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THEME: 100 FOLD FRUIT

Note from Sandy: Through the weaving of the following contributions, you will see the Lord is taking His people on a journey where our lives are planted as seeds of corn, which become ripe (fully mature) and fruitful (to be utilized) for the Kingdom. For those who are willing to continue the journey, their fruitful corn nuggets become a sacrifice through death to self and are then dried by the fire in order to multiply into an even greater harvest. I believe these prophetic Words also reveal a journey for those in the coming harvest. "Verily, verily, I say unto you, Except a corn of wheat fall into the ground and die, it abideth alone: but if it die, it bringeth forth much fruit." (KJV John 12:24)

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[1] PLANTING

Vision given to Shirley on 5/4/93

I saw fresh plowed ground. It had been raked and rows dug for planting. Some corn seeds had been planted, but were not yet covered with dirt.

"And he spake many things unto them in parables, saying, Behold, a sower went forth to sow; And when he sowed, some seeds fell by the way side, and the fowls came and devoured them up: Some fell upon stony places, where they had not much earth: and forthwith they sprung up, because they had no deepness of earth: And when the sun was up, they were scorched; and because they had no root, they withered away. And some fell among thorns; and the thorns sprung up, and choked them: But other fell into good ground, and brought forth fruit, some an hundredfold, some sixtyfold, some thirtyfold. Who hath ears to hear, let him hear." (Math 13: 3-9)

[2] GROWING

Shibboleth is a Process of Growing Stronger and Stronger - Experience given to Grandma Anna 9/2/81:

I was very ill in bed suffering the terrible weakness of the aftermath of a hypoglycemic coma. While three ladies were praying over me, suddenly I knew in my spirit that the Lord had a Word for me. One of them began to stutter a strange word: "You will have the strength of shibboleth." She stuttered over the word shibboleth. I began to whisper, "I will have the strength of Shibboleth." As I continued to whisper this, more and more strength came to my voice, and I was able to rise out of bed in increasing stages. I finally said with a very strong voice, "I will have the strength of Shibboleth!" Such strength came to me that I walked down the hall much to everyone's joyful amazement. Because the word shibboleth sounded familiar, we looked it up in the Strong's Concordance. We were surprised to discover that in the verse where shibboleth is spoken, that person stuttered over saying it too! We wondered what the Lord could be speaking by way of such an amazing allegory. "Then said they unto him, Say now Shibboleth: and he said Sibboleth: for he could not frame to pronounce it right..." (Judges 12:6)

Word Study on Shibboleth

(Gen 41:5-7, 22-27, Jud 12:6, Isa 27:12, Zech 4:12., etc)

SHIBBOLETH: A Hebrew word denoting the growing or flowing out process.

(The King James version uses the words ears of corn instead of ears of grain and the Lord has built upon the corn idea as a riddle for Shibboleth. Corn as we know it was not grown in the Bible lands.)

HEBREW: 07641 shibbol {shib-bole} or (fem.) shibboleth {shib-bo'-leth}

07641 shibbol {shib-bole} or (fem.) shibboleth {shib-bo'-leth} from the same as 07640, a stream (as flowing); TWOT - 2316b,2316c; n f AV - ears 11, ears of corn 3, branches 1, channel 1, floods 1, Shibboleth 1, waterflood + 04325 1; 19 AV 1) flowing stream 2) ear (of grain), head of grain 2a) as growing 2b) cluster

(Hermeneutika - Bible Works for Windows)

[3] HARVESTING

Heard and saw given to Shirley on 7/9/94:

I saw piles of corn still in the husks and heard the Lord say, "The time of harvest has begun."

[4] HARVESTING

Generation X Will be Harvested With Mercy - Dream excerpt given to Dale 3/5/97:

I am in what appears to be a cornfield but instead of stalks of corn there are rows and rows of young people. They are dirty and ragged. I am walking in and among the rows praying and prophesying. I do not remember what I said at first but as I continued to walk among the cornfield of youth, the Spirit of the Lord came upon me and I began crying out, "Mercy triumphs over judgment!" I said this several times and then I noticed a young lady about 18 years old. She had a look of purity about her. Without thought I picked her up and began to run with her over my shoulder crying out, "Mercy triumphs over judgment!"

Possible Interpretation

From Dale: The Lord is getting ready to bring in a great harvest. We have been praying and marching (doing warfare) in among the cornfield of souls now for years. The Lord is sending a Spirit of purity to the church. We are to pick it up and run with it in a spirit of intercession with a heart cry of, "Mercy triumphs over judgment!"

*"For judgment will be merciless to one who has shown no mercy; mercy triumphs over judgment."
(James 2:13 NKJ)*

*"For the earth bringeth forth fruit of herself: first the blade, then the ear, after that the full corn in the ear. But when the fruit is brought forth, immediately he putteth in the sickle, because the harvest is come."
(Mark 4:28)*

[5] HUSKING - PEELING AWAY

Husking Makes the Full Grown Corn Manifest - Given to Sandy Warner on 6/6/95:

As I was fixing dinner I heard the Lord say, "long-legged." I thought that was a strange Word and questioned Him about it. Then He opened my eyes to what I was doing. I was husking corn. Long-legged is a riddle for the word, "Shibboleth" which is a Hebrew word meaning the growing forth, as in ears of grain. The removal of one's husk is the process of uncovering, revealing or making the fruit manifest. For notes on Shibboleth see above Word study.

[6] TESTED & DRIED

Ears of Corn Dried For Future Use

Excerpts given to Grandma Anna on 7/28/94: I heard the Lord say, "Ears coming. Big ones. Elephant ears. Just a little longer. Dry as a bone. Tested and tried. Occupied. Corn chips. Shibboleth. Dried and edible. Ground to powder. You will see. Prayers answered."

[7] SACRIFICING

Death to Self of First Fruit - Given to Grandma Anna on 7/15/93:

I heard the Lord say, "You are of My green ears of corn, dried by the fire, even corn beaten out of full ears."

"And if thou offer a meat offering of thy firstfruits unto the Lord, thou shalt offer for the meat offering of thy firstfruits green ears of corn dried by the fire, even corn beaten out of full ears." (Lev 2:14)

[8] SACRIFICES MADE MANIFEST

Corn Cobs Manifest & Sent - Vision given to Sandy Warner on 3/13/85:

I was playing "The Battle Hymn of the Republic" on the piano. The music was heard in the throne room and not on earth. (Inter-cession) Suddenly ears of corn fell from heaven. I saw them plunge into the ground like spears, head first. As I gazed at the corn, I saw a turtledove inside each ear. They appeared lifeless and immobile. Just as I was wondering if they were dead, the husks peeled away and out of each ear popped a turtledove. It was as though they had waited until the right time to come forth. When they came forth, each popped out in their own timing, however they all came forth in the same season. I heard the Lord say to me the Word, "Shibboleth." Then He referred me to Song of Solomon, 2:12 "The flowers appear on the earth; the time of the singing of birds is come, and the voice of the turtle (dove) is heard in the land."

Possible Interpretation from Sandy:

Turtledoves represent sacrifice in the Old Testament. Shibboleth is a riddle for those sons who have come to full maturity and are then offered as sacrifices for the Kingdom of God. Their lives will bear multiplied fruit. The peeling away of the husks is the manifestation of His sons as they go forth upon the earth. "Verily, verily, I say unto you, Except a corn of wheat fall into the ground and die, it abideth alone: but if it die, it bringeth forth much fruit." (John 12: 24) "For the earnest expectation of the creature waiteth for the manifestation of the sons of God." (Rom 8:19)

SONG:

BATTLE HYMN OF THE REPUBLIC:

(Julia W. Howe, 1819-1910

(American melody att. To William Steffe, 1952-)

"Mine eyes have seen the glory
of the coming of the Lord;
He is tramping out the vintage
where the grapes of wrath are stored;
He hath loosed the fateful lightning
of His terrible swift sword;
His truth is marching on.
I have seen Him in the watch-fires
of a hundred circling camps;
They have builded Him an altar
in the evening dews and damps;
I can read His righteous sentence
by the dim and flaring lamps;
His day is marching on,
I have read a fiery gospel,
writ in burnish rows of steel;
As ye deal with My contemners,

so with you My grace shall deal;
Let the Hero, born of woman,
crush the serpent with his heel;
Since God is marching on.
He has sounded forth the trumpet
that shall never sound retreat;
He is sifting out the hearts of men
before His judgment seat.
Be swift, my soul, to answer Him!
be jubilant, my feet!
Our God is marching on.
In the beauty of the lilies
Christ was born across the sea,
With a glory in His bosom
that transfigures you and me;
As He died to make men holy,
let us live to make men free;
While God is marching on.
Glory! Glory hallelujah
Glory, glory, hallelujah!
Glory, glory, hallelujah!
His truth is marching on."

[9] MULTIPLIED

Dried Ears Will be Reconstituted - Given to Grandma Anna on 9/2/94:

I heard the Lord say, "Green ears of corn dried by the fire. I will reconstitute. No man knows the hour or the day save the Father."

"Repent ye therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, when the times of refreshing shall come from the presence of the Lord; And he shall send Jesus Christ, which before was preached unto you: Whom the heaven must receive until the times of restitution [605] of all things, which God hath spoken by the mouth of all his holy prophets since the world began." (Acts 3:19-21)

Word study on reconstitute

RECONSTITUTION: To restore

605 apokatastasis {ap-ok-at-as'-tas-is} α from 600; TDNT - 1:389,65; n f

α AV - restitution 1; 1 α 1) restoration 1a) of a true theocracy 1b) of the perfect state before the fall
600 apokathistemi {ap-ok-ath-is'-tay-mee} from 575 and 2525; TDNT - 1:387,65; υ AV - restore 7, restore again 1; 8 1) to restore to its former state 2) to be in its former state

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[10] MULTIPLIED

One Dried Corn Seed Becomes a Thousand - Given to Grandma Anna on 8/17/93:

I heard the Lord say, "Where did they go? Ask them. Shibboleth. Very dry. Waited a long time. Were reconstituted. Watch out!" Then I saw ears of corn. Each little kernel had wings. Then He said, "A little one becomes a thousand. Right in front of your eyes."

[11] MULTIPLIED

Shibboleth Popped Corn - Excerpt given to Grandma Anna on 1/11/89:

I heard the Lord say, "A branch grows up out of its place. Shibboleth. Air popped corn."

[12] MULTIPLIED

Popped Popcorn Vision given to Sandy Warner on 5/1/94

I saw popped popcorn. This is His Word for those of Shibboleth, that were set to dry by the fire, then heated with the oil of the Holy Spirit.

Our Church Blooms Popcorn

Dream given to Barbara in May 1997: We were at church on a work day. The women were working inside the church and doing a little remodeling or changing some things in the church. Outside, the men were building a wall that seemed to be a wall for protection. It was not yet completed and I had the impression that it might eventually end up going clear down the driveway to the street. The wall was so high that you couldn't see over it.

Thinking we all needed a break, I said, "We have this big popcorn machine, so lets have popcorn!" The machine was like the big square commercial kind that you see in a theater. I poured in some oil, and I asked Ladean if that was enough and she said, "Just a little more." I said, "I'll pour in the popcorn. There, do you think that is enough?" She said, "Maybe just a little bit more." I said, "We don't want to get too much," but I poured in a little bit more.

It began to pop and went crazy. It wasn't popping like normal popcorn. It began to fly out a hole about two inches wide and twelve inches long at the top of the machine. I said, "Oh my goodness! Lets put tape across it to keep it from coming out all over the floor." We tried to put duct tape over the hole, saying, "This isn't going to work." The tape wouldn't hold and the popcorn just kept flying out. "We might just as well let it go! Oh my, look at this popcorn, it is going everywhere!" The machine kept producing popcorn clear up to the ceiling of the church! It formed three huge mounds.

Looking at the popcorn I thought to the Lord, "What have we done?" What are we going to do with all this popcorn?" About that time Nick came in. I said, "Look at all this popcorn! What are we going to do with it?" He looked at me with that kind of grin he gets and said, "I know what I'm going to do with it. I'm going to finish this wall with it." I said, "It won't work. It won't stay together." He said, "I'm going to just pile it up there." But I said, "It won't stay there!"

He reached down and got as much as he could carry in his arms, carrying it over to the wall. He pounded and pressed it together, but I said, "That won't stay together." I was thinking to myself this is crazy it isn't going to work! About the second time he carried a load, I saw mortar begin to flow supernaturally through the popcorn in the wall and the popcorn turned to stone, the same kind of stones used in the present church building. After he had picked up his third load of popcorn and turned towards the wall, the popcorn in his arms then turned into the same stone that was already in the wall.

The rest of us said, "Let's help do this!" And as we picked up the popcorn and turned and started towards the wall, the popcorn would turn to stone in each one of our arms. Several picked up the popcorn to help Nick finish the wall and get rid of the popcorn. When I awoke I saw a vision of mountains of popcorn and I wondered what in the world it could all mean?

Possible Interpretation from Sandy:

This dream so delights me. Barbara knew nothing of the corn/popcorn rhema when she had this dream. I believe the Lord is saying that our church contains people who have completely yielded to Him, gone through the death to self process and learned to wait upon Him to build His kingdom, and not their own.

He's honoring this and is beginning to join those people. Together united in His Spirit, they will form a strong wall, a hedge of protection for all those who would dwell within the arms of our church.

[14] MULTIPLIED

Corn Popped Through the Holy Spirit - Given to Shirley on 7/29/93:

I heard the Lord say, "To each his own. I join. I unite. Not your choice. All things decided by Me. Unlikely partners. Don't plan ahead. Spirit leading; you follow. Oh day of victory. Fail safe. Perfect batch. Like popcorn, right temp. No burning. Air popped. Spirit breath."

[15] ENDUED

Endued With A Popcorn Mantle - Dream given to Rose Crownover on 12/3/97:

In this dream I was in a church building that was our church (although it was not the same facility that we have now). Lewis and I were in a meeting in which Jill Austin was ministering. She asked if she could use me as a type of what the Lord was going to do to many people. She threw over my shoulders a rectangular cloth (it was like a gray flannel or wool fabric). Then she dumped a large bucket of a gooey golden colored substance on me that was like a combination of honey and oil. Then she took a bucket of white popcorn and threw it on me over the honey/oil mixture.

Next I was cutting a bolt of the cloth (like what had been thrown over my shoulders) into rectangular strips to be used for others. I asked Jill if I was doing it right. She answered, "Well that's fine, but what I really miss are the big square pieces." I understood that it would be better for me to cut the pieces twice the size than I was making them.

Possible Interpretation from Rose:

As I was pondering this dream I began to laugh at the combination of items that had been dumped on me. "It sounds like a recipe for caramel corn to me," I said to the Lord. Then I realized a play on words with the word caramel. I had been reading some books about the Carmelites. In about 1209 the men living on Mount Carmel adopted a rule emphasizing solitude, penance and prayer. I had a Word recently about God calling me to this lifestyle of the inward man. The World Book Dictionary says a definition for Carmelite is a fine woolen material, usually gray or light brown, which fits the description of the cloth thrown on my shoulders. Caramel literally means cane-honey.

Additional Comments from Sandy:

I see this dream depicting those who are called to carry the mantle of intercession upon their shoulders. The fact that the mantles need to be larger represents the fact that the intercession is much larger than what appears in the natural. We say people, He says "Nations."

[16] ANOINTED

Corn Revealed, Then Anointed - Given to Sandy Warner on 9/23/94:

I heard the Lord say, "He will butter my banners." Then I saw a vision of husked corn on the cob. This denotes that after the revealing of the mature corn, comes the Holy Spirit anointing. The word banners comes from a Hebrew word meaning a sign. (See notes on page 5.) Therefore those whom the Lord anoints as His banners will be His signs pointing the way. I believe that part of the church's intercession is assuring in this season through worship and dance. A further parable of this is seen through beautiful banners on church walls and in the people using banners and other items to worship.

Word study on Banner

(Num 21:8-9, Psa 60:4, Isa 5:26, Isa 18:3, etc)

BANNER: An ensign lifted up

HEBREW: 05251 nec {nace}

α from 05264; TWOT - 1379a; n m α AV - standard 7, ensign 6, pole 2, banner 2, sail 2, sign 1; 20 α 1) something lifted up, standard, signal, signal pole, ensign, banner, sign, sail 1a) standard (as rallying point), signal 1b) standard (pole) 1c) ensign, signal

(Hermeneutika - Bible Works for Windows)

[17] SALTED

Salt Flavors and Preserves Popcorn - Dream given to Sandy Warner on 12/14/95:

I was typesetting a coupon. Spread across the top was a banner of popcorn salt shakers pouring out over the coupon. There were women dressed in battle fatigues doing different things among the salt shakers.

"For every one shall be salted with fire, and every sacrifice shall be salted with salt. (Mark 9:49)

Possible Interpretation from Sandy: To me, this verse is like a promise to those who die to their will and become a sacrifice. They will be salted with salt. The sacrifice and the salt go together as a package deal. Salt is a natural by-product of sacrifice. It is also produced by spending time with Him and having an intimate relationship.

Salt is like an advertisement that draws people to Jesus. We give flavor to the world through sharing the testimony of what we see and hear God doing in our own lives and those around us. We preserve the world by overcoming the enemy and pushing back darkness.

[18] SERVED

Double Portion Corn Ready to Serve - Given to Sandy Warner on 6/18/95:

I heard the Lord say, "Watch it all come to pass. Eye witness." Then I saw two ears of ready to eat corn, stacked one on top of another on a plate. This speaks of a promise that we shall be eye witnesses to a last day's double portion anointing on those who have come to maturity.

