean spirits. They are intended to bait you, to trap you, to seduce you, to get you into its grips and into its clutches so that you do not fulfil the great and mighty plan of God for your life. You, who have been created in His image and His likeness. The world system has set up things for you to be now made into its likeness and into its image.

It's been opened by the shed blood of Christ, but in this new era, through this *New Open Door*, in this church, the Lord speaks this to us now. This is one of the churches spoken of that has been teaching and training people to pray. As a church, we positioned ourselves for the Lord to answer prayers made in this place, and people are coming into this church to be clean.

The Lord said to me, "There are people that are already coming into this church that are saying in their hearts, Oh, to be clean, to be clean." There is this prophecy that came in 2009, *The Great Awakening*, that's hanging heavy around the nations—hanging there to be realized and to be flowed and released. *The prayer, the prayer, the prayer that's gone forth, the prayer that is going forth, is where the power release is, where the trigger to these things is, it is the way you release them in your church. In this hour, these churches that are teaching and training people to pray, those are the churches where the explosion in shekinah glory of God will be manifest first. The*

praying churches will walk in it first, and they'll say, My revival broke out there. No, answered prayer broke out over there. The awakening will come out of local churches.

There is a hunger for; there's a hunger for holiness, real truth. Bible purity before God and people will run into this kind of House of Worship, where the glory of God is residing and hanging heavy. For those of you that have not recognised the heavy hanging of the glory of God, on this church, well, you will come to a place, as you yield yourself to the Spirit of God to become spiritual, you will come to a place, in your life where you will then begin to recognise how heavy the glory of God hangs. Even here in this meeting this morning.

They will run into Houses of Worship where the glory of God is residing and hanging heavy, and they'll say, "Clean, clean, clean, oh, to be clean, to be clean", and they'll run into that atmosphere, and My blood will cleanse them. There is nothing at large in the 21st century in this Babylonish world system that is more powerful than the blood of Jesus. There is nothing more powerful than the power of the blood of Jesus.

The Holy Spirit works in the hearts of the willing, with the blood of Jesus to cleanse, to purify, to make holy, to clean, to clean, to cleanse, to purify and make holy. *They'll run into that atmosphere, and My blood will cleanse them.* There is a cleansing flood. There is a fountain opened, filled with blood, Drawn from Emmanuel's veins. Sinners plunged beneath that flood, Lose all their guilty stains.

Today, the glory of God is here for a deep cleanse, of the blood of Jesus, in the hearts of people, His people that have been in Babylon, and been in the world system. He says, "A fountain has been opened for cleansing in this house."

My Word and they'll run into that atmosphere, and My blood will cleanse them. These are people that want the Blood to cleanse them; these are the ones running into this house of worship, saying, "To be clean, to be clean, Lord." *My Blood will cleanse them from the top of their head to the soles of their feet, and My Word will take root on the inside of them.* Glory to God.

I'm going to read. The Spirit of God came upon Pastor John during this week. Here it is. Oh Lord. I will find it. By the Spirit of God. Pastor John by the Spirit of God this last week on the 12th of May. *All these young people here.* We have young people here in our midst, that have come to consecrate and dedicate their lives to the Lord Jesus.

You are going to be a light to the world, he was speaking to them. *You are going to be a testimony to the world. The glory of God is going to rest upon you wherever you go, all the time. It's going to be like fire that's in your mouth, and the light of God is going to come out. He's going to raise a standard in the world system. You are going to burn people with your love and your life. You're all ready. Your life that you have come and committed to the Lord, Jesus Christ, is already burning. It's making a statement; it's already doing things in the spirit realm that is an unstoppable force.* Because God initiated in the hearts of young people. God initiated it. There was a

tongue, and there was an interpretation that came last year, and it was, *"I will take the children."* He is taking the children, and there has been a response of children.

Then Pastor John says this, *"The Lord is doing something here. It's Ecclesia. He wants His Church to be fierce. It's happening. It's happening in this church; it's happening right now. It was prophesied in 2009; revival has broken out over there. No, answered prayer has broken out over there. This is what's happening in the Church, right now. This is what's happening. It's happening right now. Answered prayer is happening right now. It's happening in ways that can't be seen or felt."*

You know why? Because it's spiritual. The natural man cannot receive the things of the Spirit. There have been those, even in our Heritage of Faith churches, that have looked at these young people and with natural eyes and have not seen what the Spirit of God is actually doing. That He's actually taking them, and they've made glib statements. They've been light and loose in their statements saying, "Ah ja, you guess you have to take a gap year. Ah ja, well, you know, I guess Pastor John needs some people to work in the ministry for him."

God has heard every word. He's heard every word. You stand on holy ground when God says, "I will take the children," because He initiated the process, and He will complete the process. They are in the process with God, and if people and parents recognise it, they will let their children go to God so that God can have them in a process and not be loose and light with your language. It's happening. It's happening in ways that can't be seen or felt. It's spiritually discerned. The natural man receives not the things of the Spirit.

So, I'm talking under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit now; this is Pastor John continuing, the economic system of God is going to take over through the people who understand that system. That system doesn't work by saving money, doesn't work by investing. I don't think I'm going to go there. I think there will be another time for this. God is okay if you're using the world system.

Then he said this. *If you're called by God, and you have a gift and an assignment, how can you walk away from that ever? You will die before your time. You want to know what that scripture means in the book of Corinthians? It talks about the body of Christ; it talks about when they take communion and don't discern the body of Christ properly. Therefore the Bible says many are sick and weak among you, and some die early. It is not because you sit with your communion elements at your fingers and examine of how much you have sin in your life. That examination is what is your position in the body of Christ? What is your attitude? What is your attitude? What is your murmuring? What is your speaking when you are in the body of Christ?*

Your examination is, "Who am I in the body of Christ? What am I doing in the body of Christ? What am I saying in the body of Christ? What is my position? Why would He ask you to examine your sin when what you're about to take has washed away all your sin. If you think that your gifts and callings can operate outside of the church, and the gifts and callings and assignment of God is supposed to just be yours to use in the way you want to use it. You're not discerning the body of Christ accurately. You are saying the body of Christ is over there, and I'm over here, and I will do what I

want to, and the body of Christ can do what it wants to. It's the pastor's responsibility. It's not the way.

I can't read all of that now. It was too long. He spoke under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit for a long time on Wednesday evening, but he did say this. This is where I'm coming to.

He has meant for the church to be this powerful organism that is living, breathing Jesus, living, breathing power, authority and influence. You want to come and take our girls and steal their virginity? No! You want to come and steal our young men and their innocence and their potential and all of their youth with pornography and all kinds of stuff. No! Because Pastor John is the first and he has spoken, the blood of Jesus will speak now. He will speak for the purity, He will speak for virginity, He will speak for purity and holiness. He will speak for dedication and consecration now because the words came out of Pastor John under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit.

You want to come and steal our sons and our daughters with alcohol and drugs and all manner of stuff? No, it's not going to come on our watch. We cry restore everything. That's all I'm going to do about that because I have been in that since Wednesday night, and I'm so full of it, but God's got a thing that He wants to say here this morning.

So, we are positioned, and people are coming in this church to be clean. There is great grace available to us as a people. Grace is the power of a person. It is the Holy Spirit. There is a mantle upon Pastor John and I for the children and the young people. And if you sit here today and you say, "Well, what about me?" Then you need to go and listen to all the messages, and you need to go and study Matthew 18. It says unless you become like a little child, hallelujah.

Dedication, consecration, cleanliness, purity, godliness, holiness. Psalm 119 verse 9, from the Amplified Bible. **⁹ How shall a young man cleanse his way? How shall a young man cleanse his way? By taking heed and keeping watch [on himself] according to Your Word [conforming his life to it]. (Psalm 119:9 AMPC)** The Bible has much to say to youth.

Let's go to Lamentations 3, verse 27 and 28. As a young person, you need to understand that God is wanting to take your life, and He is wanting you to yield to Him, if He wants to discipline you of things that you have given yourself to in the world. He wants to discipline you so as to set you free. It says here; **²⁷ It is good for a man that he should bear the yoke [of divine disciplinary dealings] in his youth. ²⁸ Let him sit alone uncomplaining and keeping silent [in hope], because [God] has laid [the yoke] upon him [for his benefit]. (Lamentations 3:27-28 AMPC)**

We are going to Psalm 71 verse 17, out of the Amplified Bible. **¹⁷ O God, you have taught me from my youth, from your youth God desires to teach you, and hitherto have I declared Your wondrous works. ¹⁸ Yes, even when I am old and grey-headed, O God, forsake me not, [but keep me alive] until I have declared Your mighty strength to [this] generation. (Psalm 71:17 AMPC)**

The Word of God is your only defence. Wherewith shall a young person? Wherewith shall any child of God, cleanse their way? By taking heed to God's Word and conforming their life to His Word? The Lord says for me to tell you today that His Word is your only defence. You are defenceless in the world system that Satan is the god of unless you have His Word built into your heart. Unless you guard your heart with all vigilance. The only way you can guard your heart is by putting the Word of God into your heart. Wherewith shall a young man and a young woman cleanse their way?

By taking heed to Your Word, conforming your life to His Word. Young person, the Lord says today you are defenceless. I just want to read it. Make sure I get all His Words out. The Word of God is your only defence.

A defence is a protection against enemies, protection from harm, to be immunised. Yes. A bastion, a stronghold into which people can go for shelter during battle. The Word of God is your bastion. The Word of God is your only defence against all of the wickedness, the idolatry, the immorality, the fornication, the unclean spirits working in Babylon.

The Word of God is your only defence. You are without defence. You are defenceless unless you have the defence of God's Word, and what a mighty defence it is. What a mighty impregnable fortress it is when it is placed and planted and lived by in the heart of a believer. Mighty defence. Mighty defence, to keep you free from the world, to keep you free from any of Satan's wiles and crafts and trickery. To take your life so that you do not fully fulfil the marvellous plans and purposes that He has for your life. You, young one, created in the image of God, it's your defence. Right. We are defenceless.

Disregard of His Word opens you up to the liberal agenda. Disregard of the Word of God opens you up to the liberal agenda of the god of this world, to enter you. Be open to things. Don't be closed, be open-minded, be open to things, be entertained by the things of the world. Watch what the world does on television. Watch what the world does on YouTube. Watch what the world does. *Enter-tainment*. Satan has set it up for it to enter you so that you can contain it. Just because you don't do what you are looking at doesn't mean it's not in you. This world system is designed by Satan to impregnate you, influence you, imprint you into an image that is not the image of God. This world system is un-holy.

This is something that parents, parents of young children, parents of teenagers, you want to wonder why are they watching things? What are you watching? What are you open to? This is a time for us to consecrate. Just because you're not doing what you're watching. Jesus said, if you're as much as look at a woman with lust in your heart, you've already committed the act. If you as much as *look*, if you as much as *look*, if you as much as *look*. There is a fountain, open for cleansing today, for those who have come into this house to be clean.

Be open, be open-minded. Look at what they do. It's the opposite to what God says. God says, guard. Guard. Proverbs 4:23 Amplified Bible. He does not say be open. He says guard, guard your heart, guard your eyes, your eye gate, your ear gate, your heart gate. Guard it. **²³Keep and guard your heart with all vigilance and**

above all that, you guard, for out of it flow the springs of life. (Proverbs 4:23 AMPC)

The Message Bible says, keep vigilant watch over your hearts because that's where the things that you watch enter into; they enter into your heart. Eyes. Heart. ²³**Keep vigilant watch over your heart; *that's* where life starts. (Proverbs 4:23 MSG).** The New Living says ²³**Guard your heart above all else, for it determines the course of your life. (Proverbs 4:23 NLT)**

The Word of God speaks openly to young people about living holy and clean and pure. Ecclesiastes 11:9 and 10, from the Amplified Bible. ⁹**Rejoice, O young man, O young woman, in your adolescence, and let your heart cheer you in the days of your [full-grown] youth. And walk in the ways of your heart and in the sight of your eyes....** Okay? So you can look at whatever you want to look, ...**walk in the ways of your heart and in the sight of your eyes, but know that for all these things, God will bring you into judgment.** So, you can do what you like. You can say, I can watch what I like, I'm not doing what I'm watching, but you're containing it.

It's a matter of time, and God says, "Walk in your ways of what you're looking at, but there will come a time where the wages of sin will produce death." You'll find yourself unable to be righteous and have a righteous relationship with God, not because He's condemning you, but you'll find yourself in a place of being unclean. God says there's a fountain open for cleansing, for cleansing in this place.

So, verse ten says, ¹⁰**therefore, remove [the lust that end in] sorrow and vexation from your heart and mind and put away evil from our body.** Can the Word be more clear to young people? **Put it away from your body.** God is a jealous God. He loves you, spirit, soul and body. God desires for you to serve Him with your spirit, your soul and your body in purity, and in holiness and in cleanliness all the days of your life. That is the power of the Word of God in your heart, and the mighty Holy Spirit helping you to guard your heart. It says here, **put evil away from your body, for youth and the dawn of life of vanity, [the transitory, idle, empty and devoid of truth]. (Ecclesiastes 11:9-10 AMPC).**

And then the very next verse in Ecclesiastes 12 verse one says this, ¹**Remember [earnestly], also your Creator [that you are not your own, but His property now], in the days of your youth. Now, in the days of your youth, before the evil days come or the years draw near when you will say [of physical pleasures], I have no enjoyment in them— (Ecclesiastes 12:1 AMPC).**

Two Corinthians seven verse one, in the Amplified Bible, says I've read it to you already. ¹**Therefore, since these [great] promises are ours, beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from everything that contaminates and defiles body and spirit, and bring [our] consecration to completeness in the [reverential] fear of God. (2 Corinthians 7:1 AMPC)** Before I continue with these other scriptures, I'm just going to read just a couple of statements to you. Powerful statements to you. If the Spirit of God wants me to read to you. Glory to God.

*A bend in the road at an impressionable age can turn the life of a precious young person, far away from the future, and hope that God promises His people in Jeremiah 29. **I know the thoughts and plans that I have for you, says the Lord, for your future. (Jeremiah 29:11)** I know what I have for your future. So, a bend in the road at an impressionable age can turn the life of a precious young person, far away from the future and hope that God promises His people.*

Hellish intrusion is always at hand. It is the relentless and calculated objective of a very real demonic being, and of the host of cohorts at his command, principalities, powers, the devil and all of his demons are at work in the world system, to attract you so that you do not fulfil the plan of God for your life. A very real being and of the host of cohorts at his command, as our common adversary makes his approach. He is ever and always merciless, his victims being targeted, irrespective of age and without consideration for the rich and wonderful purposes of God for each human being. He is the enemy of our souls, and he floods people; he seeks to flood people with shame and guilt in order to steal their confidence and peace. He deceives people into adopting habits that kill effective discipleship. I'm going to say that again. This is a strong point that the Lord made here. The world system and everything that it attracts you with is designed to deceive you into adopting habits that will kill effective discipleship.

More than a generation ago, our society absorbed into its rhetoric slogan, "If it feels good, do it". Elevating the essential over the spiritual, and enshrining covetousness and lust over wisdom and morality. Today, it barely takes watching network television; viewing is supposed to be a family film, glancing at a magazine, tuning into a three minute MTV clip to be bombarded by the glamorization of immoral lifestyle choices and sexual images. Learn it early dear one, the agenda here is not hidden. Right? Lord, Lord, Lord, Lord. We are called to be Holy.

If these seductions and deceptions were not detrimental to what Father God, our Creator, intended for our lives, He would not have provided in His Word, warning after warning about sexual immorality, as well as the admonition that believers in Jesus Christ are to be Holy. A way of living that is both possible and rewarding. I'm going to read that again. He would not provided if these deductions and deceptions were not detrimental. He would do what God intended for our lives; He would not have provided in His Word, warning after warning about sexual immorality, as well as the admonition that believers in Jesus Christ are to be Holy, a way of living that is both possible and rewarding.

One Peter 1:13-16 says **¹⁵He who called you is holy, you yourselves also be holy in all your conduct... (1 Peter 1:15 AMPC)**. God would not have said to you "be holy," if you could not be, wherewith shall a young man and a young woman cleanse their life by taking heed according to the Word and keeping a watch on themselves according to a conforming their very lives to it. Guarding your heart with all vigilance because out of it all of your life comes out of your heart, your destiny comes out of your heart.

That's why Satan wants to get into your heart with things from this world. Keep your heart with all diligence, for out of it springs the issues of life. Seduction is the tactic of

intentionally drawing us away from the purpose and the will of God in our lives. I am going to say that again. Seduction of the world system of Babylon is the tactic of intentionally drawing us away from the purpose and the will of God in our lives. While seduction is romanticised by our worldly culture, the worldly culture, it is a powerful bait of Satan in his insatiable quest to steal the glorious fulfilment that God has designed and intended for us as His children.

That's as much as I am going to read there and I'm going to finish with the scriptures that the Lord gave me to finish with. Glory to God. I am wrapping up here now.

1 John 1 verse 5 to 10, The Passion Translation please, 1 John 1:5-10, from The Passion Translation, ***5This is the life-giving message we heard him share and it's still ringing in our ears. We now repeat his words to you: God is pure light. You will never find even a trace of darkness in Him. There is nothing in the world system that is in God. Nothing. No thing. 6If we claim that we share life with him, but keep walking in the realm of darkness, we're fooling ourselves and not living in the truth. 7But if we keep living in the pure light that surrounds him, we share unbroken fellowship with one another, ...***

You see, this is part of the collective greatness,—when people that are in church, that are born again believers, —live in immorality, live in uncleanness. You think what you do in secret doesn't impact everybody else? Your carnality impacts the collective greatness. What you do in secret, is who you are, is who you bring to the collective greatness. God is busy working in Ecclesia because He is after our purity, our holiness so that we can walk in the authority and the power. We are weakened and diminished when we walk in the ways of the world. Hallelujah.

There is a lot more I could say about that. I'm sure Pastor John has a lot of things too that are going on in His heart about this, but He's busy working with the churches. It is the year of the Ecclesia. It is. He said, Jesus said, "I'm coming back for a church, an Ecclesia without spot, without spot, without spot, blemish or wrinkle." That's the kind of church He is coming for. So, if we can be holy, as He is holy, then we should be. We should desire to be. There is a fountain open for cleansing.

7But if we keep living in the pure light that surrounds him, we share unbroken fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus, his Son, continually cleanses us from all sin. See, that's the blood of Jesus continually cleanses you from all sin because you're walking in the light and in fellowship with the body and discerning the body accurately. What your part is in the body, what your position is in the body, who you are as a person in your private secret recesses of your heart, what you bring to the body. The things you do in the light and the things you do in the dark, you bring that to the body. You bring that to the ecclesia.

8If we boast that we have no sin, we're only fooling ourselves and are strangers to the truth. 9But if we freely admit our sins, see here it is, freely admit our sins, ***when his light uncovers them, ...*** How casual we have used 1 John 1:9, as a quick excuse to just go on, doing again and again and again what we have received forgiveness from. I confess my sin, thank You, You're faithful and just to forgive me and cleanse me from all the unrighteousness.

Well, has He cleansed you? Have you spoken the scripture, because you received the cleansing? I'll tell you what a cleansing looks like. Jesus—with the woman caught in adultery—, He did not judge her, He did not judge her. She had accusers, and this message here today, is not to accuse you, but it is a message that God has brought to you for scriptures to speak to you if you will let it. In your discipleship of your heart. So Jesus said to her, "Neither do I accuse you." There was the cleansing. "Go and sin no more". There's the cleansing. There is the cleansing.

If you've had a real cleansing experience from 1 John 1:9, then you can quote it. Please include, I openly acknowledge and confess my sin. Thank You that You are faithful and just, to forgive me and cleanse me from the unrighteousness of it. Did we not get through with scripture saying, you cleanse yourself? Wherewith shall a young man, a young woman and a mature man, a mature woman, wherewith shall they cleanse their way? By taking heed to the Word of God and conforming their lives to the Word of God. That's how you cleanse yourself. That's how you cleanse yourself. It's a deeply personal experience 1 John 1:9. It's a deeply personal experience with Jesus. It's not a scripture that you can just quote. It's an event with Him.

⁹If we claim that we're not guilty of sin when God uncovers it, has God uncovered some things here in your heart today, through scripture? I'm not uncovering anything. I'm allowing all these scriptures to uncover anything you need, but are these scriptures uncovering? Well, then here we go. **¹⁰If we claim that we're not guilty of sin when God uncovers it with his light,^[a] we make him a liar and his word is not in us. (1 John 1:10 TPT)**

Right. I'm going to James 4 now. I'm wrapping up, believe it or not. James 4 verse 4, and I'm going to the second part of that verse in the Living Bible, James 4, Living Bible: **⁴Don't you realize that making friends with God's enemies—the evil pleasures of this world—makes you an enemy of God? I say it again, that if your aim is to enjoy the evil pleasure of the unsaved world, you cannot also be a friend of God.** Scripture does speak because I'm going to read it again, **Don't you realize that making friends with God's enemies—who are God's enemies? the evil pleasures of this world—makes you an enemy of God? I say it again, that if your aim is to enjoy the evil pleasure of the unsaved world, enjoy the evil pleasure of the unsaved world, you cannot also be a friend of God.** **⁵Or what do you think the Scripture means when it says that the Holy Spirit, whom God has placed within us,** the very Spirit He has placed within you is Holy, that He **watches over us with tender jealousy?** He's with you all the time. When you're doing what you're doing in the dark. The Holy Spirit is in you, the very Holy Spirit, who is being given to you to set you free.

⁶But he gives us more and more strength to stand against all such evil longings. As the Scripture says, God gives strength to the humble but sets himself against the proud and haughty.

So, the humble here this morning will say: "Yes Lord, I have come for cleansing." The proud will say: "I'm still going to watch what I want to watch, and do what I want to do. I'm going to enjoy what I'm going to enjoy." Right? He gives grace. **He gives**

strength to the humble but sets himself against the proud and haughty. ⁷So give yourselves humbly to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you. You resist him with the Word of God. ⁸And when you draw close to God, God will draw close to you. Wash your hands, you sinners, see the context here? Wash your hands you sinners, because it's in context here. Wash, wash, wash, washing of the water of the Word. Let your heart be filled with God alone and make them pure and true to him. ⁹Let there be tears for the wrong things you have done. ... Let there be tears for the wrong things you have done. Let there be sorrow and sincere grief. (James 4:4-9 NLT)

James in the Amplified Bible says, James 4:6, Amplified, verse 6 says, **⁶But He gives us more and more grace, more and more (power of the Holy Spirit, to meet this evil tendency and all others fully). That is why He says, God sets Himself against the proud and haughty, but gives grace - What is grace? The power of the Holy Spirit to meet every evil tendency fully! What is grace, power of the Holy Spirit, to meet every evil tendency of this world, in this world fully, fully. He gives grace [continually] to the lowly (those who are humble enough to receive it). (James 4:6 AMPC).** There is the key again from Matthew 18: To humble yourself, become like a little child. Jesus said in Matthew 18, repenting.

Well Lord, I just want to make sure that I have shared everything that the Lord wants me to share. The blood of Jesus, (if the music ministry can just come, please. Music ministry).

Pastor John prophesied that the sound and the songs that are going to come from this place, the sound and the songs—I'm speaking according to the Spirit right now — Songs and the sounds that are coming out of this church, will begin to draw people, bring them to Jesus, that will break down strongholds. The sound of Heaven will be heard. It will draw people to Jesus. These sounds today, these scriptures that were read today and the sounds that are going to be played today contain in them everything that you need to be completely free and come out of Babylon.

It will draw people to Jesus; let these sounds draw you to Jesus. They will come to the sound that they will hear in the atmosphere, in the atmosphere - to be clean, to be clean. It will be a sound they will hear in their heart. There will be a sound that they will hear in their ears. (Those chords, thank you Pastor Garth). The response to the music that will call them, cause them to fall down and to repent and turn from their old ways and come into the new ways of Jesus.

I pray, Father, that the sound in the songs of this music would begin to permeate, permeate and healings take place today, Father, emotional changes, that there will be people today, Father. Father, even if there's just one heart here this morning, it would have been worth it for You. Because You are the good Shepherd that will go after the one. Even if there just be one, tender heart, humble heart here this morning, that will reach to You from the very depth of their heart, to say: "Lord, I've heard today, this is the way, I hear what you say. I come, I come now Lord, I come to be cleansed Lord. I put myself in a cleansing process with you. I purpose in my heart to conform my life to Your Word.

Thank you that as I meditate on these scriptures, during the week, I will experience Your cleansing power in my heart, Holy Spirit. As I begin to speak these scriptures, Lord, that I will experience from now onwards. I'm not letting go, Father, I'm telling you now, Lord, I'm coming out of Babylon, where it sucked me in Lord, where it's imprinted me, influenced me, impacted me. I'm coming out of it Lord. Thank you that you give me more and more grace because I humbled myself this morning. Thank you that you, Holy Spirit are powerful in me to help me to meet every evil tendency fully. I come to be holy. I come to be holy; I come to be clean Lord, me today Lord.

Even if there's just one, today, there's a fountain filled with blood drawn from Emmanuel's veins. Everyone who will let themselves be plunged beneath its flood will be clean from all guilty stains. There is a fountain filled with blood. There is power in the blood to cleanse today. Power in the blood to heal, to heal your heart that's been impacted, imprinted and influenced by the things in the world.

Even if there is just one heart here today, you should be with God now. You should be with Him now. You should be with Him now. In the hidden recesses of your heart, you should be with Him. Reaching out to Him with your heart.

Father, today I declare that there is power in the blood of Jesus to set everything right. Father, today I declare that His atoning blood now works, to minister the defeat to every evil work of the devil in the hearts of your people, brings it down to nothing.

Father, because of what you released through Pastor John this week, I stand side by side with him and I declared that I move, I move against Satan with the precious blood of Jesus Christ. I exercise my heritage of spiritual authority. The unlimited power of the blood of Jesus is loosed to cast you out where you have brought uncleanness. I move against you today, Satan, with the power of the blood of Jesus.

Hallelujah. Jesus. The unlimited power of the blood of Jesus is loosed to cast you out. Hallelujah. I take the blood this morning and I move against all demonic strategies in his end-time activity. I take the blood this morning. I take the blood, I take the blood. Glory. Jesus, Jesus, Jesus. Your cleansing flood, your cleansing flood, your cleansing flood of your blood Lord. You know the hearts of those who are turning towards you right now. Take them, Lord. You said you would take the children, take them now. Lord, Lord. Jesus, Jesus. Glory, glory.

I just want very softly, very softly with the keyboard. I want a little bit of your guitar Nic, please. Let the sound. That is it, that is beautiful. Yes, that is the sound. Holy Spirit, Holy Spirit. Jesus, Jesus, Jesus. Jesus.

If there's a young person here this morning, or more than one and you just want to come and say, Pastor, Sharon, just pray with me. That's all. That's all. Nothing more, nothing less. Pastor Sharon, Pastor Sharon, I'm coming, coming to Jesus today. I'm here; I'm just a vessel. I'm just a vessel. Come because God is moving in your heart. Hallelujah. Glory to You Jesus. Glory to you Jesus. Jesus, Jesus, Jesus, Jesus, Jesus, Jesus.

[Prayer for the Young People]

This is family business. I know that where you have been sitting right there, you've been ministered to by the Lord as well. Thank you for allowing your hearts to reach out to these precious ones that have come for the ministry of the Holy Spirit and the love of God this morning.

We have had a wonderful time. It's not going to lift and leave. He never leaves. You're just going to now walk into a more abundant realm with Him, fuller, more abundant overflow with Him.

So, thank you everybody. Jesus loves the little children. The Matthew 18 children. Well, He so loved the world... He so loved the world.

Well, Father, thank you that this word today... You spoke Your Word with signs following. You've made rich deposits in the hearts of many of the little ones that You are taking, Lord, rich deposits, Lord. We thank You for what You've done. The Word and the Blood of Jesus surrounds everybody. A wonderful day and a wonderful week will be had by all. In the precious name of Jesus, and we all say, amen. Bless you all. Love you.