## WITNESS IN THE WILDERNESS



## WHY STATEMENT

John the Baptist was the prophetic fulfillment of Isaiah's prophecy in Isaiah 40:5. John was responsible for preparing the way for Christ's first revelation to humanity. John walked in the wilderness wearing camel's hair, eating locust & honey, and crying out to prepare the way to warn the people that the promised & prophetic Messiah was at hand! Matthew 3: 1-2 says. "In those days John the Baptist came, preaching in the wilderness of Judea saying, "REPENT, for the kingdom of heaven has come near."

In Matthew 3:11, John the Baptist says, "I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance, but He (CHRIST) who is coming after me is mightier than I, whose sandals I am not worthy to carry. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire." The Jewish Temple was the dwelling place of the Holy Spirit prior to Christ's death, burial, resurrection, & ascension to the right hand of God the Father. At Pentecost, following His ascension, the Holy Spirit was unleashed and came rushing in like a mighty wind. Now, all who put saving faith in Christ are the dwelling place of the Holy Spirit, and together we are a collective representation of Christ, known as the "The Body of Christ!" For we have been filled and sealed with the HOLY SPIRIT!

Christ's prayer and vision for His body (Jew & Now Gentile) was that those who were filled and sealed with His Spirit, would be one 1 as the Father and Son are 1. To put that into perspective; God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit are perfectly unified! Let's say that again for emphatic emphasis. Perfectly unified! In John 17 20-21, Christ says, I do not pray for these alone but also for those whole will believe in me through their word. That they may ALL be 1 as You, Father, are in Me, and I in You; that they may also be 1 in Us, that the world may believe you sent me." Chew on this and don't gloss over the sheer magnitude of what Christ is saying in this scripture. Do we actually believe scripture or is it just another cliche mantra? These are the words of the prophetic Messiah who perfectly fulfilled every Messianic scripture.

John the Baptist was preparing the way for the first revelation of Christ through a call to repentance and water baptism. John the Baptist was beheaded by King Herod, but his ministry essentially ended at Pentecost. Pentecost marks the birth of the Church (The Body of Christ). He prepared the way, Christ performed the perfect work on the cross, Christ ascended, and Christ subsequently delivered the promised Holy Spirit at Pentecost just as it was stated in Matthew 3:11. Following Pentecost, The Body of Christ is now the living and breathing extension of John the Baptist's ministry until Christ 2nd and final revelation. As 1, we are to prepare the way for Christ's 2nd and final revelation to humanity by crying out in the wilderness of an unrighteous world, REPENT, for the Kingdom of God is at hand. Why? So that the world might believe in Christ through our transformation in Christ & unity together as 1! We clearly see in Christ's prayer and vision that our biblical unity will either bring the lost to Christ, or become a stumbling block for the world to believe! The Body of Christ is the collective

representation of Christ. How can the world accurately see Christ in His glorious splendor when the body that He filled with His Holy Spirit is living in disobedience to His command for biblical unity, and unbiblical division is rampant in His body? No wonder the world is turning from God and we are witnessing the great Apostasy that scripture prophecies will happen! Why are we surprised? The Body of Christ has made a literal mockery of Him. Think about how egregious that is. A perfectly unified, righteous, and holy God having a mockery made of His name by HIS OWN BODY! For God CANNOT DEFILE HIS OWN BODY. That is how egregious the Church's collective sin is!

Witness in the Wilderness is resolved to parallel John the Baptist's ministry by preparing the way for Christ 2nd and final revelation to humanity in the final harvest of those that are not yet filled and sealed with the Holy Spirit. Christ came as a perfect unblemished lamb in His first revelation to serve mere mortals with His flesh and blood as a perfect sacrifice, despite us being "enemies to Him in our unrighteousness." Conversely, He will not come as a sacrificial lamb in His 2nd and final revelation. Instead, He is coming as the Lion of Judah to judge the living and the dead, and He will not be mocked! Again, He will not be mocked!

Witness in the Wilderness is a ministry that is a call of the GLOBAL Body of Christ to collective repentance, in order to reveal the glorious splendor of the Holy Spirit that we have been baptized into, so that we are no longer a stumbling block to to the world believing in Christ before His final return! Like John the Baptist, we are crying out in the wilderness, CHURCH REPENT, for the Kingdom of God is at hand! We believe that Christ will unleash a GLOBAL revival within the Church that will lead to the lost coming to Christ in droves in the Final Harvest leading up to His return. However, we do not believe this will happen if the GLOBAL Body of Christ does not repent and return to His command & call for biblical unity within HIS body!

What's the hold up? Why would we wait? There is no more time! The prophetic signs of scripture are being fulfilled at a rapid rate and The GLOBAL Body of Christ is living in chronic & willful disobedience to God. THE TIME IS NOW!