GLOBAL PRAYER AND WORSHIP MOVEMENT - BRIAN AND JOANNIE BEESON PARTNER APPRECIATION NIGHT JULY 2014

One of the things God is doing across the globe, why and what this means...

I. GLOBAL PRAYER AND WORSHIP MOVEMENT

A. Jesus taught us to take the things from heaven and bring them to earth. We do this through prayer and a consecrated lifestyle before God.

Your kingdom come. Your will be done On earth as it is in heaven. (Luke 11:2)

My name will be great among the nations, from where the sun rises to where it sets. <u>In every place</u> <u>incense and pure offerings will be brought to me</u>, because my name will be great among the nations," says the Lord Almighty. (Mal. 1:11)

...your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit... (1 Cor. 6:19)

B. What the apostle John saw what occurred in heaven, worship and prayer before the throne of the Father and the Lord Jesus. Harps show us that music is in heaven; the bowls tell us that all our prayers matter and are gathered in heaven until they reach a critical mass. (Rev. 8:1-3; 5:8-10)

8 And when he [Jesus] had taken it [the scroll], the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb. <u>Each one had a harp</u> and they were <u>holding golden bowls full of incense</u>, <u>which are the prayers of God's people</u>. 9 And t<u>hey sang a new song</u>, saying: "You are worthy to take the scroll and to open its seals, because you were slain, and with your blood you purchased for God persons from every tribe and language and people and nation. 10 You have made them to be a kingdom and priests to serve our God, and they will reign on the earth." (Rev. 5:8-10)

C. Through John's account of heaven, we see the emphasis on unending day and night singing and worship in heaven accompanied with prayers. (Rev. 4:8-9; 5:13-14; 14:2-3)

8 The 4 living creatures...<u>do not rest day or night</u>, saying: "Holy, holy, holy..." 10 the twenty-four elders <u>fall down</u>...and <u>worship Him</u> who lives forever and ever... (Rev. 4:8-9)

- D. We are given a glimpse of Revelation 4 and 5 so that we, too, can encounter on earth by what John saw in heaven. (Matt. 6:9-10; Mal. 1:11)
 - 1. The greatness of the Father: His sovereignty, His mercy, His magnitude. (Rev. 4:2-3; 8-11)
 - 2. The centrality of the beauty of Jesus: His character and person exalted. (Rev. 5:5, 9-14; cf. Ps. 24:7)
 - 3. Unceasing worship (Rev. 4:8)
 - 4. Music, praise and worship, and intercession are combined (Rev. 5:8-10)
 - 5. Enjoyable worship (Rev. 4:8; 10-11; 5:7, 9, 11, 13; cf. Is. 56:6-7)

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E. David also saw things in heaven. He was given plans by the Spirit to build a temple complex on earth as he witnessed it in heaven. (Psalm 110:1; 1 Chr. 28:11-19)

11 David gave his son Solomon the plans...12 for all that <u>he had by the Spirit</u>, of t<u>he courts of</u> <u>the house of the LORD</u>...13 also for the division of the priests and the Levites, for all the work of the service of the house of the LORD...19 <u>All this</u>," said David, "<u>the LORD made me</u> <u>understand in writing</u>, by His hand upon me, all the works of these plans." (1 Chr. 28:11-19)

F. These plans God gave David included the hiring of prophetic singers along with prophetic musicians who would sing before the ark of God day and night. This is similar to what the apostle John witnessed.

¹They brought the ark...and set it in the midst of the tabernacle that David erected for it. 4 He <u>appointed Levites (singers) to minister before the ark...to praise the Lord</u>...37 <u>to minister before the ark regularly</u>, as every day's work required... (1 Chr. 16:1, 4, 37)

54,000 were gatekeepers, and 4,000 praised the Lord <u>with musical instruments</u>... 7 The number... <u>instructed in the songs of the Lord</u>...who were skillful, was 288. (1 Chr. 25:5, 7)

G. David commanded God's people to honor the heavenly order of worship that he received by revelation because it was God's command (2 Chr. 29:25; 35:4, 15; Ezra 3:10; Neh. 12:45).

25 Hezekiah...stationed Levites in the house of the Lord with stringed instruments... according to the commandment of David...for thus was the commandment of the Lord. (2 Chr. 29:25)

- H. Every time in Israel's history when Israel followed these principles they experienced revival (7x). <u>These worship principles are timeless and valid today, such as establishing singers and musicians in</u> <u>God's House.</u> The application of these principles would differ in each generation and culture.
- <u>Global prayer and worship springing up is one of the signs of the times given to us to know the season of Christ's return</u> (Is. 56:7; 42:10-13). There are many biblical trends that reveal "the season or generation" of His coming (Mt. 24:4-8). Other signs are *the increase of knowledge* (Dan. 12:4), *The gospel being preached to all nations* (Mt. 24:14), *the fullness of the Gentile church* (Rom. 11:25), *the reestablishing of the State of Israel* (Zech 8:3; 14:1-4), *the revelation of the bridal paradigm* (Rev. 22:17), *the great harvest from all nations* (Mt. 24:14; Rev. 7:9), and *the increase of wickedness* (Dan. 8:23; Rev. 14:9; Mt. 13:24-30). There are many other signs but here are eight of them.

For My house shall be called a house of prayer for all nations. (Isaiah 56:7)

- J. Prayer is exploding across the globe through praying communities, praying churches and houses of prayer. In one year at IHOPKC Joannie and I have met believers from Norway, Romania, Hong Kong, Australia, Indonesia, Taiwan, China, Brazil, Canada, England, Germany and others that God has directed to build places of prayer.
- K. Thank you for sowing into this ministry and supporting our family as one of the intercessory missionaries God has set into place at this time. "Intercessory Missionary" means we are committed to do missions from the place of prayer and fasting.