

Message: When the Lord Speaks

Texts: Lamentation 3 verse 37

Bible Reading: Genesis 15 verse 1- end

AFTER these things the word of the LORD came unto Abram in a vision, saying, Fear not, Abram: I *am* thy shield, *and* thy exceeding great reward. 2 And Abram said, Lord GOD, what wilt thou give me, seeing I go childless, and the steward of my house *is* this Eliezer of Damascus? 3 And Abram said, Behold, to me thou hast given no seed: and, lo, one born in my house is mine heir. 4 And, behold, the word of the LORD *came* unto him, saying, This shall not be thine heir; but he that shall come forth out of thine own bowels shall be thine heir. 5 And he brought him forth abroad, and said, Look now toward heaven, and tell the stars, if thou be able to number them: and he said unto him, So shall thy seed be. 6 And he believed in the LORD; and he counted it to him for righteousness. 7 And he said unto him, I *am* the LORD that brought thee out of Ur of the Chaldees, to give thee this land to inherit it. 8 And he said, Lord GOD, whereby shall I know that I shall inherit it? 9 And he said unto him, Take me an heifer of three years old, and a she goat of three years old, and a ram of three years old, and a turtledove, and a young pigeon. 10 And he took unto him all these, and divided them in the midst, and laid each piece one against another: but the birds divided he not. 11 And when the fowls came down upon the carcasses, Abram drove them away. 12 And when the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell upon Abram; and, lo, an horror of great darkness fell upon him. 13 And he said unto Abram, Know of a surety that thy seed shall be a stranger in a land *that is* not theirs, and shall serve them; and they shall afflict them four hundred years; 14 And also that nation, whom they shall serve, will I judge: and afterward shall they come out with great substance. 15 And thou shalt go to thy fathers in peace; thou shalt be buried in a good old age. 16 But in the fourth generation they shall come hither again: for the iniquity of the Amorites *is* not yet full. 17 And it came to pass, that, when the sun went down, and it was dark, behold a smoking furnace, and a burning lamp that passed between those pieces. 18 In the same day the LORD made a covenant with Abram, saying, Unto thy seed have I given this land, from the river of Egypt unto the great river, the river Euphrates: 19 The Kenites, and the Kenizzites, and the Kadmonites, 20 And the Hittites, and the Perizzites, and the Rephaims, 21 And the Amorites, and the Canaanites, and the Girgashites, and the Jebusites.

In Lamentation 3 verse 37 the Bible says “ Who *is* he *that* saith, and it cometh to pass, *when* the Lord commandeth *it* not?” this verse explains that no one can speak and have the assurance and guarantee that it shall come to pass but only God, given us the assurance that what God says no man can change it.

The word that God speaks stands sure, it cannot be reversed by anyone or anything, it confirms what the Bible says in Isaiah 55 verses 10- 11 that “For as the rain cometh down, and the snow from heaven, and returneth not thither, but watereth the earth, and maketh it bring forth and bud, that it may give seed to the sower, and bread to the eater: 11 So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper *in the thing* whereto I sent it”

Also in Hebrew 4 verse 12, the Bible talked about the word of God that is quick and powerful. The word of the Lord is powerful, It is irreversible, It stands sure and It is the final

How God does speak?

Parents do speak to their children in many ways, examples are :-

- Through direct spoken words
- In parables
- By signs
- By move
- Through another person
- Writing

Because the physical parents are mortal, their children also hear them because they are made of the same thing. But since God is spirit as in John 4 verse 24 "God *is* a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship *him* in spirit and in truth." Therefore for God to speak and for you to understand you must be on the same page with God

- You must be spirit filled
- Understand heavenly language
- Be able to Discern, to understand when God is passing, speaking and given signs

How does God speak?

I speak to my prophets through dreams and visions but my servant Moses I speak face to face

- Through vision
- Prophecy
- During scriptural reading
- During quiet time and prayers
- Through angels
- Through his prophets
- Through revelations
- Through advise from Godly men
- By signs

The words that God speaks are different from the words that men or forces of darkness are speaking, they are more and higher than what you can imagine, in other words the word of God are beyond human comprehension.

How do you know that the Lord is speaking?

His words bring

- Peace
- Courage
- Increase faith
- Boldness
- Unexplainable joy
- It gives hope
- It lift up the spirit
- It calms the storms
- Repentance
- Promote holiness and Godliness
- Promote the fear of the Lord
- Its opens your understanding

- It gives direction psalm 119 verse 105
- It shall come to pass one day According to Isaiah 10 verse 27 “ And it shall come to pass in that day, *that* his burden shall be taken away from off thy shoulder, and his yoke from off thy neck, and the yoke shall be destroyed because of the anointing.” Reference made to Genesis 15 where God promised Abram for a child, possession of the land of his enemies and even about the future of his generations.....

What must we do?

For God to speak to or with you, you must be his friend and love him

You must be attentive and obey him always

Must be heavenly conscious

Prayer

1. Lord open my ears to hear you speak in the name of Jesus
2. Demon of blindness and deafness in my life die in the name of Jesus
3. Spirit of wrong doctrine around me scatter in the name of Jesus
4. Lord Jesus speak to me in the language I will understand in the name of Jesus
5. Power to remain and abide with God envelop my life in the name of Jesus
6. Lord Jesus let your word promote peace and harmony in my home in the name of Jesus
7. Lord where and when I'm confused release your word unto me in the name of Jesus
8. The word of the Lord that is powerful be released upon my spirit man in the name of Jesus
9. Household wickedness shall not uproot me from where God is in the name of Jesus
10. Evil characters and unfriendly friends shall not take me away from God's presence in the name of Jesus
11. Power to hear, see and understand God fall upon me in the name of Jesus
12. Holy Ghost be my life in the name of Jesus
13. Lord Jesus reveal all the secrets I need to know about my life and family in the name of Jesus
14. Lord Jesus reveal my future to me as you did to Abraham in the name of Jesus
15. I decree that the word of God shall not fail in my life in the name of Jesus
16. I decree that the word of the Lord shall come to pass at the set time in the name of Jesus
17. Holy spirit give me the spirit of patience to wait for the fulfilment of God's promises for my life in the name of Jesus
18. The word of the Lord shall not be strange to my life in the name of Jesus
19. Lord Jesus give me divine understanding of your word in the name of Jesus
20. Lord I thank you for speaking peace, love, healing, deliverance and restoration into my life in the name of Jesus