

*When He sees me He sees the blood of the Lamb
He sees me as worthy and not as I am
He views me in garments as white as the snow
For the lamb of God is worthy and He loves me this I know*

I have a source

*I have a source of strength when I am weak,
That takes me through when life is pressing me.
I have a source of power from above
I'm covered over by a shield of Blood.*

*I claim the blood Jesus shed on Calvary,
those precious blood stains,
Were made there just for me.
For all my sins, my sickness and my pain
When I need healing, I claim those precious blood stains.*

*I do not know how other make it through,
Who never go to Calvary as I do.
For there's a healing cleansing stream which flows,
With peace that only His redeemed can know.*

*Reach out and touch the Lord as He goes by
You'll find He is not too busy to hear your hearts cry
He is passing by this moment your needs to supply
Reach out and touch the Lord as He goes by*

*I see a crimson stream of blood.
That flows from Calvary,
Its waves which reach the throne of God.
Are sweeping over me.*

*To be like Jesus, to be like Jesus
on earth I've long just to be like Him
All through lives journey from earth to glory
I only ask,
Just to be like Him*

I want to read something here you will find it in *2 Timothy 3:12. Yea and all that will live godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution.*

In the last couple of weeks we were on a conversation: *Seek the Lord while He may be found, Call on Him while He is yet near.* I want to notch it up here, once you have found the Lord you are going to get persecuted, there are a lot of Godly people out there that are not being persecuted, you have to take note that what it says: all that will live godly in Christ Jesus will suffer persecution. There is a difference in that. Once you live Godly in Christ Jesus you have every devil on your case. You can read it over in Matthew, we just want to get our roots down because this is just standard procedure that we are going to be made fun of.

*Blessed are they which are persecuted
for righteousness sake: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.*

*Blessed are ye, when men shall revile you,
and persecute you, and sell say
all manner of evil against you falsely, for my sake*

*Rejoice and be exceeding glad
for great is our reward in heaven:
for so persecuted they the prophets
which were before you.*

Matthew 5:10-12

All that is just part of the program, I was talking to somebody during the week and he said, (I'm just paraphrasing here, I wish I knew how to say it exactly the way he said it. He was saying more like), 'Sam you have been kicked from pillar to post and everyone makes fun of you how do you take it'. I didn't say anything, it doesn't really bother me what people say about me or about us, because I can't help that. I'm about the Lord's business and they will make fun of you. I think he is just involved as the other guys, but he was more or less saying, -'Sam you have been mocked you have been kicked from pillar to post, and everyone makes fun of you'.

I thought to myself all that is just part of the program, that is something that you have to accept when you are walking with the Lord. If we were not getting persecuted and being made fun of we wouldn't be walking with the Lord.

You can see it in people, like this guy, when we were out for a walk, he was driving his car and passed us by and apparently you saw him waving his hand, but within that, there was a smirk on his face. I didn't see that but apparently, you saw it. That first initial eye contact or whatever you want to call it, that speaks volumes. When you meet unexpectedly, it's an unexpected encounter and that usually speaks volumes because your guard it's not up and you can't pretend. That first initial contact speaks volumes and it's mocking you for what we believe and for what we stand for.

The fact, that we are hanging out together. Everyone thinks that it's a man and wife situation and it's not, it's something that Lord put together and someday as time goes on I'll maybe expound on it but right now I don't have enough insight yet to what this is all about. It's like Paul was saying over in *Ephesians 5:32*. *This is a great mystery: but I speak*

concerning Christ and the church. This to me is still a mystery why the Lord put this thing together and where He is going with it, but I know one thing it is His program without you onboard there is no program and we have to take the abuse like it says over in Mark.

I going to read it for the sake of the conversation because we have to have scripture for what we are about. People are going to try and throw everything at you they will try to get us off course and try to do whatever it takes. *Mark 10: 28, Then Peter began to say unto him, Lo, we have left all, and have followed thee.* (That's you and I), it's not just Peter, we have left everything, you walked away with nothing, I walked away with nothing and I didn't leave to have a good time. I stood up against the system and was terminated. Before you speak out against that system you have to realize if you speak out you are going to be terminated, otherwise, you are going to step down and compromise and I purposed not to compromise) *And Jesus answered and said, Verily I say unto you, There is no man that hath left house, or brethren, or sister, or father, or mother, or wife or children of lands, for my sake and the gospel's, But he shall receive an hundredfold now in this time, houses, and brethren and sisters, and mothers and children and lands, with persecution; and in the world to come eternal life.*

That is the reason we are on this journey not to have a good time and to build up a big business, this is right here why we are where we are today. It says we shall receive an hundredfold now in this time. I remember I was looking for a house, I was renting up until then and then one day I was sick and tired of driving an hour and a half after I come off work to where I was renting this place. I asked the Lord to help me find a place that I would take whatever would come available.

I came home about 1 o'clock in the morning and I turn on my answering machine and there was the real estate agent and the message said that he had a place for me. I knew right then and there that I was going to take that place because I had just been praying for it and there was my answer. So the next day, I went to look at it and if you went to look at it and you would've seen this place before I fixed it up, nobody would've bought that place, it was the ugliest thing in town. Old green metal siding, old dilapidated windows, but I knew the Lord gave it to me.

All in all, this is what this thing is all about, we did not put this together the Lord did, and we have to accept that within that framework there is going to be persecution. This conversation that we are having we just have to know and understand that, that this is just part of the program and if people want to mock us we cannot change that as I say, it doesn't really bother me, in fact, I get blessed when people do that because it says: *Blessed are ye, when men shall revile you, and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely, for my sake.*

Rejoice, and be exceeding glad: for great is your reward in heaven: for so persecuted they the prophets which were before you. Matthew 5:11-12

The Lord gives you a blessing. When you read where John the Baptist was in prison. Here he had put his life on the line preaching and introducing Jesus Christ, and here he was in prison about to lose his head. He sends his disciples to ask Jesus if he is the one or should they wait for another. Because he was actually asking, 'why am I here in this prison after all that I have done'. Jesus sends back, *Go and tell John again those things which ye do hear and see: The blind received their sight, and lame walk, the lepers are cleansed and the*

deaf hear, the dead are raised up, and the poor have the gospel preached to them. And blessed is he, whosoever is not be offended in me. Mark 11: 4-5.

You see that is what we want: In order to get that blessing you cannot allow yourself to get offended when people are persecuting you because in that is that blessing. That is what we want, we want that blessing, but with that blessing there is a price to pay: *Yea and all that will live godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution.*

So you cannot allow yourself to be intimidated by what people say or do. If they say they are hanging out together that doesn't bother me, if they gossip about us that doesn't bother me, that is all part of where it says in Mark, with persecution.

You cannot tell people what to say or what they can't say. It's just part of life when they sit down for coffee they think about who they can talk bad about so did talk bad about me. You can often tell in a person's voice or when you see them in the store somewhere you can see that initial smirk, mocking you. It's the same as back in the days of Noah. I was thinking about Noah yesterday, you know people are people, human beings are human beings. It doesn't matter if it was a thousand years ago 5000 years ago people are still the same. So here you see Noah going down to get some supplies for building the ark, and people would see him and they would be looking at him with a smirk on their face, and mocking him. The Bible clearly says that they were mocking him for building an ark, for telling them that there is a flood coming. You see, all that is the human nature side of it. It is all part of the program its standard procedure so to speak.

I want to read you something here, during the night when I was laying there, I thought about it. I'm going to read it to

you in German and then I'll read it to you in English. Right now what you have to go through as a Christian is a standard procedure you cannot allow yourself to be intimidated you just have to take it as it comes you cannot shut people up. What you will see is that over on the other side the picture turns around even with the group that we come out off they think we are lost, but on the other side the tide is turning and they will be wondering what is going on? *Wisdom of Solomon 5*

¹ Alsdann wird der Gerechte stehen mit großer Freudigkeit wider die, so ihn geängstet haben und seine Arbeit verworfen haben.

² Wenn Sie dann solches sehen, werden sie grausam erschrecken vor solcher Seligkeit, der sie sich nicht versehen hätten;

³ und werden untereinander reden mit Reue und vor Angst des Geistes seufzen: Das ist der, welchen wir vormals für einen Spott hatten und für ein höhnisches Beispiel.

Like I was saying a while back, I was driving through this colony, I believe I was driving through with an 18 wheeler. This one guy he recognized me as I was just driving through and he went with his finger in reversed motion by his brain indicating that I was crazy. They think they are a real hero on their own turf. Then the next day I saw him in town at Western Bearing and I ask him, 'what was that all about, what were you trying to say,' and all he could say was, 'I didn't know'. You see, when you face them out of their own territory then they're cowards. Then they want to go hide. But what you see is that's actually who they are, that is how they judge us. Its like the song says: *have pity on those whose chances grow slimmer who would hurt all of mankind just to save his own.* It

doesn't affect me and I'm sure you're strong enough too, to be able to handle it. But here is the outcome:

⁴ Wir Narren hielten sein Leben für unsinnig und sein Ende für eine Schande.

⁵ Wie ist er nun gezählt unter die Kinder Gottes, und sein Erbe ist unter den Heiligen!

⁶ Darum so haben wir des rechten Weges, gefehlt, und das Licht der Gerechtigkeit hat uns nicht geschienen, und die Sonne ist uns nicht aufgegangen.

⁷ Wir sind eitel unrechte und schädliche Wege gegangen und gewandelt wüste Umwege; aber des Herrn Weg haben wir nicht gewußt.

⁸ Was hilft uns nun die Pracht? Was bringt uns nun der Reichtum samt dem Hochmut?

⁹ Es ist alles dahingefahren wie ein Schatten und wie ein Geschrei, das vorüberfährt; so wie ein Schiff auf den Wasserwegen dahinläuft, von welchem man, so es vorüber ist, keine Spur finden kann, noch seine Bahn in der Flut;

¹¹ oder wie ein Vogel, der durch die Luft fliegt, da man seines Weges keine Spur finden kann; denn er regt und schlägt in die leichte Luft, treibt und zerteilt sie mit seinen schwebenden Flügeln, und danach findet man kein Zeichen solches Fluges darin;

¹² oder als wenn ein Pfeil abgeschossen wird zum Ziel, da die zerteilte Luft alsbald wieder zusammenfällt, daß man seinen Flug dadurch nicht spüren kann.

¹³ Also auch wir, nachdem wir geboren waren, haben wir ein Ende genommen;

14 und haben kein Zeichen der Tugend bewiesen, aber in unsrer Bosheit sind wir verzehrt.

15 Denn des Gottlosen Hoffnung ist wie ein Staub, vom Winde zerstreut, und wie ein dünner Reif, von einem Sturm vertrieben, und wie ein Rauch, vom Winde verweht, und wie man eines vergißt, der nur einen Tag Gast gewesen ist.

I went to a store and I saw all these old people, this one guy had this battery operated cart, and you wonder what have they spiritually accumulated for themselves, like the reason we are here in this world, in this life, is simply for one thing and one thing alone, "Seeking first the kingdom of God". *For here have we no continuing city, but we seek one to come. - Hebrew 13:12.*

This world is not our home we are just passing through our treasures are laid up somewhere beyond the blue. This should be every human beings ambition. This world would be a whole different place if people would be looking towards that. This is what our ambition is, this world is not our home, sure we have the blessings of the Lord. Like we read here once you have found that place in Christ. My only ambition for the last 20 years or so have been to find my place in Christ. Once you are a Christian you still have to find your place in Christ. Like a lot of these ex-Hutterites once they become a Christian they have the ambition to become a preacher, to be somebody important. Like it was in the days of Noah, there were men of renown. They were popular people and that's what their ambition is. That was not my ambition I wanted to find my place in Christ. When I first became a Christian it wasn't my ambition, it wasn't until after everything that I had to

go through. That's really what persecution is all about, so that you can find your place in Christ. Then, once you have found that place in Christ, what the Lord does, he gives you that blessing, then he'll give you a house, a true brother, a true sister, a true someone that you can trust. Somebody, that you would not have to worry about getting stabbed in the back, but that comes once you have found your place in Christ.

The conversation that we had a while back about those angels in Jude in the prehistoric hour: You see these angels had their place in God. God created them to do a certain job, but they also had the freedom to go out to make a choice and do their own thing. You see when you go out and do your own thing you alienate yourself from God and that's what they did when they decided to go on their own. They brought this whole universe into chaos.

When we are born into this world we are alienated from God. When God made that great council He had a position for everybody, but we were lost we have to find our way back to that position that God created us for. Like Ezekiel when he was born God had a place for him before that foundation of the world when He had that great council. In that great council, Ezekiel was a watchman for Israel. He said, *'I have made you a watchman'*. When did He do that. It was back in that great council, you see Ezekiel just happen to find his place in God. When he found that place then that was it. So do we, we have to find our place in Christ, what God created us for before the foundation of the world.

We have finally found that place and now we have all these blessings, we have safety, we have a house 2nd to none. Yes, you can walk down the street and find houses better than ours, but we feel so secure in our homes because the Lord gave them to us after we have been tested. God saw

fit to give us our own house. So we have a hundredfold house.

Now going back to this Wisdom of Solomon, I'm going to read it to you in English, there is something in there, it's not in the original Bible its in the Apocrypha. It really tells you exactly what is going to happen once that tide or that page turns. That is why when you walk through this life you can't be offended. When you are offended and ashamed of Christ, if you don't want to be persecuted you are robing yourself from that blessing. You want that blessing at any cost and the only way you are going to get it is: not to be intimidated, not to be ashamed of Christ, and by not allowing yourself to be offended in Him. *Blessed is he who is not offended in me.* You are going to be made fun of that is just part of the program. Like when that guy said to me, 'you have been kicked from pillar to post how do you handle it'. It didn't really bother me, I didn't even notice that I was being kicked from pillar to post. Like I said, when they sit down for coffee and they have nothing else to entertain themselves, what they will do is they will make fun of me. That was basically what he was saying. When somebody sees us you can see their smirk on their faces. What I'm trying to say is that it is all part of the program. When someone that is close to you it kind of knocks the air out of you a little bit, but you can't let it bother you, you just move on. You can't let it fizz on you and after a while, you become like granite and things don't fizz you anymore.

1. Then shall the righteous one with great assurance confront his oppressors who set at nought his labors.

*2. Seeing this, the wicked shall be shaken with dreadful fear,
and be amazed at the unexpected salvation.*

3

*They shall say among themselves, rueful
and groaning through anguish of spirit:
“This is the one whom once we held as a laughingstock
and as a type for mockery,*

4

*Fools that we were!
His life we accounted madness,
and death dishonored.*

I was thinking the other day about that statement that Neil Connelly made about that inapplicable box. Saying that this guy is inapplicable to throw him in an inapplicable box. Who is he to say that, he doesn't know how the Lord has dealt with me in life, he doesn't know what I've had to go through in life. He is one of those that will say: fools that we were! His life we accounted madness, and death dishonoured just throw him in an inapplicable box he doesn't rate.

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*See how he is accounted among the heavenly beings;
how his lot is with the holy ones!*

6

*We, then, have strayed from the way of truth, and the light of
righteousness did not shine for us, and the sun did not rise for
us.*

7

*We were entangled in the thorns of mischief
and of ruin;
we journeyed through trackless deserts,
but the way of the LORD we never knew.*

8

*What did our pride avail us?
What have wealth and its boastfulness afforded us?*

9

*All of them passed like a shadow
and like a fleeting rumor;*

When I was talking about these old people. What have they accumulated for themselves in life, now they are getting old, have they really sought the Lord, there is a time to seek the Lord because there is also a time when he can no longer be sought, now here they are moaning about themselves.

10

*Like a ship traversing the heaving water:
when it has passed, no trace can be found,
no path of its keel in the waves.*

Like when we went on that ferry we could see how the waters parted and when you looked back far enough it was as if it was never even there. That's the wicked, the unbelievers, even people in the pulpit, their whole life is consumed with ripping off people. Like we heard yesterday about this

preacher how he ripped these people off of their life insurance and here he is driving around with brand new Dodge pick-up, a big boat, all these fancy toys and whistles. What good is his life at the end of the day?

11

*Or like a bird flying through the air;
no evidence of its course is to be found—
But the fluid air, lashed by the beating of pinions,
and cleft by the rushing force
Of speeding wings, is traversed;
and afterward no mark of passage can be found in it.*

12

*Or as, when an arrow has been shot at a mark,
the parted air straightway flows together again
so that none discerns the way it went—*

13

*Even so, once born, we abruptly came to nought
and held no sign of virtue to display,
but were consumed in our wickedness.”*

14

*Yes, the hope of the wicked is like chaff borne by the wind,
and like fine, storm-driven snow;
Like smoke scattered by the wind,
and like the passing memory of a great guest camping for a
single day. - Wisdom 5*

That's what I saw the other day when I was looking at these people wondering have they accumulated for themselves any heavenly virtues; have they gone out of their way to seek that kingdom while it was to be found. Have they sought the Lord while He is yet to be found. Have they called on Him while He is yet near, because there comes a time when He is not found and no longer is near. We have to take that window of opportunity and once we have found that place in Christ you have to establish in your heart that you are going to be persecuted. That is all just part of the program. *Yea and all that will live godly in Christ Jesus SHALL suffer persecution.*

You will get persecuted from your own family, those of your own household will be your biggest foes. We have been taught well, we know all this stuff, and who the enemy will use, then when a family member comes and throws you a curveball we are already on top of it. We are already aware of what is coming. Sometimes I get a visit from my brother, they all have the same song and dance, 'when are you coming back to the colony, when are you going back'. That Hutterite thing is not of God. Why would I go back and join something that persecutes Christians and become part of that regime that terrorized Christians. Why would I want to be part of that. That is basically what they are doing they are ISIS in a mild form, ISIS without guns, basically, when push comes to shove all these religions they are the ones persecuting Christians.

When you are going to live godly in Christ Jesus you will be persecuted. You can go down to this church here, you can be godly, but the minute you live godly in Christ Jesus you are going to have to say some things that they are not going to like, and they are going to start persecuting you, it's just that simple. What I'm trying to say with this conversation is: once

you have found your place in Christ, once you have found that kingdom, He will give it to you a hundredfold here in this life, as it says in Mark, but it also says within that framework is going to be persecution; In that place, you are going to be made fun of because you have found your place in Christ. Satan doesn't like you to find that place in Christ.

That's what these angels did in Jude, they left their first estate, and Satan does not want you to find that place in Christ. I'm sure once they left their place they try to antagonize the other angels that had not left their first estate. So they were always trying to find some way that they could make them join their club. It's the same today with people, it is not you and me that they hate, it is what we stand for. The whole world is covered with that, is it Isis or whatever the group may be. We were born alienated from God and everybody has to find that place in Christ and find their way back to that place in Christ.

When I looked back at everything that I had to go through in life it was for one purpose and for one purpose only and that was to bring me to that place in Christ. You see what people do is they think the guy that gives them a rough time he's the problem. No, you, yourself are your own biggest problem. The reason you are: is you rebel, you protest, you don't want that place in Christ, you are fighting it. There is rebellion in each one of us until the Lord can breakdown down that rebellion, until that happens God is going to use these adversaries. When you read about Solomon when he left the ways of God. He started worshiping idols, and God had to raise up adversaries. As I said, God raises up these adversaries so that we look to Him and find out why these adversaries are there and then do something about it. God doesn't send them just to give us a hard time, it is for this

purpose - that each individual will look towards God and find out what He requires from our lives.

When Israel didn't listen to the fishers in Germany, God raised up Hitler to get them back home to their homeland. That is just the way God works, and it's the same with us. The only way, like I was reading here about the early church, how Paul had a yearning and a longing to bring the church to its perfection, and that was his desire, but he did not see what we see, we can look back into history and we can see in that great council the direction mankind would have to go, and that is through the 7 church ages; through all the pollution and corruption within the church, but you see, now we are going back to where it was, we don't have to put up with these false brethren, sure we had to back then, like I was reading this morning in Timothy, beware of false teachers, of wolves. It doesn't mean these coyotes out there, it's that man that's up in that pulpit that's teaching falsely, and the minute you oppose him his true wolf-nature comes out.

We have seen that we have seen it with our own eyes. The things that we have had to separate ourselves from, right now there is just the two of us. We don't have to put up with all that. They are still out there but they don't affect us any, because we are on our way back to that faith of the early church, before these kinds of people came into the church.

In the early church in its beginning they had no problem with that, they were able to detect it. Like Ananias and Sapphira they came in with a wrong motive and they were stopped dead in their tracks, but as time went on Satan was able to infiltrate the church. Like I was saying we don't have to put up with that stuff.

My dad, he was a true preacher and the things that he had to put up with, false brethren, people that weren't even

born-again, trying to live a communion life with people that aren't born again, and he had to put up with that. We are so blessed we don't have to put up with it. If the Lord brings somebody in He will make sure that it is somebody that's genuine, someone that's true, someone that's not a drag along, someone that is going to contribute to the kingdom of God. We are very blessed.

Here is another thing, we do not have to give up our lives for what we stand for, we are under that Eagle Anointing, that 4th Beast in the book of Revelations, we just have to move on; Just have to soar our wings. We know all these things. That is how and why people cannot affect us, because we are in the Eagle Age. And what does the eagle do: He just soars way up into the heavens, all by itself having themselves a great time.

That is basically what we are doing we don't allow ourselves to be caught up in the rhetoric, in the political maneuver of don't forsake the assembling of yourself together and such threats. Using Biblical threats to lock you up into their church systems. We are soaring like an eagle. We are of the same mind. We didn't put this thing together. You see exactly what I see. You think like I think. We are off the same mind, the same Spirit. It is not because I showed it to you but you see it for yourself. We are on the same page, not because I engineer this thing. I don't have the capacity to do that, it's just the way the Lord has brought this together.

Like I said, He will bring more people in but they will be genuine. The last couple of days He showed me at least three or four people, that the Lord moved on me to pray for. I don't know what's up the road, I really don't, but what I do know is: I know where the Lord has brought us from and I know how He has blessed us, and I know he will continue to bless us. It

says over in *Isaiah 55* 'my servants will eat', because we have sought the Lord while he was yet to be found, we have called on him while he was near

This is basically what this conversation is about to realize that once you have found that place in Christ, you are going to be mocked, but there is a blessing in it. We cannot allow ourselves to be intimidated. I know that there are people out there they will want to hear this, they want to know this, that it's all part of the program. That you cannot be ashamed of Christ.

When Moses eulogy was written, it was written, that to be identified with the children of God was greater riches than the pleasures of Egypt, he chose to be identified with the children of God. That is basically what we have done. We chose to be identified with Christ and we are not ashamed of what we stand for. That is one of the last things that one has to overcome. I remember I had been a Christian for a long time, but I was still ashamed of Christ. It takes a lot of maturity not to be ashamed of Christ. Now, I am not ashamed of what I stand for. Now, I'm hard as steel, nothing can affect me. They can make fun of me and I know that they do, you can see it when you see people with a smirk on their face, they think they can hide it, but it's there. Basically, what they are doing they are doing the same as those people did back in the days of Noah. That guy he wants to drown on dry land. There came a day when things turned around. You can go back and see for yourself how they were trying to get into the Ark. It's the same here today in this hours, but there is going to come a day when that thing, that picture will turn around.

We are a blessed people. There is nothing that they can do.

*Satan, Welt und ihre Rotten
können mir nichts mehr hier
tun, als meiner spotten;
Lass is spotted lass is lachen!
Gott, mein Heil, wird in Eil'
Sie su Schanden machen.*

That is all that they can do, they can mock you we cannot stop them from doing it, but you can bring yourself to a place where it doesn't affect you, and once you are in that place you receive the blessing, above anything else you want that blessing. I know a lot of Christians they cannot handle that mockery, that humiliation. They want to be that big boy on the block. Well, that does not work here. This is the way it works. The thing of it is you have to get it down into your DNA, that that is part of the program. We can talk about it here but the reality of it is what are you going to do when you are faced with that situation and before you know it you're ashamed to be a Christian. I have already overcome that. **Amen**

I could never be ashamed of him
As my Lord walked to Calvary
There was no beauty in that scene
He was bruised and put to shame there
As the crowd did cheer and screamed
It wasn't his fault nor for things he'd done
But for my sins he stood condemned
Now how could I be ashamed of him

How could I be ashamed
Off that side dripping with blood
How could I be ashamed
All that mocking crown that he wore
No he had every reason to be
Ashamed of me
I could never be ashamed of him

Now he's the same Lord today
With his nails pierced feet
And there's no beauty
That this old world desires
And His Holy Word they wouldn't keep
But I'll take him and the scorn I'll bear
Until my journey is complete
Because I could never be ashamed of Him