

**Theme:** The Sacrifice of God (The Acceptable Sacrifice)

**Lesson Focus:** The Characteristics of Brokenness

We must never lose focus of the Word of God (The truth, promises, and warnings). Every generation has to be equipped and prepared. We must always have discernment about the times we live in

**I Chronicles 12:32**

<sup>32</sup>And of the children of Issachar, which were men that had understanding of the times, to know what Israel ought to do; the heads of them were two hundred; and all their brethren were at their commandment.

**Matthew 16:1-4**

<sup>1</sup>The Pharisees also with the Sadducees came, and tempting desired him that he would shew them a sign from heaven. <sup>2</sup>He answered and said unto them, When it is evening, ye say, It will be fair weather: for the sky is red. <sup>3</sup>And in the morning, It will be foul weather to day: for the sky is red and lowering. O ye hypocrites, ye can discern the face of the sky; but can ye not discern the signs of the times? <sup>4</sup>A wicked and adulterous generation seeketh after a sign; and there shall no sign be given unto it, but the sign of the prophet Jonas. And he left them, and departed.

**I Chronicles 12:32**

**Matthew 16:1-4**

God deals with every generation

Because the tendency and trend is that people drift away, reject and rebel against God's purpose

They get religious (That was the problem with Saul of Tarsus)

That is why in every generation there will always be a remnant.

What is a remnant?

Remainder, whatever remains, that which is left

**Hebrews 12:25**

<sup>25</sup>See that ye refuse not him that speaketh. For if they escaped not who refused him that spake on earth, much more shall not we escape, if we turn away from him that speaketh from heaven:

**Hebrews 12:25**-Given the superior nature of the new covenant, and the reign of Christ who warns from heaven the author calls for a response

of faith. They did not escape applies especially to the exodus generation, who rejected the voice of the one spoke also. Much less will we escape.

**Matthew 7:13-14**

<sup>13</sup>Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat:

<sup>14</sup>Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it.

**Matthew 7:13**

**Look at the message to the Churches in Revelation: Remnant**

**Ephesus-2:5**

<b>The Church at Ephesus</b>
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<b>Revelation 2:5</b>
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<sup>5</sup>Remember therefore from whence thou art fallen, and repent, and do the first works; or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will remove thy candlestick out of his place, except thou repent.

**Smyrna-2:10**

<b>The Church at Smyrna</b>
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<b>Revelation 2:10</b>
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<sup>10</sup>Fear none of those things which thou shalt suffer: behold, the devil shall cast some of you into prison, that ye may be tried; and ye shall have tribulation ten days: be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life.

**Pergamos-2:16**

**The Church at Pergamos**

**Revelation 2:16**

<sup>16</sup>Repent; or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will fight against them with the sword of my mouth.

**Thyatira-2:25-26**

**The Church at Thyatira**

**Revelation 2:25-26**

<sup>25</sup>But hold fast what you have till I come. <sup>26</sup>And he who overcomes, and keeps My works until the end, to him I will give power over the nations—

**Sardis-3:3-**

### **The Church at Sardis**

#### **Revelation 3:3-**

<sup>3</sup>Remember therefore how thou hast received and heard, and hold fast, and repent. If therefore thou shalt not watch, I will come on thee as a thief, and thou shalt not know what hour I will come upon thee.

### **Philadelphia-3:11-12**

#### **The Church at Philadelphia**

##### **Revelation 3:11-12**

<sup>11</sup>Behold, I come quickly: hold that fast which thou hast, that no man take thy crown. <sup>12</sup>Him that overcometh will I make a pillar in the temple of my God, and he shall go no more out: and I will write upon him the name of my God, and the name of the city of my God, which is new Jerusalem, which cometh down out of heaven from my God: and I will write upon him my new name.

### **Laodicea-3:19**

#### **The Church at Laodicea**

##### **Revelation 3:19**

<sup>19</sup>As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten: be zealous therefore, and repent.

### **Peter sums this up in I Peter 4:7**

#### **I Peter 4:7**

<sup>7</sup>But the end of all things is at hand: be ye therefore sober, and watch unto prayer.

Times do affect the way we live

Because of the times it demands some serious consideration about some things

What you think about the end affects the way you live

Our times parallel what Peter saw was happening in his times

What does the scripture say:

## **1. Acts 2:14-21—The last days started at the Day of Pentecost**

### **Acts 2:14-21**

<sup>29</sup>Is not my word like as a fire? saith the LORD; and like a hammer that breaketh the rock in pieces?

## **2. I John 2:18-26**

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## **3. Psalms 31:15**

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## **4. I Peter 1:17**

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