#### I. Review

The last time we were together, we finished Psalms 19:1-6. You can probably see now that it's one of the most comprehensive studies in all the Bible. I always look for things in the Bible that will give you good examples of how the Bible will develop itself around a certain passage. Too many times pastors, teachers, and Christians just take the passage at face value. They'll give you some inspirational or historical nugget, however, I like to show you how everything in your Bible, if you take the time and use the formats we lay out for you here, will develop itself into an incredible study that will yield many things.

#### God's Three Heavens and Three Plans

I told you about the incredible understanding of God's three heavens and how they are lined up to God's three plans. God has a plan for the universe, God has a plan for Earth, and God has a plan for you and for me. These plans are found within those three heavens: the first heaven being our atmosphere, the second heaven being outer space, and the third heaven being where God is, where Paul was caught up to. You should understand that now, and that really helped put a lot of things in perspective.

#### God's Plan Cannot be Separated from History

Overall, what I really want to accomplish is how, in the Bible, from Genesis 1:1 to Revelation 22, it all falls in line with God's overall plan. One of the things that I always stress, and I am going to continue to stress it, is that God's plan cannot be separated from history. **History comes in three parts: past, present, and future. The past is where God has been, the present is where He is at, and the future is where He is going.** Most of God's people do not have those three aspects in their life. I say it all the time.

If you do not know as a Christian where you and God have come from—and I get this, a lot of you are young and you are coming through those first couple of levels, you will get there, I am not really talking about you, you are in the process of learning—but if you have been saved and in church 10, 15, 20, 30 years, and you do not know where God and you have come from, you probably do not know where God and you are going. If you do not know where God and you come from, and you do not know where God and you are going, please do not suggest to me that you know where you are at. It takes all three.

We saw how, from the first six verses in Psalms 19, what God's plan is. We laid out the second heaven. We laid out the host of heaven. We laid out the ordinances of heaven. We laid out the sun and the moon and the galaxies and the stars. We saw that overall, it fits into those two great verses in Isaiah 9:6-7 that say:

Isaiah 9:6-7 For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.

Of the increase of [his] government and peace [there shall be] no end, upon the throne of David, and upon his kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even for ever. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will perform this.

God's plan falls into the past, what God has done; the present, what God is doing; and the future, where God is going. The devil uses everything around us today for us to lose sight of that.

#### II. The State of America and the Church

There is no question today, if you have any brain cells left, that this world, and America in particular, is in deep trouble. We cannot get anything done in this country. This country is divided. Most people look at things in the short term, but they do not see things in the long term.

#### ➤ Antipas – "Against Everything"

I am not political in any way, shape, or form. I am not a Democrat, I am not a Republican, I am not an Independent. If you want to find me in the Bible, go to Revelation 2:13. There is a guy back there whose name was Antipas. He is right in the middle. Antipas, my faithful martyr. Look up his name in a concordance; it's found no place else. He is right in the middle of the catastrophe of the church age that is falling apart, just like today. Right in the middle of nowhere, out of nowhere comes this guy named Antipas. I have never read a commentary where anybody could ever tell you who he really was. I do not know who he really was. But when you look up his name, it means "against everything." That ought to be the stand of every child of God who is truly saved and on your way to heaven in a world that has dumped God's Word, dumped God, living like hell and doing all the things that the devil wants, and God's people are going along with it. I am not a Democrat, I am not a Republican, I am not an Independent, I am against everything. If it is not in the Bible, if it is not God-directed, I am not interested.

Most people look at life, and they look at it in the short term. I believe that Jesus is coming. I believe He is coming quickly, amen? I believe that everything is here, everything is ready to go. I believe He is on His way, and I believe He is coming.

#### ➤ Our Country is Divided – You Need to Know Your Roots

I am not political, but the last administration put this country into the pit of hell. It made an absolute disaster. And I'm not against <u>anybody</u>, but I'm against <u>everything</u>. So we are all happy now. We have a president now who is getting some things done. He has closed the border; he is making peace deals all over the place. Everybody is happy. Well, not everybody. But have you ever seen how divided this country is? Do you know where the danger of the division is? I am getting ready to give you something today, but you better get it. Do you know where this country's division is? Most people do not see it. Those of us that are 30, 40, and older see it and

we say, "Happy days are here again. Boy, he is really doing a job." But have you ever seen where this country is split? You have the older crowd over here, and then everybody who is against God, the Bible, the nation of Israel, and this country is the younger generation. We always like to bash the Democrats because they are so liberal. And they are. I am not a Democrat or a Republican. I think they both have their problems, but the Democrats are the liberal party of the world today. They have the vote, they have the transgender, they have all of this stuff. Where did they come from? You do not know, do you? Because you do not know your roots. You do not know where you have come from.

### III. Generational Decline from Losing the Bible

I was born in 1950. My generation was part of the Vietnam War. The Vietnam War was very unpopular. It came along as this country was degenerating because it had lost the Bible. In World War II, there were young men who were signing up in droves after the Japanese bombed Pearl Harbor. There were places in towns where young men went down to sign up to fight and got rejected because of some medical deficiency who committed suicide because they could not serve their country. It was a different world back then. The tragedy is that most of God's people today do not understand that world back there and how it got to the world we are in.

After World War II, we won a great victory as Americans. We defeated Hitler, we defeated Japan, Italy. Then two, three, four years later came Korea. We have some Korean veterans in our church, and they could tell you some stories. Korea was not a popular war either. It came along too quickly after the big one. There was no decisive victory in Korea. Technically, we are still at war with the Koreans. We just signed whatever we signed to stop the battle, but there never was a peace which brought it to an end. That is why you have North Korea and South Korea, the DMZ, and everybody is worried about North Korea.

A few years after that, we got into Vietnam. Most people do not know why we got into Vietnam. The reason we got into Vietnam is because during World War II, the Japanese took over Vietnam, as they did Thailand and all those places, and kicked the French out who had it as their colonies. After World War II, and the Japanese are kicked out, the French tried to come back in and the Vietnamese people said, "Oh no, no, no." The French tried to take it back. They said, "No, start a Vietnam War." The French got kicked, so guess who stepped in to help them? Big brother, us. Then we got embroiled in the Vietnam War.

That was a very unpopular war, and you are starting to see after World War II that we had been almost 50 years without a Bible. Now you start to see how it is affecting the younger generations that are coming up. So that generation that was there, my age, 18, 19, and 20, some of us fought, some of us went to war, some of us went into the military. Many of them were against the war in Vietnam. Back then we had a draft. A draft meant you got drafted into the military. When you turned 18, you got a draft card. If you did not have some reason, in six months, you got called up to go into the army. You were drafted in. In my case, I beat the draft. You say, "How did you do that?" I enlisted. But everybody else back then was burning their draft cards. They were going to Canada, so they did not have to fight. They were burning down the college campuses. They were

burning down ROTC buildings. They were doing the same thing back then about the war in Vietnam that they are doing now because of the nation of Israel. You have got to see this.

Added to the fire was the Kent State University massacre. Kent State University is in Kent, Ohio. Some college students were burning down the buildings, so the Ohio National Guard was called. The Guard were standing there, and college students were coming after them, throwing rocks. They retreated to a hill, and they were coming after them, throwing things. I do not know what happened, but the National Guard opened fire and killed six of them. You would have thought that the whole world had come to an end. They took that and rioted across this country. They looked at it as: these American oppressors, these people who are fighting wars, these people are killing us. They are saying the same thing that they are saying now. I was in the army, and we did not look at it that way. We looked at it as National Guard six and Kent State nothing. But the whole world, the whole American world, was on fire.

#### ➤ The Crowd Against Our Country Back Then are the ones Leading it Today

Do you know why we are in the mess we are in today? There were guys like (John) Kerry, who is in our government, who fought in Vietnam, and took his medals (when he came back and became part of the anti-war crowd) and threw them over the White House fence. All those same 18- or 19-year-olds who had no foundation, no structure in their life, who were against this country and against whatever the country was doing, are now the leaders of this country. The Obamas, the Kerrys, the Clintons, they were all that crowd back in the day that was against this country, and now through the process of time, they are the leaders of this country, and they make up the Democratic Party. Today you are seeing the same thing because history always repeats itself.

Here is the danger if Jesus does not come. I know He is coming. But here is the issue if He does not come for 30, 40, 50 more years. Right now, we have us older folks who want to hold true to what we know to be real and right, moral. All the younger generations; are you kidding me? Just go to the mall, go to Worlds of Fun. You see them walking around like they are from Planet X. They have yellow hair, red hair, and orange hair. Right now, this country is divided and the ones who are holding the line are the ones who are in their 30s and their 40s and older. Yes, some of you who are part of this church and other churches, but the majority of this country is not. They are the ones who are burning down universities over the Jews now, just like they burned it down over the war in Vietnam 40 years ago. They are the ones who are burning the American flag. We have people in our government who are congressmen and senators. One just a couple of weeks ago, you know what one said? She says, "I am from Guatemala. I am a Guatemalan before I am an American." And she is representing. Kick her posterior extremities back to Guatemala.

We are in a mess. 30 years from now, 40 years from now, if Jesus tarries His coming, what is left of the men and women who know the truth and hold the line, we are going to be gone. It will not be like it was 40, 50 years ago. We will be gone. The Bible now will have been absent in this country for 100 years. The ones who will run this country are the ones who are burning down everything, defunding the police, disrespecting the police. In Washington, D.C., they have got to call out the National Guard to stop crime. It is not guys that are 30, 40, 50 robbing banks. It is

kids that are 12, 13, 14, and 15 stealing cars, shooting people, robbing people, beating people up. When they get arrested, the liberal courts and the liberal justices put them right back on the street. If Jesus does not come, they are going to run your country.

Right now, if you stand for righteousness, if you stand for truth, if you stand for justice, if you stand for all of the things that America once stood for, you are in the minority compared to America's population. And 30 years from now, we will not even be the minority. We will cease to exist. So, what I have got to say today, you need to understand.

<u>God has a plan</u>. You look around you and say, "Whoa, man, the world is a mess, America is a mess, Bob just painted a bleak picture. I am scared." The future for a child of God is as bright as God's promises. I do not care about what is going on in this country. I have my citizenship someplace else. I am seated in heavenly places.

#### ➤ Having Knowledge, Wisdom, and Understanding

I told you before, in life, you are going to have knowledge, wisdom, and understanding. Knowledge is looking at something and knowing about it. Wisdom is how to take that knowledge and then apply it and use it. But understanding only comes when you see how God figures in it. You can look at the country with knowledge and see it is in a mess. You can look at it like I just gave it to you with wisdom, and you can see why it is in a mess. But understanding will tell you this country is right where God wants it to be in timing for the second coming of Christ. We, you and me, this church, need to be about our Father's business. Do not get caught up with the sideshows that are going on around you. What the devil or the world wants to permeate your mind with, to put fear into your heart, and to confuse you.

To a great degree, from what we have looked at already, you can see God's hand in the past, the present, and the future of life on planet Earth. We now have somewhat of an understanding. Also understanding now who and what God really is. We saw that from Malachi 4:1, Hebrews 1. We do not have time to get into that all today. But out of all that you got, you now have the greatest key in all the Bible to unlock it all. That is Romans 1:20, which says:

Romans 1:20 For the invisible things of him from the creation of the world **are clearly seen**, being understood by the things that are made, [even] his eternal power and Godhead; so that they are without excuse:

There is no greater verse in the Bible in unlocking things of past, present, and future.

#### IV. The Millennial Reign and God's Structure

Today, I want to put together the rest of Psalms 19. Then you will have it all, and you can get it into your Bible. So let us read the entire chapter again, even though we already studied it, just to put it into a context and begin to put it together.

Psalms 19:1-14 The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament sheweth his handywork.

- 2. Day unto day uttereth speech, and night unto night sheweth knowledge.
- 3. [There is] no speech nor language, [where] their voice is not heard.
- 4. Their line is gone out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world. In them hath he set a tabernacle for the sun,
- 5. Which [is] as a bridegroom coming out of his chamber, and rejoiceth as a strong man to run a race.
- 6. His going forth [is] from the end of the heaven, and his circuit unto the ends of it: and there is nothing hid from the heat thereof.
- 7. The law of the LORD [is] perfect, converting the soul: the testimony of the LORD [is] sure, making wise the simple.
- 8. The statutes of the LORD [are] right, rejoicing the heart: the commandment of the LORD [is] pure, enlightening the eyes.
- 9. The fear of the LORD [is] clean, enduring for ever: the judgments of the LORD [are] true [and] righteous altogether.
- 10. More to be desired [are they] than gold, yea, than much fine gold: sweeter also than honey and the honeycomb.
- 11. Moreover by them is thy servant warned: [and] in keeping of them [there is] great reward.
- 12. Who can understand [his] errors? cleanse thou me from secret [faults].
- 13 Keep back thy servant also from presumptuous [sins]; let them not have dominion over me: then shall I be upright, and I shall be innocent from the great transgression.
- 14. Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart, be acceptable in thy sight, O LORD, my strength, and my redeemer.

As I told you when we started Psalms 19, **doctrinally this will be a millennial Psalm**. You know by now, if you have been around here any length of time, that every verse, every passage of scripture will have three applications: historically (it happened in history), doctrinally (prophetically in the future), and inspirationally (how it applies to you and me in our everyday lives).

You have now a time on planet Earth when the glory of God is revealed throughout God's creation. Jesus Christ has come back at the Second Coming of Christ. Revelation 19, Revelation 20, He has now established His throne in Jerusalem. Now for a thousand years, the beginning of God's government, that in time is going to move out into eternity. It is hidden now in the church age by the devil and his crowd as the god of this world, 2 Corinthians 4:4. The devil does this through his lies, his deceit, his deception, his counterfeits. All of this that I have given you and am giving you today, if you notice, is only found in the King James 1611 Authorized Version. You cannot find it in the NIV, cannot find it in RSV, cannot find it in a New King James Bible.

You cannot find it any place because those are the devil's Bibles, and he makes sure that he took those things out so that you could never figure it out and get it for yourself. So it is hidden right now, other than what God gives us through the Bible in the church age through the Holy Spirit of God. But when Christ comes back, Revelation 20 tells us that the devil is put into the bottomless pit for a thousand years. Now the heavens and all God's creation, Psalms 19:1-6, will declare the glory of God.

#### Now we See Through a Glass Darkly, but then Face to Face

1 Corinthians 13:12 has always been a verse that has helped me. It tells me that we see through a glass darkly right now but then face to face. In this life, we do not see it all. We look through the glass of life on planet Earth, the glass of our own lives, and we see it darkly. We do not see everything clearly. But when Christ comes back, the Bible says, then we shall see face to face. You will see it clearly. Having said that, even though we look through a glass darkly, God has given us the word of God that allows us to see things clearly. You can have it now if you want it.

He says in Psalms 19:5, as a bridegroom coming out of his chamber. Then he talks about a tabernacle for the sun. That is the Lord Jesus Christ. That is a picture of the Second Coming of Christ, and Him going into the millennium.

# V. Psalms 19:7-14: The Six Things that will Make up the Structure of the Millennial Reign of Christ Doctrinally

Today, I want to focus on Psalms 19:7-14 to finish this up. Let us talk about this doctrinally first. What you have here will be a reference to six things that will make up the structure of the millennial reign of Christ after the Lord comes back. We know in our Bibles, there are many, many references to that in the Old Testament, but in Revelation, that will be Revelation 19 where He comes back and Revelation 20 where He establishes the millennium.

#### ➤ God will Always have a Structure for Everything He does.

We as human beings, Christians, try to live our lives many times without any real structure. That will always be a disaster. Structure in your life, just in common sense, having a job, paying your bills, going to work on time, following the things in life we call and put around ourselves that make up a structure. But God, in everything that He does, He builds it around a structure. It is very important to be able to see this.

#### The structure in the millennium will be:

- 1. The law of the Lord
- 2. The testimony of the Lord
- 3. The statutes of the Lord
- 4. The commandment of the Lord
- 5. The fear of the Lord
- 6. The judgments of the Lord

You take those six, and in your Bible, you are going to find that the Bible defines each one of those in a different way that will help us. It shows us the importance in the way that God is going to set up His structure.

- <u>The law of the Lord</u>. Laws are rules of conduct in the Bible. We can look at the laws as the whole Bible.
- <u>The testimony of the Lord</u>. Testimonies are the evidence that supports a fact. In Revelation 1:2, it says that Jesus Christ has a testimony, and that testimony is the spirit of prophecy.
- The statutes of the Lord. Statutes are regulations that deal with the law but are written in a formal doctrine. They will represent the books of the Bible for us.
- The commandment of the Lord. The commandments are orders given directly with total authority. You will find in your Bible two main ones: the 10 commandments that are given to the nation of Israel, and in the New Testament, those 10 come down into two commandments for you and for me.
- The fear of the Lord. The fear of the Lord is understanding the awesome power of who God is. We think the fear of the Lord is the fear that if I do something wrong, God is going to step on me like a bug. That when we screw up, God is waiting around the corner and when He comes out and He says, "Ah, cancer!" No, no, no, no. God does not do that. He does not operate that way. The fear of the Lord is our understanding of who He is, the omnipotent power that He commands. Everything in this world, every situation, everything in life, the fact that it is no accident that you are here today; all comes down to recognizing the fear of the Lord that He is the greatest power in the universe.
- <u>The judgments of the Lord</u>. Judgments will be written judicial decrees against something that is wrong. There are four basic ones in the Bible: the judgment for you and me as a son (God's chastisement), the judgment seat of Christ, the judgment of Israel in the tribulation period, and the great white throne judgment for unsaved people.

This will be the structure of the millennial reign of Christ, these six things. The millennium is built around and these six things are built into it. If we took each one of them, and took them apart, it would make the whole thing come together.

#### ➤ The Millennial Reign of Christ will be a Theocracy

The millennial reign of Christ will be a theocracy. What does that mean? It means that God is in control, God's supreme rule. A time when all the world, all the countries will be under the word of God. There will be no more governments like we know today. There will be no presidents. There will be no prime ministers. There will be no war. There will be no democracy. People will not vote on what they like. It is a world that will be run by truth and righteousness from God. Christ on the throne in Jerusalem.

Let me just say this. This is why the big boo-hoo over the Jews today. This is why we have big arguments and fights across this country. The majority of this country is against the nation of Israel. The reason why is because we are ramping up to the coming of the Lord when all of these nations are going to be gone. King Jesus, who is going to be the King of kings and the Lord of

lords, is going to sit on that throne in Jerusalem and He is going to run the world with a rod of iron. There will be no discussion. There will be no, "We will just vote on this." Revelation 2:27, Revelation 12:5, says He rules the world with a rod of iron.

Right now the world has the Bible, certainly. In this time right now on Earth, man can reject it. There are probably some of you here this morning who want nothing to do with God, nothing to do with the Bible, or you are halfway in, halfway out. You can do that right now. I would not advise it, but you can. But in history, you can see that the blessings of God on a nation and on individuals who hold the Word of God at the center of their life or the government can be clearly seen in history. Israel, when she was right with God, nobody could touch her. England, when she was right with God, nobody could touch her. America, when she was right with God, nobody could touch her.

Nations or individuals without any structure will always be a disaster. America today, right now, after a hundred years plus without a Bible, is a nation and a people without a structure. Do you want to know what the problem in America is? It is simply that. America is not a government anymore. America is an insane asylum run by the inmates. It is upside down, inside out. In this time we live right now, we get to choose. You can choose to go to church, not go to church, read your Bible, not read your Bible, love God, not love God, whatever. But when Christ comes back, it is an iron rule of the word of God. Psalms 19:7-14 shows you that structure.

# VI. Psalms 19:7-14: The Practical Application—Building a Biblical Structure in Your Life

I just gave you the doctrinal. I could have spent two more hours on it, but I do not need to. I want to talk about it from a practical standpoint for you and for me. What does this verse mean to me today? Okay, I get it, past, present, and future, I get it. God is coming, rod of iron, I get it. America is a mess, I get it. Everybody is a mess, I get it. But how do these six things impact my life?

As God's people, if you are truly saved here this morning—and I know some of you have just gotten saved, some of you came out of camp, you are on fire, you really want to do something for the Lord, some of you have been around for a while and you are plugged in and you are doing well—but as God's people, we need structure in our lives. Because everything that God does, He does within a structure.

I do not say this with any glee or joy or happiness. It breaks my heart, but Christianity today is filled with God's people who are living out a train wreck life. In some cases, a train wreck on top of another train wreck. Never has there been a time in the New Testament church that I can find that the people of God who should have the victory in life because of everything that God has given them, yet they live in total defeat and total misery. The reason is because there is no structure in their life.

#### ➤ God's People Need to Build an Earthquake Proof Structure in their Lives

One of the things I like about the YouTube channel is all the documentaries you can find. I watched one the other day on the San Francisco earthquake. It happened back around the turn of the century. It completely devastated and destroyed San Francisco. You say, "What is your take on that?" I am seriously praying for another one. If there is ever a city that needs to be wiped off the face of the map, it is San Francisco.

I look back at the earthquakes that have just devastated places. Today, when we build buildings, high structures, they build them earthquake proof. In other words, they can withstand an earthquake of six, seven, eight magnitude and still stand. Someplace along the line, architecture saw the disasters to structures that earthquakes would do and decided to build earthquake proof structures. God's people need an earthquake proof structure in their life.

I am going to tell you kids, I am going to tell you people, in life there will be some earthquakes. In life there will be some disasters. In life there will be some terrible things that befall you. This idea that once you get saved that all your problems are solved, that may be true eternally with your soul, but that is not true of life. It does not have to be true in life because God gave you the ability to build an earthquake proof structure in your life. That when the earthquakes of this life come, you can still function. It does not tear you down.

Today we have men, we have women, moms and dads and families, that within that is a total complete breakdown. No structure in a person's life will always lead to a complete absence of self-discipline. A complete absence of any strength. Weakness will dominate their life. Emotional trauma will be at the forefront of the earthquakes. The reason for that is a failed biblical structure in their lives.

I watched before camp on Sunday and then after camp on Sunday. I asked parents to be there. I told them ahead of time what I knew would happen and it most certainly did, how God would do the work in their child's life and how that they need to be ready to help begin to build the right structure in their life. Some of them did not even bother to show up. The tragedy is that those kids will fall victim to an undisciplined home life, an unstructured home life that will produce in them an unstructured life. The vast majority of them, the devil will sweep into the other young people out there that 30 years from now, will not even recognize who God is.

I am just saying this the way it is. All my ministry, I have had parents who just did not care about their kids. Oh, they say they do. Their lives are already a train wreck, on a train wreck. If I may give you a little bit of friendly advice, look down the track because another train is headed your way.

#### ➤ Three of Four of the Most Terrible Verses in the Bible as they Relate to us

In the Bible, I have a message I preach on, (I cannot remember exactly how many there are), three or four of the most terrible verses in human history. Three or four of the most terrible verses in the Bible as they relate to us. One of them is found in Exodus 34:7. It is worth you

turning to. This is one of the most terrible truths that is a reality of life and unfortunately more true today than probably ever before in history.

Exodus 34:7 Keeping mercy for thousands, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin, and that will by no means clear [the guilty]; visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children, and upon the children, unto the third and to the fourth [generation].

That is the reality of no structure in your family. That is the reality of you blowing off church, blowing off the Bible, blowing off this, blowing off that. There lies the reality of where your children are, and why they are in the mess that they are in—because of the moms and the dads for one, two, three, four generations. It's because there is no change, because you have put no structure in their life, because you have put no Bible in their life, because you have put no God in their life, because you have none in your life. **The iniquity of the fathers continues to fall into the family.** We have talked about that before—of you breaking that chain.

Now, the question here is—I am not going to get into it today. Do not ask me, because I am not telling you. Why does he stop at the fourth generation? He says the third and the fourth generation. Why does he not say the third, the fourth, the fifth, the sixth? Why does he say that he is only going to do it to the fourth generation? Spend about 20 years and then come and see me.

Parents who just do not care, a train wreck on a train wreck with another train on top of the wreck. They remind me of eating a hot bowl of water with a fork. It is worthless, no nutrition, and it is impossible. There lies your family.

### VII. The Keys to the Victorious Christian Life

With these six things, inspirationally, you have six key areas that will provide for your family, starting in your life, a biblical structure. Just going to church, which so many people do, Sunday morning, Sunday night, Wednesday night, and they lose their kids. They never win anybody to Christ. They never do anything meaningful for the Lord, but they have been in church all their lives. The problem is that it does not build a structure.

These six things will be the key areas that are going to provide a structure biblically in your life and then down to the families.

- The law of the Lord. It says that it is perfect. It says it converts the soul. This will be the perfect word of God that God gives you. If you have a King James 1611 Authorized Version, you have the absolute perfect word of God given to you, provided to you by God Almighty, the only perfect thing in this world. When I go to Boston, part of my thing is, I am going to show them how, the only perfect thing that God brought, the devil hates. I am going to show them how that he went after that thing. I am going to show them how he tried to destroy it. Then I am going to show them how God's people went along with him. The Bible will convert your soul.
- The testimony of the Lord. He says about this, it is sure. The testimonies of the Lord are so sure, my friend, you can bet your soul on it. He says it makes the simple wise. That is

because as we go back to Revelation 19:10, the testimony of Jesus Christ is the spirit of prophecy. It shows you what is past, what is present and what is future. It takes all of the things that look complex out there and takes little guys like me and you, guys like me with an IQ above sub-plant life and makes you wise. Not wise because you are so smart, but wise because you are not so smart. You're not so smart that you think you're smarter than God. You are smart enough to understand that you are not, and you let God be smarter than you.

- The statutes of the Lord. He says they are right, rejoicing the heart. Those will be the principles that are found in the word of God through the books of the word of God. The statutes will be the principles that God gives you that dictate what you do in life and where you go in life. You can have all the principles in the world, but if you do not have the right structure, when the earthquake comes, when your emotions get bent and broke, when your world falls down around your shoulders, they will mean nothing to you because you may have them, but the key is not having them. The key is the ability to apply them through the structure so that the earthquake does not affect your structure.
- The commandment of the Lord. He says they are pure, and they will enlighten your eyes. That will show you what God is really doing because in the Old Testament, there are 10 given to the nation of Israel that are clearly given, Exodus 20. But in the New Testament, those 10 are all put together in two. When you understand how they both work, you will enlighten your eyes to the people you work with.
- The fear of the Lord. He says it is clean and enduring forever. As I already told you, that is the respect of the total power of God and what He can do with it. We showed you in Hebrews 1, the atomic structure. In Malachi 4, God is omnipresent, omniscient and omnipotent: the power of God.
- The judgments of the Lord. He says they are true and righteous altogether. When you understand the judgment of God as it applies to you and me right now as a son, in our daily walk with God, but also long term, as it applies to you and me at the judgment seat of Christ.

If you invest your time and understanding these six things, they will build a structure in your life—just like it will for the world in the millennium. These are the keys to the victorious Christian life. They form a complete biblical structure. But they only come from God's word in your life, putting these six things in your life through the overall structure that God has given you, which is your New Testament church.

# VIII. The Right Structure in your Life will Produce the Right Attitude which will Produce the Right Action

Now, look at Psalms 19:10. This is a reference to the six things that I just gave you.

Psalms 19:10 More to be desired [are they] than gold, yea, than much fine gold: sweeter also than honey and the honeycomb.

You'll want to get this. Gold is the standard for the world today. If you watch any news programs, you are going to find that there are gold companies out there, capital investments or whatever the case may be, and they will have all these great guys telling you to buy gold. They say that someday your money is going to be worth nothing, but gold will always be worth something. That is the key right there. That is the difference between the gold of this world and the gold of God. The gold of this world will fluctuate in value. The gold of God never fluctuates in its value. It is as good today as it was 2000 years ago. It is everything that you need.

We see this, the right structure in your life will always produce, as Psalms 19:10 says, the right attitude toward God and His Word because that is what Psalms 19:10 is. Psalms 19:10 is you looking at the statutes of God, the word of God totally, the whole nine yards, all six of them, and then developing the right attitude toward them that you want them in your life. Because the right structure in your life will always provide the right attitude toward God and His word in your life. As I have told you many times, right attitude will always produce the right action.

Mike was telling me that he had just finished going through Psalms 119. There are 176 verses in that chapter. He says he wanted to give his people a real understanding of how to love God. I am glad he did Psalms 119 for them because I am going to give them a whole new perspective.

### But all 176 verses of Psalms 19 deal with this very verse in Psalms 19:10 to develop the right attitude of loving God's word; our attitude toward the word of God.

He says in Psalms 119:97-104:

Psalms 119:97-104 O how love I thy law! it [is] my meditation all the day.

- 98. Thou through thy commandments hast made me wiser than mine enemies: for they [are] ever with me.
- 99. I have more understanding than all my teachers: for thy testimonies [are] my meditation.
- 100. I understand more than the ancients, because I keep thy precepts.
- 101. I have refrained my feet from every evil way, that I might keep thy word.
- 102. I have not departed from thy judgments: for thou hast taught me.
- 103. How sweet are thy words unto my taste! [yea, sweeter] than honey to my mouth!
- 104. Through thy precepts I get understanding: therefore I hate every false way.

You see, through the word of God, you get understanding. How do you get that? For thou hast taught me. How did He teach you? Through the structure He put in your life.

Psalms 119:140 Thy word [is] very pure: therefore thy servant loveth it.

Psalms 119:127 Therefore I love thy commandments above gold; yea, above fine gold.

There is Psalms 19:10. You see, the right structure in your life will always develop the right attitude toward God. As you build that structure in your life, as you learn to love the Lord and

the word of God and it becomes more real to you every day. I am not going to say you are going to do this in the first year or second year. It may take a couple of years; I do not know. **But if you keep building yourself within that structure, one day, Proverbs 27:7 will be fulfilled in your life.** This should be the ultimate goal for every child of God sitting in this room, sitting under the sound of my voice or anybody down the line that God allows to hear this.

Proverbs 27:7 The full soul loatheth an honeycomb; but to the hungry soul every bitter thing is sweet.

You get so full of the world, so full of yourself, so full of what you want, so full of what you think. You get so full in your soul, you loathe the honeycomb. But to the hungry soul, every bitter thing is sweet.

Are you hungry for the word of God? Are you tired of this life? Are you tired of this world? Are you tired of the trains coming down the track and smashing into the trains that have already wrecked your life? The only way you are going to get there is to realize that there are some bitter things in that Bible for all of us. You have to learn to love them. The key to loving the things in that Bible, that go against what we do not like, want to do, or our stupid, goofy little bad attitudes, that even the bitter things are sweet. That is the mark of real maturity right there. Everything else is just cheap whiskey. The real mark of spiritual maturity is when the earthquake comes, when your world falls apart. Even the bitter things become sweet when God has to deal with you on it.

Right attitude will always produce the right action. Wrong attitudes will always produce the wrong action. With wrong actions, there will always be consequences.

### IX. Never Take Anything Personal in the Ministry

Look at Psalms 19:11.

Psalms 19:11 Moreover by them is thy servant warned: [and] in keeping of them [there is] great reward.

I have told you this many, many, many, many, many times, in the ministry you must follow a principle that I have given you many times. That simply is never take anything personal. Not everything in life is going to go your way. You are not always going to get what you want that you think you should have. Life, for all of us, is never going to be rosy every day of our lives. Things are going to happen, and you are going to have to deal with them. The bottom line is, you have two choices. You don't take it personally (see the big picture), or you go in the corner and suck your thumb.

Some of you remember Harold Nebel. He went home to be with the Lord. I really liked Harold. I knew him for years and years; knew his kids. They were in my youth group. Harold was a unique individual. He was old school. He would always call Christians who got their nose bent out of joint over nothing, or people in churches, and we had a bunch of them back then, that would get

mad about whatever. He would always blatantly and publicly say, "You are a bunch of thumb suckers."

In the ministry, dealing with people, you cannot take things personal, because the job of the pastor is to warn people. My job is to warn you out there that if you are lost and without Christ, that you are going to burn in hell someday. There is a new chicken place over there that took the place of Subway called Dave's Famous Chicken. We drove by it the other day and Barb says, "Boy, I bet they got some good chicken there." I said, "Yeah, but it is probably that hot chicken. I cannot eat hot chicken. If I eat too much hot chicken, I have so much gas the Arabs are following me around." I cannot eat it. One of the guys here says, "Oh, no, no, no, no. They got normal chicken." I didn't know there were abnormal chickens, but anyway.

These guys are wearing t-shirts that have the motto for their business. At Chick-fil-A, they've got a cow that says eat more chicken, because you do not want to eat a cow. I saw this guy walk out and he had a shirt on, and I am thinking to myself, "Oh, I have got to get one of those shirts," because every shirt had a different saying on it, but I looked at it and it said, "Laugh today, fry tomorrow." Now they are talking about chicken. Laugh at chickens today, but they are going to fry tomorrow. I am thinking, I can preach that. You can laugh at God, you can laugh at the Bible, you can laugh at me, you can laugh today, but if you are not saved, you are going to fry tomorrow. I have got to get me one of them t-shirts.

So, you will warn people about hell and then you will warn God's people about the judgment seat of Christ. The problem is when a person does not love the honeycomb, they will get mad at you because of your preaching and your warning them. Paul had the same problem. He said in Galatians 4:16 when he was doing the same thing, he said, "Have I become your enemy because I tell you the truth?" The answer is, you bet you will.

#### God Wants us to Receive a Full Reward

The Bible tells us in 2 John 1:8 that God wants you and me to receive a full reward. Is there any child of God here that would be honest or stupid enough to say, "Well, I do not really want a full reward, just fill my cup up a little bit." He says before he gets into that verse, "Watch to (look to) yourselves." I guess they are out there; I do not know. But I just, as most parents want the best for their children and good parents will warn them about the things in life that will mess them up, a good pastor just wants the best for his people. Do you think I am going to delight in the fact that some of you are going to stand at the judgment seat of Christ and lose everything that God had for you? Do you think I am happy about that? Do you think I am going to stand before God and God says, "Why did not you warn him?" And I am going to say, "Well, they really got upset with me and I really could not do it." Do you really think that? You are going to give an account, but I am going to give an account, too; did I warn you?

Just as a parent wants to warn their kids and a pastor wants to warn his people, in both cases, because of immaturity, they get mad. They get upset. "Well, who does he think he is?" He is the guy warning you because you are going to stand before Almighty God someday at the judgment seat of Christ, and you are going to give an account.

Then he says in the last part of that verse, and in keeping of them, there is great reward. God wants you to have a full reward. I want you to have a full reward. I want you to stand before God, and I want you to have everything that God has for you. I want to give you the best shot I can. I will preach hard to you, I will preach lovingly to you, I will be there for you, I will give you everything I've got in this life as long as I can, but let's not kid ourselves. It is all for one reason: I want my people to have a full reward.

## ➤ There will be Tears at the Judgment Seat of Christ but not at the Great White Throne Judgment

I have heard all my life that at the great white throne judgment, we are going to shed tears over the loved ones or the people we did not witness to. It was not until 15, 20, 30 years ago that I found out that was not true. When you and I stand there, you are going to have your glorified body. You are going to be Jesus Christ. You are going to be judging with Him. Do you know what the real tragedy is of the great white throne judgment? The real tragedy is that there will be moms and dads who are saved, but their kids are not. The real tragedy is there will be men and women saved, but they never witnessed to anybody or told anybody the story of Christ. At that great day, you are going to stand there with Jesus Christ with a great multitude of the saints in glorified bodies. That person, that son, that daughter is going to come up and stand before, not only God and Jesus Christ, but you, too. They are going to scream and beg and say everything in the world. You know what? They are not going to get one tear out of you. All they are going to get out of you is a finger pointing down, 10 billion fingers, and a voice from heaven saying, "Depart from me ye cursed, I never knew you."

The real tragedy is when you have a chance now to tell those kids and give those kids a structure, but when you do not and you are crooked enough to be saved and let them die and go to hell, you are going to point your finger at your own family and send them to the lake of fire, just like Christ will. There are no tears at the great white throne judgment. Plenty of tears at the judgment seat of Christ. I do not understand how these guys messed it up. There will be no tears at the great white throne judgment. You and I as Christ in a glorified body will judge the unsaved with righteousness. No tears. Judgment seat of Christ, plenty of tears.

I would suspect that at the judgment seat of Christ, there will be some of God's people who will be on their knees begging God to let them go back to Earth for just five minutes to tell somebody the story of Christ, but you are not going back; it is over. You now will stand in a place before a holy God on your own and for the first time in your life, you will realize all that He did for you, and you did nothing for Him. You talk about a train wreck, that train of what God had for you is going to roll into your station as you stand there. At the judgment seat of Christ, the child of God will find and see the value of the people, the pastors, the sermons that God put in their life. But just like kids who develop an attitude toward their parents when they are 16, 17, 18 and 19, (I did), they see the value when they are 30, 40 and 50 of what their parents tried to tell them. That is the way it will be at the judgment seat of Christ, but it is too late. I will just say this, whoever tells you the truth in this world, probably your best friend.

## X. Understanding who we Really are and Getting Clean with God

Psalms 19:12 Who can understand [his] errors? cleanse thou me from secret [faults].

That is what a biblical structure will do for us. It identifies the issues in our life where we want to pretend we are this great Christian, we want to pretend we have got it all together, but we fold up like a broken house of cards when the earthquake comes. The structure will show you and me who we really are, our understanding of what our real issues are and then bringing us to the place of getting clean with God.

1 John 1:9 If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us [our] sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Psalms 119:9 Wherewithal shall a young man cleanse his way? by taking heed [thereto] according to thy word.

John 15:3 Now ye are clean through the word which I have spoken unto you.

Psalms 119:136 Rivers of waters run down mine eyes, because they keep not thy law.

We cry about everything that we should not cry about. We watch some stupid movie, and the girl gets killed or the guy gets killed or he breaks up with her and we cry, but we violate the structure of the word of God and not one tear comes down our face. Wrong structure; wrong attitude.

He says, "the honey and the honeycomb" in verse 10. The honey will be a type of the word of God in whole. A honeycomb is made up of cells. If you ever saw a honeycomb, it has little holes in it that each bee puts his honey in. That is a picture of the books and the chapters of the word of God. The honeycomb is the individual books and the chapters that exist as a honeycomb, but the individual places where you find honey. This structure of Matthew 7:24-27 will be built upon a rock, not sand.

#### XI. Attitude versus Action

Psalms 19:13 Keep back thy servant also from presumptuous [sins]; let them not have dominion over me: then shall I be upright, and I shall be innocent from the great transgression.

The word presumptuous means premeditated. It simply means you thinking about stepping outside the word of God and then you do it. Going outside the word of God and forsaking His structure, all six of them, by your choosing to do so. Presumptuous sins are premeditated choices. Attitude versus action. You think about something long enough, you are going to do it, right or wrong. Going outside the limits of what is right. If you do not have a structure in your life or it is not based on the word of God, sin will have dominion over you; however, Romans 6:14 says that sin shall not have dominion over you. You have to choose that. You have to choose that over what God has for you because you put no structure in your life. The upright are walking in the light as He is in the light. We have fellowship one with another.

Then the last part of Psalms 19:13. He says, and I shall be innocent from the great transgression. Historically this will be Israel committing the transgression against God of leaving God and going after Baal. Doctrinally, it will be anybody who forsakes God and does not do what is right and get into the millennium. But inspirationally, it is you and I forsaking the things of Psalms 19:7-9 that really put a structure in our life. Forsaking God's structure in our lives, a disaster for the nation of Israel that led to their captivity by the world. This is the disaster of God's people today who lead us into the captivity of the world. Most of God's people, maybe saved and on their way to heaven. I am not disputing that, but you are held captive through a stronghold of this world that you may be going to heaven, but your children may not be. Visiting the iniquity of the fathers to the third and fourth generation.

### XII. Summary: The Importance of God's Word and Structure

Then he ends Psalms 19, and I close with this, with some great advice for every child of God.

Psalms 19:14 Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart, be acceptable in thy sight, O LORD, my strength, and my redeemer.

The only thing I can say to add to that is found in Job 23:12. Anybody ever go through what Job went through? We like to whine and complain. We like to suck our thumbs about the little things in life that we have to deal with and go through. The truth of the matter is, Job went through in seven days what none of us will ever go through in a lifetime. Yet the thing that got Job through was his attitude toward the word of God. This is what will get you through. Job may have made some mistakes, and Job may have lived way back in the Old Testament, but Job had a structure in his life.

Job 23:12 Neither have I gone back from the commandment of his lips; I have esteemed the words of his mouth more than my necessary [food].

The hungry soul loveth the honeycomb. It comes down to what we are hungry for. Right attitude to the right structure in our lives. All this will take place doctrinally in the millennium. But in our lives as believers, inspirationally. Everything God does, He has a structure to do it. Your Christian life, your walk with God, fulfilling God's plan in your life on this planet, has to be within that structure. That is by putting God's six points that make up the structure in our lives through the New Testament church. Allowing God to develop the right attitude toward His Word that it is better to be desired, more than gold, yea fine gold. And developing such a love for God and His Word that even the bitter things are sweet.

Life is not going to go your way, not always (mostly not). What is going to get you through? Are you going to fold up and quit coming to church like so many do? Are you going to get an attitude and just push everything that God has given you away like so many do? What is going to get you through? Only one thing: the structure. The structure makes you strong, it matures you, it grows you, it gives you everything you need to withstand the earthquakes of this life.