

## Fresh Oil Releases Traveling Tumble-stones

I would like to share with you some prophetic insights found in the account where David slew Goliath. There is a glorious picture of what God is doing in this day hidden in its folds.

*1Sa 17:40 And he took his staff in his hand, and chose him five smooth stones out of the brook, and put them in a shepherd's bag which he had, even in a scrip; and his sling was in his hand: and he drew near to the Philistine.*

Jesus, born of the House of David is also taking His staff, or rod, in His hand at this time. The church under Saul's leadership is in camp, trembling on hearing the threats of this giant. Goliath represents the Babylonian religious system under the control of the religious spirit that has kept the church of Jesus Christ bound in fear in their tents, unable, to a very great extent, to fulfill the great commission. This great army of God has meetings about fulfilling what Jesus said. They form committees to discuss what Jesus said but fear keeps them from stepping out. How glorious that in this day, the Lord is raising up a corporate Body of the House of David; like David they will be worshippers in Spirit and in truth and they will say;

*"Who is this uncircumcised Philistine, that he should defy the armies of the living God? "*

The Lord is about to rule from Zion:

*Psa 110:2 The LORD shall send the rod of thy strength out of Zion: rule thou in the midst of thine enemies. Thy people shall be willing in the day of thy power, in the beauties of holiness from the womb of the morning: thou hast the dew of thy youth. The LORD hath sworn, and will not repent; Thou art a priest for ever after the order of Melchizedek. The Lord at thy right hand shall strike through kings in the day of his wrath.*

There is a holy set-apart people arising, who will offer themselves willingly, saying, "here am I, Lord. Send me!" and through their laid-down lives the Lord will strike many principalities over the nations. Out of Zion God is sending forth His missiles, those in whom the Word spoken over them has become flesh and their lives speak a righteous word because of holiness. The womb of the morning is the Lord of Hosts' shepherd's bag. I see the Lord at this time selecting smooth stones out of the brook. These stones have been tumbled, refined and prepared in His brook of living water. The Hebrew word for 'brook' means 'winter torrent, narrow valley, mine shaft'. This place where they have been prepared has not been a gentle trickling stream. They have been turned upside-down and ground against other stones very painfully. The force of the water refining them has at times seemed too much to bear. At times they have lost complete sense of direction and perspective as the water has relentlessly pounded them. Yet the Lord has not let up in His

preparation process. There have been those living stones who have fled the powerful torrent of refining and sought gentle waters at the edge of the river but others have said, "not my will but Thine be done. Have Your way with me, Lord no matter the cost" and the water has removed from them every sharp place and polished the surface of their heart, bringing out the beauty hidden inside for all to see. The root of the word for 'brook' means 'to inherit, to bequeath'. This winter torrent is the place of inheritance where you have been prepared to possess that which the Lord has bequeathed to you. This narrow way you have chosen to walk is the path that leads you to your portion of divine inheritance. This dark mine shaft you have been in is the place from which the Lord selects His jewels:

*Malachi 3:16(Amp) Then those who feared the Lord talked often one to another; and the Lord listened and heard it and a book of remembrance was written before Him of those who feared the Lord and thought on His Name. And they shall be Mine, says the Lord of Hosts, in that day when I publicly recognize and openly declare them to be My jewels...*

The word for 'bag' in 1 Samuel 17:40 means 'something prepared, artillery, instrument, jewel, vessel, weapon'. This shepherd's bag is the storage place of His chosen vessels and weapons of war. The Lord of Hosts is selecting tumble-stones who have endured the polishing and refining of preparation to His satisfaction and He is placing them in His scribe, or 'travelling pouch', because he is on the move and about to do something. No-one has taken too much notice of these stones all jumbled together in the fastest place of the river of Life but according to the book of remembrance which has been written, He is choosing some for a purpose ordained before the foundation of the world. It has been a hidden work of preparation but the time of openly displaying is upon us.

*Isaiah 49:2 He hath made my mouth like a sharp sword; in the shadow of His hand hath He hid me, and made me a polished shaft; in His quiver hath He hid me*

This quiver that contains the polished arrows is the same as the bag that contains His weapons of war. The word for 'polished' means 'to refine or purify'. The arrow has been repeatedly polished in the hand of the Lord of Hosts in order to make it fast and accurate in reaching its destination and striking a death blow to the enemy.

David chose five stones. Five is the number of grace and favor. These stones selected will walk with the favor of God openly displayed upon them. There will not be a literal five living stones as it only took one well-aimed stone to kill Goliath. This stone represents a corporate man after the pattern of the One born of the House of David, who was made manifest to destroy the works of the evil one. All over the earth, God's polished stones are being taken from their place of refining and stored in God's traveling pouch, ready for the moment of unleashing on their target. The time of preparation is over and the Lord is about to put you in His sling and twirl you round and round and release you to your assignment against the enemy. You will strike the forehead of Goliath, representing the mindsets of the religious spirit, and bring him down.

The word 'stone' comes from the Hebrew, word "eben' which is translated 'stone, plummet, weight'. The dictionary defines 'plummet' as:

**PLUM'MET**, n. [See Plumb.]

1. *A long piece of lead attached to a line, used in sounding the depth of water.*
2. *An instrument used by carpenters, masons, &c. in adjusting erections to a perpendicular line, and with a square, to determine a horizontal line. It consists of a piece of lead fastened to a line.*

Jesus is building His church according to Heaven's perpendicular or standard of righteousness and these living stones will be measuring instruments to correct the construction of the Church of Jesus Christ according to the standard of the Carpenter of Heaven, Jesus. They will be sent or thrust, out of the Lord's sling into the harvest field to build the Body of Jesus. A door of opportunity is opening along with many adversaries; but let this not discourage you. As you are placed in that sling and swung around in your Beloved's embrace, he will deal with every enemy arrayed against you:

*1 Sam 25:29 Yet a man is risen to pursue you and to seek thy soul: but your soul shall be bound up in a living bundle with the Lord your God; and the souls of thine enemies, them shall He sling out as out of the center of a sling*

There is a tremendous centrifugal force generated by being swung round in a circular fashion; something which scientists have employed to good use in separating particles out of liquids. In the same way, anything that stands against you in your life will be separated from you and slung out of your life as you are bound in this bundle with your Bridegroom. Even the enemy that you have prayed against for so long without an answer manifesting, will, in this season, be removed. The Hebrew word for 'bundle' in the above verse can also be translated 'a kernel, the least grain, a small stone'. This is the grain of wheat that has fallen to the ground and died so that it can bring forth a rich harvest. This is the small stone, Peter, whom the Lord will use to build His church founded on the revelation of Jesus Christ and the gates of hell will not prevail against it. As you remain in intimacy with the Lord, your eyes upon His face, those enemies you wrestle with will be dealt with and you will be propelled with heaven's momentum towards your target. Victory is sure.

When David killed Goliath and cut off his head, it brought about an amazing change in the army of Israel:

*1Sa 17:52 And the men of Israel and of Judah arose, and shouted, and pursued the Philistines, until thou come to the valley, and to the gates of Ekron. And the wounded of the Philistines fell down by the way to Shaaraim, even unto Gath, and unto Ekron.*

Suddenly they received fresh courage to route the enemy and completely crush them. In the same way, as the Lord sends out His living stone or many-membered weapon of war to bring down the Babylonian religious system with one Heavenly blow, the rest of the Body will be infused with power and might to finish off all the enemy host arrayed against them. The men of Israel pursued the philistines to the gates of Ekron, which means 'eradication'. The enemy fell down and was destroyed by the way to Shaaraim, which means 'double gates'. These are the double open doors that are coming to the Body of Christ in the coming season. The enemy has previously blocked the way and we have not been able to enter through them but the Lord of Hosts is about to give us victory over that which has stood in the way, blocking entrance to our destinies.

*1Sa 17:55 And when Saul saw David go forth against the Philistine, he said unto Abner, the captain of the host, Abner, whose son is this youth? And Abner said, as thy soul lives, O king, I cannot tell. And the king said, Enquire thou whose son the stripling is.*

Saul had no idea who David was. The Lord will be using those who are unknown in the coming season and it will cause the established leadership of the Church to say, "who on earth is this?" The word 'stripling' means 'to veil from sight, to conceal'. These that the Lord releases in the coming season are the ones who have been veiled and hidden from the present leadership of God's people. They will appear young and inexperienced and people will scorn their appearance but they are God's grains of wheat that have fallen to the ground and died to the opinions and praise of men. They will bring forth a rich harvest and victory for the whole Church.

So be encouraged, living stones that have been churned up in your Father's refining process. The grinding and polishing have been for a purpose and your time of removal from the place of preparation is upon you. Remain yielded to your Beloved and lay your head upon His breast as you rest in His embrace. The power of the Lord of Host's strong right arm will propel you to your assignment in His perfect split-second timing. The secret of success is remaining in that living bundle, you in Him and He in you and His glory shall be seen upon you.