

And if the bugler doesn't sound a clear sound, how will the soldiers know they are being called to battle? 1st Corinthians 14:8 NLV

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Remnant Review

Except the LORD of hosts had left unto us a very small remnant, we should have been like Sodom and we should have been like unto Gomorrah.

Isaiah 1:9

And it shall come to pass that whosoever shall call on the name of the LORD shall be delivered; for in Mount Zion and in Jerusalem shall be deliverance, as the LORD hath said, and in the remnant whom the Lord shall call.

Joel 2:32

Even so, then, at this present time also there is a remnant according to the election of grace.

Romans 11:5

Therefore will He give them [those who rejected Him] up, until the time that she [the church] who travaileth hath brought forth; then the remnant of His brethren shall return unto the children of Israel.

Micah 5:3

And the dragon was angry with the woman and went to make war with the remnant of her seed, who keep the commandments of God, and have the testimony of Jesus Christ.

Revelation 12:17

“In the history of Israel a remnant may be discerned, a spiritual Israel within the national Israel. In Elijah’s time 7000 had not ‘bowed the knee to Baal’ (1st Kings 19:18). In Isaiah’s time it was the ‘very small remnant’ for whose sake God still forebore to destroy the nation (Isaiah 1:9). During the captivities the remnant appears in Jews like Esther, Mordecai, Ezekiel, Daniel, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego. At the end of the seventy years of Babylonian captivity, it was the remnant that returned under Ezra and Nehemiah. At the advent of our Lord, John the Baptist, Simeon, Anna, and ‘those who looked for redemption in Jerusalem’ (Luke 2:38) were the remnant.”

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What is the Lord doing today?

I believe that He is gathering, equipping, training, and preparing His Remnant of the Last Days—a remnant company that will eventually bring in the Great Harvest at the end of the age. These are those who choose the path of being sold out ones for Jesus in a time of great apostasy and a time when the world calls things that are wrong as right and things that are right as wrong. Some of those who choose to be part of this company will pay for this privilege with their very lives.

The scepter shall not depart from Judah, nor a lawgiver from between his feet, until Shiloh [JESUS] come, and unto Him shall the gathering of the people be.

Genesis 49:10

Now we beseech you, brethren, by the coming of the Lord Jesus Christ, and by our gathering together unto Him, that ye be not soon shaken in mind or be troubled, neither by spirit, nor by word, nor by letter as from us, as that the day of the Lord is present.

2nd Thessalonians 2:1

This Remnant Company will stand no matter what happens on the earth, and they will be willing to die both soulishly (i.e., ego, ambition, person plans) and physically.

And they [the Remnant Company] overcame him [Satan] by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony [the Holy Bible], and they loved not their lives unto the death.

Revelation 12:11

What is the Day of the Lord?

The Day of the Lord is a time in history at the end of the age in the Last Days when the Lord openly intervenes in the affairs of men. It is an apocalyptic term and also a prophetic term and is thought to be the Lord's outpouring of His wrath and will be characterized by catastrophic weather and earthly calamities such as plagues, famines, pestilence, and drought. (see Isaiah 2:12, Isaiah 13:6-9, Amos 5:18-20, Jeremiah 46:10, 1st Corinthians 5:5, 1st Thessalonians 5:2, 2nd Peter 3:8-10) We must always remember that God is a God of Love. He only sends judgments because He wants His people to turn to Him. He allows trials and tribulations to make us strong and to purify us.

Alas for the day! For the day of the LORD is at hand and as a destruction from the Almighty shall it come. Joel 1:15

But of the times and seasons, brethren, ye have no need that I write unto you. For yourselves know perfectly that the day of the LORD so cometh as a thief in the night. For when they shall say, Peace and safety, then sudden destruction cometh upon them as travail upon a woman with child, and they shall not escape. But ye brethren are not in darkness that that day should overtake you as a thief. 1st Thessalonians 5:2-4

The LORD said unto my Lord, Sit thou at my right hand, until I make thine enemies thy footstool. The LORD shall send the rod of thy strength out of Zion; rule thou in the midst of thine enemies. Thy people shall be willing in the day of thy power; in the beauties of holiness from the womb of the morning, thou hast the dew of thy youth. The LORD hath sworn and will not repent. Thou art a priest forever after the order of Melchizedek. The Lord at thy right hand shall strike through kings in the day of His wrath. He shall judge among the nations; He shall fill the places with the dead bodies; He shall wound the heads over many countries. He shall drink of the brook in the way; therefore shall He lift up the head. Psalm 110
(THE FIRST VERSE OF THIS PSALM IS REPEATED in Matthew 22:24, Mark 12:36, Luke 20:42, Acts 2:34, Hebrews 1:13.)

Blow the trumpet [give prophetic utterance] in Zion [the place of the sold out ones, the overcomers, the passionately-in-love-with-Jesus endtime remnant company], and sound an alarm [warn people of what is coming] in my holy mountain [the genuine people of God]. Let all the inhabitants of the land tremble; for the day of the LORD cometh, for it is near at hand. A day of darkness and of gloominess, a day of clouds and of thick darkness, like the morning spread upon the mountains [a day of great depression and hopelessness for those who do not know the True God]. A great people and a strong [the endtime remnant]; there has not been ever the like, neither shall be any more after it, even to the years of many generations. Joel 2:1-2

Most likely we are living in the day of Matthew 24:14 (*And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come*), 2nd Timothy 3:1-5 (*You may as well know this too, Timothy, that in the last days it is going to be very difficult to be a Christian. For people will love only themselves and their money; they will be proud and boastful, sneering at God, disobedient to parents,*

ungrateful to them, and thoroughly bad. They will be hardheaded and never give in to others; they will be constant liars and troublemakers and will think nothing of immorality. They will be rough and cruel and sneer at those who try to be good. They will betray their friends; they will be hotheaded, puffed up with pride, and prefer good times to worshipping God. They will go to church, yes, but they won't really believe anything they hear. Don't be taken in by people like that), and Psalm 2 (Why do the heathen rage, and the peoples imagine a vain thing? The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together against the LORD and against His anointed, saying, Let us break their bands asunder and cast their cord from us...). I also think we will soon see the fulfillment of Isaiah 60 (ARISE, shine, for thy light is risen upon thee. For, behold, the darkness shall cover the earth and gross darkness the peoples, but the LORD shall arise upon thee, and His glory shall be seen upon thee...).

Biblical Types of the Last Day's Endtime Remnant Company

A type is a prophetic representation foreshadowing something else to come in the future. Isaac's sacrifice, for example, types the sacrifice of Christ as the Father's only son. The veil of the temple being rent types the end of the Old Testament dispensation and access to the baptism of the Holy Spirit for those who want it. Jezebel in Revelation types the harlot church that has a form of godliness but denies the power. God, knowing all the way from the beginning to the end, caused the writing of the Bible to be done in such a way that many of the people, places, offices, institutions, and events were meant to be viewed as anticipatory of what was to come. There are many types in the Old and New Testament typing the Remnant Company. I will just highlight three:

GIDEON'S ARMY (Judges 7)

Gideon's army numbered 32,000. They were greatly outnumbered and outpowered. Yet the Lord told Gideon to send those home who were afraid. This left 10,000. To make the odds further impossible so that He could get the glory, the Lord told Gideon to pick from that 10,000 those who lapped like a dog, putting water in their cupped hands. This left only 300 men. The significance of the lapping in the cupped hands is the hand represents the five fold ministry and the water the anointing. Gideon gave each of these men a trumpet, an empty pitcher, and burning torches. The trumpet represents prophetic utterance, the empty pitcher represents our flesh nature, and the burning torches represent the Holy Spirit. They surrounded the

Midianite camp right after midnight. When Gideon gave the signal, they blew the trumpets, broke the pitchers, allowing the lamps in the inside of the inverted pitcher to light up all the sky. This threw the enemy in great confusion. Some of the Midianites started stabbing their own people, thinking that these people were Israelites. The rest ran away.

THE ZION COMPANY

Zion is frequently talked of in the scripture. Among other characteristics, Zion is a Holy Place (Psalm 2:6), the Dwelling of the Lord (Psalm 9:11), the Place of the Glory of the Lord (Psalm 102:16), the Rod of His Strength (Psalm 110:2), the Place of His Blessing (Psalm 128:5), Place of Singing (Psalm 137:3), the Place of Joy (Psalm 149:2), the Place of Shouting (Isaiah 12:6), the Place of Quick Answers from the Lord (Isaiah 30:19), the Place of the Fire of the Lord (Isaiah 31:9), the Place where Sinners and Hypocrites are Full of Fear (Isaiah 33:14), the Place of Salvation (Isaiah 46:13), the Place of Joy and Gladness and Comfort from the Lord (Isaiah 51:3), Place where the Redeemer Shall Come (Isaiah 59:20), Place Where the Sons of Those Who Have Afflicted and Despised You will Bow down at Your Feet and Call You *The Zion of the Holy One of Israel* (Isaiah 60:14), the Place of Beauty for Ashes, Oil of Joy for Mourning, Garment of Praise for the Spirit of Heaviness (Isaiah 61:3), the Place of Quick Work of the Spirit - *For as soon as Zion travailed, she brought forth her children* (Isaiah 66:8), the Place of Restoration of the Backslidden (Jeremiah 3:14), Place to Blow the Trumpet and Sanctify a Fast and Call a Solemn Assembly (Joel 2:1-15), Place of the Former and Latter Rain (Joel 2:23), Place Where the Lord will Restore What the Enemy Has Taken (Joel 2:24), Place of Deliverance (Obadiah 17), Place of Hope and Strength (Joel 3:16), Place of Travail and Birthing (Micah 4:20). In short, Zion is a place of *being* in God, a place where praise to the Lord is perfected, a place of His presence. I believe we at First Love Ministries will corporately come to Mount Zion when we enter into a new place of Worship and Praise that is devoid of disunity, competition, performance, fear of man, self-gratification, etc. Those in Zion type a spirit-filled remnant of the church, and those who are passionately in love with Jesus *will* come to Zion, a place of being in God, as the Zion Company which will be part of the Endtime Remnant of the Last Days.

THE MANIFESTATION OF THE SONS OF GOD COMPANY

Romans 8:19 tells us *for the earnest expectation of the creation waiteth for the manifestation of the sons of God*. We know that *there is neither Jew nor*

Greek, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female, for ye are all one in Christ Jesus (Galatians 3:28) so sons includes females as well as males. The Sons of God have reached a maturity level where they no longer love the world and the applause of men (1st John 3:1-2). They shine as lights and don't complain (Philippians 2:14-15). They have put away childish things (1st Corinthians 13:11). They speak the truth in love (Ephesians 4:14-15). They are called to praise Him (1st Peter 2:9). They walk in obedience and love (Ephesians 5:1-6). They present themselves before the Lord (Job 1:6). They are joyful (Job 38:7). They are led by the Spirit (Romans 8:14). They tabernacle the living God and separate from the world (2nd Corinthians 6:14-18). They accept the chastening of the Lord (Hebrews 12:5-6). They walk in power (John 1:12). These will make-up the Remnant Company of the Last Days.

Types and Characteristics of the Remnant Company Being Gathered

1. The Joshua Company in the book of Joshua who cross the Jordan-
Those who are Warrior/Saints
2. The Remnant left to rebuild the temple in Ezra-*Those who are Repentant and Separated from the world*
3. The Remnant left to rebuild the wall in Nehemiah-*Those who are Joyful*
4. The Mephibosheths (destroying shame) called in 2nd Samuel 9 to eat at the king's table-*Those who are Full of Grace and without Shame*
5. The Outcasts of Israel with broken hearts and wounds in Psalm 147:2-3- *Those who are Healed and Made Whole*
6. The small Remnant of Isaiah-*Those who walk in Purity*
7. The Dry Bones coming alive as an army in Ezekiel 37-*Those who are Prophetically Alive*
8. The Third Day of Hosea raised up to know the Lord-*Those Alive in the Lord*
9. Joel's Army with the fire devouring before them in Joel 2-*Those speaking the spirit-quicken Word of God*
10. The Latter House and Desire of all Nations of Haggai 2-*Those full of glory and peace.*
11. The Elijah Company of Malachi 4:5-6-*Those with a father's heart*
12. The 5 Wise Virgins of Matthew 25-*Those who are watchful and ready*
13. The People in Daniel 11:32 who know their God-*Those who are strong in the Lord and do exploits*
14. The Bridal Company in Ephesians 5:25-29-*Those who walk in His Glory and have been made clean by the blood of the Lamb*

The Children of Israel in the wilderness type the Body of Christ. They were first GATHERED together. Then they GREW through trials and tribulations in the wilderness experience as they followed the cloud by day and the fire by night. Then they WARRED against their enemies. And finally, they had great HARVEST and feast days. We are approaching the Endtime Harvest and will not be ready unless we come together in unity, mature, and grow (iron sharpens iron), and become His sold out ones, or Remnant Company of the Last Days. This remnant company, I believe, will walk in what I call the third degree: Its members will be 100 fold Christians, living in the realization of the Holy of Holies, as a Zion Company baptized with fire. This, of course, will threaten the enemy and stir him to war against us that much more. This group is not for the faint hearted or for whimps or sissies! But the rewards of being part of the Remnant Company of the Last Days are eternal. When we stand and fight for Him, we will produce *fruit that remains* and a great harvest, especially at the end of the age, which most here believe we are likely entering into now.

Some of the Three Degrees Found in Scripture

1 st Degree	2 nd Degree	3 rd Degree
30 FOLD	60 FOLD	100 FOLD
Outer Court	Inner Court	Holy of Holies
Israel	Jerusalem	Zion
Baptism with Water	Baptism with Spirit	Baptism with Fire
Body	Soul	Spirit

How important is the Remnant Company?

And it shall come to pass afterward that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions; and also, upon the servants and upon the handmaids in those days will I pour out my Spirit. And I will show wonders in the heavens and in the earth; blood and fire and pillars of smoke. The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood before the great and terrible day of the LORD come. And it shall come to pass that whosoever shall call on the name of the LORD shall be delivered; for in Mount Zion and in Jerusalem shall be deliverance, as the LORD hath said, and IN THE REMNANT WHOM THE LORD SHALL CALL.

Do you dare ask the Lord to make you part of the Remnant Company?
*Multitudes, multitudes in the valley of decision; for the day of the Lord is
near in the valley of decision. Joel 3:14*

I BELIEVE HE'S COMING BACK LIKE HE SAID

High upon a Mountain of Transfiguration
This angel of the Lord declared that it would be.
He said, "Don't stand here grievin',
For the One you see leavin'
In like manner's comin' back for you and me."

I believe the time is nearin'
When we'll soon see His appearing.
Oh this could be the hour or this could be the day,
When the saints from every nation
Will lose their gravitation
In the middle of the air be called away.

CHORUS

AND I BELIEVE HE'S COMIN' BACK LIKE HE SAID.
I BELIEVE THAT THE TRUMPET'S GONNA SOUND SO LOUD
ONE DAY IT'LL WAKE THE DEAD.
IN THE TWINKLING OF AN EYE
HE'LL SPLIT THE EASTERN SKY.
AND I BELIEVE HE'S COMIN' BACK LIKE HE SAID.