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'IT'S JUST PAST MIDNIGHT' parable - Part 3

Judges 16:2

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Have you ever felt that the place where God has you is really tough and that no-one really understands it like you do? It would appear that the enemy has such strength and that his terms 'rule the roost'. There is however, hope and there is victory.

The scene of this midnight drama is set in Gaza: Gaza means the *strong place*. The strong place held by the enemy creates fear in the people that come in contact with it . . . except the 'Samsons' who are called of God to make a difference. Always remember one man can make a difference! The inhabitants (or *membership!*) of this city must not be disturbed by those who *walk in present truth*, who know who they are in Christ and who, above all, know who He, the Almighty God, is.

The natural man with his natural thinking along with Christians with their natural thinking have put up walls which are supposed to protect them in their comfort zone. They will only let certain ones to go out or come in. The new horizons are very limited to their vision because of the high walls of tradition that hem them in.

God has His 'Samsons'... some are outside of the 'city-system' and some are inside. Which ever ones you happen to know, they will have one thing in common, that of seeing God's people set fully free to embrace Him in an unrestricted way. The 'Samsons' of the new day are often required to move with the Lord all on their own; they will simply obey the word of the Lord that they have received and will silently rejoice when some are set free. This whole action fulfills the command 'to set at liberty them that are bound' and will be the overriding passion of each 'Samson'.

In this account Samson had an untrimmed anointing like we have, as we proclaim *the Lord of the Word* (Life) more than *the Word of the Lord* (knowledge). The Pharisaical worshippers of the literal word were threatened by the presence of he that had a unique anointing that included some spiritual common sense. Their whole foundation of what they believed and held them together, must be defended at all costs. They could well have been like many today who, in essence, say, 'My mind is made up, please don't confuse me with truth!

These city-dwellers purposed to kill (not just with the tongue) the life of God that He had sent their way. The people of this city had their security in WHAT they believed instead of WHO they believed, could be labeled 'Unbelieving believers' or 'Old Testament Christians'. These are not labels to gender criticism but rather compassion that they might be liberated by the 'Samsons' of this new day into the Lord Jesus, Who is walking Truth.

In the morning of natural light, they will attack and 'shoot down' when they think that they can see clearly. So, while waiting for daylight to come to them, they all slept except Samson. At midnight he arose and took the gate, its posts and security bar and took them single-handedly to a high place. The

gates of hell shall not prevail against God's anointed vessels. God's people are imprisoned by doctrinal walls and they are being given liberty starting at midnight. Their vision has been limited to these high walls, but now they will see more of their God and what He is doing. Unbelievers also are imprisoned by their beliefs, upbringing and environment . . . they too cry out for this liberty.

The **midnight** ministry who express God's purposes, will walk by faith and by knowing, then they will be able to draw forth His people into full liberty, which actually means to become His prisoner and no longer man's. We shall find ourselves being led of the Spirit to beak down these gates and walls to allow God's ambassadors to move in by the Spirit to meet these needs.

We declare a release upon those that are bound. It is a part of the same ministry that Jesus was called to as listed in Luke 4. We are to do the same and greater. Midnight sees this beginning to happen. It will increase and increase as we move together in it. Faith will rise within and move some mountains after the gates have been dumped there.