

Introduction

“A woman clothed with the sun” by Jeremiah

This time, I would like to share my message from Revelation 12:1-9. It is about “a woman clothed with the sun”.

Let's take a look at some scriptures.

Revelation 12:1 And there appeared a great wonder in heaven; a woman clothed with the sun, and the moon under her feet, and upon her head a crown of twelve stars.

The Bible describes parables; especially in Revelation. There is no real woman who is literally clothed with the sun and has the moon under her feet. Once you understand the parable, then you will start to understand its meaning. The scripture below mentions how Christians will be separated into different groups.

Matthew 13:10 And the disciples came, and said unto him, Why speakest thou unto them in parables?

13:11 He answered and said unto them, Because it is given unto you to know the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven, but to them it is not given.

13:12 For whosoever hath, to him shall be given, and he shall have more abundance: but whosoever hath not, from him shall be taken away even that he hath.

13:13 Therefore speak I to them in parables: because they seeing see not; and hearing they hear not, neither do they understand.

As you can see by reading this part, the reason why the Bible, especially the book of Revelation is filled with parables is to separate Christians into some groups. This means the truth will be revealed to the people who are allowed to know the secret, and to the people who are not, it will be hidden from them. We need to fear God and seek to understand parables. Now, there is another scripture found in the Old Testament as we can see in the scripture reference below.

Genesis 37:9 And he dreamed yet another dream, and told it his brethren, and said, Behold, I have dreamed a dream more; and, behold, the sun and the moon and the eleven stars made obeisance to me.

37:10 And he told it to his father, and to his brethren: and his father rebuked him, and said unto him, What is this dream that thou hast dreamed? Shall I and thy mother and thy brethren indeed come to bow down ourselves to thee to the earth?

<This woman means heavenly church>

From this scriptures, “twelve stars” means “twelve tribes of Israel”. This also means “Christians in the New Testament era”. “Sun” and “moon” are parents, who represents ancestors of faith. Now, God prophesied to Abraham about Israel and God's people as we can see from the scripture reference below.

Genesis 22:17 That in blessing I will bless thee, and in multiplying I will multiply thy

seed as the stars of the heaven, and as the sand which is upon the sea shore; and thy seed shall possess the gate of his enemies;

Here, the people of Israel who are the children of Abraham are described as **“the star in the sky”** and **“the sand on the ground”**. Therefore, Israel in the Old Testament and the Christians in the New Testament are both described as “the star in the sky” and “the sand on the ground” respectively as we can see in scriptures.

Just as heavenly Christians are the children of Abraham, worldly Christians, described as the sand on the ground, are still the children of Abraham also.

So, there is one thing we can understand about the woman clothed with the sun when looking at it from this point of view. It is that the adjectives which describe this woman such as “sun”, “moon”, and “star” are related to the sky. On the other hand, the words related to the ground such as sand, stone, and rock are not describing this woman. “Woman” is a parable of a church, so it is clear that this church (woman) represents “heavenly church”.

Later on, it explains that this woman gets persecuted by the dragon. Therefore, what this scripture tries to describe and tells us is about the difficulty and tribulation of Christians as well as the heavenly church. What we need to clearly understand in terms of End Times is that not all Christians will face the tribulation. The ones who will face the tribulation are the heavenly church and Christians who don't live worldly life. On the other hand, worldly Christians who live according to the logic of this world will not face the persecution. This means anyone who accepts homosexuality or says there is salvation found in Muslim are actually not going to get persecuted on the day.

Revelation 12:2 And she being with child cried, travailing in birth, and pained to be delivered.

According to the scripture below, **“travailing in birth”** means the hardship during tribulation period.

Matthew 24:8 All these are the beginning of sorrows.

Therefore, the heavenly church will face the hardship of the tribulation era.

<Christians in the world will face the trial under the U.S; the scountry of beast >

Revelation 12:3 And there appeared another wonder in heaven; and behold a great red dragon, having seven heads and ten horns, and seven crowns upon his heads.

This beast is the beast of End Times which is prophesized in Daniel and Revelation 13. This evil country controls the whole world in End Times and will have every church in the world under its power. It will do the will of the devil, forcing all the churches to worship anti-Christ. Because of this, all the righteous heavenly Christians will face persecution. As the scripture below describes, the tribulation in End Times will cover the whole world without exception, so no one will be raised before that. Every Christian in the world should prepare for the day.

Revelation 3:10 Because thou hast kept the word of my patience, I also will keep thee from the hour of temptation, which shall come upon all the world, to try them that

dwelt upon the earth.

If you ask which the country of the beast is, the answer is that it is the U.S which is the biggest military superpower in the world. I understand that it is because the U.S is already persecuting and arresting righteous Christians right now.

Revelation 12:4 And his tail drew the third part of the stars of heaven, and did cast them to the earth: and the dragon stood before the woman which was ready to be delivered, for to devour her child as soon as it was born.

“Casting the stars to the earth” is a parable that the heavenly Christians will be turned into the worldly ones. At the moment, this is happening so often in the U.S and it is led by the government. The worldly logics are forced upon Christians and the people who don't follow are getting arrested, such as the ones who are doing an outreach on the street, opposed to homosexuality because they follow God's teaching and the Bible. However, other Christians who follow the worldly logics and accept homosexuality are being praised. This explains why lots of Christians are cast to the earth.

Revelation 12:5 And she brought forth a man child, who was to rule all nations with a rod of iron: and her child was caught up unto God, and to his throne.

This “**man child**” is similar to “two prophets” described in Revelation 11. There is the same Greek expression of “raised up” in the sentence of “**her child was caught up unto God, and to his throne**”. So, we can see that this man child will die and be raised up.

1 Thessalonians 4:17 Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.

This man child who also means the two prophets in Revelation 11 would experience giving ministry, getting martyred, resurrection, and getting raised up. This life cycle is the same as what Jesus had on the earth.

<We need to escape to the wilderness or an underground church on that day>

Revelation 12:6 And the woman fled into the wilderness, where she hath a place prepared of God, that they should feed her there a thousand two hundred and threescore days.

It describes that a woman escaped into the wilderness for 1260 days (3 and a half years). It also describes in the scripture below that a woman gets protected in the wilderness during the tribulation. This tells us that it is good for the heavenly churches to stay away from rebellious churches to be nurtured by God in the wilderness or the underground church.

Revelation 12:14 And to the woman were given two wings of a great eagle, that she might fly into the wilderness, into her place, where she is nourished for a time, and times, and half a time, from the face of the serpent.

The phrase “**riding on the wings of eagle**” is also found in Exodus.

Exodus 19:4 Ye have seen what I did unto the Egyptians, and how I bare you on eagles'

wings, and brought you unto myself.

This part describes when the people of Israel moved out of Egypt. It seems that this will happen again in End Times. Now, what happened was the people of God were having a hard time in Egypt, and they decided to get out of there to follow God. But, Pharaoh, the king of Egypt, never wanted to let the people out of Egypt as described below.

Exodus 7:16 And thou shalt say unto him, The Lord God of the Hebrews hath sent me unto thee, saying, Let my people go, that they may serve me in the wilderness: and, behold, hitherto thou wouldest not hear.

God's command to the people of Israel was to move out of Egypt and follow God in the wilderness. But Pharaoh refused to let them go many times. The same thing is expected to happen in End Times. Then, the public churches will be like Sodom and Egypt as stated below. They will accept homosexuality and become worldly.

Revelation 11:8 And their dead bodies shall lie in the street of the great city, which spiritually is called Sodom and Egypt, where also our Lord was crucified.

And, it prevents righteous Christians to get out of the churches which became like Egypt. Right now, Christians who don't belong to a public church and organize family churches are getting arrested or fined. This really seems to be like how Pharaoh prevented the people of God to go out in the wilderness.

God's command to righteous Christians also wouldn't change from the time of Moses. We need to know that God wants us to get out of Egypt and follow God in the wilderness, which means to leave the rebellious church and follow God in the underground church.

<Lord also recommends the underground church>

To leave the rebellious church in End Times is indeed a very important point, and the Lord also recommends the same thing as we can see in the scriptures below.

Matthew 24:15 When ye therefore shall see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, stand in the holy place, (whoso readeth, let him understand:)

24:16 Then let them which be in Judaea flee into the mountains:

24:17 Let him which is on the housetop not come down to take any thing out of his house:

24:18 Neither let him which is in the field return back to take his clothes.

Here, a parable explains that we shouldn't return to immoral churches. This **"the abomination of desolation"** means anti-Christ, and the **"holy place"** is "the throne of God where Christ was sitting in the church". The church will become immoral, kick Christ out, and have an anti-Christ on the throne. We are advised to escape into the mountain and not to return to the house. The house is a parable of the church and it explains that we are not to return to an immoral church.

“(Person) which is on the housetop” is based on Sukkot. Sukkot is the festival when people make a temporary hermitage with olive’s branches on the roof of houses or in the garden of temple. It is described as we can see from the scripture reference below.

Nehemiah 8:16 So the people went forth, and brought them, and made themselves booths, every one upon the roof of his house, and in their courts, and in the courts of the house of God, and in the street of the water gate, and in the street of the gate of Ephraim.

This festival is implicational. It tells you to make “a temporary hermitage” to live, despite there is a house. We can see that this is “the underground church”. Although there is a house (church), we are told not to return there but stay in a temporary hermitage on the roof instead.

What is the important point in End Times? We can see that it is the fact which the public churches will become immoral and start worshiping an anti-Christ.

There won’t be right teachings or salvation based on Jesus Christ in the church anymore. That is why righteous Christians are encouraged to build the underground church in the wilderness and stay there.

2 Thessalonians 2:3 Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition;

<Anyone staying in immoral church will lose the eternal life>

What does “Let him which is on the housetop not come down to take any thing out of his house” and “Neither let him which is in the field return back to take his clothes” mean?

The public churches will become immoral which worship an anti-Christ on the day. Therefore they tell us not to return there no matter how attractive an offer, salary, or position you are promised to have. You may feel reluctant because of losing the opportunity, but even so, you shouldn’t return. Because all the public churches will soon start forcing you to worship an anti-Christ, and as the result, Christians who worship it will lose the eternal life. That is why the Lord told us not to return there regardless of the offer they propose.

Revelation 12:7 And there was war in heaven: Michael and his angels fought against the dragon; and the dragon fought and his angels,

12:8 And prevailed not; neither was their place found any more in heaven.

12:9 And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world: he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him.

“That old serpent” is related the snake which deceived Eve by twisting the word of God and stole the eternal life at the Garden of Eden.

It is also related to Pharisees who were false teachers and told off by the Lord as “the

lowest of snake”. It means that this parable describes that false teachers and doctrines will be driven away from the heavenly churches. Therefore, we can understand that getting out of the public church and making the underground church actually connects to the life full of the Lord’s blessings and His grace. It seems that the big revelation and light will be given to the people who gather at the underground church.

To summarize, what is described in Revelation 12 where it talks about “a woman clothed with the sun” prophesies in advance about what could happen to the heavenly churches and Christians in the time of tribulation.

Again, the most important thing is that every church in the world will leave Christ because of reinforcement placed by the U.S which is the country of the beast, and worship an anti-Christ after getting arrested or persecuted. That is why heavenly Christians shouldn’t stay there and go to the underground church in the “wilderness”. And it is promised to those Christians that they will be protected by the wings of eagle which also means the Holy Spirit.

We need to listen to these promises and warnings to have the proper life in End Times.



This couple in California was fined for organizing the Bible study group at home.

“Taking an oath” by E3

For most people, “taking an oath” reminds of the wedding. A pastor or minister will ask the couple if they love each other whether being healthy or sick, and they normally say “yes”. Well, otherwise it will become a big problem, right?

Of course, there are many “oaths” in the Bible. As long as we affirm them, they will become good oaths. If both agree, the marriage will be confirmed.

Now, we may get married on the earth, but also Christians are called to be a bride of Christ once the spirit leaves our body. You may say “I already know! You don’t need to explain” but this is the basic. As you read the Gospels and James, it seems that some Christians could lose “eternal life” through an oath. I can’t tell exactly who they are, but I was warned that we could lose the eternal life so I decided to mention it here. I hope you could continue reading this.

Earlier this year, Ps. Jeremiah was preaching about “taking an oath” from James. Then I was inspired to think “This is very important, so I must share with others one day!” so, I would like to talk about it now. First of all, let’s take a look at the scripture below.

James 5:12 But above all things, my brethren, swear not, neither by heaven, neither by the earth, neither by any other oath: but let your yea be yea; and your nay, nay; lest ye fall into condemnation.

Regarding of this scripture, Ps. Jeremiah preached as below.

“Heaven” means “church”. Therefore, it explains that “You shouldn’t point heaven and swear”. From now on, “the public churches” will start to not recognize Christ as God. Then, they will be asked, “Do you worship an anti-Christ or not?” which forces us to take a oath. There will be a temptation upon Christians. It will make us to think “Let’s just swear anyway and I can repent later”. However, this is going to be a sin. That is why we need to **“let your yea be yea; and your nay, nay”**. We have to draw a line and make it crystal clear. So, I would like us to move out of “the public church” quickly. No matter what happens, let’s make **“your yea be yea; and your nay, nay”** as you point heaven and swear. Because what you swear then will be recognized by both God and Satan.

I know you may find it difficult to agree with this straight away... But what Ps. Jeremiah says here is not entirely a lie and in fact we are already seeing some examples. For instance, American churches are reported to follow Internal Revenue Code Section 501C3. This law promises a tax benefit to any church as long as it follows the government. It sounds good but from what I heard the law requires you to deny the resurrection of Christ and the Virgin Birth. Therefore following this law equals to denying the word of the Bible. You may be seen by God to be taking an oath to what the government, not Christ. Even if you don’t exactly say “We will follow what the government says”, I think following the law will be seen as taking an oath.

This movement will go beyond the U.S and spread to the whole world. Of course, Japan is no exception. In fact, I heard that some churches in Japan deny the “salvation of Christ”, or invite a homosexual pastor to their church. James actually asked us more than 2000 years ago how we respond to this movement and told us that Christians will be tested indeed.

So, if you think this is somehow related to you, I recommend you leave such church. By the way, **“any other”** could be interpreted as “different God”, so doesn’t it remind us of an “anti-Christ”? An anti-Christ is described as “the abomination of desolation”. Jesus said **When ye therefore shall see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, stand in the holy place, (whoso readeth, let him understand:)**

Then let them which be in Judaea flee into the mountains

“The holy place” means “the (public) church”, and “mountains” are the underground churches. So, it tells us to leave the churches which are dominated by an anti-Christ and go to the underground church. Otherwise I suppose you will end up taking an oath to an anti-Christ and facing the judgment.

“Lest ye fall into condemnation” is believed to be happening after death. If we are found “guilty” after the death, are we going to inherit the kingdom of heaven? I personally think it is impossible.

In conclusion, it all depends on whether or not we believe the doctrine of the U.S which is the country of beast, whether we follow the word of God or what the government says, and whether we worship an anti-Christ or not. As the scripture says, whether

taking an oath or not could determine our eternal destiny, so we need to always remember that.

We should know that there are reasons why the Bible talks about “oath” or “mountains”. They are the warnings for Christians of modern era. If we don’t neglect this and become serious about what we will do on the day, we wouldn’t have to panic later. So, as Jesus recommends in the Bible, I would like to encourage you to enter the underground church and secure the eternal life. May the name of God who always teaches me important things be glorified.



And the third angel followed them, saying with a loud voice, If any man worship the beast and his image, and receive his mark in his forehead, or in his hand,

The same shall drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is poured out without mixture into the cup of his indignation; and he shall be tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of the holy angels, and in the presence of the Lamb:
(Revelation 14:9 and 10)