

# THE ONLY ONE LEFT

I guess I'm the only one left.

The "Christianity" I see out there is so superficial, so phony.

Nobody takes any risks.

Nobody sticks their neck out.

Everybody's afraid to speak up!



Evangelists fly around in their private jets. The preachers live in their safe "clergy cocoons." And "Christians" huddle together in plush churches and encourage each other to "praise the Lord."

Meanwhile the streets are empty of witness. Down where the people are it's politics, rap, sex, money and nature worship.

I know what Elijah was going through.

I feel like he did.

***And behold, there came a voice to him, and said, "What are you doing here, Eli'jah?" He said, "I have been very jealous for the LORD, the God of hosts; for the people of Israel have forsaken thy covenant, thrown down thy altars, and slain thy prophets with the sword; and I, even I only, am left; and they seek my life, to take it away."***

***I Kings 19:9b-10***

Like Elijah, I don't know how much longer I can keep going.

*"And I, even I only, am left; and they seek my life, to take it away."*

Well, maybe they're not coming to kill me---yet. But I'm tired of being out here all alone with the gospel.

And the Lord replies,

*"Who says you're all alone?"*

*Elijah thought he was all alone. But there were 7,000 in Israel who had not bowed the knee to Baal. And there are more people than you could ever count who are out there bearing witness to my death and resurrection. Open your eyes and pay attention, while I connect you with men and women whose hearts are nailed to my cross."*

In ancient Israel they blew the shofar to get the Israelites to pay attention. When the Lord returns there will be "a loud trumpet call" as the angels gather the elect "from the four winds and from one end of heaven to the other."

Today the "trumpets of heaven" are calling sons and daughters of the Kingdom to rise up, come together, and receive direction from the Master as he sends them forth in the power of his resurrection.

***So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, will you at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?" He said to them, "It is not for you to know times or seasons which the Father has fixed by his own authority. But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Sama'ria and to the end of the earth."***

***Acts 1:6-8***

The same Lord who spoke those words in the "Alpha Days" is now addressing his disciples in these "Omega Days."

All the “lonely Elijahs” across the earth are beginning to hear the trumpet call of heaven, commanding them to gather around the cross of the Master.

Even now, in the shadow of that cross they are beginning to pray like their early counterparts.

***They lifted their voices together to God and said, "Sovereign Lord, who didst make the heaven and the earth and the sea and everything in them, who by the mouth of our father David, thy servant, didst say by the Holy Spirit, `Why did the Gentiles rage, and the peoples imagine vain things? The kings of the earth set themselves in array, and the rulers were gathered together, against the Lord and against his Anointed' -- for truly in this city there were gathered together against thy holy servant Jesus, whom thou didst anoint, both Herod and Pontius Pilate, with the Gentiles and the peoples of Israel, to do whatever thy hand and thy plan had predestined to take place. And now, Lord, look upon their threats, and grant to thy servants to speak thy word with all boldness, while thou stretchest out thy hand to heal, and signs and wonders are performed through the name of thy holy servant Jesus." And when they had prayed, the place in which they were gathered together was shaken; and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke the word of God with boldness.***

**Acts 4:24-29**

There is a radical difference between “Revival” organized by human ingenuity, and the mysterious moving of the Spirit which is now happening down among the grass roots.

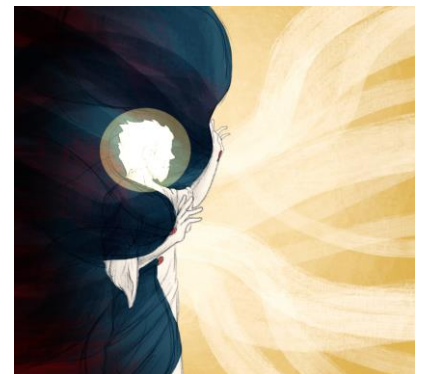
The “Omega Call” of heaven is beyond the reach of human manipulation. The judgments of the Spirit’s call “are unsearchable and its ways past finding out.”

Those who are meant to hear will hear!

Once we hear the call, we have no choice but to lay aside our cherished views of how God does things, repent of our compulsion to control, and offer our bodies as a living sacrifice to the Master.

***On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being shut where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you." When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I send you." And when he had said this, he breathed on them, and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."***

**John 20:19-23**



*Peace Be With You*

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