

# Fulfilling Prophecy

- We generally think of fulfilled prophecy as something Jesus did.
- By fulfilling the hundreds of prophecies, Jesus stands alone as the most accredited man in all history.
- His ancestry, place of birth, life, death and resurrection were all foretold centuries before He came.
- The apostles spent a lot of time in their sermons pointing these things out.

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- The citizens in His kingdom are also accredited by prophecy in different way.
- When Jesus fulfilled prophecy, we knew He was the true Messiah.
- When we fulfill prophecy, we know we are the true citizens of His kingdom.

# Ps 110:1

- *The Lord said to my Lord, "Sit at My right hand, Till I make Your enemies Your footstool." 2 The Lord shall send the rod of Your strength out of Zion. Rule in the midst of Your enemies!*
- **One of the most quoted and cited in the NT.**
- *"How then does David in the Spirit call Him Lord, saying: 44 'The Lord said to my Lord, "Sit at My right hand, Till I make Your enemies Your footstool" Mt 22:43*
- *For David did not ascend into the heavens, but he says himself: 'The Lord said to my Lord, "Sit at My right hand, Till I make Your enemies Your footstool" Acts 2:33-36*

# Ps 110:4

- *The Lord has sworn And will not relent, "You are a priest forever According to the order of Melchizedek." Ps 110:4*
- *As He also says in another place: "You are a priest forever According to the order of Melchizedek;" ...  
9 And having been perfected, He became the author of eternal salvation to all who obey Him,  
10 called by God as High Priest "according to the order of Melchizedek," 11 of whom we have much to say, and hard to explain, since you have become dull of hearing. Heb. 5:6-11*

# Ps 110:3

- *Your people shall be volunteers In the day of Your power; NKJV*
- *Thy people offer themselves willingly in the day of thy power ASV*
- *Thy people will volunteer freely in the day of Thy power; NASB*
- **So now, as Jesus and those before us, we too find ourselves in the position to fulfill prophecy.**

# Volunteer

- The root *ndb* connotes an **uncompelled and free movement of the will** unto divine service or sacrifice.
- The synonyms:
- *'ābâ* is the **willingness (inclination)** to do something under obligation or upon request;
- *rāṣôn*, a **willing that's pleasurable** to the doer
- *hāpaṣ*, a compliance suiting that which is fitting or **a favorable disposition**;
- *yā'al*, an **exertion of one's will** to do something

# Ps 110:1-4

- When Jesus fulfilled:
- *The Lord said to my Lord Sit at my right hand until your enemies are a footstool*
- *He was made a priest forever after the order of Melchizedek (King & Priest on the Throne)*
- *His people began to freely volunteer.*
- Just as Jesus had to perfectly fulfill the prophecies about Himself, so do His people!

# I Have Been Identified

- Jesus warned all Disciples:
- *For many are called, but few are chosen. Mt. 22:14*
- The manner by which we serve Jesus will be taken into consideration.
- Talents, Pounds, Steward etc.
- It is important that I assess every day.
- Am I doing this because I feel compelled?
- Am I doing this because I want to do it with all my heart, soul, mind, and strength?

# They Volunteered

- To hear God's word Rom 10:17
- To believe of own accord Jn 8:24
- To repent/turn back to God Acts 17:30
- To confess Jesus is Lord Rom 10:9-10
- To be baptized Acts 2:41 8:12-13, 36; 22:16
- To obey from the heart this form of doctrine Rom 6:17
- To offer themselves as a living sacrifice Rom 12:1-3; 1Cor 6:18-20
- To be faithful unto death Rev 2:10
- Not FORCED/COERCED – Just EXHORTED

# As Long As Jesus in Power

- His People will Volunteer!
- What about us? Are we fulfilling this prophecy?
- Do we have “*uncompelled and free movement of the will unto divine service*”
- “*the willingness (inclination)*”
- “*a willing which is pleasurable to the doer*”
- “*a compliance with a favorable disposition;*”
- “*an exertion of the will to do something.*”

# Examples of “*Volunteer*”

- The Tabernacle in the Wilderness:
- *'Take from among you an offering to the LORD. Whoever is of a willing heart, let him bring it as an offering to the LORD: gold, silver, and bronze; ..... 21 Then everyone came whose heart was stirred, and everyone whose spirit was willing, and they brought the LORD'S offering for the work of the tabernacle of meeting, for all its service, and for the holy garments. 22 They came, both men and women, as many as had a willing heart, Exod 35:5,21-22; 29*

# Examples of “*Volunteer*”

- The Temple planned by David built by Solomon
- *Then the people rejoiced, for they had offered willingly, because with a loyal heart they had offered willingly to the LORD; and King David also rejoiced greatly... 14 But who am I, and who are my people, that we should be able to offer so willingly as this? For all things come from You, and of Your own we have given You. ... 17 "I know also, my God, that You test the heart and have pleasure in uprightness. As for me, in the uprightness of my heart I have willingly offered all these things; and now with joy I have seen Your people, who are present here to offer willingly to You.*

# Examples of “*Volunteer*”

- The Temple planned by David built by Solomon
- "O LORD God of Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, our fathers, keep this forever in the intent of the thoughts of the heart of Your people, and fix their heart toward You. 1 Chr 29:9,14,17,18-19
- As for you, my son Solomon, know the God of your father, and serve Him with a loyal heart and with a willing mind; for the LORD searches all hearts and understands all the intent of the thoughts. If you seek Him, He will be found by you; but if you forsake Him, He will cast you off forever. 1Chr 28:9

# Willing and Obedient

● *"Come now, and let us reason together," says the LORD, "Though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall be as wool. 19 If you are willing and obedient, you shall eat the good of the land; 20 But if you refuse and rebel, you shall be devoured by the sword"; for the mouth of the LORD has spoken. Isa 1:18-20*

# Volunteers

- *And I heard the voice of the Lord, saying, Whom shall I send, and who will go for us? Then I said, **Here am I; send me.** Isa 6:8*
- *Then Moses stood in the entrance of the camp, and said, "**Whoever is on the Lord's side — come to me!**" And all the sons of Levi gathered themselves together to him. Ex 32:26-27*
- *Shepherd the flock of God which is among you, serving as overseers, not by compulsion but **willingly**, not for dishonest gain but **eagerly** 1Pet 5:2*

# Volunteers

- Are we here because there is no place we would rather be?
- Are we a willing servant who like Isaiah is continually looking for more to do for the Lord?
- A Contrast:
- *You also say, 'Oh, what a weariness! 'And you sneer at it,' Says the Lord of hosts. Mal 1:13*
- *For a day in Your courts is better than a thousand. Ps 84:10*
- If we don't enjoy doing God's will here, why do we think we would enjoy it in heaven?

# Volunteers

- The divine element of the church is fixed and constant.
- Every church has God's word, wisdom, and power.
- What makes the difference is what the members are willing to bring to it.
- Those who bring their own zeal and devotion accomplish wondrous things
- Those who grumble, complain, and feel it is all such a weariness will wither on the vine.

# *Israel's History*

● *I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt; **open your mouth wide, and I will fill it.** 11 “But **My people would not heed My voice, and Israel would have none of Me.** 12 So I gave them over to their own stubborn heart, to walk in their own counsels. 13 “**Oh, that My people would listen to Me, that Israel would walk in My ways!** 14 **I would soon subdue their enemies, and turn My hand against their adversaries.** 15 The haters of the LORD would pretend submission to Him, but their fate would endure forever. 16 He would have fed them also with the finest of wheat; and with honey from the rock I would have satisfied you.” [Ps 81:10-16](#)*

# Volunteers

- Gratitude
- Hope
- Standing on the Promises
- Honor & Integrity (the right thing to do).
- *agape* Love (the best interests of self & others)
- *phileo* Love (I truly love and respect God)

# Volunteers

- *Nevertheless I have this against you, that you have left your first love. 5 Remember therefore from where you have fallen; repent and do the first works, or else I will come to you quickly and remove your lampstand from its place — unless you repent. Rev 2:4-5*