

MARCH MESSAGE: MONTH OF

NATIONS



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"Righteousness exalts a nation but sin is a reproach to any people" (Pro. 14.34).

"Elijah was a man subject to like passions as we are and he prayed earnestly" (James 5.17).

"And seek the peace of the city whither I have caused you to be carried away captives, and pray for it: for in the peace thereof ye shall have peace" (Jer. 29.7).

We bless the Lord for confirming His word in the first two months of the year. Indeed, it is our leap year and of divine repositioning for enlargement. In this third month, we march forward to impact our nations for Christ.

First, a definition of nations. God made of one blood all nations to dwell on different parts of the earth with times appointed for a people living within specific boundaries with the principal objective of seeking the Lord. Each nation is expected to seek to establish the 3Ps or God's kingdom in their territories: Prosperity, Peace and the Presence of God, or godliness (Acts 17.26-27; 1 Tim. 2.1-4).

Second, nations are in turmoil everywhere. Several regional wars are ongoing in Europe, Asia, and Africa. Two have particularly impacted the whole world negatively: the Ukraine-Russia war, which entered its third year last month, and the Gaza war, which risks being enlarged. Economists have given scarcity a fancy name, inflation. This scarcity is also on the increase everywhere, with some countries experiencing the runaway variety, or hyperinflation.

Third, our Lord expects His people as His spiritual representatives and rulers in this world to do three things. First, we must shine as lights in our little corners in the midst of the growing darkness of ungodliness, dishonesty, and the accompanying distress (Mt. 5.16). Second, we are to seek the peace and prosperity of our cities and nations (Jer. 29.7). Finally, we are to pray and especially intercede for our nations,

cities and villages. This means we stop complaining and ask the Lord to grant our leaders to know what must be done differently to bring the 3Ps to reality in our nation. This includes concrete things we ourselves must do. We see the examples in the life of Joseph, Daniel, David and Elijah, and the perfect example in the Lord Jesus Christ Himself. Our Lord rules in all nations, and when we cry to him for wisdom to promote prosperity, peace and His presence, He's quick to answer us.

This is why in this month we must seek the Lord for the spirit and power of Elijah. Only then can we have the privilege of impacting our nations positively. And this is also because the forces arrayed against nations are well organised forces of darkness. Two of these can be mentioned here as Jezebel and Amalek spirits. They are focused on wasting families, nations and even churches Rev. 2.20; Ex. 17.16. They must be ruthlessly rooted out if God's kingdom in our cities and nations would be established.

The spirit of Elijah stands in God's presence to intercede for cities and nations until the Lord responds with specific messages for revival and nation rebuilding. This spirit also enables us to carry sufficient power of the Holy Ghost to counsel and compel the leaders of nations to do what is right for the people they rule over on behalf of the Ruler of the Nations. Finally, this spirit enables us to turn the hearts of the fathers to their sons and vice versa. In other words, it brings about family reconciliation, essential for national revival, rebirth, and renewal.

Welcome to the month of the nations--the one you live in and the one you come from.

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