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Week 18: Spring Mission Feeding
James and Betty Robison
Jonathan Cahn

JAMES: I think this is one of the most important days of my life. I'm James Robison. Betty and I welcome you to *Life Today*. Jonathan Cahn is here; he wrote the *Harbinger*. Now listen to me, *The Return of the Gods*, it's not like these idols, and these gods haven't been around. But they've not been in force like they've gotten in force in the last decades, and much of the focus here, right here in our own homeland. This is the most amazing book. Betty, you read the summary of every chapter; you started at 5:00 this morning.

BETTY: We're anxious to get into the book.

JAMES: You know, when I got up this morning, I have never seen you more captivated by knowing you were hearing from God, God's truth. Do you believe this is a must-read for everybody?

BETTY: It really is, James. If you want to know and see the exposure of what evil is taking place in our world now and in our country specifically, I believe you have to get this book and read it. It exposes the deceitfulness of the enemy. James, they're very blunt now. They're not hiding anymore. They're proud, and they're being used—using people that—

JAMES: They have become dominant.

BETTY: They really have!

JAMES: They're not like a sinister hidden force. They are a ruling power that is taking

over, dominating, dividing, desecrating, diseasing, and destroying. And it is very real. I've said for many years, if you'll remember, about 40 years ago, I had a dramatic change in my life. I was set free from demonic influence, and it shook the church all over the world. You may remember that. But I've been saying now for years; I don't know how many times I've said it. I hope you've heard it; the invisible realm is controlling the visible realm in this world. And there is only one force, please, I've said it over and over, there is only one force and one power, the gates of destruction and deception and dissension and disease cannot prevail against—it is the body of Christ, the church of the living God.

Now see these gods. Jonathan, why did you write this book right now? And one of the interesting things is you finished this book the day the Supreme Court reversed their bad decision. It had very little to do with abortion and a lot to do with it. They made a rotten decision. They reversed it as a bad decision. You finished the book. What's the significance of this book right now?

JONATHAN: Yeah. This one I knew—this is the most explosive book I've written, and I knew I had to do it for now. Because what is happening to America and the west is accelerating, it is touching everything now. I knew there would be consequences, but I had to do this for this moment. We have associate pastors, and one came to me. He had no idea I was working on this book. He said, “I saw you; I saw this vision. I saw you bringing forth the word, and there were all these altars of the gods; and when you brought forth the word the altar broke, the altars broke, and spirits departed.”

So the day that I finished was the day that this altar of abortion, talking about the altar of the gods, broke. I believe that's a sign from the Lord. So I knew I had to do it. Because even people who are not believers are saying: What is happening to America? What is happening?

The Return of the Gods is saying behind all these things there is a spiritual realm. And there is a mystery that goes back to the Bible, goes back to the ancient tablets of

Mesopotamia, it goes back to the gods, and the question is, what if it's possible that these things we know as gods, fiction, mythology, is actually something real to them? The Bible says there is. The Bible says behind the gods are these spirits. And the Old Testament calls them the shedim, entities. The New Testament calls them the diaboloi or demonic.

So behind all these gods were that. So the question is, what happened to all these gods? If we lived back in Bible times, the whole world was filled with these gods. What happened to them? The gospel happened. The gospel came in, drove them out—drove the gods out. But if it drove the gods out, it means it is casting out the spirits. So the west is unique because it is the only civilization that has been exorcised. This is the mass exorcism of history.

But there is a warning that Jesus gave. He said, "If a spirit goes out of a man, looks for a place, and goes back to its house, the man that it came to, finds it empty, finds it clean and swept, it's going to bring back seven more, going to repossess the house, it's going to be worse than before." People think that's just about a man. He says, "So it will be with this generation."

So the ultimate warning is any culture that—like take America, any culture, the west, that has been delivered by God, by the gospel, if it ever turns away from God, if it ever starts emptying itself of God, it's not going to stay empty. The spirits that were cast out are coming back to it. And they're going to come back to repossess it.

JAMES: Seven times worse.

JONATHAN: Seven times worse. Yeah.

JAMES: If he goes out of a body, a person, and the house is not occupied, the only thing that can occupy the house to keep the evil out is the Holy Spirit.

JONATHAN: That's right.

JAMES: The power of the Holy Spirit which filled the disciples at Pentecost in the upper room, and the kingdom they didn't understand, they didn't get, got them, carried them out. They literally brought down these gods, and the greatest powerful empire in history crumbled and opened the door for great things to happen in a whole new way, including the birth of this nation, which was a supernatural and spiritual thing, as were all the great events that happened with spiritual moves of God.

Now then, if when the enemy goes out and the body is not occupied, seven times worse, could the body of Christ not occupied by the spirit be right now misdirected by demonic activity that has come in with seven times the impact to keep the church bound and defeated and divided and fighting one another rather than the real enemy? Could that actually happen to his family the church?

JONATHAN: Absolutely! Because the church of all has had the spirit. And so it is the culture as a whole, and it is also the people of God who turn away or who do not—or who open the door. When you look at America, like the early '60s, we start, okay, let's take this out, let's take that. We opened the door.

And when I looked at what happened to Israel, there were three particular gods. I call it the dark Trinity that just takes over. The first one I call "the possessor" because his name means possessor or Bah-ol, or we know him as Baal. And what happens in the early '60s this spirit comes into America. As we open the door, what did Baal do? Started driving God out. He drove God out of Israel. So he starts driving God out of America. It says he caused Israel to forget God. He's been causing America to forget God. It says he caused Israel to turn away from the commandments; literally caused America to strike down the ten Commandments. So this is the beginning of—you know what they do is? These are pagan spirits.

JAMES: Was prayer out of the schools connected with this move?

JONATHAN: Yeah! That was the very beginning and then look at what has happened since.

JAMES: Hadn't he already removed prayer from the homes too much where they weren't even taking prayer seriously at home? So then it could be cast out publicly because privately, you've allowed the enemy to creep in, and prayer is taken out, and now that it is taken out publicly. And he moves that way.

This is what I see as I've looked at the overview of every chapter, and going to read every single sentence of it as I pray you will. I am seeing that the enemy takes charge. When you give him a field, he will grow his briars and thorns. When you give him your flock, the wolves will devour the flock, the birds of prey. He's attacking effectively all the things God warned us and cautioned us about, he is in the process of destroying it, but we can stop it!

JONATHAN: Yes! And it starts little. When they first come in it is tolerance, be open, be open! Once they get in, it is no more tolerance. It is every knee shall bow. Look at what happened to Baal. The next one, I'm just going to do it really quick because the next of the train is called the enchantress; this is a goddess. She is known as Ishtar, in the Bible as Ashtoreth; she is known as Aphrodite. She is the goddess of sexual immorality.

So look what happens to America. Once we start turning comes the next spirit, which is now also known as the sexual revolution. It has changed everything. And this is all pagan to take a Christian nation and paganize it. And the thing is what they called this goddess, the Greeks called her, the word for a prostitute, she was a prostitute goddess, was porneia; we get the word porn. She is the inventor of pornography. So this has taken over our culture.

JAMES: By the way, you carry it everywhere now. It is not only on the web; it is on every phone, it is on every device. We're being saturated with it.

JONATHAN: Well, that's—Jesus said when they come back, they come back worse. So this is even worse. And I'm just giving a quick highlight thing. The next one is called "the destroyer." This is the one that causes parents to offer up their own children. And so look what happened. It's like one leads to the next. So in 1970, we started offering up our children to abortion. Jesus said it is worse. They offered up thousands; we've offered up 60 million. This is a pagan act.

And as it gets deeper, as they start possessing the culture, more things come out. This goddess, it says, a very strange thing. She says, "I am a woman, I am a man." She has the power, she says to turn a man into a woman and a woman into a man. So now we're going to see the bending of gender.

JAMES: We're watching it.

JONATHAN: Exactly! She was the goddess of Androgyny. And her priests would dress up as men dressing up as women. Well, it is back. She also even transitioned, surgically transitioned her priests as men to be a woman. Well, back then, she was interested in the priests, now, she is interested in an entire generation.

And she had one month of the year, one month of the year that she especially possessed the culture. Actually, Saint Jerome identifies it. He said it is Junium, the month of June. The month of pride. And she was the goddess of pride. She was the goddess of parades where men would parade as women. This is pagan. This isn't new—it is pagan!

JAMES: By the way, isn't this what Israel found themselves coming up against and then being under the dominance of when they left God? They found these gods and these forces controlling them and destroying everything God wanted to do.

JONATHAN: Every time you turn away from God for freedom, you're going to end up being enslaved. The word Baal means master. So we're more mastered now than ever. All

these things. There was one thing. There was a sign that was linked to this goddess who changed sexuality and altered gender, and it was the sign of the rainbow. That is why the rainbow is spreading all over the place. Listen, they don't know what they're doing, but this is spiritual, and they're being used.

The other thing is there is even, if you can believe it, even Supreme Court decisions are affected by these principalities.

JAMES: Well, a lot of those decisions are being controlled by these gods because they're anything but God, biblical, morality, or principled. They are anti-God, anti-principle, anti-positive.

JONATHAN: Yes! And they're anti-life! They're ultimately interested in destruction. The thing is that when you look, there has been three major rulings in the Supreme Court in the last 20 years altering sexuality and, ultimately, marriage. We all remember that. Every single one of them takes place in June, takes place at the last days of June by the summer solstice on the same exact day, June 26th, all linked to the goddess.

In fact, do you remember the day when marriage was redefined, and the White House was lit up with a rainbow? It is this principality saying, "I own that house." But do you know what? That day, that day on the ancient calendar, it says it is appointed for a spell to be cast for a man to love a man. That's the day they did it without even knowing it.

BETTY: Don't you think a lot of this has started under the guise of freedom? You can be what you want to be, anything.

JONATHAN: That's how it always begins. But once the foothold is in, it turns to we're going to cancel you. The gods want to cancel; they want every knee to bow. They want Elijah to bow. They want—but the last part of the book, there's so much, we're just touching it, but the last part of the book is called "The Other God" because God has called us for this moment. This is biblical. Because people say, "I wish I lived in biblical

times." Well, these are biblical times. Elijah dealt with the gods, Moses dealt with the gods, Paul dealt with the gods, and we are too as well, but we have to stand. We have the power. God is so much more powerful than all the gods. But we have the power to overcome. But if we don't rise to it, we won't see it. We have to rise to it.

JAMES: We must understand the importance of exactly what Jesus prayed in John 17. First of all, there has to be a personal relationship with the Father, just like Jesus. This isn't religion. By the way, it was religious people who quoted the Bible. And you're Jewish, and you're a Jewish rabbi, Messianic, you know Jesus, the living resurrected Jesus, this stone that has come to design, the rock, you know that. But they were so deceived that the Pharisees were the primary ones to demand the crucifixion of Jesus, and they would be quoting the Bible to kill Jesus. So you can be quoting the Bible, but if you don't know the God of this Bible and the Holy Spirit is writing that word in your heart, that word is carrying you, you're not just carrying it now, if you're not changed by it. But if we are changed by it, we are the only force; so he says, first of all, you've got to know the Father; then you've got to be sanctified, shaped by the word, not divided by the word, shaped by it.

But then we seem to miss this supernatural unity; then the world knows you are my church or my disciples if we come into supernatural unity right now, where we quit fighting. We're worse than all the politicians fighting each other, amputating one another, cutting each other apart. If we would come together in supernatural unity with the one head, do you believe we could storm the gates of hell and literally tear their effect from the hinges, do you believe we can do that?

JONATHAN: Yes! Yes, I do believe that. See, we don't understand we're fighting against each other. The thing is that we're in a war. The war is not of flesh and blood. He says we war against principalities. Think about this, too, these principalities were kicked out by the gospel and by Christians. So that's the power, but it means they have a vendetta. They're against us. That's why there's this spirit. They're against believers. They're against the word. That's why because it is so powerful. But we have to rise.

And also, if there is anything in our life, I'll say this, if you want to stand in this day, get it out. Whether it is pornography or whatever, get it out. It is a foothold. Get it out. Any god, get it out so you can stand. But if we will stand, we will have that power. Moses, when he crossed the Red Sea, he wrote a song. He said, "Mee kha-mo-khah be-ei-leem Adonai." Who is like you, God, among the gods?

We have the power to truly do it. I believe, even when that altar broke of Roe vs. Wade, I believe the broken altar is a sign of revival in the Old Testament. So I believe we can do it. But we have to rise to it. This is our moment. This can be the most exciting time.

We've got the power. We have the living God, and we can do it.

JAMES: I am asking you, please, get the book to understand the reality of the invisible spiritual realm. It's effectiveness when we give it ground, when we turn over access to this cultivated land right here to the enemy to grow his crop, he will. He is a trespasser. But you don't have to let him in. You don't have to let him scatter the flock and slaughter the flock. We can stop it. We can stand effectively against the effect of the gates of hell. Jesus said we're the only power that can. That's the church—the church must become the church, the body, the bride of Christ that looks like him. And we can see the greatest awakening, do you believe Jonathan, the greatest awakening in the history of the world prior to the return of Christ. And millions, even billions, come to this Christ because they will like this Christ if they see him rather than religion. I'm asking you get the book.

Now, you started when you had a very successful book with the *Harbinger*, you started helping us a lot. I mean big time. I'm talking major—major supporter of *LIFE*. You helped us give life. Why did you start helping us feed children and give water? Why did you do that?

JONATHAN: Because we want to do God's will and we want to help the poor, we want to help the needy. We want to do that. So we're always—we've been looking, who is doing that? Who is blessing? Purity, heart, it's not about organization, it is about the

heart, and we saw that in you. And so we said we have to help because you are helping so many others. By doing that, we're honored to be a part.

JAMES: Thank you. I want you to look, Jonathan, right now with our viewers, I want you to look at Sheila. And Betty, we're going to look at a mother. And by the way, we have lost a child. I want you to listen to this mother, and I want you to hear Sheila talk about mothers. And I want you to know you can be the miracle they long for. I've said it many times, if you want your prayers answered, seek to be an answer to somebody else's prayer. You're going to want to be. Watch this very, very closely.

On the mission field

Open Captions: "If you want your prayers answered, be an answer to someone else's prayer."—James Robison

SHEILA: When I'm on a mission's trip, my heart is continually touched by mothers facing some of life's most devastating situations.

>> As a mother, I feel like a failure because two of my children died. It starts with lack of food. Then malnutrition leads to other terrible diseases. It's really hard for me to think back to the times when they passed away.

SHEILA: This is Armeda. Can you begin to imagine the crushing impact of losing your children because you could not feed them? It was devastating for Armeda, but she knows she must carry on for her other children. How does she manage it? Through fervent prayer.

Open Captions: Jesus is the only hope we have, when we go to sleep, we pray, "Jesus, thank you for sustaining us for another day."

SHEILA: I would love to tell you Armeda's story of losing her children because of a lack

of food is rare, but it is not. These women, by show of hands, shared how many children they each had lost. They well know the same heartache as Armeda.

Mandolina lost five children. Yngo, two children. Margarita, one child. Julia, three children.

One thing all these precious mothers have in common through prayer is they put their hope for tomorrow in the hands of Jesus.

I will never forget that here in this village, my sister in Christ gets down on her knees even though she may not be kneeling on a carpet, she might be kneeling on sand or dirt, but we are thanking the same God for his provision that day in absolute confidence that the God who is with us today will be with us tomorrow.

God is moving in Africa, and you and I get to be a part of it.

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In the studio

JAMES: I think that you are some of the greatest answers to prayer on the planet. I saw a young woman and her husband that lost a little two-year-old girl that was the cutest little thing. They did a documentary, and the mother said, "When you lose a child, you live your life with a broken heart." We do. And we can heal the broken hearts.

Betty, it is not like everybody wanted to find a cure for the particular cancer that took our daughter at 40. And she believed God—she believed God so much. But we do have a broken heart, and it's why we want to bind up broken hearts.

We have the perfect cure for those mothers and for the children. We have the cure, it is food!

BETTY: That's right. And you know, as Sheila said, we get to be a part of that. It is a privilege. God chose us, you, to be a part of saving the lives of these children. I know you'll continue to do that. Thank you so much. It's so appreciated. Those mothers really do appreciate it.

JAMES: I want to just say right now that we were talking to Jonathan Cahn, who wrote this book, and Jonathan shared with us he started helping us some time ago very, very faithfully. We're going to send all of you this book. If you would just please, would you just give a bowl of food to a child? You, the viewers got these heat-resistant bowls because they would bring old tin cans, they didn't have them this nice. Most of them were rusty and crummy. And sometimes, they were plastic bags. And you kept seeing them burn their little hands. And you said can we give them? And sure enough, you did. The missionaries said, "We've got to give them food, we can't give them bowls." And you said, "We'll give them bowls. We don't want them to burn their little hands. We don't want it spilling on the ground and then eating it off the dirt." You're the most loving people!

And I'm going to ask you we've targeted 350,000. I found myself sitting here a while ago saying, God, if there were a million that we found, I want to feed them! I don't want anybody's baby to die, child to die. When we, God, could give a bowl of soup.

Would you right now be the miracle that people long for? Could you give \$30 to feed three children for the next months or \$50 to feed five? God, give us a thousand people that will give \$1,000. We can see those of kind of miracles and save these children. We can be the miracle someone is longing for and praying for. We can be the answer to prayer. We will send you the gifts like we always do to bless you, but you never give to get. You give to give. I know that. We give to you to bless you because we love to bless. Love blesses.

Would you right now go get your bank card? Would you dial that number? Would you make the gift God put on your heart? If you could help us feed 100, do it. Whatever you

do—by the way, for three, that \$30 is the difference in life and death. Whatever you can do. You can go online and make the gift. If you write a check, make it to *LIFE* but call us, call us and tell us you're putting it in the mail.

Thank you for being the miracle someone longs for. Thank you for saving a life. Thank you.

Begin video clip

Announcer: Across the continent of Africa children are suffering, facing severe malnutrition, and even death. With food reserves gone, and many areas experiencing severe famine, we urgently need to replenish supplies to keep feeding the 350,000 children who are counting on us.

Through *LIFE*'s Mission Feeding outreach your gift of love can be an answer to prayer for a hurting and hungry child in their time of need. Call now with your life-saving gift of \$30, \$50, or \$100 to help feed and care for three, five, or ten children for three full months.

With your gift of any amount, we'll send you the brand-new *LIFE* planner. Bound in soft-touch leather, this planner will help you with your daily walk, with space for you to record your appointments, goals, inspirational notes, and prayers.

With your gift of \$100 or more, please request the "God's Promise" serving bowl. This beautiful and versatile ceramic bowl is decorated with Second Corinthians 9:8 and will make a lovely addition to your table or home.

Finally, with your gift of \$1,000 or more to help feed and care for 100 children, be sure to request our inspiring bronze sculpture, "Consider the Birds." Inspired by Jesus' words in Matthew 6:26.

Please call, write, or make your gift online today.

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On the mission field

In Angola right now we're seeing our malnutrition clinics fuller than they've ever been. Literally, in certain circumstances there is more than one child per bed. There is mothers on the floor with children. The situation is absolutely critical right now.

But we have the solution. We're in place. We're ready to save their lives. But the last and final ingredient we do not have and that is the resources to make it possible for us to procure the food we need and to get the food to those people that so desperately need it.

Open your hearts today. Partner with us giving the gift of life by giving the gift of food.

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In the studio

JAMES: Betty and I say, as one who has lost a child, thank you for loving us. Thank you for praying for our daughter. Thank you for praying for our broken hearts.

This is incredible. We can take authority over these gods, and we are being bombarded by them. And we can walk over them; we can walk over the enemy like dust under our feet! That's God's promise. Jonathan, thank you for being here.

JONATHAN: Thank you, James.

JAMES: Thank you for writing this book. And I pray everybody, I'm praying that everybody that cares about God's will being done will get this book and read it. We'll send it to any of you who will help us save some of those mothers' children. Thank you for doing it. Thanks for watching *Life Today* and sharing *Life Today*.