

HORSES, BIG BEN AND THE BUILDERS - 24th April 2024

Like many when I witnessed the sight of the two highly trained horses from the **Household Cavalry, running through the centre of London**, I paid attention. The day before we had eaten at “The Running Horses!” I knew God wanted to speak to us and mobilise us in prayer. This word is a collaboration from several people.

WHAT DO WE KNOW?

8.20am seven horses and six soldiers from the Household Cavalry (which is the ceremonial face of the regiment) were taking part in a routine exercise. As they were assembled in the Belgravia area, a builder close by, suddenly dropped heavy rubble from a great height into a Grab Hire wagon, oblivious of the consequences. On the side of the wagon was large yellow signage “**BLIND SPOT TAKE CARE**”.

The horses were startled and five of them bolted unseating their riders. Three Cavalrymen were hospitalised. Three horses were caught quickly, but two ran for over six miles causing chaos through the streets of centre of London. The streets had fallen silent as the two horses ran together and reporters commented on how eerie the atmosphere was despite it being rush hour.

The route they ran was:

- Chancery Lane = Law
- Belgrave Square = Embassies and Diplomatic Services
- Fleet Street = Media
- Buckingham Palace Road = Royal family and transport hubs bus and train.

Later the Defence minister James Cartlidge revealed the names of the two running horses. The black horse is Quaker = not just a shaking, but a church denomination who pushed for social reform and justice. The white horse which was covered in blood is Vida = Life (Spanish).

Running with the horses Jeremiah 12;5 “If you have raced with men on foot and they have worn you out, how can you compete with horses?”

Whilst the horses were running **Big Ben** (known as the great clock of Westminster) stopped with the fingers freezing at 9am for more than an hour! The bells malfunctioned too performing 11 chimes at 10.06am. Big Ben frozen after 2 years of restoration. Big Ben then sounded the 11th hour prematurely giving us one hours’ notice!!!

WHAT DO WE THINK GOD IS SAYING?

BIG BEN - Was this a response from 22/2/24 when pro-Palestinian activists projected the antisemitic words '*From the river to the sea*' on to **Big Ben's** Tower? They did this in full view of dozens of police monitoring a protest outside Parliament. Scotland Yard said the officers could not act because it was 'not a criminal offence'. This was during a Commons debate in which MPs warned threats from 'Islamist extremists' were stifling democracy.

In 2017 Prophet Charlie Shamp said, "Keep your eyes upon **Big Ben** something supernatural is about to be seen. . . I heard the Lord say, "My eye is upon this land and my hand upon the nation's time, a kairos moment is about to come! I will cause a sign to come from Big Ben that will mark the moment that I have changed the time and season for the nation of England and the city of London. Everything will stop and people will turn to see and hear. Tell my people to mark the moment when it comes to pass, for it will be sign of great change in the land."

Is the 11th Hour speaking to us about awakening the church and releasing the sound, to the urgency of the times. The story of the virgins in Matthew 25:1–13 comes to mind.

THE HORSES – What happened was a complete disruption to the established control of the Household Cavalry and not at all what is expected from a very senior regiment. They perform armed reconnaissance, as guards... Spotting where the enemy is at work strategically.

The streets being empty as the horses ran through reminds us of God's hand on the situation as he quietened the streets – it could have been so much worse.

As we prayed our CWM Team referred to Revelation 6 and Revelation 19:11-13 "I saw heaven standing open and there before me was a white horse, whose rider is called Faithful and True. With justice he judges and wages war. His eyes are like blazing fire, and on his head are many crowns. He has a name written on him that no one knows but he himself. **He is dressed in a robe dipped in blood, and his name is the Word of God.**

Revelation 19:16 "On his robe and on his thigh, he has this name written: king of kings and lord of lords."

Quaker represents – the black horse in Revelation carrying the scales of justice to shake and expose everything that needs to be brought into the light including within the Church.

Vida was injured and represents - Jesus the rider on the white horse with his robe dipped in blood and that blood dripping as he ran through the streets. By His blood we are healed and where there has been death, NEW LIFE will come.

There will be a shaking and overturning of false powers and control in the LAW, GOVERNMENT & DIPLOMATIC SERVICES, THE MEDIA & COMMUNICATIONS, AND TRANSPORT.

Proverbs 21:31 The horse is made ready for the day of battle, but victory rests with the Lord.

This is an opportunity the Lord is giving us to be ahead of the game to see and to pray strategically. It's like he has cleared a space in the spiritual realm where he is saying take up your role as the 'rider' with Jesus. As spiritual guards we can be given the Intel when we ask God. We are empowered to disarm the enemy and to bring justice and righteousness.

We need to be prepared and choose righteousness. As we do God will anoint His people with strength to stay the course and not be thrown off or distracted. We believe this is a wake-up call and an opportunity for God's people to take up our spiritual authority! We sense the Lord is saying that He is removing the riders from the ceremonial religious church!!

It's important not to be afraid but to mobilise the church to pray that maybe God will have mercy and turn the battle at the gates of our nation.

THE BUILDERS - Despite the warning on the wagon – “blind spot take care”, the workman doing his job was oblivious of the impact the rubble would have on the horses, the riders, the chaos started and the problems for all who encountered them! Whilst the enemy is working the Church is turning a blind eye. Who is speaking into our blind spots?

Sense the Lord was showing the devastation that often happens when we turn a blind eye as people are discarded and rejected (intentionally or not) from the Church. The ripples of pain caused for people and their families, the swell of chaos and confusion that is unleashed is horrendous and often we as the Church are oblivious.

We need our prayers to be precise, the Arrowhead. Let's pray for:

- Repent where we have neglected and rejected people causing great pain and chaos.
- Repent where we have not worked together.
- Forgive anyone who has caused us pain or offence.
- Real loving unity in the Church.
- Muslims in this nation to be saved.
- Wisdom for the Government and the Armed forces because we're in an era where potentially we could go to war.
- Leaders will no longer just be ceremonial.

Many blessings

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