

The Word Of The Lord

Through

The Holy Prophet Iddo

To

The Children Of Zion

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Listen, O listen beloved children, while I sound the word of your Almighty Father unto you. For Lo, He hath purposed to reveal His will unto the children of Zion concerning many things. And He will hide nothing from you that will help you to advance in the work into which He hath called you. Therefore I say hearken unto what I shall declare unto you at this time.

Thus saith your God O Zion; I have often sounded My word unto your inhabitants through My Holy Prophets and caused them to prophesy of many things yet to come. But lest My children should see and not perceive and hear and not understand, I will again condescend to sound My word unto you. For although I have caused My Prophets to foretell many future events, and many things which I will in My own time bring about both concerning My Zion and the world of mankind at large, yet My children shall be sorely tried concerning the fulfillment of these prophecies that have gone forth, and some will be ready to say in their hearts that these were false prophecies, for things will appear different from their own natural calculations so that they will think that it is utterly impossible for these things to be fulfilled.

For many times it will appear as though that which I have promised to build would be destroyed and that which I have promised to destroy was fast rising in the sight of the beholder; but this must be for the trial of your faith O My little ones.

Many times I shall cause that which I have promised to build to be completely torn down that it may be builded aright, and many times ye will think that I am about to destroy the work of My own hands; but remember that My work is always out of

sight of the natural eye and because ye see ye understand not, and many times, the means through which I work to accomplish My purposes will be exactly different from what ye have calculated upon, therefore do I warn you that ye need not be left to fall under loss by judging My work or disbelieving My word.

And again, some of the prophecies which I have caused the Prophets to declare are at a great distance even as those were which I caused them to declare when they lived on earth, and some are nigh at hand. And when ye see many of these fulfilled, they will come so far out of your sight that ye will hardly discern them if ye are not on your watch.

I have said I would greatly beautify My Zion and this I will do in My own time; but should her children fall under grievous and sore tribulation before this day arrives, let them not murmur, for this I have also promised.

I have indeed greatly beautified My Zion, but she shall be more glorious after I have tried and proved her and brought her forth out of great tribulation and cleansed her, by bringing her through My purifying furnace of adversity.

So My beloved, look not at the word but at the spirit thereof, for when I bring you to a place hedged in on all sides and ye cannot see your way before you, then if ye do not cry to Me and in Me put your whole trust, ye will not be able to stand.

Therefore I say unto you watch and pray, cry unto Me to open the eyes of your understanding and give you wisdom to direct you in all things for I declare unto you that ye shall be sorely

tried concerning the fulfillment of My promises; and yet not one of them shall fail. And when ye see this, ye shall greatly marvel at the manner in which I have fulfilled them.

Many times things will come out as contrary from your calculations as though you should set out upon a journey and should perform it by going into a contrary direction from that which your journey lays. So little does man understand of My dealings with him, that they always look dark unto him unless I condescend to reveal unto him the operation of My Spirit. And this I will do unto My children as far as is consistent with My decrees, for it is not My purpose that they should err through ignorance, and when I tell them of these things and give them timely warning, if they hearken not, they alone must bear it. I am a tender and merciful Father and I love My little ones and I would that they may walk wisely in the days of darkness which must come upon them. Therefore, do I send warning upon warning, that they may escape the danger that surely awaits them.

I know that the expectations of many are greatly raised in consequence of what I have caused to be sounded forth, and there are others that put these things far from them, but I say unto you, both parties are alike mistaken. For many things of which I have spoken will suddenly fall upon you in a way and manner ye little think and as far out of your natural sight as the coming of Christ was out of sight of the Jews.

And again I say many of these Prophecies are for many days to come, and when they do come, they will come out of sight of the natural eye, and in a way completely calculated to disappoint

the human calculation. This is not because I take pleasure in mans disappointment, but his sense has become so darkened by the fall that he does not understand, though I declare My word unto him ever so plainly, and this darkness will never be wholly eradicated until he is redeemed.

But if My children will believe Me and trust Me to lead them in all things, though I should lead them through a fire or through the midst of the sea, they shall not be harmed; for I will surely lead them in the way that will bring them out of darkness and bring them back to Me in a state of innocence and purity.

But believe Me, My little ones, great must be your faith to walk the path in which I design to lead you; therefore am I doing all I can to prepare you for what I purpose. Yea, I will do all that can be done except destroy your free agency, and this would be inconsistent with what I have decreed concerning My creature man.

O My little ones, treasure up what I declare unto you in good and honest hearts that ye may call it to mind when the day of trial falls upon you; that ye may not be left to dispute any of My promises concerning My Mercy or Judgment. For I will declare unto you, that all who go through the day of trial which is at hand without murmuring or casting any reproach, or doubting My word which I have caused to be sounded in their ears, shall be lovely objects in My sight, and I will reward them with Crowns of Glory and Robes of surpassing Brightness; for I am now laying a permanent and sure foundation for mans redemption, on My cornerstone, which I have chosen from the

beginning, and this will cause great sufferings for My little ones, who are called to be builders with Me in this, My work.

But fear not, I say fear not, for as your day is, so your strength shall be, for have not I the Lord promised it? Yea, and I will fulfill My word to the least jot and tittle, to all that will lean upon Me for strength. If any lack strength it is because they do not trust in Me as they have been directed. So cast your burdens upon Me, My little ones, and I will support you. Know ye not the Arm on which ye can lean and find strength? Or have ye not yet learned where to put your trust?

O My little ones, come unto Me and I will lead you as the shepherd leadeth his tender lambs. Yea, I will lead you in pleasant paths where your feet shall not stumble; through My Anointed agents will I lead every lamb of My fold, if they will be led, and none shall be left to fall who walk in obedience and uprightness of heart. So take this My word, My faithful servant, and read it to an instrument who will copy the same and seal it with My Love and Blessing, and then cause it to be placed in the hands of My Holy Anointed, that they may sound it in the ears of My children in this place.

Lo, I have written Thy word O Holy Father, and I will do with it as Thou hast directed me saith the Holy Prophet Iddo.

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