

The Voice Of The Lord Whispers “COME”

THE LORD FIRST SAYS TO US: “COME”, AND THEN HE WILL SAY “GO”:

“COME UNTO ME, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart, and ye shall find rest unto your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light”; Matthew 11:28-30

“COME, all you who are thirsty, COME to the waters; all you who have no money, COME, buy and eat! COME buy wine and milk without money and without cost...Listen to me...Give ear and COME TO ME, hear me, that your soul may live”; Isaiah 55:1-3

“COME NOW therefore, and I WILL SEND THEE unto Pharaoh, that thou mayest bring forth my people the children of Israel out of Egypt”; Exodus 3:10

“Wherefore COME OUT from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you, and will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty”; 2 Corinthians 6:17-18

“COME NOW, LET US REASON TOGETHER, says the Lord. Though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow”; Isaiah 1:18

“COME, my children, LISTEN to me; I will teach you the fear of the Lord”; Psalm 34:11

“COME, LET US RETURN to the Lord. For He has torn us, but He will heal us. He has wounded us, but He will bandage us...let us press on to know the Lord...HE WILL COME TO US like the rain”; Hosea 6:1-3

“COME, LET US GO UP to the mountain of the Lord...that we may walk in His paths. For the law will go forth from Zion...the word of the Lord from Jerusalem”; Isaiah 2:3

“COME, SEE A MAN, which told me all things that I ever did; is not this the Christ”; John 4:29

“My Beloved speaks and says to me, Rise up, my love, my fair one, and COME AWAY...COME AWAY WITH ME from Lebanon, my promised bride...Let my beloved COME INTO HIS GARDEN...I am my beloved's, and his desire is for me. COME MY BELOVED, let us go out into the country, let us spend the night in the villages. Let us rise early and go to the vineyards”; Song of Sol. 2:10; 4:8, 16; 7:11.

“A door was opened in heaven; and the first voice which I heard was as it were of a trumpet talking with me; which said, COME UP HITHER and I will show thee things which must be hereafter...COME HITHER; I will show unto thee the judgment of the great whore...COME HITHER, I will show thee the bride, the Lamb's wife. And he carried me away in the spirit”; Revelation 4:1-2; 17:1; 21:9-10

“And THE SPIRIT AND THE BRIDE SAY COME. And let the one who hears say COME. And let the one who is thirsty COME”; Revelation 22:17

Other Voices Which Attempt To Distract Or Hinder Us Are Also Saying “COME”

1. The voices of human reasoning and impatience causes Abram to produce Ishmael:

Sarai and Hagar are saying “COME”. Sarai, Abram’s wife had an Egyptian maidservant named Hagar. Sarai, who was barren, said to Abram “The Lord has kept me from having children; go, sleep with my maidservant, perhaps we can build a family through her”. Abram agreed; he slept with Hagar, and she conceived. A man-made attempt to bring forth God’s promise will be sent away; “Ishmael” mocks Isaac; Gen. 16:1-2, 15; 21:9

2. The voice of subtle deceit (false brethren) moves in against Joshua:

The Gibeonites (who were really Hivites) say “COME”. We have come from a “far country” (we too, are born from above). Now therefore, make a covenant with us. We are your servants. God’s people examined the “outward credentials”: their speech, clothing, bread and wine, which were very convincing, but they didn’t seek the Lord. They compromised, and allowed the practices of the heathen to live; Joshua 9:2-15

3. The enemy plots against Nehemiah with voices of intimidation, lies and slander:

Sanballat, Tobiah and Geshem say “COME”, let us meet together. When word came to Israel’s enemies that the wall had been rebuilt and the gaps were being repaired, they all schemed together. Their intent was to harm Nehemiah and distract him. Enemies are conspiring to hinder the work of God by moving in among the people; Nehemiah 4-6

4. Voices of jealousy and murmuring arise to lead a rebellion against Moses and Aaron:

Korah says “COME” to influential, ambitious, envious men in the camp. He challenged Moses’ authority and attempted to intrude into the priestly office, apart from God’s sanction. Korah appealed to princes in the assembly, famous ones in the congregation, men of renown, who gathered themselves against Moses and Aaron. The fire of rebellion is strange fire; fire consumed the rebels and thousands died in a plague; see Numbers 16

5. Voices of idolatry, greed and covetousness call to Balaam:

Balak, the king of Moab, says “COME” to Balaam, I offer you gifts (payment) for your services, “rewards of divination”, and will promote you to great honor if you do what I ask. The prophet lacked discernment, was blinded by greed: he had gifts, but not a sanctified life. His error was that he prophesied for wages, he “cast stumbling blocks” (with a deliberate plot of seduction), and loved unrighteousness; Numbers 22; 25:1-18

6. The voice of the harlot is appealing to the desires of a naïve “son”:

The apostate woman (religious church system) says “COME”. She has her own “house”, her own “bed” (coverings, linens of Egypt), sprinkled with perfume (counterfeit anointing). She offers “love” (strokes the flesh); puts on her “own attire” to attract him; has “peace offerings”, gifts, worship, uses “fair speech” and smooth words to persuade him. The immature, carnal son can only see the bait, not the trap; see Proverbs, chapter 7.

7. The voice of the devil says to the Son: you don’t have to go to the Cross:

The devil says “COME”; I know who you are; you don’t have to suffer or wait, you are a king. Sons are tempted in the physical, emotional and spiritual arenas. He offers instant gratification: any and every kingdom desired, and the glory they contain (popularity, riches, success, souls). He says “I will give you all of this, just do it my way: through the power of your flesh, independent of the Father’s will”. Worshiping satan involves bypassing the Cross, and taking the wider, more traveled path; Matthew 4:3-9; 7:13

