

Leaving Sodom Amidst the Shakings - transcript of podcast

I've really had such a heaviness in my heart since I heard of the decision of the Supreme Court in America to legalise gay marriage in all 50 States because it really is the ringing of a bell in the spirit, declaring that a different era has begun and I've been speaking much about the Bride of Christ coming into the safety of the ark for the Lord's protection, in this time, when a flood of evil has been released on the earth and as I woke this morning, the Lord reminded me of an article I wrote in 2010. It was called "Leaving Sodom Amidst the Shakings" amazingly enough and I really feel in my heart that I need to share this with you this morning. I'm going to go through it again, although it was written almost 5 and a half years ago.

The Lord spoke to me very strongly through a dream in January of 2010 and I had some more revelation after that, so I would like to share that with you this morning. Jesus said to His Disciples, describing that day on when He would be revealed, he said: "As it was in the days of Lot, they ate, they drank, they bought, they sold, they planted, they built, but the day that Lot went out of Sodom it rained fire and brimstone from heaven and destroyed them all. Even so it shall be in the day when the Son of Man is revealed. In that day, he who shall be on the house top and his goods in the house, let him not come down to take them away and likewise, he who is in the field, let him not return to the things behind. Remember Lot's wife. Whoever shall seek to save his life shall lose it and whoever shall lose his life, shall preserve it" and here we see that again the wording that was used for describing what would happen in the days of Noah: "eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage". BUT when Jesus was referring to Lot, He said: "eating and drinking, buying and selling, planting and building" was taking place and I want to say to you that the Church is a building built by the hands of God, but in these days so much uncleanness has come into the Church and there's a lot of eating and drinking going on in the Church and there's a lot of buying and selling. The tables of the Moneychangers are very busy in the Church in these days and there's a lot of planting. There's a lot of Church planting and there's a lot of building; building of Congregations, building of Kingdoms, building of Churches, all done in the name of the Lord and yet, so much of what goes on in the Church of today, makes it unclean, because the world and the spirit of this age and the spirit of the world has come into the Church, as she has had love affairs with the things of this world and has been in adultery. Lot had Messengers sent to him, Angelic Messengers, to thrust him out of Sodom, even as a baby is thrust out of a womb and those Angels spoke very urgently and had a very pressing message and it was an overnight change.

Lot had been living in Sodom for many years. He had been grieved at what had gone on there, at the extreme wickedness of the men and women of Sodom and Gomorrah and he was a righteous man, but he was living in that place. I don't know why he didn't move

out of that place, when it was so distressing to his soul day after day, but he was there and he even married his daughters off to men of Sodom! And so we see that there was a lot of compromise in Lot's life, even though he was a child of God. The atmosphere that was in Sodom had come into his own home and into his own family, almost the same as when a non-smoker spends a lot of time in a room filled with smokers. Your clothing and your garments and even your under-garments become completely saturated with cigarette smoke and it seems that for Lot, even though he was a righteous man and he didn't partake in the sin of Sodom, it had permeated the atmosphere in his own home and his daughters had become betrothed to men from Sodom. And so God sent His angelic messengers to Lot, because of His covenant with Abraham. In the same way, Beloved, because of God's covenant with Abraham, He is sending messengers to the nephews of Abraham, to the Lots, that are living and daily conducting life in the Church System that has become like Sodom.

The Supreme Court Justice's decision, in America, to legalise gay marriage in all 50 States, is a grievous decision and I just want to say that it's a reflection, for those who have eyes to see and ears to hear, of the state of the Church. So many so-called Spiritual Leaders, who call themselves leaders in the Body of Christ, have declared that what God calls an abomination, is not an abomination and that it is welcome in the Church and this is the thing that brings God's judgement on nations and on Church Systems and we must remember that judgement begins with the House of God, because we have the light. We should know better. We have the Word of God; we have the truth and before God judges a nation's sin, He deals with the Church in that nation, because they have allowed the smoke and the sin and the atmosphere of the sinful nation to permeate the Church. Instead being a city set on a hill, instead of being the light of the world in a place where there is darkness, the Church has allowed their light to become dim and the darkness to permeate the Church in many areas.

And so, I want to talk about Lot in a sense of him being someone who is a Believer who is grieved by the things that are going on in the Church and calling out to God to change them, but there comes a time when the level of sin is so great, that God sends judgement and so it's time for Lot to leave Sodom. It's time for Lot to leave Sodom and even as Jesus described so eloquently: "In that day". In the day when Lot is urged to leave Sodom, those Angelic Messengers arrived as the darkness fell on that evening and before the dawn of the next morning, Lot was out of Sodom and in the same way there's an urgency. There's an urgency to come out from among that which is unclean and to be separate.

What fellowship can light have with darkness and so Jesus says: "Those who are on the house top and their goods are in the house, let them not come down to take them away". If you are in a Fellowship that is condoning that which God calls an abomination and if

you are a Watchman in that Fellowship, if you are on the house top watching and you see a thing like what has been passed recently by the Supreme Court; if you hear certain sections of the Church Leadership of a Congregation that you're in declaring that evil is good and good is evil; if you've got investment in the Church; if your goods are in that house, don't come down to take them away. Leave, flee, separate yourself from that place! Come out from among them and be separate and you can be the sons and daughters of God, because judgement is coming on the House of God, that calls what is unclean, clean. You must come out. Don't worry about what you're going to lose by separating yourself from those things.

It's time for Lot to leave Sodom. It's time for him to be thrust out, because judgement is at the door. It is appointed. It's already in motion from the heavenly realms and Jesus said: "And likewise, him who is in the field let him not return to the things behind". Those who are out in the fields bringing in the harvest, press forward! Forget what lies behind and press forward to lay hold of that for which the Bridegroom laid hold of you! Be set-apart and holy unto the Lord. Don't return to an unclean system. Don't return to unclean associations. You followed the Spirit of the Lord leading you into the harvest field, now let Him lead you on further. Trust in Him. Don't return to the things behind and don't look back. Remember Lot's wife. If you seek to save your life, you will lose it. If you seek to save your comfort and your reputation in the Church, if you seek to save your comfortable lifestyle, thinking: well, I'll just not agree with what's been said from the pulpit, but I'll sit in the pew. You must understand that if you seek to save your life, you will lose it, but if you lose your life for the sake of Christ and for the sake of holiness and for the sake of being set-apart from what is unclean, you will save it.

I just have such an urgency. Everything was carrying on as usual in Sodom, just as it is within most of the Church today and suddenly the day of judgement arrived. Just as a judgement was passed in the Supreme Court and the White House was lit up with rainbow colours; note it's called the White House. When white light is divided into the colours of the rainbow, it's declaring something in the spirit. When the house that was called the White House becomes the rainbow house, you need to understand that it has become the habitation of every unclean thing and every abomination and you need to understand the writing on the wall. My heart is heavily burdened for the Church in the United States at this time and for all of us who live in nations where our governments are calling what is evil good and bringing compromise and change into the Legal System, in order to force those who want to live as children of the light, to compromise and bend their knee at the altars of darkness.

Jesus strongly warned His disciples that when the fire started falling, they were not to look for belongings to take with them from inside the house. The Watchmen on the

rooftop is warned to flee, just like Noah is warned to get into the ark, because the rain of judgement is coming. The one in the field; the hard working farmer tending his crops unto harvest, is about the Father's business, but he must flee so that the godly are separated from the ungodly in the midst of the judgement by fire.

In 2 Peter 2:6-9 it says: "Turning the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah into ashes He condemned them with an overthrow, setting an example to men intending to live ungodly and he delivered just Lot, vexed with the filthy lifestyle of the wicked. For that righteous one living among them, in seeing and hearing, his righteous soul was tormented from day to day with their unlawful deeds. The Lord knows how to deliver the Godly out of temptation and to reserve the unjust for the Day of Judgement to be punished". But how did the Lord, how did God Almighty deliver Lot? He sent His angels, His angelic messengers to thrust Lot and his daughters out of that unclean place. There was overnight change. There was overnight change and they had to leave everything behind, everything they'd built up; every part of the lifestyle that they had built for themselves. They had to flee with the clothes upon their backs.

Lot was distraught at the behaviour he saw around him day after day, just as some people are when they view the behaviour in many parts of the Church, but he didn't move out of Sodom by himself. Lot left Sodom at the last moment and he was separated from his sons-in-law, who were unmoved by the warnings of eminent judgement. There will always be scoffers, Beloved, and you find them in the Church pews. There will always be a scoffer. You find them on the porch, watching the unfolding judgements and the darkness in the world increase and they scoff, but they do not get up and leave and Lot's son's-in-law's had to be left behind. Birds of a feather are flocking together in these last days.

God knows how to deliver the Godly out of adversity and appointed discipline and He does it by sending messengers to urge, warn and finally thrust that godly out of the unclean place, appointed for judgement by fire. There is such an urgency to separate yourselves unto the Bridegroom and separate yourselves from all compromise, lukewarmness and worldliness.

For those of you interceding for backslidden friends and family, intensify your efforts as you urge and thrust them, like a woman in labour, out of the place of uncleanness and into the place of safety. Time is extremely short. God is coming as a refiner's fire and He will deal with both the Prophet and the Priest. Jeremiah 23 from verse 11 has an incredibly sobering passage. God says through Jeremiah: "'Both the Priest and the Prophet are profane. In My house I've found their wickedness' says the Lord. 'Therefore their way shall be unto them as slippery ways; In the darkness they shall be driven on and fall in them; For I will bring evil upon them, even the year of their visitation', says the Lord 'and I have seen folly in the Prophets of Samaria. They prophesied by Baal and caused My people Israel to err. I have seen also in the Prophets

of Jerusalem a horrible thing. They commit adultery and walk in lies; They strengthen also the hands of evildoers, that none returns from its wickedness and they are all of them unto me as Sodom and the inhabitants thereof, as Gomorrah. Therefore' says the Lord of Hosts concerning the Prophets: 'I will feed them with wormwood and make them drink the water of gall; for from the Prophets of Jerusalem has profaneness gone forth into all the land'. Thus says the Lord of Hosts: 'Listen not unto the words of the Prophets that prophesied to you. They make you vain; They speak a vision of their own heart and not out of the mouth of the Lord. They say still to them that despise me: the Lord has said you shall have peace and they say to everyone who walks after the imagination of his own heart: no evil shall come upon you''.

Now Beloved, there are Church Leaders in this day that are condoning this legalising of gay marriage. They are saying: "No evil shall come upon you". They are not standing and aligning themselves with the light. They are aligning themselves with darkness and the Lord says: "Have nothing to do with them. Listen not to them". Jeremiah 23:18 continues: "For who has stood in the counsel of the Lord and who has perceived and heard His Word? Who has marked His Word and heard it? Behold, a whirlwind of the Lord has gone forth in fury- A grievous whirlwind! And it shall fall grievously upon the head of the wicked. The anger of the Lord shall not return until He has executed and performed all the thoughts of His heart and in the latter days you will understand this perfectly. 'I have not sent these Prophets, yet they ran. I have not spoken to them, yet they prophesied. But if they had stood in My counsel and caused My people to hear My words, then they should have turned them from their evil way and from the evil of their doings.'

'Am I a God at hand', says the Lord 'and not a God far off? Can anyone hide himself in secret places that I not see him? Do I not fill heaven and earth? I have heard what the Prophets said that prophesy lies in My name saying: I have dreamed, I have dreamed! How long will this be in the hearts of the Prophets that prophesy lies? They are the Prophets of the deceit of their own heart, which think to cause My people to forget My name by their dreams, which they tell every man to his neighbour. The Prophet that has a dream, let him tell a dream and he that have My word, let him speak My word faithfully. What is the chaff to the wheat?' says the Lord. 'Is My word not like a fire?' says the Lord 'and a hammer that breaks the rock in pieces?'

Beloved, for too long the Church has been flooded with prophecies that stroke the flesh instead of releasing a true word of the Lord that will convict and bring repentance. It is a sure sign that those who call themselves Prophets, have in fact not stood in the Lord's counsel, but prophesied out of the deception of their own hearts and this leaves the Church unaware, indolent and unprepared for what or who is at the door. It is time to speak the truth in love as never before. A true word from the Lord will turn a man from His evil way, not convince him that all will be well with him if he continues in his sin. Enough of shallow, fleshly, pseudo-prophetic words and New Age Witchcraft masquerading as messages from the Lord.

The Body of Christ is appointed a cleansing at the Bridegroom's threshing floor. The Lord of the Harvest will in the days ahead, be releasing a fiery word to those He loves; a word that rebukes and chastens in order to prepare a people who are fit to rule and reign with Him. At the threshing floor the wheat is struck and shaken with the winnowing fan in order to separate the chaff from the wheat and the wind helps with the process as the wheat is tossed in the air. The process continues until there is no more chaff clinging to the wheat. This speaks of shaking, shaking, shaking and wind blowing. Then the wheat is stored in the barn and the chaff appointed for the fire. The Lord of the Harvest is focused and intent on providing bread from Heaven for the nations and at His threshing floor, He unleashes a work that separates and cleanses.

Hebrews 12:25 says: "See that you do not refuse Him who speaks. For if they did not escape those who refused Him that spoke on earth, how much more we shall not escape if we turn away from Him who speaks from heaven, who's voice then shook the earth, but now He has promised saying: 'Yet once more I will not only shake the earth, but also the heavens' and this word 'yet once more' signifies the removing of those things that are shaken as of things that had been made, so the things that cannot be shaken may remain. Since we are receiving a Kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us have grace, by which we may serve God acceptably with reverence and Godly fear for our God is a consuming fire".

The only thing Beloved that cannot be shaken within us, is the Kingdom of God and all that is counterfeit and fleshly is removed at the threshing floor. Thank God for His winnowing process. I want you to think right back to the days in 2010, when Haiti was struck with an earthquake. For the Church in Haiti there was no more time for preparation. With the first tremblings of that earthquake, it had begun. Their lives would never be the same again and what they had at that moment stored within them, would be what they had to draw on in the coming hours, days, months and years.

Beloved, the same thing applies for the Church in America. The shaking and the earthquake has begun. With that Supreme Court judgement the shaking has begun and there is no more time for preparation. Your lives are never gonna be the same. You're going to have to decide: are you going to stand up for the truth and enjoy the persecution that comes with that decision or are you going to compromise to save your life? You have to realise that there's a price to be paid for serving the Lord Jesus Christ. There's a price to be paid as a Believer for holiness and being set apart.

Jesus prayed in John:17 "I pray that You do not take them out of the world, but protect them from the evil one". Now God works in a specific way, when we separate ourselves from that which is darkness - He doesn't take us out of the world, but He hides us in the secret place of His presence. He hides us in the secret place of the Most High. We are in the world, but not of the world, but we have to make sure that there is no darkness inside of us, because the darkness on the outside can only affect us if there is darkness on the inside.

It's time, Beloved, to shut the windows of your soul and stop looking at the darkness. When Noah built that ark, there was a window built very high up. He didn't have a window low down where he could look out and see what was happening with the wicked and watch the drowning and the flooding taking place. The window was high up to look towards the heavens and I want to say as an eminent warning: the television is a place that floods your home with darkness to a very large extent. Almost every television programme these days has some form of gay agenda inserted into it. Darkness and violence and bloodshed and uncleanness and the things that God calls an abomination are now portrayed as normal and funny and likeable and a thing to be embraced, by the programmes that are being released by Hollywood in these days.

I want to say to you: you need to print yourself out a sign and stick it above your television. It comes out of Psalms. David said: "I will set before my eyes no vile thing" and we need to learn to have the self-control to switch off the television when there is uncleanness being spewed from it. In fact, your television will be switched off most of the time. We have to close our windows to stop the stench of what is unclean, coming in and your eyes and your ears are the windows to your soul. If you continually allow your mind and your heart to be penetrated by darkness, you will find that you do not have the strength or the power to withstand what darkness is doing in the earth in these days.

Part of holiness and being set-apart is purity; purity within. Whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is beautiful, think on these things, the Lord urges us. It's not acceptable any more to watch a comedian spewing forth filthy jokes and glorifying and declaring lovely that which God calls filthy and an abomination. It's not acceptable, Church of Jesus Christ. It's not acceptable, Bride of Christ and we need to examine our hearts and we need to repent before the Lord for the extent to which we've allowed ourselves to be contaminated and made unclean by our love affairs and our dancing with the spirit of this age.

You know, recently in South Africa, an American woman tourist was in a Game Park and she was killed by a lion, because she had her window open and she was taking photographs of the wild animals. It was a really shocking thing and a tragic way to die, but I want to say this to you: she ignored 40 signs which said "Do not open your windows in the Game Park". She ignored those signs and she continued to roll down her window and to take photographs.

Now, Beloved, there is such a lesson in that. The Word says that Satan goes around like a roaring lion seeking whom he may devour. Now you might have your window rolled down and open and taking prophetic pictures of what is going on amongst the beasts outside. You might feel that you're getting a message that you can later relay to others and that the Lord is going to speak to you through that, but I'm saying to you there have been more than 40 signs saying: "Do not let your windows roll down in the Game Park". Do not allow the windows of your soul to look upon and hear that which is filthy and unclean, because your enemy is going round like a roaring lion and he wants to devour

you! And I want to say, as a significant warning to God's prophetic people in these days: "Shut your window! Shut your window!" You cannot, I repeat, you cannot keep looking out upon that which is unclean and thinking that you can get a message for the Church from what is unclean! There's been message after message after message from God's messengers about holiness; about coming out from among them and being separate.

When you hide in the secret place of the Most High, your windows must be shut. You can't have your head hanging out the window looking at the uncleanness that's going on and expect to not be devoured; it's foolishness! It's foolishness and you will pay the price for it! David said: "My eyes will look upon no unclean thing". He said: "Oneness have I desired of the Lord. That will I seek after, that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life to behold His beauty". Your eyes should be beholding the beauty of the Lord in these days like never before, people of God. Your ears should be listening to the Word of God or to edifying worship music. Don't listen to music that is full of profanity and unclean things and talking about things that are not fit for the Body of Christ to listen to. The world has become a very unclean place. There's wickedness and if you want to survive in these days, you're going to have to come out from among them and be separate. You may be in the world, but you cannot be of the world in any way, if you want to survive.

Jesus said to the Church of Philadelphia in Revelation that He would protect them from the things that were coming on the earth and we are urged to pray that we may be found worthy to escape the things that are coming on the earth, but the only way you're going to escape the things coming on the earth, is if you are in a place of holiness, set-apart and holy for your Bridegroom with your face veiled, not available to the seducing spirits that are knocking at your door.

Do you know that when the angel messengers went to Lot in Sodom, those men of Sodom hammered on the door and said: "Give us your visitors that we may sleep with them". Can you imagine that? How despicable! You need to understand that when the message of God comes to you, calling you to holiness, you need to embrace it, you need to listen to it, you need to do whatever it takes to leave the place of uncleanness that you've been dwelling in for a long time. There's no time left for compromise. There's no time left for procrastination. We only have to look at what's happening to the Church in Iraq and Syria and what ISIS is doing to them, to understand that destruction can come upon one overnight. We have to seek the face of God and the Spirit of the Living God and pray that we may be counted worthy to escape the things that are coming on the earth.

The ark that is built for us has a window high up. It's not a window that looks out to view all the uncleanness that's outside. There was such wickedness in Noah's day. God didn't want him to look out on that any more. Do you know that when God said in Genesis 6:16 "You shall make a window for the Ark and finish it to a cubit above and the door of the Ark you shall put on the side", do you know that that word translated 'window' there, it's the only time in the whole Bible that it's translated 'window'. Every time in

the rest of the Word, where it speaks of a window, it's a different Hebrew word. So this word where God said: "You shall put a window in the Ark", we have to look into that word. That word actually means 'double light', and it comes from a root word meaning 'to press out oil'. So that window that was high up in the Ark was for seeing in the spirit. It was set above. During the flood, Noah could not look out at what was going on. He could look up into the heavens and seek God's face.

Don't be like that poor woman that ignored the 40 warning signs and continued to take pictures out of her window, thinking she had everything under control. You know, she was so busy focusing on the picture she was taking, that she didn't see the lion sneaking up from the side on her and people in other cars hooted to try and get her attention, but she didn't hear them and that lion grabbed her by the throat. Remember the warning from the Lord about wearing the shoes of the Gospel of Peace and drinking from the river within. Don't drink from the river of filth that is being spewed out from hell in these days.

Why is it that Believers are still open to and exposing themselves to the playing field of the enemy, putting themselves in danger of being devoured? I speak to you urgently about these things. Remember: we are the light of the world. God is light and there is no darkness in Him. There's no shadow of turning. We must be children of light. Where our feet have strayed back into the kingdom of darkness and we have had our head hanging out of the window, breathing in the air on the playing field of the enemy, we need to repent! We need to repent and come back into the secret place of the Most High and close our windows!

The Word also says, "Who is he who will dwell on the heights? He who shuts his eyes to avoid looking on evil and closes his ears to the hearing of bloodshed. Such a man will dwell on the heights. His water will be given to him and food will be sure and his eyes will behold the King in His glory". We have to believe what the Word says in these days and more than that, we have to build our lives on the Rock of the Word, because the shaking is not only coming, the shaking is here, Church of the living God. The shaking is here. Root yourselves in the Word of God. Root yourselves in the cross of Christ. Hide yourselves in the secret place of the Most High. Be in the world, but so completely different to the world, that you can be the light in an increasing darkness and the glory of the Lord will be upon you.

God bless you. May the Spirit continue to urge you to come out of Sodom in every way that is applicable in your lives, in every area where the atmosphere of Sodom has permeated. Come out! Leave the goods in the house. If you're in the field, press forward, don't go back! In the name of Jesus I implore you.

Selah