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“Not in 3 days, not in 3 months, but in 3 weeks you will see the resurrection of this nation!”

I heard the Lord declaring this on the 4th January during times of corporate worship and intercession for the Australian bush fires. Later that day I realized that in three weeks it would be Australia Day! I also had two visions that weekend, both had a similar theme- Resurrection!

In the movie, “The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe”, there is a scene where Aslan is in the enemies’ hands. They take him and bind him to an altar, and begin cutting off his mane. He is stripped of his beauty and dignity and is left looking weak and defeated. Lucy and Susan are distraught with grief at the sight of the decimated king.

The Lord said this is how Australia looks and feels right now as the fires ravage over her. The fire is stripping the nation of her beauty and it seems as though she is down and out and her people are grieving.

In the second vision the Lord said, “I loved Bethany”. Bethany was a town close to Jerusalem that Jesus visited a number of times. His friends lived there, those whom He loved, and those who loved Him, it was a place of comfort to Him.

The Lord said Australia is a Bethany to Him, He loves its people and the church in this land is so dear to His heart, His friends are here! But there was a time that Jesus delayed his coming to Bethany. Mary and Martha were crying out for the Lord to come and heal their brother, they were in distress at what was taking place in their lives and were confused that Jesus wasn’t answering their urgent prayer.

Again the Lord said this is the place Australia is right now, crying out for God to intervene and heal their land, to bring relief to the suffering. But He has delayed his coming.

In both stories we know that something astounding is about to take place! In fact Jesus delayed His coming to Bethany for the greater glory!

John 11: 4 “This sickness will not end in death; but [on the contrary it is] for the glory and honor of God, so that the Son of God may be glorified by it.”

Please be praying for a move of God’s Spirit that will sweep across this nation that will reveal the glory of the resurrection life of Jesus Christ. Especially pray that Australia Day be filled with resurrection language and action, that the glory of the Lord would be revealed with unity and life giving messages that would catapult Australia into her God given destiny.