

Sunday 01-05-23

REVELATION 2:1-6

MATTHEW 24:12

## **"Return To Your First Love" (Pt.7)**

CAB The Laodicean Church Age

The city was rich, endowed by the wealthy. It was full of culture. Science abounded. How like today. The churches are rich. The worship is beautiful and formal, but cold and dead. Culture and education have taken the place of the Spirit-given Word, and faith has been superseded by science, so that man is a victim of materialism.

65-1031M - "Power Of Transformation"

And from out of this chaos of this modern scientific Eden that we're living in, of culture and science and education, all this modern stuff, we'll rise!

MATTHEW 24:12

And because iniquity shall abound;

64-0125 TURN.ON.THE.LIGHT

The grain should mature with the light. But the thing is, today, the church grain don't want to mature. It wants to stay like it was back... But this is another hour. This is another day. This is the advancement of the Gospel; It's coming to its maturity.

65-0218 THE.SEED.IS.NOT.HEIR.WITH.THE.SHUCK

Many of them look like Christians, try to act like Christians; **but you've got to have Christ on the inside of you,** which is the Word made manifest, **or it'll never mature into a real Bible-believing Christian.**

363-1 † LAODICEAN.CHURCH.AGE - CHURCH.AGE.BOOK CPT.9

**The Bride Church will mature...**

REVELATION 2:4

Nevertheless I have somewhat against thee, **because thou hast left thy first love.**

368-1 † A.RESUME.OF.THE.AGES - CHURCH.AGE.BOOK CPT.10

The **true church** had lost its first love. **That love was typified as the love of bride and groom at their marriage and early years of wedded life.** There was a **cooling of that complete love and abandonment to God.**

53-0613 GOD'S.PROVIDED.WAY

The church murmuring and grumbling, **complaining against Moses, complaining against God, and God cut off the water supply.**

63-0623E THE.FLASHING.RED.LIGHT.OF.THE.SIGN.OF.HIS.COMING

**O God, ... Give me grace to never complain.**

63-0728 CHRIST.IS.THE.MYSTERY.OF.GOD.REVEALED

**Don't stay home. If God is in your heart, you can't hardly wait for them doors to open out yonder,** to get

62-0119 AN.ENSIGN

They just had a plain little old building where **they set on slab of rocks.** They raised up their hands after some godly man gave a message. And they raised up their hands and praised God. **They loved that aftereffects of the Holy Spirit bathing through them.**

55-1119 REDEEMER.REDEMPTION

**That first love is in your heart. Never let it get cold.** Just keep loving Him.

II TIMOTHY 1:6

Wherefore **I put thee in remembrance that thou stir up the gift of God,** which is in thee by the putting on of my hands.

II TIMOTHY 1:7

For **God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power,** and of love, and of a sound mind.

II TIMOTHY 1:8

**Be not thou therefore ashamed of the testimony of our Lord,** nor of me his prisoner: but be thou partaker of the afflictions of the gospel according to the power of God;

64-0216 IDENTIFICATION

**If you don't have a church,** you must; see, **you'll die, spiritually, you'll just dwindle away.**

65-0119 THE.GOD.WHO.IS.RICH.IN.MERCY

**To be an eagle of God, you've got to follow the Word, day by day. You've got to continue, feed upon the Word.**

PROVERBS 26:20

Where **no wood is**, there **the fire goeth out**:

57-0807 HEAR.YE.HIM

That's why **in the churches it's getting cold and cooling off**, is because **we've been indifferent towards God...**

60-1211E THE.LAODICEAN.CHURCH.AGE

**He wants you red-hot or freezing, one or the other. Don't be lukewarm!** Just don't pretend something that you haven't got, either **be on fire for God or go on back...**  
**Don't be lukewarm!**

58-1228 WHY.LITTLE.BETHLEHEM

O God, **take me back to that place. Take me back to my first love.**

58-0618 - "Handwriting On The Wall"

Would you stand to your feet just a minute? O God, be merciful. **Run people, hurry, hurry, hurry; get to Christ as quick as you can. Get away from these modern walls of this formalism. Get into the middle of God's grace, quickly.**

64-0705 - "The Masterpiece"

And She's come through the process of these denominations, which only comes in existence once. **But the Bride returns back again in the last days. "I will**

**restore.**” See, the Masterpiece is brought up. That’s the reason She was in view, reviewed, the second time. She was reviewed the first time, then she was reviewed the second time. And **She was perfectly, the second time, like She was the first time.** O God, have mercy! **Hurry, hurry, hurry, Life, get in the Grain, right quick!** Uh-huh.

If you don’t know Him, **please hurry, hurry.** **If you feel Life, get out of your sin,** get out of the thing **that you’re in.** **Get to the Grain,** right quick. You’ll die in the stalk, or in the husk.

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