I have a word from God for you, and it will change your life if you receive it.

I want to say something. I hear preachers all the time mentioning that they have a word from God. I hardly ever say it because I think it is a very sobering thing to say. I have others say I have a prophetic word, and I usually don’t say that either, but this is indeed a prophetic word from God. It's the hardest message I’ve ever preached, and I want us to pray because this message is about golden calves coming down.

The title of the message is “Coronavirus Will Usher in a Great Awakening!” I’m going to say that again. The Coronavirus Will Usher in a Great Awakening!

Father, I pray that the Holy Spirit of God will open our ears to hear what You are saying to us today, Lord. This was a life-changing revelation that You gave to me, and I pray that this life-changing revelation will touch every heart, every believer, and every pastor in the mighty name of Jesus. Amen.

You know Jeremiah said this in the word of God: “I will not mention his word or speak anymore in his name, his word is in my heart like a fire, a fire shut up in my bones” (Jeremiah 20:9). Now, listen to this Scripture, because this is really the beginning of our message. When you see these things, know that, I’m going to say it again, know that it is “near, right at the door” (Matthew 24:33).

You’re seeing things right now, and you are wondering: is there any prophetic significance to any of this? Well, watch this in Romans Chapter 8. I’m going to talk through 19 to 21, but I will mention the 22nd verse first. “For we know that the whole creation GROANS and suffers the PAINS of childbirth TOGETHER.”

I’m going to say it again “together, until now.” It describes it as an inanimate groaning together, earnestly wanting and wishing to be delivered. The whole creation it says seems to wait with earnest expectation for a period when the children of God shall be manifested in the glory prepared for them.

That is a tremendous revelation. I want you to get this deep in your spirit. Let’s look at the word first, “groans.” It’s an expression of universal grief. It’s a worldwide lament in which a dying world unites. Is that going on now? You better
believe it’s going on now. It’s also to suffer the pains of childbirth…the travailing over the distress.

And then another word we use, “together.” It refers to the complex whole of creation. All of it. All of the regions, all of creation, together...“until now.” The “now” specifically refers to His glory, something magnificent that He is going to do.

Now you’re going to see this in a second, in 2 Chronicles 1 & 2. You know this Scripture: 2 Chronicles 7:14. I know you know.

Solomon dedicated the temple. And the Bible says in the fire from heaven consumed the burnt offering, and the sacrifice and the glory of the Lord filled the Temple so greatly that the priest could not enter the Temple because the glory of the Lord filled it. Isn’t that amazing?

Think of that as your church. Here you are dedicating your church, and the glory of the Lord is filling the place. So greatly you can’t even stand his presence. But then the Lord appeared to Solomon at night, and he said I have heard your prayers and have chosen this place for myself as a Temple of sacrifice.

I want you to see that. Here is tremendous manifestation of glory a glorious dedication. Everyone is bragging and excited and saying look what God has done. We are his people. The glory is on us. Now God says this to Solomon the same day: “When I shut up the heavens so that there is no rain or command the locusts to devour the land or send a plague among my people” (2 Chronicles 7:13, NIV).

Did you hear that? That is what God is telling Solomon on a day of dedication of a temple or a church. But then the next verse says, “if my people (His people), who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways...” Now, this is a tough one. He is talking about His people. He says I want my people to turn from their wicked ways. What? Your glory just filled the house, we saw your power, now you are calling us wicked ways, that we need to repent? Yes. then He says, “I will hear from heaven, and I will forgive sin and will heal their land (2 Chronicles 7:14, NIV).

This is a tremendous revelation, and you have to get this and understand this to see what the Holy Spirit is saying. I feel like Jeremiah when Jeremiah gave the word of the Lord and people rejected it. People scoffed at him. They could not receive what he was saying.

Now I want you to see something else from Matthew 24. Here’s Jesus. He departs from the Temple and the disciples, watch this, the disciples came to Him showing
Gim the building of the Temple. I want you to see that right now. It is very similar to what happened with Solomon. It’s like two church dedications. They are looking at this glorious Temple. They are looking at the marvelous Temple. They are saying, “look at this, Jesus, aren’t we doing a great job? Isn’t fantastic? Isn’t our worship great? Isn’t our preaching great? Isn’t this something else, Jesus?” And what does He say? Very similar to what Solomon heard at night. He says, “do you see all of these things? Truly I say to you not one stone here will be left upon another, every one will be thrown down.”

Did you see that? Here are two dedications. Both of them disrupted by a manifested presence of God. Shocking!

So, Jesus is sitting on the Mount of Olives. Now it’s a little wild to get up there. I have been there. They came to him privately saying, tell us, when will this happen? And what will be the sign of your coming? Now the end of the age in Matthew 24.

Now let me say what Jesus says in Luke 21:28. When these things begin to take place. Here it is. Watch this. “Stand up! Lift up your head because your redemption is drawing nigh.”

Now I don’t see a whole lot of people in the middle of the coronavirus standing up, lifting up their heads, rejoicing that their redemption is drawing nigh. God’s Word does not create panic. People who have been with Jesus are geared and programmed for storms.

Does the coronavirus have a prophetic significance? To answer your question, yes. Isaiah prophesied that God will shake the whole earth. God is going to lay waste the earth and devastate it. Hebrews 12:26 - 27 (NIV) says, “Once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heavens.’ The words ‘once more’ indicate the removing of what can be shaken—that is, created things—so that what cannot be shaken may remain.”

You have to get that in the spirit realm. What is this prophetic word? Here it is. That everything that can be shaken is being shaken. The economies, which people have put their faith in. Political systems, which they have put their faith in and governments. Education. It shut down. Even the Church. Shut down. You have never had a time like this in your lifetime or has this nation. Everything we put our security in is being shaken. All of our idols are coming down. You say, as a preacher, that we have idols in our lives? Yes. An idol is anything that gets between us and God. Anything. It could be money or family or shopping or sports or fame or more education or status. Whatever we treasure and consumes us is an idol. It could even be your church. It could even be your pastor.
Let me tell you something that happened to me that opened my spirit to this revelation in a great way. Many years ago, I flew with my daughter to Madras, India. I went there to hold my first crusade, and Shira said to me, “Daddy, are you going to preach to many people?” And I said, “Sure, I am going to preach to a million.” She said, “A million?” I said, “Yes, we set up lights and a sound system on a beach for a million people to gather.” She said, “Daddy have you ever been to India.” I said, “Never.” And she looked at me like “I don’t know what’s going on here. I don’t understand what is going on here.”

That night I went to sleep, and I had a dream. It was a God dream. I saw the throne room of God, and I saw the Lord in the dream, and the Lord looked at me. Then He looked down and in front were idols. Big ones and fat ones and skinny ones and thin ones, and He said to me who’s idols are these? Well, I knew who they were. They were the idols of the Indian people. And I started to open my mouth when I looked and saw the idols. Every one of them had my name on them, had my name on them. I woke up crying. I could not breathe. It was 1:30 in the morning. I felt like a dead man. I spent the rest of the night in prayer, felt totally unclean, felt wicked, dirty. I had seen the Lord and He showed me idols in my life. The next day I told my team, “I cannot preach. God has shown me things, I can’t preach.” And they said, “You’ve got to; they have come to hear you.” I went out to that stadium that night. There was not a million people there, maybe 20 or 30,000 Hindus, and I put my sermon down because God said I do not want that. And He said, “Say, See Jesus.” And I said, “See Jesus,” and I said a few words, and He said, “See Jesus,” and I said it again, “Not me, see Jesus,” and I started saying a few more words. I did it for a third time, and when I did it for the third time, my associate came up and grabbed the mic and said, “Stop preaching.”

I wanted to slap him. “What are you doing? I am the man of God.” No, I didn’t do that because I was already humbled by God when He showed me idol worship in my life. I handed the mic to a doctor, a Hindu doctor, who was crying. He said, “I am an eye doctor. And I have little girls from my blind school that were born blind and three of them are seeing. When you said, see Jesus, no one touched them, but their eyes were opened. They started screaming and crying and touching, saying we can see, we can see!”

It was unbelievable. I went home that night, and I just rejoiced. God, you are so astonishing. I repent of my wicked ways, and Your glory heals three little girls miraculously. That story hit all the India wire services. The next morning, when I got up to go for breakfast, I opened my door. I could not get out. The Speaker of the House for the Indian Parliament, a Hindu, with his Muslim aid who had multiple sclerosis, were standing in front of my door wanting prayer. The line went down the stairs, out into the street. I prayed for hours for people. That evening
when I went outside, there were hundreds of thousands of people wanting me to stretch out my hand and bless them. Then when I got to that crusade ground, that huge beach area that was empty the night before, to my shocking amazement, there was, in fact, over a million people there that night hungry for Jesus.

Now, I am showing you something and sharing with you from the bottom of my heart. I want to share another Scripture to you. Matthew 24. Here is Jesus. He is speaking in the 4th and 5th verse...” Watch out that no one deceives you. For many will come in my name, claiming, ‘I am the Messiah.’” Now this is not the antichrist. It is many, not one. “…many will come in my name.” Now, what does He mean by “my name?” In the Greek it means reputation, authority, and fame. Many will come in my reputation, in my authority, and my fame and will deceive many. Many will come? Yes, that is what He said. This will be the sign just before His return. Now let’s look at verse 5. “For many will come in my name (as I said, reputation, authority, and fame), claiming, ‘I am the Messiah.’” Do you know what the Greek word for I is? E-G-O. “I” as a strong ego am here in the reputation and authority of Christ. Now, by the way, Christ is not Jesus’ last name. So, what He is saying, many will come in my reputation, authority, and fame as a strong personality using my anointing and deceive many.

Now let’s look at the word deceived. The word deceived is used in Acts 19. Verses 13-16: “Some Jews that went around driving out evil spirits, invoking the name of the Lord Jesus to those who were demon possessed. They would say ‘in the name of Jesus who Paul preaches, I command you to come out.’” And then in verse 14, the “seven sons of Sceva, a Jewish chief priest, were doing this. One day the evil spirit answered them, ‘Jesus I know, and Paul I know but who are you?’ Then the man who had the evil spirit jumped on them, overpowered them all and gave them such a beating that they ran out of the house naked and bleeding.”

That is the word deceived that Jesus such used in Matthew 24: “For many shall come in my name.” He is talking about deceiving with personalities, with egos, claiming to have the anointing. Now we cannot put our faith in man. We have to put it in God because any faith in man that is exalted is idolatry, even if it is in your pastor. What? Yes! Even if it is in your pastor. You can’t deny, you saw how they were glorying in their church or Solomon’s temple. They were glorying in Herod’s temple, or your church. And Jesus rebuked them. You can’t even make your church something that becomes so obsessive with you and your pastor so obsessive with you, that it becomes all-consuming. Because if it does, it is an idol.

I can tell you that God is shaking the church. He is shaking it to be the body of Christ. Not a spectator or fans glorifying the pulpit. It breaks my heart to say this, but God shut down the church. The government did not do it. God did it. He shut them down so God’s people would get on their faces and pray and pray through
and repent. He shut them down so God's people would get in the Word. Most of them are not in the Word and you know what they use as an excuse? Oh, I use my iPhone. Yeah, you use your iPhone for a lot of things. You use it to surf pornography, but you are reading the Word of God. You are not burning with the fire of God, and God is saying, I am going to drive you to a place where you are going to have to seek My face. You are going to have to get in the Word. You have no choice. All of your idols I am pulling down.

I have had the privilege of ministering to pastors because I have preached to over 4,000 churches. And I have had pastors come up to me, telling me things in confidence. One pastor said—he was a mega pastor—he said I am having an affair, and I am addicted to porn. Another pastor told me he had not prayed in 20 years. A mega pastor. I said, what do you mean? He said, I only pray in public, and I only read my Bible for the sermons. He said I have no devotional life. No prayer life. Another pastor told me he had been mad at one of his church members for years. “I hate them,” he said. Another mega pastor told me “I am an alcoholic.” Another said to me, “You should not talk about pastors.” Yes, I should because the pastors are the voice of the Lord in the house of God, like a priest. A pastor once told me that he had kicked a board member out of his church, and he was so arrogant he smiled and said, “I have a doggie door for that dude, and if he sets foot on these grounds, my security will kick him off.” What? What is he saying? As a pastor, how can you talk like that? One of the pastors of one of the largest churches in America whom I gave a word from God—it was not an easy one, but it was truly from God—called me screaming and cursing and threatening to beat me up. I was in a Walmart store. My phone rang. I'll never forget it. He said, “nobody talks to me like that.” Really?

Jesus’ Word convicts us to the bone of our soul. Jesus said in Matthew 7:21 - 23, “Not everyone who says to me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ will enter the kingdom of heaven, but only the one who does the will of my Father who is in heaven. Many will say to me on that day, ‘Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name and in your name drive out demons and, in your name, do many wondrous works? Then I will tell them plainly…” Now, this is tough. Look at it. “I never knew you. Away from me, you evil-doers!”

Now, evil-doer in the original means a worker of iniquity, a worker of lawlessness. They are a law unto themselves. It is similar to an invisible virus. Remember what Satan said to Eve? Let me put it in our language today. Hey Eve, God is easy, He loves you, he won’t punish you for disobeying.

You know what that is? That is exactly the theme of the seeker-friendly church in America. It’s a gospel of accommodation. Accommodating Sodom and Gomorrah, to fill the pews. It’s a gospel that doesn’t preach against sin, doesn’t speak about
immorality. The immoral feel comfortable in that church. That is why the divorce rate is as high outside the church as inside it.

When was the last time God called you to repent? You tell your stories of success but, friend, a lot of those are self-inspired narratives. By the way, that is an acronym for S.I.N. You only tell the part that makes you look good. You don’t want to tell them the rest of the stuff. I’m hearing the rest of the stuff!

You see, Satan is seducing the masses with entertainment. God’s house is not a house of prayer. Why are we lying about that? If Jesus came into the average church in America, He would turn over the tables like He did in the Temple because it’s not a place of prayer. There is not red hard prayer going on there. Well, at best there is a quick prayer at the end if you want someone to pray for you, but there are no people crying out to God for revival in brokenness and repentance.

God does not need sermons. Many times, His word in the pulpit is shut up. Our slick programs haven’t worked. We have programmed everything to accommodate everyone. So, if the Holy Ghost shows up in power, He cannot get in. He is not part of our program.

Let me tell you a story. I was going to speak at a very famous revival church, Kensington Temple in London, and I had a sore throat. So, I did something dumb, I got on a motorcycle in shorts without a helmet. I was only going a half a mile to get some throat medicine, but as I crossed the red light, a young kid and a teenager in a pickup ran the light and came right at my motorcycle. I had to lay it down under his pickup, and I slid across the asphalt as the tar burned my arm and my leg, and I was trying to protect my head. I thought, “God, the devil is attacking me. He is attacking me because You put a great message on my heart, and the devil is trying to keep me from sharing it.”

I made it to London and when I got there, I stood outside, and believe or not there was a cab stopped. British cabs are higher up, and the mirror on the cab hit me on the shoulder and knocked me down. My shoulder was black and blue. So, I get up in the church with the GREAT message God had given me with bruises on here (right arm) and bruises on there (legs) and bruises on there (left arm). I knew it was all the devil because he did not want me to share my message. And I started preaching from Luke 4:16-20: “He went to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, and on the Sabbath day he went into the synagogue, as was his custom. He stood up to read and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was handed to him. Unrolling it, he found the place where it is written: ‘The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to proclaim GOOD NEWS to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom to the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind,
to set the oppressed free, to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favor.’ Then he rolled up the scroll, gave it to the attendant and sat down. I want to say it again, he sat down. He did not preach. He sat down. The eyes of everyone in the synagogue were fastened on him.” That was my text for Kensington Temple. Then I was going to preach this incredible message God gave me, but I tried to open my mouth. God told me to shut up and sit down. What?! The pastor looked at me like, “what’s wrong, dude? Start preaching.”

And I looked back at him, and I tried, but I knew God was telling me to sit down. I went over to the chair by his and sat down. He never spoke, and I never spoke. And next four or five minutes were the most miserable minutes of my life. Everyone in the congregation was looking around and clearing their throat, and I could see the blood pressure of that pastor going higher and higher. He wanted to kill me. I wanted to kill me. I was so frustrated. “God, why did You do this to me?” And then, all of a sudden (there were thousands of people in this congregation) and way in the back, it was as if someone blew the doors out, and the Holy Ghost started coming down the last rows. And people started crying and weeping, and you could see the next row. I saw three pastors repent of immorality. I had a woman run up, a psychiatrist, who was inflicting cuts upon herself at home at night because she was tormented by demons. People were healed, miracles, it was unbelievable. The power came, it kept moving towards the front, and the closer it got, it was astonishing. I have never felt such power. The pastor literally came up in the chair, spun, and went flat on his back. A revival broke out that shook London and much of Europe because I shut my mouth and obeyed God.

How is it possible today, brothers and sisters, that Believers can go to R-rated movies, and they don’t feel convicted but comfortable? How is it possible that the lost, the immoral don’t have to go to bars anymore to pick up girls? They can go to church. The Spirit of God is saying “your golden calves are coming down, REPENT!” The Spirit is saying “build your house upon the rock. Repent in prayer. Stop glorifying flesh.” All of it.

The panic that America is experiencing; you are seeing it. Believers panicking, buying toilet paper. I don’t know what for. They are buying everything out there. They are panicking. Because they built their house on sand and not on the rock. And let me tell you something you can not only be committing idolatry by glorifying a pastor, but you can also be committing adultery by glorifying a politician. I want to say something about a president that I greatly respect for his policies, especially as it relates to Israel. It is astonishing what he has accomplished.

But I want to say something. I have sat in his rallies but was horrified seeing people idolize him, almost to the point of worship. And many of them were Believers. This is the word of the Lord: “all idols are coming down.”
I have seen pastors so drunk on power that they prostituted themselves. Running out at every second to defend Donald Trump. Listen, Donald Trump is flesh, I am flesh, your pastor is flesh. No flesh can glory in His presence. All flesh is flesh.

I want you to see this in Ezekiel 38:20 (NIV). He declares, “all the people on the face of the earth will tremble at my presence. The mountains will be overturned, the cliffs will crumble, and every wall will fall to the ground.”

You know what I’m talking about. The walls we put up to keep us from seeing the face of God, the walls we put up from repenting. God is pulling all of those walls down. As Peter is leaving this earth, he says, “The end of all things is near. Therefore, be alert and sober minded so that you may pray” (1 Peter 4:7). Sober in the Greek means to be calm, collected, good sense, good judgment, good wisdom, level-headed in times of distress. That is what we have been born to do. The Spirit of God is saying be sober. Don’t trust in the flesh. Be sober. Seek the face of God and love Him passionately. Return to your first love: passionately love the Savior.

America has an epidemic of backslidden churches, pastored by backslidden pastors that are drunk on their own wine, obsessed with success and numbers, who refuse to preach repentance or the cross. You know how you can tell it? Ask yourself one question. When was the last time your pastor got up in the pulpit crying and trembling and said, “I’ve got to repent?” God showed me something this week. This week. Not 10 years ago. Not 20 years ago. He showed it to me this week. I need to repent…and, also be sober and pray.

You know when I came into this movement, we had something called praying through. Praying through. But you know people don’t do that anymore. They just pray. They walk up there, and they dabble a little. But they are not really praying through. They are not staying on their face until the breakthrough comes and the burden lifts and the glory falls. I began with that, many times in a prayer room, 4, 6, 8 hours and I thought it was only minutes.

Yes, God has allowed the coronavirus to happen to pull the idols down, to call us into repentance, stop running and be quiet. God is shutting down our busyness and our business because flesh has been on the throne of our lives, and chaos has been the norm. Everything is programmed, the songs, the sermon. There’s not even room for the Holy Ghost. The Spirit is saying, the rains, and the floods and the winds will not knock down the house that is built on the rock. The house Jesus is building is intimacy with Christ. Holy Ghost prayer life, a passion for the Word of God and souls. Repentance. It is the stone that will withstand the storms. Yes, Christians don’t read their Bible. I’ve marked up more Bibles than I can name. They don’t read the word. They don’t have a secret place with God on their face. Why? Because it’s not vogue. It’s not vogue at all.
Are you panic-stricken, filled with fear, obsessed with coronavirus news? That’s an indication of a backslidden heart.

The Apostle Paul writes, “Once more I shake not only the earth but also the heavens…so that what cannot be shaken may remain” (Hebrews 12:26-27 NIV). God is going to shake everything in sight so that He alone is being revealed, the only unshakeable power. Not only for Believers but also unbelievers, He has a great shock and surprise as we realize that the relationship with Jesus has to endure the storm; otherwise we get exposed for building on a sandcastle.

Now here is the good news. You ready for some good news? A great awakening is coming; divine interruption is coming. The Lord has said to me, Jesus is coming for a glorious church, not a limping, broken, panic-stricken church that is hoarding toilet paper.

There were two great awakenings in America. The First Great Awakening happened (in 1730s-1740s) with a backslidden church. The pilgrims came here hungry for the Lord, hungry for the Word, hungry for prayer but their children lost the vision and became secular and with a century, the fire of God had cooled in their hearts. The children of those immigrants they wanted wealth, comfortable living. They were not hungry to repent and humble themselves. They wanted liturgy. The same spiritual malice could be found in the American colonies, philosophy, enlightenment, and education—not repentance and intercession.

But all of sudden God moved mightily through people like George Whitefield and Jonathan Edwards who spent hours in prayer bathing everything in prayer. The Spirit of God took over the nation. Took over the cities. It was an incredible, astonishing miracle. Do you know what happened after that great awakening? The American Revolution (1765-1783). God saw what was going to happen, and He sent an outpouring. He sent an outpouring for the storm. The Second Great Awakening happened between 1790 and 1840. It was so powerful that one of the students at Yale University wrote home that the whole school is praying and praising God. That they are delighted, and they are in awe. That is Yale University. It shook the nation. It was a great awakening that moved everything aside. But what happened after that outpouring? The Civil War. Yes, the Civil War (1861-1865).

Do you see where I am going with this? Now Peter prophesied in Acts 3:19-20. Now I know you know about the book of Acts, but did you ever read the sermon that Peter preached on the book of Acts. Many of you have not. Here is the key point. First word, repent. I am going to say it again. “Repent and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out, that times of refreshing may come from the Lord, and that he may send the Messiah, who has been appointed for you—even Jesus.”
Hold it. What he just said is the thing that God is going to do. There is going to be a move of repentance and an outpouring of the presence of the Lord, and then it says, he going to send the Messiah, who has been appointed for you—even Jesus.” No, not panic-stricken Christians. Not Christians hoarding toilet paper. These are Christians that say, “Wow! God is shaking everything that can be shaken.” But He can’t shake me because I am in prayer. I am on my face. I’m walking holy before the Lord. I’m ready Father.” Pick up your Bibles, get on your faces again in prayer, trembling.

As I was preparing this message in my prayer room, I picked up an old Bible. I have several dozen Bibles, and a note fell out of this old Bible and as I read it, I was trembling and crying. Here is why. It was written in 1986 on a Tuesday. I was having breakfast with a minister by the name of David Wilkerson at the Embassy Suites near the Dallas Fort-Worth Airport. The letter he showed me was addressed to Rev. Richard Dortch who was running PTL under Jim Bakker. It said, “Rev. Dortch, within 12 months from the date of this letter the judgment of God will fall on PTL. You are fornicating with brick and stone. Flee now and repent. Bats will fly through the empty building.” A month later, I was with Dortch, and he mocked David’s letter saying, “if I fornicate it will not be with brick and stone. These attacks aren’t against me or Jim Bakker, they are against God.”

It was exactly 12 months to the day that The Charlotte Observer broke the PTL scandal. Twelve months to the day of Dave Wilkerson’s letter. But he said something else to me that I wrote down. He said, “I see a plague coming on the world and the bars, church, and government shut down. The plague will hit New York City and shake it like it has never been shaken. The plague is going to force prayerless believers into radical prayer, into their Bibles and repentance will be the cry from true men of God in the pulpit. And out of it will come a third Great Awakening that will sweep America and the world.” —David Wilkerson

Did you see what he just said? The greatest coronavirus plague is in New York City right now, shaking it like it has never been shaken. David Wilkerson’s ministry is there, Time Square Church. If you can shout, you need to now.

God is going to send a third Great Awakening that is going to shake America and the world out of this coronavirus.

“Son of man,” he said in Ezekiel 14:3 (NASB), “these men have set up their idols in their hearts and have put right before their faces the stumbling block of their iniquity. Should I be consulted by them at all?”

Revelation 9:20 (NASB): “The rest of mankind, who were not killed by these plagues, did not repent of the works of their hands, so as not to worship demons,
and the idols of the gold and of silver and of brass and of stone and of wood, which can neither see nor hear nor walk.” They did not repent of them.

In Daniel 3, King Nebuchadnezzar built a gold idol 90 feet tall and 9 feet wide in Babylon. His heralders shouted for the people of all races and nations and languages to listen to the King’s command to bow down and worship it. And anyone who refused was to be thrown into a blazing fire. In verse 12, three Jews Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, shouted. By the way, there were governors in Babylon who refused to worship the statue. And the king flew into a rage. And their response was, “O King, we do not need to defend ourselves. The God we serve is able to save us. He will rescue us by His power from you but even if He doesn’t, we want to make it clear to you that we will never worship the golden statue that you have made.”

Now that is a person who is standing on a rock, that’s walking with the Lord, that’s filled with the Holy Ghost. The word’s burning in their soul, and they’re walking in repentance. The king commanded the furnace to be heated 7 times hotter, so the flames killed the soldiers who threw them in. But then we read in Daniel 3, verse 24-27, “Then King Nebuchadnezzar leaped to his feet in amazement and asked his advisers, ‘Weren’t there three men that we tied up and threw into the fire?’ They replied, ‘Certainly, Your Majesty.’ ‘He said, ‘Look! I see four men walking around in the fire, unbound and unharmed, and the fourth looks like a son of the gods.’’ Oh, that ought to get you shouting! ‘They saw that the fire had not harmed their bodies, nor was a hair of their heads singed; their robes were not scorched, and there was no smell of fire on them.” God sent His angel to deliver them, the king admitted.

There is no other god who can rescue you like this. You see, saints, God is raising up fireproof Believers who refuse to worship idols. Who will smile in the face of the fire? A great awakening is coming. But as David Wilkerson said, it’s coming through repentance, and it is going to begin in the pulpits of America, and it is going to shake the world. Hallelujah!

Go, my people, enter your rooms and shut the doors behind you; hide yourselves for a little while until his wrath has passed.

– Isaiah 26:20 (NIV)
As I was in prayer, studying and preparing in my prayer room, I picked up an old Bible and out of it fell a note I had forgotten I even had. As I read it, I found myself trembling and crying.

The note was from a breakfast I had with Dr. David Wilkerson in 1986 at the Embassy Suites near the Dallas Fort-Worth Airport.

He showed me a letter addressed to Rev. Richard Dortch who was running PTL under Jim Bakker. It said, “Rev. Dortch, within 12 months from the date of this letter, the judgment of God will fall on PTL. You are fornicating with brick and stone. Flee now and repent. Bats will fly through the empty building.” A month later, I was with Dortch, and he mocked David’s letter saying, “if I fornicate, it will not be with brick and stone. These attacks aren’t against me or Jim Bakker, they are against God.”

It was exactly 12 months to the day that *The Charlotte Observer* broke the PTL scandal. Twelve months to the day of Dave Wilkerson’s letter.

In that same meeting as I was meeting with Brother Wilkerson, he opened his Bible to Isaiah 24.

He said, “every house will be shut up, and no one will be coming or going. The city of confusion is broken down, and every house is shut up that no man may come in.” Isaiah 24:10 says that.

The prophet Isaiah describes in Isaiah 24:12, all entrances and exits to the city are gone. In other words, there will be no place to escape.

God has shown me that a calamity is coming beyond humankind’s capacity to respond.

This judgment will devastate the world’s economies.

Every restaurant and bar will be shut down, and all the drinking and merrymaking will end. All entertainment and churches will be shut down.
Isaiah says in the 24th chapter, verse 9, “they shall not drink wine with a song.” The mirth of the land is gone. All sports will be shut down.

But the prophet Isaiah also saw a great shaking of the olive tree coming in 24:13. In other words, God’s shaking everything that can be shaken. It’s a time of overwhelming darkness as He exposes the world’s idols.

But in the midst of this terrible shaking, a song is heard, a chorus of voices singing praises to the majesty of God. “They shall lift up their voice, they shall sing for the majesty of the Lord, they shall cry aloud from the sea,” (Isaiah 24:14). That’s the beginning of the Great Awakening.

And then in 24:15-16 it says, “from the uttermost part of the earth have we heard songs, even glory to the righteous.”

Lukewarm Believers are going to come back to their first love. Their souls will be flooded with godly repentance, falling on their knees with repentance. There will be a great awakening. The song of revival will be heard from the uttermost parts of the earth.

From Israel to Indonesia, Africa, from the east to the west, from the north to the south, from China to Arab lands, all parts of the earth will rise up in the midst of this plague.

They’ll be feasting on the Word. The idols are coming down. They will see in horror the idols they have worshiped that have blocked them from the power of the Holy Spirit…idols they put their faith in.

The greatest cry of repentance will come from God’s remnant.