

PRAYER STUDY #49
"The Remnant of the Last Days"

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 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

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." Scofield Reference Bible Notes

Gideon's Army types the Last Day's Remnant(Judges 7)

1. They were without fear(verse 3).
2. They lapped up the water out of their hand. The hand symbolizes the five fold ministry and water symbolizes the anointing(verses 5 & 6).
3. They carried and blew a trumpet which symbolizes a call to war and prophetic utterance(verse 16 & 19).
4. They broke the pitchers which symbolizes crucifying the flesh nature(verse 20). (*We have this treasure in earthen vessels-2nd Corinthians 4:7*)

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5. They held the lamps in their left hands which symbolizes the Holy Spirit which can be seen only when we crucify or cast down and break the flesh nature(verse 20).
6. They said, "The sword of the Lord and of Gideon." This represents confessing the Word of God(verse 20).
7. They stood every man in his place round about the camp which means that everyone has his place or special function or responsibility in the Church of the Living God(verse 21).

The Last Days' Remnant is the Zion Company, Church within the Church, overcomers who just want to glorify Jesus and want to be conformed to His image. They are "*a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a people of his own, that should show forth the praises of Him who hath called them out of darkness into his marvelous light.*"

As a royal priesthood, the Last Days' Remnant will walk in the five fold ministry of Ephesians 4:11(*And He gave some apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers*), which was instituted by the Aaronic Priesthood in Exodus 28:1(*And take thou unto thee Aaron, thy brother, and his sons with him, from among the children of Israel, that he may minister unto me in the priest's office, even Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu, Eleazar and Ithamar, Aaron's sons.*)

Five Fold Ministry

1. Aaron: *the light-bringer* which represents the Apostle
2. Nadab: *the willing one* which represents the Prophet
3. Abihu: *my father is He* which represents the Evangelist
4. Eleazar: *God is helper* which represents the Pastor
5. Ithamar: *palm coast* which represents the Teacher(i.e. a palm tree's roots go deep to find hidden springs of water which represent the Word of God)

The Last Days' Remnant is spoken of in Israel 60:1-2: *Arise, shine; for thy light has come, and the glory of the Lord 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.* Do you want to walk in the joy and peace and righteousness in the Holy Ghost and do exploits for the Lord in these Last Days. If so, you must cross Jordan and die to yourself and be willing to fight to the death in His Endtime Army.