

GROWING IN GOD PODCAST



GIG316 – A House Divided Will Not Stand

Hi, and welcome to the podcast. This is a special edition for our *Growing In God* podcast, as it is produced from a Zoom call that we at Hargrave Ministries have occasionally with our donors. When we have these times together and feel it is important for others to be a part of what we are discussing, we create the meeting into a podcast for release. So I hope that you will enjoy this podcast; and if you like being a part of these discussions, I would encourage you to go to our website at hargraveministries.org and join our Fellow Workers.

There has been so much prayer in this last week or so, and I want the prayer to be our main focus for all that is happening in this country, in and for the United States of America. I think there are a lot of things that at least I have seen that are coming to light about the Islamic takeover in many parts of the US, and of course we know what has happened in other countries like in Europe that are very concerning because of the allowance of this movement. It really is the Islamification of nations. One thing that I want to say about it is I feel like it is time for people's voices to be released to speak the truth, and to make the truth the issue. When I say that, one of the things I am referring to is the fact that when we look at this Islamification that is taking place, we realize that we are not dealing with a religion. I know for sure that what Islam in America is demanding is a society that dwells and functions alongside of the American society, its social life, its governance, its judicial system. And I want that really to sink into our hearts, because in our prayer, I want the reality of that to be something that comes through the vibration of what and how we are praying.

A lot of what has happened up to this point has happened all in the name of freedom of religion, and things are still continuing as freedom of religion. But when what is being done and what is being demanded to have the freedom to do is to have a society that exists alongside another society, that is not freedom of religion. I do not think we are trying to take away from or violate our own Constitution about freedom of religion; but in the Constitution, there is nothing that provides for the right of a country to establish a simultaneous country within the borders of the United States, and to function. To put it simply, if China brought in millions of Chinese and bought property in Texas or Michigan or New York or someplace and started existing, not blending into America, not looking to become citizens of the country in their culture or their lifestyle, but instead demanding that they bring in Chinese courts and Chinese language and Chinese schools and Chinese government systems, communism, to be able to function in this country under their communist government; when you put it in that context, you just go, "That would fly for about ten seconds and people would be shutting that down so fast it would make your head swim." But literally, we have that in America right now, with the Islamists. And so, let's call them that. Let's not call them Muslims, let's call them Islamists, because they are bringing Islam. Islam is not a religion, Islam is a country. It is a society. It is a system of jurisprudence; it is a system of government; it is a system of education; it is a system of language; which if brought into our country would change the times and the seasons and the language, just like the Bible says. (Daniel 7:25)

So we are not to try to confront it in a stance of religious freedom, you are going to lose on that one. And that is what is happening. People are losing, because they are coming back saying, "You are taking

away our freedom of religion.” No, I am not. I am taking away your freedom to have a government running simultaneously to our government in the United States. You want to end our Constitution and function under a different constitution. You want to end our court system and function under Sharia law, which is a separate court system – which is actually happening already. What I am saying is not, “Someday this could happen.” I am talking about the fact that we are already a day late and a dollar short, and by the way, the barn door is open and the cows are out. They are already functioning under Sharia law, which they are saying our Constitution allows for. If a religion has a way of dealing with justice within its religious community, and people choose to, they can go to that; but that is not what is happening. You have court systems of Sharia law which are established. In fact, they had to take down their website and the writing on the front of the building because it literally talked about the fact that “because America has such a horrible system and the Constitution is bad, and the jurisprudence is bad and people cannot afford to have justice in America, and whatever, we choose to have our own systems.” But people are not given a choice of whether they want to go to a US court or Sharia law, they are under Sharia law. They are under the restraints of this community.

So, what we have to do is recognize this, and when we talk to people not get hung up in fighting this thing or discussing it in the terminology that they want you to. It is very much riding in on the woke movement that we have been under for years, and the woke movement taught us to shut up, sit down, and not do anything about this. But the truth is, if you are going to be in this country and say you are part of America, then I want you to prove it; because what we want to be able to do is speak freely about the fact that Allah is not God, Allah is satan. We want to be able to freely speak on the streets that the Quran is not the word of God, it is a lie out of the pit of hell, and that it tells you to murder people and all of this stuff which you are actually wanting to do in your court systems. We have to do this at some point. I mean, just ask somebody, “If Islam is this wonderful loving thing, am I free to go out on the street with placards, like somebody did in France, with a cartoon caricature of Muhammad, or of the Ayatollah?” The answer is no. What happened? The person was shot and killed. That is their answer for people who do not follow their rules. If you are saying you want to be in the United States, then are you going to raise your hand and say, “I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America,” and recite the Pledge of Allegiance? Are you going to be committed to the Constitution, to follow the Constitution and live according to the Constitution? The answer to all these questions would be no. And so, again, it is proof that we are not dealing with a religion. We are dealing with a nationalism that literally wants to, for the moment, function simultaneously to the existing government of the United States; until, of course, it can get powerful enough that it can take over the government of the United States.

We know this, and it is a good question: isn’t it the determination of the Islamists that every nation must serve Allah and must be under Sharia law, and if they are not, then they are to be demeaned, or killed, or whatever? This has gone way too far already. And I think that what we realize and face is that we know God is a God of love, we know that our weapons are mighty through God to the pulling down of strongholds, and that we are not fighting flesh and blood. And I do not think we are fighting flesh and blood, I think we are fighting satan himself. I think this is all born out of the pit of hell, I think these people are sorely deceived, and I think they need salvation through Yeshua; and they need to recognize that Yehovah is God, Elohim is God, Allah is a false god. All these things need to be able to be freely said in the public forum, and not disallowed like they are in Europe where you cannot talk about this stuff on the street. Literally, pastors are being arrested for talking about salvation on the street. And so it is not a matter of fighting flesh and blood, it is a matter of the power of God’s Kingdom coming to earth. That is

what we are praying for. We are really praying and intently set on the simple prayer that Yeshua taught us, and that is, "Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done, on this earth as it is in heaven." Because the Kingdom is not a kingdom that is in heaven; the Kingdom comes to the earth from heaven. Yeshua said that, "My Kingdom is not of this earth." In other words, it is not sourced from this earth. All these other kingdoms we are talking about, they are sourced from man and from the earth. God's Kingdom is not sourced from the earth, it is sourced from heaven. But it comes to earth, and it rules and reigns on the earth.

While we are praying about those things, one thing I really want us to pray about is Christian believers, because the Scripture that I kept getting this week was, "A house divided against itself cannot stand." (Mark 3:25) That sword goes both ways, it is a two-edged sword. If we apply it to ourselves, if we apply it to Christianity, part of what we are seeing happen is because of the division within what is called the church; or if you want to take church out of it, within Christianity itself. The division within Christianity is something we need to be repenting of.

How Christ is going to bring oneness, I do not know, but I know He said that in John 17. His drive was, He and the Father are one, and we will all be one. And if we are not one, we are weak; and if we are not one, we cannot stand. Part of what is happening is because of the lack of oneness. I know we talked about John Stevens earlier, and one thing about John is that he was very concerned about the church and where it had already gone, and where it was going. Because right now if you just say church, Christianity and church are two different things for me. You have churches where their whole focus is the LGBTQ, and getting that. There are churches that are given to abortion. There are churches that are looking for the destruction of Israel and that believe Israel is committing mass destruction following with another Holocaust. So it is hard to just look to the church to be an answer. But as John said, I think believers coming under the Lordship of Jesus Christ, now that is an answer; because then we all answer to His will and His purpose in our lives and as a collective.

One of the things I think that we have to see brought out is the whole rapture deal. Because I will tell you, a lot of the passivity that we see about what is happening in the earth is because Christians do not care about the earth, because they think they are going to get sucked out of it and they are going to be caught off into heaven and they are going to be fine, they are not going to suffer; and anybody who is left here on the earth will be suffering because they did something wrong or they are bad people. And of course, they include the Jews in that, because they see the tribulation as a time of punishment for the Jews not receiving Yeshua. Don't get me started on that one, because we are almost out of time. But I am concerned about the earth. I know the Kingdom of God is sourced from heaven. I know that there was war in heaven, and satan was cast out of heaven because there was no longer a place found for him. That, to me, has to be duplicated on the earth; because the Kingdom of God, as we know it, manifests on earth. It is Christ's second coming to the earth and manifesting His Kingdom here with us. And I know we will live in two realms at once, so we will have access to that heavenly Kingdom, and we will be living in this Kingdom, and it is all going to be a pretty cool thing as it manifests. But this idea that we do not have to be strong and driven about what is happening physically – and I repeat the Scriptures, "Our weapons are mighty to the pulling down of strongholds," and "Our battle is not against flesh and blood" – but our battle is all about our battle manifesting in its finality in the earth on a physical level.

It was this way every time we see God move in the Scriptures. Look at Egypt. God came down and His judgment manifested on the physical earth. He dealt with Egypt. He opened the door for a physical kingdom for Israel, for the land to be taken, for them to be set free; and we see that repeat itself.

It repeats itself in a lot of Scriptures, but we see it for sure in Ezekiel 38; which is a big one to me because Ezekiel 38 is kind of seen as the last battle. But what happens at the end of Ezekiel 38 in the war that God initiates? He said in verses 21-22, "'I will call for a sword against him on all My mountains,' declares the Lord God. 'Every man's sword will be against his brother.'" And see, we are going to see this thing of division reversed against all of these fractured realities that exist right now in America and in the earth, because I think the problem we are facing is the division. The division weakens us to the point where there is no authority to move. He said, "'I will call for a sword against him on all My mountains.... With pestilence and with blood I will enter into judgment with him; and I will rain on him and on his troops, and on the many peoples who are with him, a torrential rain, with hailstones, fire and brimstone.'"

He talks about all the stuff that He is going to do in the earth of bringing the judgment. He talks about it in 2 Chronicles 20, when we see Jehoshaphat facing the war coming against him, and God gives him the key. But what happened in that war was God Himself came down and brought every man's sword against himself; He brought the judgment that way. (2 Chronicles 20:23) But it was physical; God physically ended the conflict on the earth. Our prayer may be a very spiritual one, and our weapons may not be carnal, and our battle is not against flesh and blood; but it does not mean God's battle is not, and it does not mean He is not going to resolve what is going on in this physical earth. Because this is our place; and just as we fight for Israel to have its land of promise, to me, we also fight for the Kingdom of God to cover the whole earth and fill all of the earth. The earth is the Lord's. So all of these things, to me, are going to take place.

As I said, my concern is this battle of division; because it is the anger, it is the hatred, it is division. You listen to people talking and it is just so divisive. But I thought it was interesting, because when you look scripturally at these battles that take place, even going back to Egypt, the battle really was about the oneness. First of all, Israel had to come into oneness surrounding Moses. They had to get over their division and their separation, because they were ready to kill Moses when he came and talked to them. And when we see what transpires in Ezekiel, we see the need for God's people to come together as a unity. But what is coming against them? It is the Gog and Magog. (Ezekiel 38:2) It is these divisions of the nations. We need to know in our hearts that these people who seem so one, and what is happening now in this country that seems to be so one that we can actually see socialists and communists winning elections in American polling and voting, those splinter groups that are coming together are very fragile. And in my mind what happens at the end of it is what is talked about in Daniel; because in Daniel, that is the fourth kingdom. (Daniel 2:40-43) The fourth kingdom is the iron and the clay that come together as the feet in the image. Verses 43-44 say about the iron and the clay that they "...combine one with another in the seed of men; but they will not adhere to one another, even as iron does not combine with pottery. In the days of those kings the God of heaven will set up a kingdom which will never be destroyed, and that kingdom will not be left for another people; it will crush and put an end to all these kingdoms, but it will itself endure forever." So what happens is you see this final kingdom that we are facing, it looks very strong and it looks very scary, but it is made up of division. And if you look at what is winning the vote, you say, "How in the world?" – I do not know, maybe you do not do this, but I do. I go, "How in the world could a socialist communist get elected in New York? in Michigan, for God's sake! How in the world could the Midwest see these kinds of people elected?" And if you dive into it and look at how it is happening, it is happening with all these splinter groups, that have this myopic focus on what they are concerned about, coming together under somebody.

Here is what I am talking about. You have the gay community coming together; you have what is going on with the left and the right in politics, the amazing division now that we have in politics between Democrats and Republicans; you have the abortionists that are coming together; you have the people that are wanting to see sanctuary cities set up for peoples to come in from other nations into our country; you have the people who believe that we should be paying reparations to the Blacks for slavery. And if you go down through what makes up America right now, it is amazing the division that exists, and the division is all around very specific issues, like, "Gotta have abortion." So what happens? You get all these splinter groups, and they so are driven to have their thing pass, but they know they cannot do it; there are not enough people that want reparation for the Blacks that you are going to get a candidate elected just by that group, right? So you have to come together with other groups. So all of a sudden you go to the abortionists and you say, "Hey, let's find somebody who represents you and represents me." Then we go to the Palestinian cause and say, "You know, we have to have fairness for the Palestinians." And you know how much they morphed the rhetoric now so it is about Palestinians. It is not about the Gazans anymore, that is not the big word that is being used; it is the Palestinians, and the Palestinian land. So these peoples are coming together because you find some person who is willing to be the joining of all these things, like Mamdani. What is he saying? Well, he is for all of them. He wants socialism. He wants free food. He wants free busing. He wants abortion. He wants the Palestinians to have their rights. He wants free borders and open borders. You look at these people, they are representing all of these fractured groups, and it looks just like the image in Daniel. It is the different little pieces coming together, held together by the satanic iron force of the demonic kingdom that is trying to be made. (Matthew 13)

So we see that happening before our very eyes, and that is how you can get enough votes. It is not really that hard. I was trying to make sanity out of voting in Hawaii, and in my research, what did I come to find out? I came to find out that anybody coming into this state illegally that has a valid passport from their home country, or a valid driver's license from their own country, or a birth certificate from their own country, can go down and get a driver's license in Hawaii. It is not the star thing, so it does not act as a passport. But what happens when you get a driver's license? Immediately your name goes into the voter registration. So anybody can vote in Hawaii that just goes down and gets a driver's license. And I am just going, "Oh, my God, that is insane! That is absolutely insanity." But we live in a time of insanity. And I just think that it is time for us to rise up in our faith and know this earth belongs to the Lord, and we are not giving it up. I do not want to sit here with a Christianity that says, "Oh, don't worry about it, because God is in control; we are all going to be caught up into heaven and this is going to be left as the place of judgment." No. In the deliverance from Egypt, when God came down He said, "I have heard their cry. I have heard their cry and I have seen their suffering." And I think there is enough suffering that we have gone through, that we are going through; and I am just talking about America, because it is the place I know the most detail about. But gosh, we could be talking about Germany, we could be talking about France, we could be talking about England, we could be talking about many countries in Europe and many other countries. Finally, there is Denmark; you know, Denmark outlawed the Islamists and are sending a lot of them home. Great idea.

I just think that there has to be something. God came down because He heard the cry. I think we need to be the cry. I am not saying that we get into a physical altercation, but I am also not saying that we passively just see this as something going on in the spirit realm. It may initiate from the spirit realm, but it manifests in the physical realm. It has to manifest here. I do not know how else you have a deliverance out of Egypt unless God comes down and you have a death to the firstborn. There is just no other way.

I do not know how you have an end to the war in Ezekiel 38. I do not know how Jehoshaphat wins the battle without God coming down and turning the swords of them against each other.

And it is interesting, in all those occasions when you read the stories, the people coming against Israel were all fracture groups; you know, like somehow related to Lot and what he was into, what he was wanting. Lot wanted his own thing, right? He wanted his own pasture land and all this kind of stuff. So it is that same thing. People want what they want, without a concern for the good of the majority and the good of the nation and the good of the country. But that is how this country started; it was people who were willing to give up personally and lay their lives on the line, lay their wealth on the line, lay whatever on the line for the good of the whole, not just what they wanted. Look at the Revolutionary War. People left their families, their farms, and they knew that if this country was going to stand, yes, they prayed. I mean, nobody prayed like Washington prayed for God to come through. But the final victory was manifested on a physical level.

I just want us to remember that what we are looking for, what we are initiating, may be initiated in the spirit; but we cannot forget that what we are crying out to God for is the manifestation in the physical plane of this world.