

**Title: Where on earth will we live II**  
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**a: an ancient prayer for modern days**

**Psalm 90:12**

<sup>12</sup> So teach us to number our days, that we may gain a heart of wisdom.

**b: Understanding of the times**

**1 chronicles 12:32**

<sup>32</sup> of the sons of Issachar who had understanding of the times, to know what Israel ought to do, their chiefs were two hundred; and all their brethren were at their command;

**c: Right man, right time, wrong place**

**2 Samuel 11:1-2**

<sup>1</sup> It happened in the spring of the year, at the time when kings go out to battle, that David sent Joab and his servants with him, and all Israel; and they destroyed the people of Ammon and besieged Rabbah. But David remained at Jerusalem. <sup>2</sup> Then it happened one evening that David arose from his bed and walked on the roof of the king's house. And from the roof he saw a woman bathing, and the woman was very beautiful to behold.

**Right man, right time, right place**

**2 Samuel 11:16-23**

<sup>16</sup> David therefore pleaded with God for the child, and David fasted and went in and lay all night on the ground.<sup>17</sup> So the elders of his house arose and went to him, to raise him up from the ground. But he would not, nor did he eat food with them.<sup>18</sup> Then on the seventh day it came to pass that the child died. And the servants of David were afraid to tell him that the child was dead. For they said, "Indeed, while the child was alive, we spoke to him, and he would not heed our voice.

How can we tell him that the child is dead? He may do some harm!" <sup>19</sup> When David saw that his servants were whispering, David perceived that the child was dead. Therefore David said to his servants, "Is the child dead?" And they said, "He is dead."<sup>20</sup> So David arose from the ground, washed and anointed himself, and changed his clothes; and he went into the house of the LORD and worshiped. Then he went to his own house; and when he requested, they set food before him, and he ate.

<sup>21</sup> Then his servants said to him, "What is this that you have done? You fasted and wept for the child while he was alive, but when the child died, you arose and ate food."<sup>22</sup> And he said, "While the child was alive, I fasted and wept; for I said, 'Who can tell whether the LORD will be gracious to me, that the child may live?'

<sup>23</sup> "But now he is dead; why should I fast? Can I bring him back again? I shall go to him, but he shall not return to me. "

**a time such as this**

**2 Chronicles 7:14**

<sup>13</sup> "When I shut up heaven and there is no rain, or command the locusts to devour the land, or send pestilence among My people, <sup>14</sup> "if My people who are called by My name will humble themselves, and pray and seek My face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and will

forgive their sin and heal their land. <sup>15</sup> "Now My eyes will be open and My ears attentive to prayer made in this place.

**d: Two kingdoms**

**Matthew 4:17**

<sup>17</sup> From that time Jesus began to preach and to say, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand. "

**The gospel of the kingdom**

**Matthew 4:23-24**

<sup>23</sup> And Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing all kinds of sickness and all kinds of disease among the people.<sup>24</sup> Then His fame went throughout all Syria; and they brought to Him all sick people who were afflicted with various diseases and torments, and those who were demon-possessed, epileptics, and paralytics; and He healed them.

**Not a passive kingdom**

**Matthew 11:12**

And from the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven suffers violence, and the violent take it by force.

**a time such as this**

**Matthew 6 :9-10**

<sup>9</sup> "In this manner, therefore, pray: Our Father in heaven, Hallowed be Your name.<sup>10</sup> Your kingdom come. Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

**a peculiar kind of family**

**Philippians 2:25**

Yet I considered it necessary to send to you Epaphroditus, my brother, fellow worker, and fellow soldier, but your messenger and the one who ministered to my need;

**it's all about priorities**

**2 Timothy 2: 3-4**

You therefore must endure hardship as a good soldier of Jesus Christ.<sup>4</sup> No one engaged in warfare entangles himself with the affairs of this life, that he may please him who enlisted him as a soldier.

**What we are NOT fighting against**

**Ephesians 6**

<sup>12</sup> For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places.

**The stakes are high**

**2 Samuel 11**

<sup>1</sup> It happened in the spring of the year, at the time when kings go out to battle, that David sent Joab and his servants with him, and all Israel; and they destroyed the people of Ammon and besieged Rabbah. But David remained at Jerusalem.

**The day the palace lost**

<sup>37</sup> And He took with Him Peter and the two sons of Zebedee, and He began to be sorrowful and deeply distressed.<sup>38</sup> Then He said to them, "My soul is exceedingly sorrowful, even to death. Stay here and watch with Me."<sup>39</sup> He went a little farther and fell on His face, and prayed, saying, "O My Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from Me; nevertheless, not as I will, but as You will."

### **Our focus: watch and pray**

<sup>40</sup> Then He came to the disciples and found them asleep, and said to Peter, "What? Could you not watch with Me one hour?" <sup>41</sup> "Watch and pray, lest you enter into temptation. The spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak."

### **e: How we fight**

#### **Philippians 2:3-4**

<sup>1</sup> Therefore if there is any consolation in Christ, if any comfort of love, if any fellowship of the Spirit, if any affection and mercy,

<sup>2</sup> fulfil my joy by being like-minded, having the same love, being of one accord, of one mind.

<sup>3</sup> Let nothing be done through selfish ambition or conceit, but in lowliness of mind let each esteem others better than himself.

### **Beginning November**

Every Monday: 7pm

Every Sunday: 3pm

### **a New strength awaits**

#### **2 Corinthians 12:9-10**

<sup>9</sup> And He said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for My strength is made perfect in weakness."

Therefore most gladly I will rather boast in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me.<sup>10</sup> Therefore I take pleasure in infirmities, in reproaches, in needs, in persecutions, in distresses, for Christ's sake. For when I am weak, then I am strong.

#### **Acts 2**

<sup>1</sup> When the Day of Pentecost had fully come, they were all with one accord in one place.

<sup>2</sup> And suddenly there came a sound from heaven, as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting.

<sup>3</sup> Then there appeared to them divided tongues, as of fire, and one sat upon each of them.<sup>4</sup> And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.