

Red Letter Edition

What did Jesus Say?

6019 Pentecost



"Did not our hearts burn within us?"

Pentecost ... Are you "keeping this feast"?

When the Apostle Paul said, "I must by all means keep this feast that cometh in Jerusalem..." (Acts 18:21) Of what Feast was he speaking?

Some scholars say that it was the Feast of Pentecost (Frankly, due to its dubious origin, this Scripture does not even appear in many Bibles... so much for the inspired King James!) I can find no references upon which to develop a timetable. However, the three mandated holy days upon which every man is to present himself before the Lord are:

- 1) The Feast of Unleavened Bread (Note: not Passover)
- 2) The Feast of Weeks (Pentecost)
- 3) The Feast of Tabernacles

"Three times thou shalt keep a feast unto me in the year. Thou shalt keep the feast of unleavened bread: ... in the time appointed of the month Abib; for in it thou camest out from Egypt: and none shall appear before me empty:) And the feast of harvest, the firstfruits of thy labours, which thou hast sown in the field: [The Feast of Weeks or Pentecost]... and the feast of ingathering, [Feast of Tabernacles] which is in the end of the year, when thou hast gathered in thy labours out of the field. Three times in the year all thy males shall appear before the Lord GOD." Exodus 23

And in Deuteronomy 16, *"Three times in a year shall all thy males appear before the LORD thy God in the place which he shall choose; in the feast of unleavened bread, and in the feast of weeks, and in the feast of tabernacles: and they shall not appear before the LORD empty..."*

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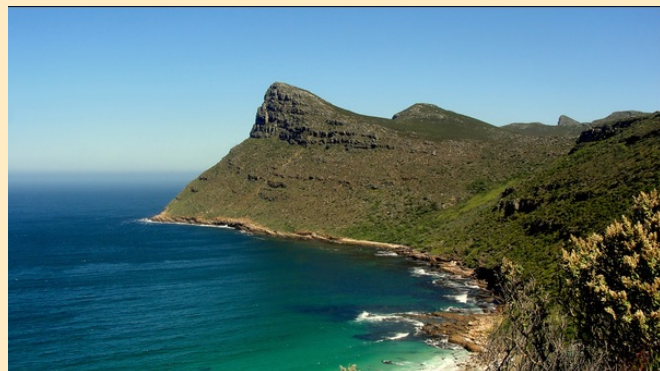
Thinking about the message...

This month I'd like to share with you an email from South Africa and my response. Stop for moment and hear the message in this man's soul. The author is a man of great conviction with a heart as big as his country. He has been a friend of this ministry for years. With pleasure, I introduce to you, my friend, J.L.

Dear Don,

...I was just reflecting on the history of Israel and how YHWH has dealt with the Hebrew nation over 6000 years and the patterns and the stubbornness of his children. Did you know that the Afrikaner nation (descendants of the founding fathers from the Netherlands) have a similar trend in our history?

South-Africa's earliest recorded history started in 1652 when a Dutch settler by the name of Jan van Riebeeck landed at the Cape of Good Hope. My family tree goes right back to 1653 when my roots were put down by an ancestor.



REPLY FROM DON: *I, too, feel a love for Africa that, even now, I cannot understand. As you know, several years ago I traveled to Nigeria. As you also know, Nigeria is a barren culture of little*

These settlers were followed by the British settlers in 1820 and the French Huguenots who landed in the area of Port Elizabeth on the east coast some 600km from where we are living at present. In 1836 the nation that had been living at the tip of Africa for 170 years found the burden placed on them by the British unbearable, and left the Cape of Good Hope on wagons drawn by oxen. If I had to make a comparison I would say this was probably the same as Babylon to the Hebrew nation. In 1838 the white settlers came into contact with the Zulu nation and were attacked.

In our recorded history these settlers made a covenant with YHVH, (MAN INSPIRED) but asked the Creator to protect them against this enemy and they in turn would make this day, a day of remembrance forever and treat it as a "Sunday" and that it would stand as a memorial for future generations. (We had already gotten it wrong 350 years ago) YHVH gave us the victory over an enemy of probably 50/1. In many of the old records and handing down of history there is evidence of a supernatural intervention in this battle which had a positive outcome for the settlers.

Many other battles ensued with the British but nowhere else in our history have we got any other resemblance to what happened in 1838. Today very few Afrikaners remember this promise and we have since evolved into a rainbow nation after the release of Nelson Mandela. Today this country has a bleak outlook for many of the remaining "settlers" as we are referred to.

We have also had our fair share of Pharisees (the Dutch reformed church) based on the CALVYN AND Martin Luther's doctrine and a secret society called the "Broederbond" (THE BROTHERHOOD) During the apartheid era this secret society made the rules and regulations and used the church as a tool to control the people.

Today most people are so indoctrinated into mainstream Christianity and I am astounded by the lies and deception which have been handed down to us through the ages. Even our founding fathers brought a wrong doctrine with them. When I think of the words of Y'shua regarding the narrow gate I wonder how many people are so convinced that they practice that which pleases the Father, yet are on a road which who knows will lead where?

I see the Grace that our Lord gives freely and I see the move of the supernatural spirit of YHVH and I know there are still hope and a future for those who would just trust in Y'shua. It seems to me that no matter what the truth is, those locked

hope outside of Jesus the Messiah. I saw little beauty there -- the only beauty I found was in the hearts of YHVH's people.

I was astounded at the fear and sadness in the faces of the Nigerian people, but, they have a story like no other. They have a testimony of faith in Jesus Christ that isn't even yet 40 years old! As little as 40 years ago, Benin City was in darkness. The "great" darkness Yeshua spoke of. A 35-year-old pastor I met said he could remember the "bloody" Benin City -- the "City of Blood." He said, "We are still the city of blood, you know, ... but now it is the blood of Christ!" then he shouted, "Press da Lo!" (the lovely way they say "Praise the Lord")

I needed Africa and didn't even know it!

When the opportunity came to go to Africa, it was a dark time in my life. I had produced a radio show that aired on six major Christian networks across the United States for over a year, with no indication that anyone was even listening. I labored over the fact that I had experienced little "fruit" for all my labor. Few converts, few convincements, and what friends I did have, were dropping like flies trapped behind a hot attic window.

Is it me? Is it my message? Had I missed something? Why does nearly no one respond to the good news that has been revealed to me?

The opportunity to travel 13,000 miles from home, came nearly overnight. I did NOT want to go, but I was "needed". I was not there to "inspect" Africa, nor was I there to evaluate it. I was in Africa because my God YHVH sent me there for a purpose that I did not yet know. Africa was my "gift" -- and I didn't even know it.

As I was setting up the broadcast and videotaping equipment for the ministry I was working for, I was approached by a man who asked me a question. I do not remember that particular question, but it was some question of doctrine or theology about which he was having difficulty answering from his own Bible.

The Holy Spirit came on me and I began to answer his question. Others joined us asking more questions and I began to respond to those, too. The words flowed from me as if I were a conduit of cool water to these thirsty, humble and seeking souls. We stood there amazed hearing the Word of God come from me.

When I assessed the group in front of me, I noticed that the few men had become several, and soon a crowd was seated on the grass before me. They listened for a while and suddenly one would stand to his feet and break into a run away from me disappearing into the distance. Soon he would come back with his friends, like neighborhood boys in a foot race, everyone running as fast as they could -- back to hear what I had to say. They would stand and call to their friends, "Come and hear the 'man of God'-- he has come to tell us the truth!"

One of the men asked me, "What is meant by the verse, '...the violent take it by force...' Are we to defend our Christian faith? Are we to fight the Muslims who oppose us?"

I was able, by the Holy Spirit, to tell this man to remember his own redemption and to love his oppressor -- to die for his faith. "You see," I said to him, "any unregenerate man can be willing to kill for what he believes, but few -- precious few, are willing to die for their faith. We have been called to die. It is only the power of YHVH in a man's soul that gives him the grace (power and ability) to die for his LORD.

Just as I finished, the man fell as though he had been struck. He lay in the dirt and cried out for that Grace! They all turned their face to the earth and wept aloud to YHVH.

I thought I had come to be a camera man! I had not yet realized the gift that the Father was giving me.

into their comfort zones and religious practices are like cars heading down a highway and no matter how many road signs which say "Danger" ignore these to their peril.

The Smell of Africa

Then there is the smell of Africa. It is a smell, an aroma that is found nowhere else. It is the smell of the highest diversity of plants and animals. It is the smell of creativity and beauty. Don, I so wish that we could one day take you on a journey through this garden with all its rich diversity not only of plants and animals but also our people.

When I read your Ezine, I was just thinking of how many millions of souls are in need of what you are talking about and you many people are in peril. In South Africa we have a murder rate that is higher than in Iraq, we have the highest aids statistics in the world but above all we have so many people that will be lost in eternity due to the "struggle to stay alive" and the chasing after the earthly goods. It is astounding to see what greed has done and how people are so eager to believe the prosperity doctrine of the false prophets.

Then we have the witchcraft and ancestry worship of many people. When I see the pictures coming onto the TV screens, tsunamis, famine, wars and rumors of war, pestilence, etc I cannot help but think of Noah and how the stubbornness of man is being repeated all over again. I thought I would just write you this short letter and perhaps just give you a brief insight into the Smells of Africa.

My fondest regards and best wishes to you,

J. L.

***Philippians 4:18,
"But I have all, and abound: I am full, having received ...the things which were sent from you, an odour of a sweet smell, a sacrifice acceptable, well pleasing to God."***

Later, I was asked to preach at several churches in the area. I taught about the Sabbath. I taught about the Feasts for the Lord. I taught them about the mercy and love of Messiah and how false hopes of prosperity and foolish doctrines of false prophets had robbed them of their precious years of pure service to Yah.

In one church, I was assigned an interpreter. I would say a few words and then a man would babble away in some strange language to a group who had traveled from some distant place to hear the "Man of God". I preached for about an half hour saying a few words and allowing my translator to interpret. Then, he stopped. "Are you going to translate?" I asked. He said, shaking his head as if he were baffled, "They understand every word you say!"

After I finished preaching, the pastor asked me, "Would you come back to the pulpit and tell us about the Sabbath?" I gladly conceded and began at the beginning teaching the Sabbath. I ended by asking, "Who will stand with the LORD YHVH in keeping this perpetual sign of covenant?" The noise was deafening as the metal chairs scooted across the raw concrete floor. Nearly the entire congregation stood to their feet in unison saying that they would keep the Lord's Sabbath Day!

In this, the Lord showed me,

- "It's not you..."
- "It's not the message..."
- "It is your audience."
- "There are still thousands that can hear My words."

*"...a sweet smell, a sacrifice acceptable, well pleasing to God."
Phil 4:18*

There is a "smell" of greatness our land, too, but you have to use your history books to catch even a whiff of it. A country, once brave in Spirit, blessed of God is stretched before us nearly every day as we travel this country's highways. We, as residents of modern times, may only dream of what it once was.

I now see our homeland's families marred and sullied by the sinner and bereft of Spirit. Families ravaged by the selfish and men who seek only another men's gold, but never their good. And, after taking their lives and life, we watch helplessly as the unholy trinity -- the government, the educational system and the entertainment industry -- continue to lead our children into impoverishment of character and, eventually, to a faithless, everlasting death.

The sweet aroma of godliness is fading...

I know the beauty you speak of... and I know the pain you feel for your land. Perhaps the Father may have to take you around the world to show you that faithfulness to His truth... is all that matters.

Stay strong. Search for the one... and rejoice with the angels when one is found.

Don C. Harris

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Interviews with *Robert Thibodeau*

"Hello everyone everywhere. This Pastor Robert and I want to welcome you to the Kingdom Cross Roads Podcast. I have a special treat for you today. We have, back on the line all the way from the thriving metropolis of Pie Town, New Mexico is our



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good friend, Don Harris. ...Don's nickname is – The Eraser. His job, is to clear the chalkboard for The Teacher – Jesus. There are many false notions and ineffective ideas which must be replaced by examination in light of "the red ink* – the words of Jesus as recorded in the Scriptures."

Here's the topics and links for this interview:

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You need to tune in to his radio program Sunday mornings at 11am ET, called "[Red Letter Edition – LIVE](#)" which is the live call in program and Monday-Friday at 8am ET for "[Red Letter Edition](#)" which will challenge you to verify your beliefs in a way that will ultimately result in a lasting relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ.

Don, thank you again for coming on the program today, buddy. I truly do appreciate you and your friendship. Folks, that is all we have time for today. All the links are in the show notes...so be sure you check out Don's information on his website.

For Don Harris and myself, this is Pastor Bob Thibodeau reminding you to BE BLESSED IN ALL THAT YOU DO!"

Robert Thibodeau



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