

POSSESSING THE PROMISED LAND

- BABYLON TO THE KINGDOM OF GOD
- EQUIP AND INSPIRE MEETING
- HCF AUSTRALIA
- 3rd AUGUST 2024

SESSIONS 1-6, LESSONS AND THEMES

- Session 1 : Egypt to Canaan. Passion, Progress and Pitfalls
- Session 2 : Stalled starters and immediate starters. Both were used. God was patient.
- Session 3 : Wilderness wondering to crossing over to possess. The final events. Joshua generation.

Ark of the covenant leading the way. Consecration before conquest. Joshua 3 & 4

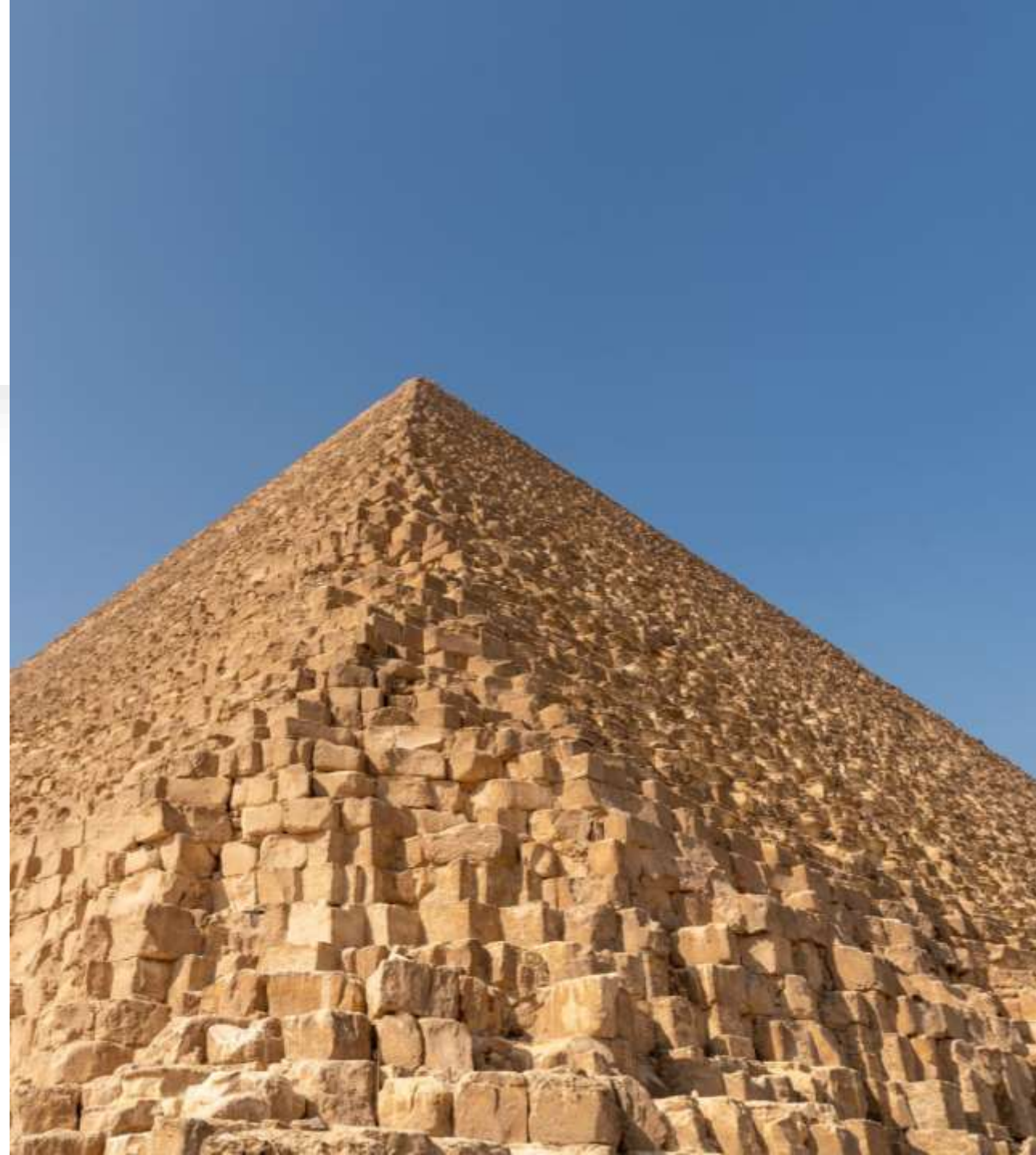
- Session 4 : Overcoming obstacles with the Promise Keeper. Obstacles will come from within and without.
- Session 5 : Murmuring in the journey.
- Session 6 : Leading the nomads in transition



3 EXODUS IN THE BIBLE CONTEXT

- Egypt to Canaan
- Babylon to Jerusalem
- Kingdom of the world to the Kingdom of God

- Enter a land, Cross over into a land -
Deuteronomy 1:8
- Occupy the land. Inhabit the land.
- Possess the land. Exodus 6:8
- Exodus is a family affair. Passover meal
details involving the whole family.



OBSERVATIONS OF THE 3 EXODUS

EGYPT TO CANAAN, BABYLON TO
JERUSALEM

VISIBLE

LAW/COVENANT

EGYPT/BABYLON CAPTIVES

LESSONS LEARNT

LEADERS RAISED

HISTORY BEING WRITTEN

FAMILY, COMMUNITY, NATION - GENERATIONS
TO REMEMBER

NOT AN END IN THE NARRATIVE

FALLEN IMPERFECT WORLD

KINGDOM OF THE WORLD TO KINGDOM OF GOD

INVISIBLE

GRACE/FAITH

SPIRIT OF BABYLON/KOW

BEING TRANSFORMED - GROWING

LEADERES TO THE FIVEFOLD MINISTRY - ALL
IMPARTED A GIFT

HISTORY REPEATED - Figuratively

INDIVIDUAL CHOICES AND IMPACTING GODLY
ORDINANCES

END WILL BE ETERNAL TERMS AND DWELLINGS

JOY BEYOND MEASURE FOR ETERNITY - Isaiah
51:11



Babylon

Babylon in the Bible

- First mentioned in Genesis 11 - Tower of Babel
- Hebrew root word - babel - "confused"
- Mesopotamia, Assyrian domination
- Evil of Babylon: Disdain for God's rule, Pride and arrogance, Objects of idols, wicked and cruel rulers and people. **Daniel** 605-535 BC
- Assyrian King Nebuchadnezzar - Brings the Israelites captives in 597 and 587 BC
- Prophecies of its future. Isaiah 47, Isaiah 13:19-20, Jeremiah 50:51
- Cyrus from Persia defeats

Babylon today

- Located within modern day Iraq, 83K south of Baghdad. The ruined ancient city lies within a modern city Hillah.
- Spiritual meaning of Babylon today : A human system of religion, tradition and authority of men that opposes God and his values.
- Physical Babylon is not existing. Only the ruins.
- Spiritual Babylon is no longer hidden.

"We are living in a time where Satan doesn't even hide anymore, and the world still can't see him".

Spirit of Babylon

Life of the Kings of Babylon

Life of Daniel

- What is the Spirit of Babylon? Any corrupt system that works against the Spirit of God.
- Babel: Pride, Arrogance, Self-sufficiency - Tower of Babel, Genesis 11
- Babylon traded worshiping God for "self" and idol worship. Matthew 19:27 "What will we get?".
- Babylon symbolizes evil. Prophecies about Babylon's end: Isaiah 13: 19-22, Jeremiah 51: 37, 52-58
- Idolatry. Not loyal to God. No faith. Polytheistic worship - Jeremiah 7:18, 44: 17- 19, 25

Evil emanated from the objects of worship. Action of its rulers and subjects.

- Blasphemy.
- Kings: Nebuchadnezzar, Belshazzar.

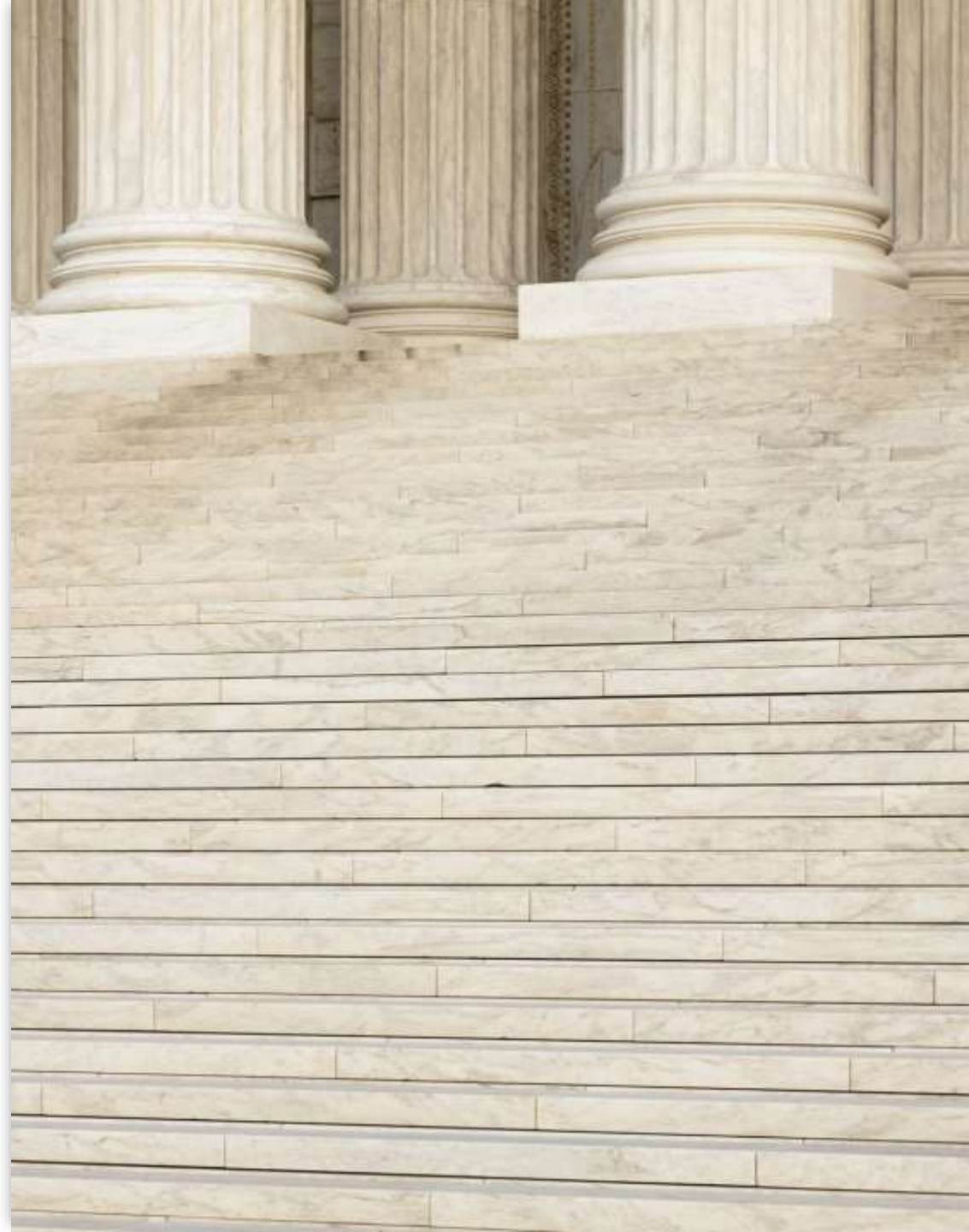


Daniel in Babylon as captive

- Refused the pleasures of Babylon - A captive, slave
- Recognized the battle at hand - Spiritual
- Reached to God in prayer. Always : Daily, Den, Dreams
- Remained faithful to his God. Policies, Law, Kingdom before Tribe
- Rested in the knowledge of God whom he worshipped.

INVADING AND OCCUPYING BABYLON AND BRINGING IN THE KOG

- Bill Bright - Campus Crusade; Lauren Cunningham YWAM
- Youth ministry. Had this revelation. 7 Mountain mandates.
- *Business, Education, Church, Family, Art & Entertainment, Science and Medicine and Government - Areas of life enemy has influenced.*
- Kingdom of this world are become the Kingdom of our Lord. *Revelation 11:15*
- ***Joseph, David, Daniel, Stephen, Paul, Luke***
- *Kings - authority to administer; Priests - Power to access heavenly places in Christ.*
- Dominion theology. Preach, Establish the KOG.
- There is a conflict in the hearts of genuine believers. Authority and Servanthood.
- Royalty- Identity, Servanthood - Assignment, Intimacy with God - Life source :wisdom is needed



Recognizing the Babylonian spirit in the world today. Worldly system opposed to God.



GOVERNMENT/POLITICS



BUSINESS



RELIGIONS/CHURCH



EDUCATION



HOME



SCIENCE AND
MEDICINE



MEDIA, ART,
ENTERTAINMENT

Government and Politics – An area of life enemy has influence

In an age of polarization and 'culture war', how can Christians engage politically whilst remaining faithful to the gospel? How do we run a different race - seeking to be loving and curious rather than fearful and hostile? How might our public square be transformed by people of faith living out the fruit of the Spirit? Let's be encouraged: with God's help, there is a better way. *Keswick Convention 2024. Tim Farron MP in the UK and a Christian speaks on Being People of Peace in the Culture Wars.*

Politicians usually - Blend in or Hide away. Now Avoid Culture War.

Culture war: Identity, Morality, Lifestyle

“Kingdom before Tribe”

CHURCH – An area of life enemy has influence

- Omission of teaching: Fear of the Lord, Faith and Holiness, Obedience and surrender, Discipleship and maturity to remain alert and alive.
- Captive to carnal Christianity and Spiritual immaturity: Babylon symbolically depicted this. Revelation 17:1-5 – A harlot that caused men to commit fornication both spiritual and physical.

Friendship with the world: Church: Compromising, Condescending, Contemplating (James 4:4)

Individuals:
Lust of the flesh, Lust of the eyes, Pride of life (1 John 2:15-16)

- Reluctant to make spiritual sacrifice and disciplined endurance: It will take to leave the

comfort of Babylon and go to the holy mountain, Zion.

- Church divisions: Weakens the body. Delays the growth. Destroys the souls

KINGDOM OF THE WORLD TO THE KINGDOM OF GOD

"We are living in the richness and goodness of the OT and transferring into the fulness and perfection of the NT with great expectation."

KOW - BABYLON

- CHARACTERISTICS
- CAUSES
- CONSEQUENCE
- CONQUERED

KOG - NEW JERUSALEM/ZION?

- CHARACTERISTICS
- CAUSES
- CONSEQUENCE
- CONTINUING- Joshua 13:1,
Revelation 11:15

Kingdom of God likened unto leaven – Matthew 13:33 – “worked into”

He told them another parable. “The kingdom of heaven is like leaven that a woman took and hid in three measures of flour, till it was all leavened.” ESV

MISCONCEPTIONS – To correct

- Everything redeemed for Kingdom purposes. No secular employment.
- Every believer is in fulltime ministry. Only few have pulpits and sanctuaries. Others influence where they are placed.

Joseph, Daniel, David

- Call of God is important. Not the title. It is the “One who Called” is most important.

7 areas to influence:

- Reward in eternal terms. Not the human measure. Souls, Money, Social good deeds

Reward is based on the faithfulness to the calling. Honor will be not only in a spiritual occupation, but

those who are faithful in the call.

- Covert and Overt ministry. Changing and influencing culture. Visible outcomes : healings, conversions

"We are living in the richness and goodness and promises of the Old Testament into the fulness and fulfilment and perfection (through Christ) of the New Testament in great expectation".

Egypt and Babylon into the KOG.

Zion - **City of God**. Synonymous with Jerusalem.

- a. Transcends all geographical locations. b. City in which God dwells - universal kingdom. c. The redeemed citizens include; Judah, Israel and people of all the nations. God's throne is always there. Power, Authority, Justice and Judgment from the throne. Final redemption is sought there. d. Anyone who trusts in the Lord will be secure and happy forever. e. Zion is the mother of all nations. Psalm 87:4-6 All God's children will become citizens. f. David and his descendants' legitimate heirs to rule over Zion to establish God's universal Kingdom (Psalm 2:6, 110:2). We are heirs of David. (2 Corinthians 1:20, Ephesians 3: , Isaiah 60)
- b. "The church has no homeland except heaven and eventually the new earth" John Piper
- c. NT - Heavenly Jerusalem. The spiritual home of all reborn through Jesus Christ from All nations. (Gal 4:24-26, Heb 12:22-24, Rev 3:12). Lord has no geographical limitations.

WHY SHOULD ALL HUMANITY CROSS OVER AND POSSESS AND INHABIT THE
PROMISED LAND

Future events call for a Present response.

- Jesus: None should perish but all should have everlasting life.
- Name to be written in the "Book". Daniel 12:1, 10:21, Rev 20:6
- Rescue through the time of anguish. Daniel 12:1
- Wickedness will continue. Many will be purified, cleansed and refined by the trials. Daniel 12:10
- Rest, Rise and Receive the inheritance set aside. Daniel 12:13

Then the seventh angel blew his trumpet, and there were loud voices shouting in heaven: "The world has now become the Kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ, and he will reign forever and ever."
Revelation 11:15

Then I heard another voice calling from heaven, "Come away from her, my people. Do not take part in her sins, or you will be punished with her. Revelation 18:4

Flee from Babylon! Escape with your lives! Do not be destroyed in her punishment. For this is the time of the LORD's vengeance; He will pay her what she deserves. Jeremiah 51:6

WHAT IS MY/OUR RESPONSIBILITY?

- Have I/we crossed over?
- Have I left Egypt and Babylon behind and out of my mind?
- Do I still have part of it?
- The 7 areas - are they clear. Do I play my role.
- Obadiah - We cannot side -step responsibility. Edom (Esau's descendant) kinsman and neighbour to Judah.
- Have I proclaimed the need for every human being to cross over and inhabit- not enter and leave at will.

I heard a loud voice out of heaven saying, "Behold, God's dwelling is with people; and he will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God. He will wipe away every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; neither will there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain any more. The first things have passed away."

Revelation 21:3-4