PRAYER STUDY #81

THE ELIJAH COMPANY

Behold, I will send you Elijah, the prophet, before the coming of the great and terrible day of the Lord; And He shall tum the heart of the fathers to the children, and the heart of the children to the fathers, lest I come and smite the earth with a curse.

Malachi 4:5-6

WHAT IS THE LORD DOING TODAY?

In a unique way He is gathering His people together as we discussed in Prayer Study #79.
Genesis 49:10 - *The scepter shall not depart from Judah, nor a lawgiver from between his feet, until Shiloh come,* ***and unto Him shall the gathering of the people be.***
And in 2nd Thessalonians 2:1 - *Now we beseech you, brethren, by the coming of our 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.*)

Tonight, we want to look specifically at the Elijah Company with the Father's Heart as mentioned in the last words of the Old Testament.

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE ELIJAH COMPANY

1. Forerunners with the Father's Heart
2. Prophetic People - 1st Kings 17: 1
3. Faith Walkers - 1st Kings 18:41
4. Mighty Intercessors - 1st Kings 17:20, 22; 1st Kings 18:36-38; James 5:17
5. Performers of Miracles - 1st Kings 19:8
6. Bold Reformers - 1st Kings 18:17-46
7. Raisers of the Dead - 1st Kings 17:17-24

This company will need lots of prayer because Elijah people are very prone to discouragement (1st Kings 19:4) and feel they are the only ones really serving God. They also are the antithesis of-the Jezebel, spirit and must put Jezebel out to keep· the church from walking in idolatry and false doctrine.

Role of Father or a Shepherd in the Body

1. Reflect God the Father
2. Protector
3. Provider
4. Leader

Some scriptures pertaining to fathers:

As it is written, I have mo.de you a father of many nations, before Him whom he believed, even God who giveth life to the dead and calleth, those things which are not as though they were. Romans 4:17

The Lord is my strength and song, and He is become my salvation: He, is my God, and I will prepare Him an habitation, my father's God, and I will exalt Him. Exodus 15:2

For everyone who curseth his father or his mother shall be surely put to death; he hath cursed his father or his mother; his blood shall be upon him. Leviticus 20:9

Hear, ye children, the instruction of a father, and attend to know understanding. Proverbs 4:1

For though you have ten thousand instructors in Christ, yet have you not many fathers, for in Christ Jesus I have begotten you through the Gospel. 1st Corinthians 4:15

And you fathers, provoke not your children to wrath, but bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord. Ephesians 6:4

But you know the proof of him, that, as a son with the father, he hath served with me in the Gospel. Philippians 2:22

Rebuke not an elder, but intreat him as a father, and the younger men as brethren. 1st Timothy 5:1

Honor your father and mother which is the first commandment with promise. Ephesians 6:2