



SOWING SEEDS for the *Kingdom*



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GOD MANIFESTING HIS PRESENCE

God manifesting His Presence is in the very beginning. Going all the way back to the beginning of Genesis and you will find the manifested presence of God was there. All through history God has spoken to man from within His Glory. With Moses, the voice came from within the bush (Exodus 3:3). With Paul, the light around him was from heaven and the voice came from within the light.

Acts 9:1-3 (KJV)

¹ ***And Saul, yet breathing out threatenings and slaughter against the disciples of the Lord, went unto the high priest,***

² ***And desired of him letters to Damascus to the synagogues, that if he found any of this way, whether they were men or women, he might bring them bound unto Jerusalem.***

³ ***And as he journeyed, he came near Damascus: and suddenly there shined round about him a light from heaven:***

What do you suppose that light was? It was the GLORY OF GOD!

Saul at this point in time was not a particular nice, loving, kind and gentle person. He wanted to take Christians back to Jerusalem to be killed so he could destroy the church. History tells us that Saul, and the men like Saul at that time, went into the houses and tortured people. They had permission to do whatever they wanted to do. When Saul became Paul and wrote the letters in the New Testament, he talked about how he was a bad person. He didn't just mean he didn't leave a big tip at the restaurant. That is not what he was talking about. He was a very bad guy! But what changed him? *He was changed when he came in contact with the Glory of God!*

The Glory of God will either change you or destroy you. *Acts 9:4 (KJV)*

⁴ *And he fell to the earth, and heard a voice saying unto him, Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou me? Where did the voice come from? IT CAME OUT OF THE GLORY!*

Many people don't understand how much the Glory had to do with the birth of Jesus. *Luke 2:8-9 (KJV)*

⁸ *And there were in the same country shepherds abiding in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night.*

⁹ *And, lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them, and the glory of the Lord shone round about them: and they were sore afraid.*

The Glory of the Lord shone round the angels. Compare this passage with what happened to Moses at the burning bush that was never consumed. A voice came out of the bush. Also compare it with the experience of Paul, who was on the road to Damascus. A bright light shone out of heaven and a voice came out of the light.

Look what happened on the Day of Pentecost. The Glory was present then:

Acts 2:1-3 (KJV)

¹ *And when the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place.*

² *And suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting.*

³ *And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them.*

It was the Glory of God on each of them.

We should not limit God or His Glory. His Glory may appear like a light, like smoke, like fire, or like tongues of fire. Nevertheless, it is the Glory. The Glory is the MANIFESTED PRESENCE OF GOD! We **must seek God** and NOT the manifestation, but if we seek God, there **WILL BE** manifestations and it will be God's decision in how He manifests Himself.

If you would like us to stand with you for a particular situation, please contact our prayer team, text, e-mail, web-page or snail mail, our prayer warriors GET RESULTS! **Got a need? PLANT A SEED!**

Kathy and I are so grateful for your faithfulness in giving of prayers and offerings to help us spread the Kingdom of God throughout the whole earth. SHALOM!

KATHY AND I DECREE YOU BLESSED IN JESUS NAME!

Pastor Dave and Kathy



AMERICAN MINUTE WITH BILL FEDERER

“WASHINGTON WAS NEVER BORN TO BE KILLED BY A BULLET!”

Some recent events that have occurred in our nation recently reminded me of something that I read several years ago, and I sensed that you might find it as intriguing as I did. (So, from American Minute)

In the decades prior to the Revolutionary War, tensions arose between the **two largest global powers: BRITIAN, led by King George II and FRANCE, led by King Louis XV.**

Because of their alliances with other nations, fighting escalated into the first global war—**the Seven Years War**, or as it was called in America, **the French and Indian War.**

The conflict included **every major power in Europe** as well as their colonies from the Caribbean, to India, to the Philippines, and to Africa. Over a million died.

It was sparked by the ambush in 1754 of a French detachment in the Ohio Valley by British militia led by **22-year-old Virginia Colonel George Washington.**

During this crisis, people turned to Christ. The **Great Awakening Revival** swept through the American colonies. A notable dissenting preacher, **Samuel Davies**, spread revival across racial lines and was heard by many in Virginia, including **Patrick Henry**, who credited **Davies** with “teaching me what an orator should be.”

Rev. Davies regularly invited hundreds of slaves to his home for a Bible study on Saturday evenings, their only free time, and taught them hymns and how to read.

Realizing the importance of education, **Davies** helped found **Princeton University**, and was chosen its president after **Jonathan Edward’s** sudden death.

In 1755, 1,400 British troops marched over the Appalachian Mountains to seize **French Fort Duquesne**, near present day Pittsburgh. One of the wagon drivers for the British was 21 year-old **Daniel Boone**.

On July 9, 1755, they passed through a deep wooded ravine along the **Monongahela River** eight miles south of the fort. Suddenly, they were ambushed by **French regulars** and **Canadians** accompanied by **Potawatomi** and **Ottawa Indians**.

Not accustomed to fighting unless in an open field, **over 900 British soldiers were annihilated** in the **Battle of the Wilderness, or Battle of Monongahela**. **Colonel George Washington** rode back and forth during the battle delivering orders for **General Edward Braddock**, who was the Commander-in-Chief of British forces in America.

General Braddock was trying to get his soldiers into a formation typical of European warfare, which tragically made them an open target for the French and Indians, who were firing from behind trees.

Eventually, every British officer on horseback was shot, except **Washington**. **General Braddock** was mortally wounded. **Washington** carried **Braddock from the field**.

Braddock's field desk was captured, revealing all the British military plans, enabling the French to surprise and defeat British forces in succeeding battles at: **Fort Oswego, Fort William Henry, Fort Duquesne, and Fort Carillon-Ticonderoga**.

The terrible **British losses** convinced the **Iroquois tribes of Senecas and Cayugas** to **switch their allegiances** to the **French**.

Before he died, **General Braddock** gave **Washington** his battle uniform sash, which **Washington** reportedly carried with him the rest of his life, even while Commander-in-Chief and President.

Washington presided at the burial service for **General Braddock**, as the chaplain had been wounded. **Braddock's** body was buried in the middle of the road so as to prevent it from being found and desecrated.

Shortly after the **Battle of Monongahela**, **George Washington** wrote from Fort Cumberland to his younger brother, **John Augustine Washington**, July 18, 1755:

“As I have heard, since my arrival at this place, a circumstantial account of my death and dying speech, I take this early opportunity of contradicting the first, and of assuring you, that I have not as yet composed the latter. **But by the All-Powerful dispensations of Providence, I have been protected** beyond all human probability or expectation; for **I had four bullets through my coat, and two horses shot under me, yet escaped unhurt**, although death was leveling my companions on every side of me!”

From me to you: It is more important than ever that faithful Christians come before God in prayer. Our political discourse as a nation has become TOO DIVISIVE, and as a result there is more talking about one another than talking to each other. Therefore, would you commit to pray something along the lines of:

Father God in the Name of Jesus, I pray that our nation would unite around truth, that we would see a revival of biblical faith and a restoration of civility in our public discourse. May our leaders recognize that we are all Americans, that we all are made in the image and likeness of God, and therefore, everyone has inherent value. Help me to respectfully engage with those on the other side of the political aisle and meet with them to discuss political and cultural issues in a respectful way. Help me to do my part by making sure my social media posts are God-honoring. I will also seek to respectfully engage with those with whom I disagree, treating them as fellow image-bearers of God.

2nd Chronicles 7:14,

14 If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land.

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