Welcome to Spiritual Wisdom Knowledge and Understanding

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This message is called "Passing the Test of the Signs"

For those of you who are believers, you are probably hearing a lot on the end times...and you should be. It strengthens you spiritually and keeps you focused on God. However, we need to be careful of what we hear and believe.

This message is going to show you how to test those and what they're saying in whether it should be something you should believe or not.

First and foremost, we need to understand the Word of God as it is written.

Matthew 5:18New King James Version (NKJV)

¹⁸ For assuredly, I say to you, till heaven and earth pass away, one jot or one tittle will by no means pass from the law till all is fulfilled.

The Word of God has so much to it, that we need to make sure we're not missing anything.

1 Corinthians 13:9New King James Version (NKJV)

⁹ For we know in part and we prophesy in part.

Realize this, we are not God. We don't know everything that is going on. In my last message, I spoke about Moses and how he didn't know the promise between Abraham and God and how it affected him...and yet, he was held accountable to it.

So here is how we are held accountable to God's Word:

John 8:47New King James Version (NKJV)

⁴⁷ He who is of God hears God's words; therefore you do not hear, because you are not of God."

You are held accountable to hear His word, whether to receive and believe in it.

So here is a first step in questioning what you are hearing, and remember, always question what you hear.

I've noticed over the last few weeks several different pastors, preachers, ministers and such say things like this is translated incorrectly, or this really means this, etc. I'm not here to name names or point the finger but I want to show you how to identify this and how to handle it properly.

First, yes mankind physically wrote the Bible at different times throughout history, but there is something strange that happened here. Have you ever heard of the strength of a man when he is in a

life or death situation? Imagine if someone is stuck under a car, how many stories have we heard where a person lifted the car rescuing and saving that person's life.

That same strength can be applied to every man who wrote the Word of God because God was spiritually directing that individual.

Check this out...

https://probe.org/the-dead-sea-scrolls/

The Dead Sea Scrolls and the Masoretic Text

"After years of careful study, it has been concluded that the Dead Sea Scrolls give substantial confirmation that our Old Testament has been accurately preserved." – paragraph 4

Throughout history, many have believed that the Bible wasn't well kept and that there are errors in translations and in maintaining the scriptures. As you can see, when the dead sea scrolls were found in 1947 and then studied over many years, they found it to be "accurately preserved".

Wow...

That is a miracle...just like the person lifting a car to save a life.

People have a hard time believing this and do their best to make the Word of God adapt to what they are trying to say and think...another words, change the Word of God and no one should do that, ever!

So, the first thing you need to test is whether the person speaking, preaching, and/or ministering the Word of God tried to change it. If they did, they don't have faith in the way the Word of God stands. They're trying to make the Word of God fit their message vs God's message. That's a big red flag. That doesn't mean you go and attack them for it. It means you pray for them and those who hear the message...and pray fervently. They need to hear the truth.

Second, we need to keep the Word of God in its context. Anyone can make anyone say anything by taking bits and pieces from here and there to form a statement. That's not how the Word of God works. That's another red flag. Again, pray for them.

Third and probably the most important, keep the perspective of what the author is trying to say. For example, I recently heard Mike Huckabee say that if President Trump ran into a burning building rescuing children and they all made it out alive, the news would run the story saying he ran out of the building. Note, yes, he did run out of the building but they left out key important facts manipulating the story so you would see it as if he ran out in fear vs in rescue.

As you can see from that, perspective is everything! Make sure you are seeing God's perspective and not man's.

Another factor is to see that scripture always balances itself and confirms itself.

For example, take a look at these two scriptures:

Romans 10:13New King James Version (NKJV)

¹³ For "whoever calls on the name of the LORD shall be saved." [a]

Joel 2:32New King James Version (NKJV)

³² And it shall come to pass

That whoever calls on the name of the LORD

Shall be saved.

For in Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there shall be deliverance,

As the LORD has said,

Among the remnant whom the LORD calls.

All though Joel has additional information, they both same the same thing – "whoever calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved"

These were written by two different authors in two different time periods. Obviously, Romans was written after Joel and Paul is probably quoting Joel in Romans but you can see that both the Old Testament and the New Testament work together balancing and confirming each other.

If you are hearing someone say something that you've not heard it anywhere else in the Bible confirmed, you need to question that or hold off on receiving that message until you can confirm the message is spoken of somewhere else. It could be there but you need to look for it before receiving that message...and /or maybe God hasn't revealed it to you yet or it could not be there at all. Again, pray for wisdom, knowledge, understanding, and revelation.

If you ask God in prayer, He will show you and answer you. He takes this very seriously and this is how He communicates with you, through His word. So you can definitely take for certain that He will make it a priority to show you His word.

You say, how does He speak to me?

Joel 2:28New King James Version (NKJV)

God's Spirit Poured Out

²⁸ "And it shall come to pass afterward

That I will pour out My Spirit on all flesh;

Your sons and your daughters shall prophesy.

Your old men shall dream dreams.

Your young men shall see visions.

Acts 2:17New King James Version (NKJV)

¹⁷ 'And it shall come to pass in the last days, says God,

That I will pour out of My Spirit on all flesh;

Your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,

Your young men shall see visions,

Your old men shall dream dreams.

Notice how important this was...it was written in both the Old Testament and the New Testament just like the other two scriptures we read. See how the Word confirms and balances itself?

Now, the ultimate test...the ultimate question is this:

Deuteronomy 13:3New King James Version (NKJV)

³ you shall not listen to the words of that prophet or that dreamer of dreams, for the LORD your God is testing you to know whether you love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul.

Matthew 22:37New King James Version (NKJV)

³⁷ Jesus said to him, "'You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.'^[a]

The scriptures should lead you to where God wants you to be, which is under His commandment to love Him with all your heart, soul, and mind. So if you think God is telling you to kill the Philistines for example, think again. That was done in a time that was different from where we are today. He is now telling you to focus on loving God with all your heart, soul, and mind. That may not be the best example but it shows you how the scripture should reinforce the foundation of loving God with all your heart, soul, and mind.

Now that I've laid that foundation of questioning with checks and balances for you, let's see it in practice testing the signs of the end.

Isaiah 34:4New King James Version (NKJV)

⁴ All the host of heaven shall be dissolved,

And the heavens shall be rolled up like a scroll;

All their host shall fall down

As the leaf falls from the vine,

And as *fruit* falling from a fig tree.

Revelation 6:13New King James Version (NKJV)

¹³ And the stars of heaven fell to the earth, as a fig tree drops its late figs when it is shaken by a mighty wind.

Matthew 24:31-33New King James Version (NKJV)

³¹ And He will send His angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and they will gather together His elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other.

The Parable of the Fig Tree

³² "Now learn this parable from the fig tree: When its branch has already become tender and puts forth leaves, you know that summer *is* near. ³³ So you also, when you see all these things, know that it^[a] is near—at the doors!

First, let's place these scriptures in context. They are prophesying an event that will happen...we know it hasn't happened yet because the host of heaven haven't dissolved, etc. but what was the last scripture saying – they will gather His elect from the four winds. This is talking about the rapture or when Christ returns for His believers.

Second, do they say the same thing? Yes.

Third, do they reaffirm God's commandment to love Him with all your heart, mind, and soul? Yes.

2 Timothy 2:10New King James Version (NKJV)

¹⁰ Therefore I endure all things for the sake of the elect, that they also may obtain the salvation which is in Christ Jesus with eternal glory.

Matthew 24:22New King James Version (NKJV)

²² And unless those days were shortened, no flesh would be saved; but for the elect's sake those days will be shortened.

The prophecy is for His elect and His elect are commanded to love God with all his/her heart, mind, and soul. So this prophecy reaffirms to love Him with all your heart, mind, and soul in order for you to be gathered to Him from the four corners of the earth.

Now that we see Isaiah, Matthew, and Revelation speaking about something very important in the Bible, and that we've reaffirmed this is a prophecy from the Bible for His elect regarding the end times, we need to pay attention and study this further.

Notice, those three scriptures speak of a Fig tree written by three different authors in three different time periods. Isaiah before Christ was born. Matthew is Christ speaking and Revelation was written by John after Christ rose from the dead.

Let's learn more about the fig tree...

http://homeguides.sfgate.com/fig-tree-bear-fruit-49324.html

Paragraphs 4 and 5

Crops Per Year

Fig trees produce two crops every year, but only one of them may be edible. The first crop, called the breba crop, occurs relatively early in the year on the previous year's growth. These fruits are frequently small, acidic and inferior in texture, but may be useful for preservation. The second crop occurs later in the year on the current year's growth and these figs should be edible. Caprifigs, a variation of the common fig that can be used to pollinate some varieties, produce no edible fruit in either crop.

Harvest Time

The exact timing of the main crop depends on your climate and conditions. For example, growers in cooler coastal areas usually harvest their figs during October and November. For warmer and inland climates, the usual harvest time is between June and September. In some tropical locations, fig trees may bear some fruit throughout the year, with increased production in early summer and midwinter.

As you can see, the Bible is showing us a season of when these extraordinary events will take place, between June and September because that's the normal harvest time of the fig tree. Yes, I'm not going to look at the cooler climates...let's stick to the averages here.

Let's do a quick check...have I added or changed anything to the scriptures? No. They are still the same. I've simply shown you more about a fig tree that Jesus is assuming you already know about...and if you're like me, you don't know anything about the fig tree; hence why I looked it up. I also took the assumption of the norm, and not the exception of the cooler climate.

That means God is showing us a season that we know these events will take place in.

So we have a season...this can be further narrowed down because Jesus also references a great sound of a trumpet that I read in Matthew 24:31 earlier.

Let's see what the trumpet means...

Leviticus 23:23-24New King James Version (NKJV)

The Feast of Trumpets

²³ Then the LORD spoke to Moses, saying, ²⁴ "Speak to the children of Israel, saying: 'In the seventh month, on the first *day* of the month, you shall have a sabbath-*rest*, a memorial of blowing of trumpets, a holy convocation.

See these links on the Jewish calendar for more understanding...I had to look this up to make sure that I'm not adding anything to the Word of God but questioning myself and my understanding of what God is showing me.

http://www.chabad.org/library/article_cdo/aid/526874/jewish/The-Jewish-Month.htm

https://www.hebcal.com/holidays/2017

http://www.shepherdministries.net/home/rosh hashanah countdown

Based on the above links, Rosh Hashanah and the Feast of Trumpets are the same, and in 2017 it lands on September 21 sunset and could only be confirmed by the high priest if he sees the sliver of the new moon on that evening. Once he does, the trumpet is blown.

So we have a season, June to September (fig tree harvest) and then Jesus refers to the sound of a great trumpet, which is Rosh Hashanah that lands on 9/21 in 2017, and now we have a month.

Can we know more like what year because every year the holidays repeat and the fig tree harvest takes place. So there has to be another sign to show us which year this will take place in, especially since He showed us the month and the season.

And you ask why? Remember ...what were those extraordinary events Jesus prophesied?

It's worth reading again...

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He will gather His elect...

John 14:28New King James Version (NKJV)

²⁸ You have heard Me say to you, 'I am going away and coming *back* to you.' If you loved Me, you would rejoice because I said, [a] 'I am going to the Father,' for My Father is greater than I.

Here is the scripture reaffirming that we need to know when He's returning or have an idea and that we would know if we loved Him. Wow – so far everything we've questioned related to this message is aligning / coming directly from the Word of God.

All right, lets read more about this day and see what else the Bible is showing us...

Matthew 24:29-30New King James Version (NKJV)

The Coming of the Son of Man

²⁹ "Immediately after the tribulation of those days the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light; the stars will fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens will be shaken. ³⁰ Then the sign of the Son of Man will appear in heaven, and then all the tribes of the earth will mourn, and they will see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of heaven with power and great glory.

Here we see the sun and moon go dark...just like we read in Isaiah 34 where the heaven shall dissolve and the sky rolls up like a scroll. So this additional scripture I read here reaffirms this prophecy that's going to take place. In essence another clue... Matthew 24:30 says "Then the sign of the Son of Man will appear in heaven".

What sign is that?

Revelation 12:1-2New King James Version (NKJV)

The Woman, the Child, and the Dragon

12 Now a great sign appeared in heaven: a woman clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet, and on her head a garland of twelve stars. ² Then being with child, she cried out in labor and in pain to give birth.

Isaiah 13:6-10New King James Version (NKJV)

⁶ Wail, for the day of the LORD is at hand!

It will come as destruction from the Almighty.

⁷ Therefore all hands will be limp,

Every man's heart will melt,

⁸ And they will be afraid.

Pangs and sorrows will take hold of *them*;

They will be in pain as a woman in childbirth;

They will be amazed at one another;

Their faces will be like flames.

⁹ Behold, the day of the LORD comes,

Cruel, with both wrath and fierce anger,

To lay the land desolate;

And He will destroy its sinners from it.

¹⁰ For the stars of heaven and their constellations

Will not give their light;

The sun will be darkened in its going forth,

And the moon will not cause its light to shine.

Ok...you can see this sign is written both in Isaiah and Revelation and say almost the same thing.

Now let me apply new revelation that people just became aware of about this sign and what it means...then I'll test it to see if it is biblically sound.

The constellation Virgo is a woman in the sky or heaven. See how Revelation 12 says she'll be clothed with the sun at her head and the moon at her feet? This happens every year too but look at what is on her head, twelve stars. Ordinarily, there are only 9 stars, but in 2017 there will be 12 stars above her head because Venus, Mars, and Mercury will join Leo's 9 stars above Virgo's head.

Oh and to add, she's pregnant with Jupiter. Here's a link of an explanation showing more about this sign.

http://www.watchfortheday.org/1260tetrad.html

According to many people, this is the only time this appears ever. I found one YouTube video that actually shows it happened once before with Mercury Venus and Saturn (not Mars) as the additional planets above her head on Aug 5, 3915 BC. Here's the link to the 4 minute video.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xRbXR8aAs3U

Either way, this is a rare sign. We know the Bible prophesies it and says it will appear in the sky – heaven. We see this prophecy in more than one place in the Bible. The only problem was that in the past, we only could see 9 stars above her head but this year there will be 12.

Could 2017 be the year Jesus spoke of to watch for? Note, I don't have this software to confirm whether this is true but based on the many different people showing it on videos on websites and on YouTube, it doesn't appear to be fake.

So let's test this further in scripture.

Matthew 24:36New King James Version (NKJV)

No One Knows the Day or Hour

³⁶ "But of that day and hour no one knows, not even the angels of heaven, [a] but My Father only.

I understand Jesus says that no one knows the day or the hour, but notice He doesn't say the month, the season, or the year. And then to almost contradict what He says, He says to watch; be aware...

Matthew 24:42-43New King James Version (NKJV)

⁴² Watch therefore, for you do not know what hour^[a] your Lord is coming.

⁴³ But know this, that if the master of the house had known what hour the thief would come, he would have watched and not allowed his house to be broken into.

1 Thessalonians 5:2New King James Version (NKJV)

² For you yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord so comes as a thief in the night.

Here we can see the Bible reaffirming the way the Lord will return...does this contradict we just reviewed in this message?

Well, that depends on perspective. Here's the greatest thing to see about all of these scriptures. Whose perspective are they being reviewed by?

You are watching this video and as you can see from the other YouTube video I mentioned earlier, and the resource web page about the sign in heaven, some of us know what's going on.

Does everyone know what's going on? No. And that's where the perspective changes. Those that aren't watching...The Lord's return will be like a thief in the night to them. It will be suddenly and unexpected.

But for those that study and know God, and God knows him or her, these individuals will not be surprised.

And in fact, you can tell who is ready simply by watching the reaction of the individual. Is he or she excited and looking forward to Jesus return or is he or she scared and wants more time here on earth?

Which one are you? If you're scared, say this prayer out loud with me:

Dear Heavenly Father, I ask You to forgive me of my sins and be my Lord and Savior. Help me to understand Your return and what life after will be like. Thank You. In Jesus' Name Amen!

If you believe, you're not afraid. Remember this, God created this world and it has life and death in it. That means He controls both. He controls life and He controls death. Line up with God by saying the prayer we said a moment ago and loving Him with all your heart, mind, and soul...you won't have anything to worry about.

Hallelujah!

Well, I don't know about you but I'm very excited about His return and look forward to it. Think about all the evil happening in this world...for the elect sake, He needs to shorten this time of tribulation. It's horrible.

Matthew 24:22New King James Version (NKJV)

²² And unless those days were shortened, no flesh would be saved; but for the elect's sake those days will be shortened.

Thank God He does shorten it...be ready. Check the sky. Check His Word. Know and let God tell you in your dreams and bring you comfort and peace.

Research His Word and find out for yourself. You need to know He's coming and it's happening very quickly!

Remember, I don't know everything. I'm not God and neither are you. That means you need to do your homework. Check this and test it for yourself. See what your results show. There are many more scriptures that show so much more about The Day of the Lord...about us meeting Him in the sky...about the heavens going dim, and so forth. In fact, there are so many scriptures on it with so many elements to it that this would turn out to be a series of messages vs just this one.

You can you those other scriptures to test these...if you have trouble with that, find others that already did this and check their work. Just make sure that you do check it against the Bible.

Let God be at the center of your knowledge, wisdom, and understanding! Hallelujah!

Let's pray...

Dear Heavenly Father, I declare You Lord Jesus over our eyes, ears, and heart so that You are in control of them. Let our eyes, ears, and heart, hear, see, and follow Your Word! In Jesus Name Amen!

Thank you for listening. Please like the House of Faith Ministries Facebook page for daily prayers and messages from Pastor Marcos and myself.

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May the Lord lead you and guide you to find your way through the scriptures to be aware of what to look and watch for. He is coming and very quickly!

God bless you!