

## **HISTORY ON THE ROPE**

**Isaiah 43:11** I, even I, am the Lord, and besides Me there is no savior.

**Luke 10:19** Jesus came to seek and save that which was lost.

**Acts 2:4** "The Spirit gave them utterance".

**Isaiah 6:10** KJV

Make the heart of this people fat, and make their ears heavy, and shut their eyes; lest they see with their eyes, and hear with their ears, and understand with their heart, and convert, and be healed.

**Romans 10:14** "How shall they hear without a Preacher".

**I Corinthians 1:21**

It pleased God by the foolishness of preaching to save them than believe.

**2 Samuel 23:14-17**

David was then in the stronghold, and the garrison of the Philistines was then in Bethlehem. And David said with longing, "Oh, that someone would give me a drink of the water from the well of Bethlehem, which is by the gate!" 16 So the three mighty men broke through the camp of the Philistines, drew water from the well of Bethlehem that was by the gate, and took it and brought it to David. Nevertheless he would not drink it, but poured it out to the Lord. 17 And he said, "Far be it from me, O Lord, that I should do this! Is this not the blood of the men who went in jeopardy of their lives?" Therefore, he would not drink it. These things were done by the three mighty men.

**Jesus cried out ... "I thirst"** (John 19:28)

- As David's men heard his cry – and knew his heart ...
- ***Do we Hear our Lords cry? – and know His heart?***

**Acts 9:19-25**

Saul spent several days with the disciples in Damascus.

**At once** he began to preach in the synagogues that Jesus is the Son of God. All those who heard him were astonished and asked, "Isn't he the man who raised havoc in Jerusalem among those who call on this name? And hasn't he come here to take them as prisoners to the chief priests?" Yet Saul grew more and more powerful and baffled the Jews living in Damascus by proving that Jesus is the Messiah.

After many days had gone by, there was a conspiracy among the Jews to kill him, but Saul learned of their plan. Day and night they kept close watch on the city gates in order to kill him. But his followers took him by night and lowered him in a basket through an opening in the wall.

### **3 Reasons we must Hold On**

- Never know 'the History' that is holding on to that Rope
- May be the Only One God has on the End of that Rope
- Your Basket may be about to Touch the Ground

### **We are holding a Rope with 3 strands**

1. Believing for a H.G. Outpouring
2. Manifestations of all Nine Gifts of the Spirit
  - 3 Vocal: Tongues, Interpretation of, Prophecy
  - 3 Power: Gifts of Healing, Miracles, Faith
  - 3 Revelation gifts: Word of Wisdom, Word of Knowledge, Discernment
3. Souls / Soul-winners

### **To save a World – We must hold the rope**

**Psalms 74:20** “The dark places of the earth are full of the habitations of cruelty.”

**Jesus said** – **Mark 16:15** “Preach the Gospel to every creature”.

**John 3:16** “Whoever believes in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life.”

**Acts 2:21** “Whoever shall call upon the Name of the Lord shall be saved”.

### **Romans 10:14**

“How then shall they call on Him in whom they have not believed?  
... How shall they hear without a Preacher?”

**Luke 9:60** “Let the dead bury their own dead”

- Why maintain unproductive Churchy stuff and expect God to do everything?
- The real business of the church is ...  
Winning people to Jesus!  
Establishing His Kingdom – Nor our Empires!

### **Will you hold the Rope for others?**