

A New Season – Forecast of Victory

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- **A Word in Due Season**

Proverbs 15:23 ...a word spoken in due season, how good it is!

- God is declaring there is a NEW SEASON in the spiritual realm; a season of hope, restoration, rejuvenation and victory all ultimately for His Glory!

1 Corinthians 14:3 But he who prophesies speaks edification and exhortation and comfort to men.

- This Word is to bring comfort, edify and exhort the people of God

- **Address the Current Season and God Acknowledged Them**

Exodus 2:23-25 Then the children of Israel groaned because of the bondage, and they cried out; and their cry came up to God because of the bondage. So God heard their groaning; and God remembered His covenant with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. And God looked upon the children of Israel, and God **acknowledged** them - God saw their struggle and heard their cries.

Psalms 12:5 For the oppression of the poor, for the sighing of the needy, Now I will arise," says the Lord; I will set him in the safety for which he yearns."

- The Creator of the universe; a Covenant God, who is actively attentive and His seeing leads to redemptive action and deliverance.

1. A New Season - Hope

Jeremiah 1:10–12 "See, I have appointed you today over nations and kingdoms to uproot and tear down, to destroy and overthrow, to build and plant." Moreover the word of the LORD came to me, saying, "Jeremiah, what do you see?" And I said, "I see a branch of an almond tree." "You have observed correctly," said the LORD, "for I am watching over My word to accomplish it."

- a. The almond tree in the biblical region was one of the earliest trees to blossom towards the end of winter. While it could still technically be winter, the almond blossom appeared as an early indication that **the season was changing** from — winter, dormancy and barrenness to spring and new life.

2. The Shout of a King is Amongst Us – Victory

a. King Balak and Balaam

Numbers 23:19-20 “God is not a man, that He should lie, Nor a son of man, that He should repent. Has He said, and will He not do? Or has He spoken, and will He not make it good? Behold, I have received a command to bless; He has blessed, and I cannot reverse it.

Numbers 23:21-31 I have indeed received a command to bless; He has blessed, and I cannot change it. “He has not observed iniquity in Jacob, Nor has He seen wickedness in Israel. **The LORD his God is with him**, And **the shout of a King is among them**. God brings them out of Egypt; He has strength like a wild ox. “For there is no sorcery against Jacob, Nor any divination against Israel. It now must be said of Jacob And of Israel, ‘Oh, what God has done!’

b. The LORD his God is with Him - God’s abiding presence - God is with us and for us

Hebrews 13:5 “I will never leave you nor forsake you.”

Deuteronomy 31:8 And the LORD, He *is* the One who goes before you. He will be with you, He will not leave you nor forsake you; do not fear nor be dismayed.”

Matthew 28:20 “... And surely I am with you always, even to the end of the age.” Amen.

- c. He is Jehovah Rohi – the LORD our Shepherd. He leads us beside still waters, He restores our soul. (Genesis 23:4) though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil; For You *are* with me; Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me.
- d. Jehovah Sabaoth – the LORD of Hosts, the LORD of Heaven’s armies. He is the God who fights for His people; “the battle is not yours, but God’s.... you will not need to fight in this battle, position yourselves, stand still and see the salvation of the LORD who is with you” (2 Chronicles 20:15, 17)
- e. Think about WHO is with us: our Shepherd, our Defender, the LORD of Heaven’s armies, the Creator of the universe, the King of Kings – HE IS OUR GOD AND HE IS WITH US! We are not going through this life unaccompanied or deserted, nor unequipped or defenceless. No! The King is with us.

- f. “The shout of a King is among them”
- g. Not only is our King WITH us – **our King is ACTIVE among us.**
- h. HE is active with a SOUND! “the shout of a King is among them.”

3. God Said “Let There Be” ...And There Was - Faith

Genesis 1:1–3 In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. The earth was without form, and void; and darkness was on the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters. Then God said, ‘Let there be light’; and there was light.”

- a. The Spirit of God was hovering
- b. Then God said...and there was
- c. The Spirit of God was hovering..., but nothing changed until God **spoke**.
- d. God didn't describe the darkness. He didn't agree with the chaos. He spoke His will into it.
- e. God released His Word. The Word went forth, the Spirit of God moved, and light displaced darkness; chaos had to give way to order.