

OPEN LETTER TO THE INDEPENDENT BELIEVERS

To my brothers and sisters, to all of you who, like me, believe in the Book of Revelation opened by Jesus, I address these few enlightening topics:

Message from the Lord (12.01.2006) to those who refuse to believe Isaiah's messianic prophecies which apply perfectly to Jesus:

“Go hang yourselves at Isaiah 7-8-9 like Judah!”

Lets carefully read chapters 7, 8, 9, of Isaiah the prophet as well as 2Kings 16 in order to understand this prophetic intervention by putting it into its historical context.

Isaiah was a high-ranking royal civil servant. He enormously influenced the events during his time. He was born around 765 A.D. In 740, at the age of 25, he had a vision in which God entrusted him with the difficult and courageous mission of announcing the ruin of Israel, followed later by the ruin of Judah, as a punishment for the many infidelities done by the Jews.

To understand this prophecy, one should be familiar with the historical context in which it was proclaimed. In chapter 16 of 2Kings, there is a reference to the king Ahaz to whom Isaiah addresses himself. In that time, Pekah (said “son of Remaliah” in Isaiah 7, 9) was king of Israel and Razon was king of Syria (Aram: Is 7, 1). The king of Assyria (Teglat Phalassar, called “Pul”: 2Kings 15, 19) was threatening the whole region. Razon and Pekah wanted to drag Ahaz with them against Assyria, but he refused. He offered his only son, the throne's heir, as a sacrifice to the idols (2Kings 16, 3) to evade ill fortune. Thus, there were no more heirs and the dynasty's succession was threatened.

Ahaz, who became king of Jerusalem at the age of 20, was just a kid afraid of being invaded by the North, by Israel and Syria. His faith in God was feeble and ignorant; he hurried to offer his son in sacrifice to the pagan gods to gain their help. The same as if one of us would offer his son in holocaust.

Ahaz, barely out of adolescence, was profoundly troubled by the threat of the North. He hoped for another son who would replace the first one and thus succeed him to the throne. So God addressed Isaiah with “Immanuel's” prophecy (Is 7,14), a name meaning “God-with-us”, followed by Is 9,5, giving **divine names** to this child: Mighty-God, Eternal-Father.

Ahaz and his people understood these prophecies at the socio-political level of their time, but God intended a spiritual and UNIVERSAL level accomplished more than seven centuries later by Jesus, the true Immanuel (Mt 1,28), God Himself, the “Eternal Father” among us (Jn 14,8-10 / 8,57).

Isaiah was sent by God to reassure king Ahaz that the 2 kings of the North, “Pekah” of Israel, and “Razon” of Syria, these “two smoldering sticks of firewood” could do nothing against him and that on the contrary, it is Ephraim, the kingdom of the North, which “will cease to be a people” (Is 7, 3-9).

Nevertheless, Ahaz doubted about Isaiah's prophecy and turned to the Assyrian king and submitted to him saying: "I am your servant...come and rescue me...etc." (2King 16, 7-10 etc.) . Ahaz asked Isaiah for a divine sign, he wanted another son who will reign after him. Here comes the prophecy of Immanuel (the Christ), the only Son worthy of being King, the Immanuel (Is 7, 10-15), a word meaning "God-with-us". But before that, there will be the destruction of the North (Israel) by Assyria (Is 7, 18-25) followed, about a century and a half later, by the South (Judea) because of the paganism of the king and his subjects.

Isaiah was persecuted because of his pessimistic prophecy; he withdrew from public life asking his disciples not to speak about them : "Bind up this testimony, seal the instruction in the heart of my disciples..." he said (Is 8, 16-23). This is also what I am asking you to do, my **dear** beloved brothers and sisters. Right now, in the "desert" where we are parked, I "bind up and seal" in your hearts this testimony of the Revelation of John, waiting for God's hour.

The kingdom of the North, where Galilee is found, was given to the tribes of "Zebulun and Naphtali" (Jos 19, 10-16 / 32-39). It had been invaded by the king of Assyria in 721 B.C (2Kings 16, 5-6 / 18, 9-11). This was a time of despair and darkness for the Galileans of that time. Regarding this matter, God announced to Isaiah that "As the past humbled the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali (through the Assyrian invasion) so the future will glorify the Way of the Sea, beyond the Jordan, the territory of the nations (Galilee)" (Is 8,23). So, this same country, Galilee "humbled" by God at the time of the Assyrian invasion, will be glorified by Him. For these Galileans of the north of Israel, "the people that walked in darkness (due to occupation and exile) have seen a **great light** (the light of the Messiah, Jesus, who lived and worked in Galilee centuries later); on the inhabitants of a country in shadow dark as death, light has blazed forth (the light of the Messiah who lived in Nazareth: Is 9, 1). For a son has been born to us (Jesus)...This is the name he has been given : Mighty-God, Eternal-Father...The jealous love of Yahweh Sabaoth will do this (Is 9,5-6)".

The infinite love of our tender Father, the Mighty-God, did not do this with destructive weapons of mankind, but with the saving weapon of the Cross. May those who do not understand this language **go and hang themselves like Judah**. Amen.

During Jesus' time, the Pharisees and the high priests corrected Nicodemus who took Jesus' defense: "Are you a Galilean too? Go into the matter, and see for yourself: prophets do not rise in Galilee." (Jn 7, 50-52)

Had these ignorant fanatics "studied the prophecies and gone into the matter for themselves", they would have discovered in the prophecies of Isaiah that the Prophet of all prophets, the divine Messiah, indeed emerged in Galilee, this land of Zebulun and of Naphtali once humbled by Assyria, but from which emerged the Messiah, the Light of the world (Is 8,23 / 9,6).

What is left to these high priests and Pharisees and their successors of yesterday and today, who still reject Jesus as the Messiah, is to “go and hang themselves like Judah”.

I complete the subject on Isaiah’s prophecies with this scream from the heart of this big prophet who is still misunderstood today and unknown after so many centuries.

He had spoken of this “Immanuel” (Is 7) of whom the name, among others, will be “Mighty-God” and “Eternal-Father” (Is 9, 5). Who can have such names but God Himself?!

This noble prophet, inspired by the divine Spirit, outpoured from his heart, a moving scream, a word of fire, a call for help, inviting God to come down Himself to earth and thus incarnate himself: “Oh, that you would tear the heavens open and **come down**...to make your name known to your foes...We have all been like unclean things...Yahveh, can you restrain yourself at all this? Will you stay silent and afflict us beyond endurance?”(Is 63, 19 / 64, 11).

Our divine Father did not “restrain himself at all this”. He answered through Jesus:
- “**I have come down from heaven**, not to do my own will, but to do the will of Him who sent me...” (Jn 6, 38).
- “No one has gone up to Heaven except **the One who came down from Heaven**, the Son of man (Jesus)” (John 3, 13).
- “Anyone who has seen me has seen **the Father**”...come down from heaven through and in Jesus: “I am in the Father and **the Father is in me**” (John 14, 9-10)

It is through Jesus, the Christ, denied by the infidels and betrayed nowadays by the pseudo- Christians, that God answered Isaiah’s desperate cry.

This prayer of Isaiah **continues to be answered today** and till the end of this earth by the Bread which **comes down from Heaven**:
“The bread of God is the bread which **comes down from Heaven** and gives life to the world” (John 6, 33).

Isaiah’s prayer is still valid nowadays. Still today, we need God to “tear the heavens open and come down again” and enlighten us. He did it, still through Christ on May 13th 1970, by opening the Book of Revelation at chapter 13th. He will do it again, still through Christ: - “At the signal given by the voice of the Archangel and the (apocalyptic) trumpet of God, the Lord Himself will **come down from heaven**...” (1Th 4, 16)- “...the Lord Jesus appears from heaven with the (apocalyptic messengers) angels of his power...” (2Th 1, 7) - “Christ will manifest himself a second time (outside his physical body) to those who are waiting for him, to bring them salvation” (Hb 9, 28 / 2Tm 4, 8).

Jesus is already here at the door...

The conclusion of Isaiah's agonizing scream, this scream which torn the Heavens in the past to bring down God our Father in Jesus, this conclusion must be our scream, a scream as agonizing as in the past, as urgent and even more so: "Amen! Oh come Jesus!"

Not just "Come Jesus", but "**Oh!** Come Jesus!" The whole nuance is in this fervent "Amen! Oh come!" This cry comes from a burning, loving and impatient heart who suffers from waiting and from the fervent desire to welcome Him. There is no place for the lukewarm half-hearted. "Amen! Oh come! O Lord Jesus! Amen" (Rev 22, 20)

Isaiah would have been one of us today or we would have been his disciples yesterday. He expressed this ardent waiting "Ah! If you... came down...!" And we answer: "**Oh!** Yes come".

"Let all who are **thirsty** come, all who **want it** may have the water of life, and have it free" already in the Bread of Life (Rev 22, 17). This Bread prepares us to the face to face meeting with the Bridegroom of our souls. Our predecessors already screamed: "Maranatha" (Come Lord: 1Co 16, 22).

Jesus said to the Jews who resisted him: "...you **shall not see me** any more until you say: Blessed is He who is coming in the name of the Lord" (Mt 23, 39) because these people rejected him and "could not see him". When one does not love someone, one says: "I cannot see him!" So if we love Jesus that means that we want to see him and already can see him...or at least have a glimpse of him until we fully can see him. All together we are begging Him, insistently, to tear down the veil from our eyes which is preventing us from seeing Him. Ah! May he tear it down and come. May we see Him! Because "He will manifest himself **a second time** (once more), **to those who are waiting for him**, to bring them salvation." (Hb 9, 28).

With love we are waiting for Him to appear within us (2Tm 4, 8). But have we not already welcomed Him without really realizing it...

Further to the theme about Is 63, this fervent scream of Isaiah: "Ah! That you would tear the heavens open and come down...", the only God All-Mighty, cried out to mankind even more fervently: I have answered Isaiah's prayer! I came down!! Ah! Ah! That now, also **you, man**, would tear down the darkness within you and if **you would yourself climb up here** to see what was to take place in the future, what is **actually** already taking place in front of your eyes! (Rev 4, 1 / Mt 25). You foolish and "asleep virgins"!!!

Lets us give thanks to our Father, to his divine Son the Savior, to his Consoling Spirit, to our sweet Mother Mary, to Joseph, to Michael, to all our brothers and sisters in Heaven who help us to climb. Lets us climb together everyday a little more towards the Height, so that every day we have a better understanding of what's going on on earth for the glory of Heaven and our eternal salvation.

To know if we have answered to the divine invitation of "Climbing" (Rev 4, 1), there is a criteria that also reveals the level of our elevation.

This is represented by the tears of Mary, our sweet Mother, at La Salette.

1 - Have we understood the reasons for her bitter tears?

2 - Have we understood the MANY reasons for her tears?

The more we understand the reasons and the amount of these bitter tears, the more we sympathize and share with Her, the more we are being elevated. And the more we are elevated, the more we pray with Her and with the souls of Rev 6,10. These are the criteria and the actual levels.