

At 11:58 pm, on Saturday, **September 15, 2012**, I dreamed:

I saw a ridge (not a mountain) on the left side of my vision with a long valley or plain running to the right of the ridge. There were trees at the end of the ridge, and the plain was filled with trees as well.

*At first, I was looking at it from a distance, but then, I saw behind the ridge and there was a wave of fire the likes of which I have never seen before. It was like **a huge, violent ocean wave crashing on the shore; only it was a violent wave of fire**. It was no small wave. The closest thing that it could be likened to is a solar flare.*

Then, this wave of fire came out from behind the ridge and proceeded very rapidly down the valley. As it proceeded, I knew it was causing damage. I also knew there were people living in the valley or on the plain and wondered if anyone got out before the wave hit. I sensed they did not. The whole valley was overtaken by this violent wave of fire.

At this point, I was standing on a plateau, an elevated area of land some distance from the valley.

Then, the wave hit the end of the valley and exploded, propelling small black rocks into the air and showering the area upon which I stood. The rocks looked somewhat like lava rocks. In the dream, I could hear the rocks falling to the ground. None of them touched me and I felt in no danger.

This dream goes along with much of what the Lord has been revealing to me this year about the impending judgment of the nations. In particular, this matches closely to the word received on **July 31, 2012: "The fire of My word is coming."** See P#58. The Lord has also directed me to Isaiah 13 (judgment of Babylon) and Isaiah 29 (judgment of Ariel-Jerusalem).

(1) Woe, O Ariel, Ariel the city where David once camped! Add year to year, observe your feasts on schedule. ... (6) From the LORD of hosts you will be punished with thunder and earthquake and loud noise, with whirlwind and tempest and the flame of a consuming fire. (Isaiah 29:1, 6 NASB)

Without doubt, judgment is coming on a scale that the world has never seen before, but the question is: What will it look like?

Scripture contains many examples of God's judgment being likened to fire. After all, our God is a consuming fire, and His word is likened to fire that destroys carnal flesh, even dividing spirit and soul.

For the LORD will execute judgment by fire and by His sword on all flesh, and those slain by the LORD will be many. (Isaiah 66:16 NASB)

'I will make My arrows drunk with blood, and My sword will devour flesh, with the blood of the slain and the captives, from the long-haired leaders of the enemy.' (Deuteronomy 32:42 NASB)

But with righteousness He will judge the poor, and decide with fairness for the afflicted of the earth; and He will strike the earth with the rod of His mouth, and with the breath of His lips He will slay the wicked. (Isaiah 11:4 NASB)

For the word of God is living and active and sharper than any two-edged sword, and piercing as far as the division of soul and spirit, of both joints and marrow, and able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. (Hebrews 4:12 NASB)

"Is not My word like fire?" declares the LORD, "and like a hammer which shatters a rock?" (Jeremiah 23:29 NASB)

"Seek the LORD that you may live, or He will break forth like a fire, O house of Joseph, and it will consume with none to quench it for Bethel..." (Amos 5:6 NASB)

God judges by His word, which is likened to fire that consumes, as well as a hammer that shatters or breaks rock. See P#25-1, **"I Have Lifted Up a Hammer."**

Interestingly, the dream contained both fire and rocks. The fire destroyed the trees in the valley, and its strength shattered rocks in the process. Jeremiah gives a similar word in reference to judgment of Jerusalem.

(10) "For I have set My face against this city for harm and not for good," declares the LORD. "It will be given into the hand of the king of Babylon and he will burn it with fire." (11) "Then say to the household of the king of Judah, 'Hear the word of the LORD, (12) O house of David, thus says the LORD: "Administer justice every morning; and deliver the person who has been robbed from the power of his oppressor, that My wrath may not go forth like fire and burn with none to extinguish it, because of the evil of their deeds. (13) "Behold, I am against you, O valley dweller, O rocky plain," declares the LORD, "You men who say, 'Who will come down against us? Or who will enter into our habitations?' (14) "But I will punish you according to the results of your deeds," declares the LORD, "And I will kindle a fire in its forest that it may devour all its environs."'" (Jeremiah 21:10-14 NASB)

Notice that the fire devours all the environs of the forest. In the dream, the trees and the rocks were part of the environ that stood before me.

I am reminded of Daniel's vision of a river of fire flowing from the throne of God; a scene of judgment.

"A river of fire was flowing and coming out from before Him; thousands upon thousands were attending Him, and myriads upon myriads were standing before Him; the court sat, and the books were opened. (Daniel 7:10 NASB)

But, there is another aspect of the dream that must be highlighted and that is the trees. In Scripture, trees signify nations. The trees were on a plain or a valley. In ancient days, many battles were fought between nations or kingdoms on plains or in valleys. ***Judgment has also come upon the plain*** (Jeremiah 48:21). ***Multitudes, multitudes in the valley of decision! For the day of the LORD is near in the valley of decision.*** (Joel 3:14)

In reference to the end of the age and the coming of the Kingdom of God, Jesus gave a parable about the trees.

(29) Then He told them a parable: "Behold the fig tree and all the trees; (30) as soon as they put forth leaves, you see it and know for yourselves that summer is now near. (31) "So you also, when you see these things happening, recognize that the kingdom of God is near. (Luke 21:29-31 NASB)

The fig tree represents the tree or nation of Judah that Jesus cursed so that it will never produce fruit.

Seeing a lone fig tree by the road, He came to it and found nothing on it except leaves only; and He said to it, "No longer shall there ever be any fruit from you." And at once the fig tree withered. (Matthew 21:19 NASB)

Being reminded, Peter said to Him, "Rabbi, look, the fig tree which You cursed has withered." (Mark 11:21 NASB)

Many people rightfully conclude that the revived state of Israel is this tree, but they wrongly assume that it will produce fruit. According to Jesus, the revived tree is an indication or sign of the time of the end. Having leaves means that it is growing once again; however, Jesus never said that the cursed tree would ever bear fruit again. It is a barren or fruitless nation in our day. Why? Because it continues to reject God's Son; they are enemies of the cross!

But, the dream had many trees in it, not just one.

Judah disappeared as a nation following Calvary and the destruction of Jerusalem in 70 AD; all in fulfillment of the prophetic word. The national birthright name of *Israel* had already been lost as the ten tribes of Israel had already been dispersed (Diaspora) and scattered among the nations. Prophetically speaking, Israel's true identity continues to be lost, hidden in the field of the world.

However, on May 15, 1948, the modern state called *Israel* was established in Palestine, and on May 19, 1949, Israel joined the United Nations (UN) as a full member. Following Israel's national appearance, many nations (all the trees) came forth. During the next three decades, the UN saw its membership grow by 92 nations. In the same decade that Israel captured

Jerusalem (1967), the world saw the greatest increase of nations (42) since the inception of the UN in 1945. Over two-thirds of the current UN membership came about after Israel joined the UN in fulfillment of the Lord's prophetic word: **"Behold the fig tree and all the trees."**

By the way, the fig tree is Judah not Israel. See Jeremiah 24.

Clearly, Jesus was stating that when we see a great number of nations coming into being and united together (even if it is a tenuous unity), look up for the King is coming. We are living in this day.

Now, back to the dream, how are we to interpret it?

God's word will soon go forth to judge the fruitless nations of the world, the nations that are not bearing the fruit of the Kingdom. Like the modern-day Israel, they are rejecters of Christ and enemies of the cross.

The valley through which the wave of fire traveled signifies the valley of decision. Will the nations heed the eonian evangel?

He said with a loud voice, "Fear God, and give Him glory, because the hour of His judgment has come; worship Him who made the heaven and the earth and sea and springs of waters." (Revelation 14:7 NASB)

Judgment is coming upon the nations of the world. The question that remains is: What will this judgment look like? Clearly, it will deal with the flesh of man, and it will be according to the all-consuming fire of God's word. We need to be reminded that Jesus is the Word of God and from His mouth comes a sharp sword, so that with it He may strike down the nations (Revelation 19:15).

(7) The voice of the LORD hews out flames of fire. (8) The voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness; the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh. (9) The voice of the LORD makes the deer to calve and strips the forests bare; and in His temple everything says, "Glory!" (Psalm 29:7-9 NASB)

(1) The LORD reigns, let the earth rejoice; Let the many islands be glad. (2) Clouds and thick darkness surround Him; righteousness and justice are the foundation of His throne. (3) Fire goes before Him and burns up His adversaries round about. (Psalm 97:1-3 NASB)

Based on much of what I have heard and seen, it appears that war is imminent. No carnal flesh will be spared because the Lord must clear out the tares before the end of the age (Matthew 13:40).

This is truly good news!

"Fear God, and give Him glory, because the hour of His judgment has come; worship Him who made the heaven and the earth and sea and springs of waters." (Revelation 14:7 NASB)