

## #1036 The Latter Rain of the Cross, with the Holy Spirit – Introduction: The Sword vs. the Cross

We are progressing from The Whore’s Latter Rain to The Latter Rain of the Cross, with the Holy Spirit. The two subjects are entirely related.

We have seen that the two events of the April 9, 1906, Latter Rain Pentecostal movement and the April 6, 1917, U.S. Locust Army entry into World War I represent *a counterfeit* double of Joel’s Latter Rain. Instead, we have seen that the Lord *does* decree *a true* Latter Rain, but it is a Latter Rain of the *Cross*. In short, the April 9, 1906, Latter Rain Pentecostal movement represents what can be called ‘**the Latter Rain of the Holy Spirit, without the Cross**’ (which is *no Latter Rain*), while the Lord has decreed what He wants called ‘**the Latter Rain of the Cross, with the Holy Spirit**.’

**Key Understanding: *The true latter rain.* Thus, we came upon a key question, and answered it. The key question became, is it (a) the Holy Spirit gift to the believer of “speaking in tongues” that constitutes a Latter Rain, or is it (b) the believer being led by the Holy Spirit in *cross*-carrying that constitutes a Latter Rain?**

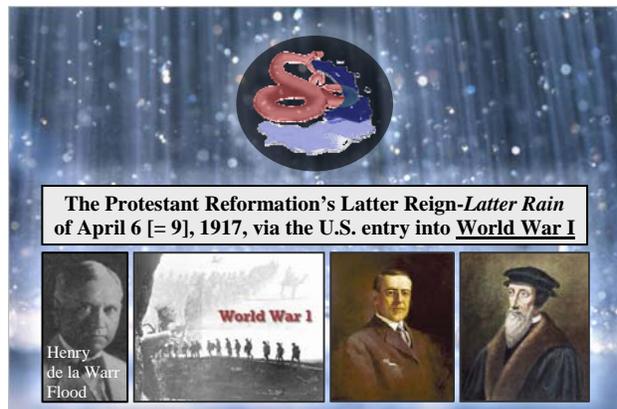
How would the Apostle Paul, who wrote to the “speaking in tongues” and “you have reigned as kings without us” church of Corinth, have answered that question? And how would the Apostle Peter have answered that question, who through his denials of the Lord saw that his carrying of the *sword* was a reflection of the condition of his own heart not desiring to carry his *cross*?

**The Sword and the Whore’s Latter Rain.** The Whore’s Latter Rain surrounds the *sword*, and includes the spirit of the Church reigning for Jesus Christ as kings over the kingdoms of the world, during this age. It includes the doctrine of “One Nation Under God.” While the April 9, 1906, Latter Rain Pentecostal movement does not initially seem directly connected to the *sword*, it essentially becomes entirely entwined with the *sword* through its lack of deliverance from patriotism, and because its “Kingdom Now” doctrines eventually necessitate Making the World Safe for Democracy with the *sword*.



*1 Corinthians 4:8 (NIV) Already you have all you want! Already you have become rich! **YOU HAVE BECOME KINGS—AND THAT WITHOUT US!** How I wish that you really had become kings so that we might be kings with you!*

*Revelation 17:18 (KJV) And **THE** [Scarlet] **WOMAN** which thou sawest **IS THAT GREAT CITY** [Babylon the Great], **WHICH REIGNETH OVER THE KINGS OF THE EARTH** [by Making the World Safe for Democracy].*



**The Cross and the ‘Latter Rain of the Cross.’** The *Latter Rain of the Cross* means that the believer being led by the Holy Spirit in *cross-carrying* and the accompanying dwelling in the Lord’s heavenly kingdom that is not of this world represents *the washing of the woman by the water of the Word*, not the April 6, 1917, washing of the Woman with the *sword* and the John Calvin church/state.

***Ephesians 5:22-27, 32 (KJV) Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as unto the Lord.***

***23 For the husband is the head of the wife, even as Christ is the head of the church: and he is the saviour of the body.***

***24 Therefore as the church is subject unto Christ, so let the wives be to their own husbands in every thing.***

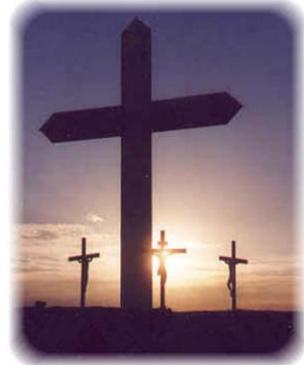
***25 Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it;***

***26 That he might sanctify and***

***cleanse it with THE WASHING OF WATER BY THE WORD.***

***27 That he might present it to himself a glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish.***

***32 This is a great mystery: but I speak concerning CHRIST [represented by the man, the husband] AND THE CHURCH [represented by the woman, the wife].***



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