

# Remember I Am In The Ark

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Nathaniel Bronner: Don't focus on what you see. Don't focus on what you hear. Don't focus on what is around you. Focus on the thing God told you.

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Nathaniel Bronner: Welcome to brothers of the word, because brother you need the word.

And on yesterday morning as I was in my morning prayer, I heard God speak a word and I'm in the middle of a series now, but I heard God says, "For tomorrow this shall be your message." So, I'm putting a pause in the last part of that series just to bring you what God spoke today because we are in the middle of what I shall call some interesting times. And as I heard God's voice, I wrote it down exactly what he said. First of all I am Nathaniel Hawthorne Bronner, Jr. I am Senior Pastor. I start as a president because usually at the time when I'm president of a company, I'm senior pastor here at the Ark of Salvation brothersoftheword.com. And for some reason God says before you begin today, I want you to identify yourself and I don't even know why, but you never know who may be listening and who may not know, who may hear this message years down the road and then may I know who is that? They know. I am Nathaniel Hawthorne Bronner, Jr., senior pastor of the Ark of Salvation and brothersoftheword.com.

And what God spoke to me on yesterday morning, he says this is your message for tomorrow, which is today. You must tell the people that no matter what they see, no matter what they hear, no matter what happens in the world around them, remember they are in the ark. That's what God spoke. And that's the message he told me to tell you today. He said take no notes. That's what I want you to tell them.

I believe it's some stuff coming that may shake some folk. And regardless of what comes in the world, right now we're in the middle of one of the most controversial divisive elections that has ever been on this land. We're in the middle of the most divisive pandemic than any of us alive has ever seen. So we've seen more of an economic shutdown than we ever have in our lives. So, we're in the middle of some stuff that we've never seen before in our lives. Not that it hasn't happened in the world before, we just have never seen it in our land.

So, we're in the middle right now of an election that is as divisive as it can be. We've got two candidates that appear to be on opposite extremes and it's one election where it really has people divided it with a vast riff(ph) with no common ground between the two. You either for one candidate or the other candidate and they don't agree. They don't see eye to eye. It's been one of the most disruptive debates we've ever seen, just stuff happening and people if you tell somebody you for one person, they just get mad. It's just one of the most confusing and turmoil, inciting elections that we have ever seen.

You know, in past elections, I've told you who God has told me to vote for and had mentioned that on this election. And I remember the first time that happened to me. I was going to the voting booth and I said, you know, I've never asked God who to vote for. I just use my own mind. I use my own mind. I use my own, you know, past experience. I voted the way my mama and my dad had voted, so I voted traditionally. And when I walked into the booth, I said I've never asked God. Some folk were in the position and in the predicament that they're in right now because they've never asked God and you use your own mind, your own heart, your own logic what your friends say, what folks have been doing, what your crowd advocates. You use that as your guide and you either have never ask God or you have done what God told you to do.

And when you move in that direction, it always creates something that's going to be a problem for you. And I remember years ago when I walked in and it was between Bush and Gore and I was getting ready to vote for Gore because I've always been a lifelong democrat and I walked, I said Lord who do I vote for.

And he said just one word is clear to be a Bush. Awesome! My goodness! Bush. I know Republican and that's what went through my head, but I went in and punch that Bush and there was a controversy in that election due to the hanging chads in Florida and the chads were hanging and because they had these what they call hanging chads on the voter ballots where you can punch the thing out and some of them were hanging but they hadn't dropped off. So, there was this whole controversy about hanging chads and had to go through this. And in Florida, Jeb Bush was the governor, which was Bush's brother.

See, sometimes stuff just would be orchestrated. So, it boils down to this one state, (00:05:50) in this very state their candidate's brother is governor. So, I don't know what happened. I don't know what went on behind the scenes. All I know is Florida flip for Bush and Bush became president.

I told you when Obama was running. In January, God has spoken for me to vote for Obama was considered what Clinton said it was a fantasy candidacy. There's no win(ph) where this man go in and I stood before you in January and told, God told me to vote for Obama so he won. Now the last election was a little bit different I ask God who to vote for and I said Lord, please don't tell me this man. Please don't tell me this man. Whoo!. Don't tell me this man.

So, actually what he spoke was another candidate who eventually dropped out. So, when I went to the polls, I couldn't even vote for this man because he had dropped out. So I had a write-in ballot and I wrote his name in but the man dropped out and he said I'm dropping out of the race. This is who you vote for and the man he said to vote for with the other man. This election, I have talked to perhaps a half a dozen people who have heard from God. Most people of color, some not. Every Prophet that I've heard who's heard from the word of God, every single one, every single one has all pointed to one candidate. It may be a difference, but I haven't seen it. I haven't seen it anywhere on the web. I haven't seen it anywhere in the news. I have not seen it anywhere even in Evangelical or Christian circles, every single case. The people I know who hear from God and they (00:07:39). I heard God speak. I asked her I said, "Oh my goodness." Everyone has all pointed to one person.

Now the problem, you don't say the problem. The problem is this person is not well-regarded among certain communities. If you just mentioned their name, folk just frowned up and it's like, oh my goodness. And when I heard God speak this is who I was to vote for. I just said, oh my goodness, but I learned some things and things that I have learned, one thing I know is did God knows better than I do and he knows purpose, and he knows plans and sees we have a different thought pattern of purpose. God has always placed the King on the throne. But when you go and read through the Bible, what you will notice is roughly three plus out of every four Kings was evil and they did evil in the sight of the Lord, but God put them there. And God would often put a king on the throne for different purposes and when the people had gone astray, God will put an evil ruler there to punish the folk. So I don't know what the purpose is because I'm not God. I can't see what's coming. I don't know what's coming. I don't know the whole picture of this thing.

I have a feeling that it's in real rough stuff coming not just on this country but on the world period. And God has to put a person there for whatever reason for his purposes. So who you vote for needs to be your own decision, but I would strongly, strongly advise you to just go and spend some time in prayer and ask God and be prepared for whatever God says. Now, most of you can probably figure out who God has told me to vote for and it's not so much who he told me to vote for. I don't know. I already voted because I early voted. So I went and voted I think (00:09:40). I've already voted and when I walked in I had no hesitation. Now, I didn't want folks to know who I was voting for. I absolutely didn't want folks to know who I voted for because to be honest about it, I was shamed of it. I'm just being open with you right now. I shame of it and I said my goodness. I want nobody in this seeing me and I don't want them to see (00:10:00) you punch this man and I don't want anybody to see me vote for this man.

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But even if there had been a thousand people looking at my ballot, if they're literally had been a thousand people over my shoulder looking at my ballot, I would have still punched that man's name. I would rather do what god said than be worried about the opinion of folk and I know what folks will think about it without question. But everybody down to the person who I

have heard has checked with God. God has always spoken that same person and is one man and one name and that's it.

So, you probably can figure out who that is, and I don't know the whole purpose, I don't know whole reason and sometimes -- when you following God's leading. You just don't know. It's like with Obama. It was crazy as the time because no black man had ever been president of the United States, but God knew and he knew the purpose and he knew the course. I don't want to tell you now, even though you probably already guessed it, but I hear God just speaking tell them. God, I don't want to tell him. He said that's the problem. I don't want to tell them. Now. you don't know -- you probably have guessed it, but I just don't want to tell them. I absolutely, absolutely do not because it will make some folks so mad. They may never come back to the church. I'm serious. It may make some folks so mad and they said how in the world can that he did vote for that. How in the world will all this stuff, how in the world?

You see, this is the point when you look at what Jesus said, he says, that's why you killed all the prophets before me. They kill the ones who came with the word of God because the public and even the church couldn't understand it. So, if you came in a true prophetic sense, you had to risk your life. They kill you back. At least I don't think anybody going to kill me about it, but it may be some people who just get so mad about it.

Trump, that's who it is. Now, I just had to go ahead and said. Whoo! Whoo! I know that's -- at least you don't have any guests in about it. Now, that's it. That's who God told me to vote for as -- I'm sorry about it and I ain't going to sorry about it. I just don't know and understand the full reason for it. And sometimes you don't understand this stuff until years down the road and sometimes it's just judgment coming on the land. I don't know. All I know is that I had an absolute clarity on what God spoke. And often in your world, you will face some similar stuff and it's not political.

See most of our struggles with God, they're not political because to be honest about it, the President of the United States is not going to affect you a tenth or even one percent as much as your stuff is going to affect you. The stuff that you do. No matter who is the president of the United States, I've never had one single counseling session. I've never had one person I've had to deal

with or issues with. I've never had anybody that I really had issues and had to work with in their life call it the president of the United States.

See, Elijah? How many counseling sessions, how many people have you had to work with where you had issues with them? They were having major issues. How many of it was due to the president of the United State? How many? Zero. Pastor James, you've had some stuff. You deal with Thompson(ph) and whole lot of people. You give them -- how many people whose lives have just been all messed up have anything to do with the president of the United States? Zero. Profit Dexter, you see some great prophetic stuff. You've dealt with -- you see, how much stuff you see in folklore. How much stuff got anything to do with the president of the United States? Zero. So all four of us hitting hip in this platform. We have had no one, nada, zip, ever who's had an issue in that world due to the president.

Now, I'm not saying it's not coming, but I am simply saying this. I have never had an issue with anyone who had a problem in their world due to the president of the United States. Every bit of it has generally do to them violating wisdom and the word of God, not the president of the United States. So, don't get all hung up that whoever gets in office is going to either set your life straight or mess your life up. It ain't going to happen.

So, when you understand this, I told you this before what my dad used to say. He said people in the old days back in the country when you would be walking or driving down the road, you see people sitting up on it to push his rocking and they didn't haul out. What would Roosevelt going to do? It doesn't matter what Roosevelt does. Roosevelt is not the one who's going to set you free. It's not going to happen. You have to do that stuff between you and God and if you can't listen to God when it's something you don't want to do, you ain't go that's problem that most people have.

In every situation where even God placed an evil King on the throne, it was because the people had done evil and God says, I'm going to bring judgment on this land. I'm going to bring invaders in, I'm going to bring pestilence, I'm going bring famine in because the people have not done what I told them to do.

So, if God told me to vote for Trump, I stepped right in and I already have punched. I did voted for Trump. It's not that I go vote for Trump, I have voted for Trump. I may not understand it. But I had just told you that. So, if y'all got to leave, you just got to leave. I have nothing to do about it. I would rather stand by myself with God and stand with a million folk not in God's will it is simply as that.

Now, this is the point I want you to understand. What is ask you to do was for you to go and pray and you get from God who you ought to vote for yourself and I knew what God told me. You need to go and you need to find that yourself because I could be wrong. I may have heard totally wrong. You need to go and you need to pray and you need to ask God for yourself. And then you need to have enough obedience to do what he says even if you don't like it. Because most of the time if it's something we like God didn't have to tell us. We already doing this stuff. We like to do we already doing this stuff that's easy. We already doing this stuff is convenient. It's the stuff we don't want to do. It's the walking up the hill. It's the fasting, it's the denial of self, it's the helping others, it's the things we don't want to do that God has to tell us to do, not the stuff that we want to do it.

No matter what you see, remember you are in the ark and with the ark, I want you to put the picture up that was in the prayer Bible. The last that we did. This is the ark and if you noticed, the ark is sitting here in the midst of placid calm water. That what in the way it started out. It was raining, storming, the floodgates of heaven had opened. You can take it off now. And the ark was really tossed and turned on the waves. It was tumultuous inside that Ark.

And then when you read the story, it says that God closed up the ark and then the floodgates open, but it also says before that he looked into the hearts of men and it was nothing but evil and violence. And you have to ask yourself, if these were evil and violent men and Noah had built this ark and it's starting to rain and it's never rained on the earth before. This is the first time it ever rains. See God can send some stuff (00:17:25) haven't seen. And at the time Noah building the ark was crazy. You know the story. It was crazy. But yet here he was, took him 120 years to build the ark. So here he was and all the people that seen and now he got this big gigantic boat and it's raining and it's starting

to flood and here you have a whole sea of men whose heart is filled with evil and violence.

Now, can you imagine you got a boat and you got this whole sea of men and the water has started to come up and look like they may drown and you got this whole sea of men who are filled with evil and violence and you got to boat. Now, can you imagine that scenario what do you think those evil and violent men are going to try to do and you got to boat. You got a big boat, but here the world is full of evil and violent men. Now if they had just been evil and peaceful, maybe it would be okay. But if you talking evil and violent and you got a big boat and it's raining and they're about to drown, what do you think those men will try to do. They're going to take your boat, take on not only just rock your boat, they're going to take your boat, kill you, throw you off your boat and sail away in your boat. And you ask yourself, why didn't they take the boat? Here you got evil and violent men and the world is flooding.

You know last night it was raining. There was a literal flash flood warning in Georgia. As a matter of fact, my oldest son, and I we went to eat breakfast yesterday. That was a drizzle but yet when we left the restaurant a river was running down the street and we couldn't understand it. We said wait a minute. We couldn't even get to our car because the water running down to the side of the street was just a big heavy river. We couldn't step over it because all our shoes were just get wet and we said where is all this water coming from? It's not raining that heavy. We haven't seen it for some out of water right just coming out of the ground. It was just the flow of water coming from everywhere we couldn't figure out. Imagine that multiplied tenfold and now water is up to the waste coming up to the chest and this man got a big boat and the people's hearts are evil and full of violence. What do you think happened?

I always wondered it. I said, why didn't they take the boat? I know folk. Why didn't they take the boat? The Bible does not explain that story. The Book of Jasher does and I've read the book. There are two books that are non-canonized in the Bible that the Bible does mention the Book of Jasher and the Book of Enoch.

In the Book of Jasher it has the detail on the flood and what happens. When the rain started, the men came to Noah at the ark and they hollered to him. Let us own the boat and Noah said God gave you 120 years to straighten up. He told you this was coming. He gave you one 120 years to do right and you would not do right. And now that the rain is pouring down, you want me to let you in and own this boat and the doors are sealed and I will not do it and the man hollered back. If you don't let us in the boat, we will take the boat. Now, does that sound real to you or not with a world full of men whose hearts are evil and violence. Does that sound real to you or not?

And this is what the Book of Jasher details. And they told Noah, if you don't open up this boat, we are going to take the boat. And what God did, God had called all of the beasts of the world to the ark. It wasn't just the two (00:21:16) in the boat, it was a whole pile of them. God has the animals come, surround the ark and overrun the men and run them off. Do you know how many the Book of Jasher said was there around men and women? 700,000. 700,000 folks were trying to get into the ark when the rains came. But God said no, no, no. No, you're not. I did give you 120 years to straighten up. You wouldn't listen and now you think you're going to take my servant's boat? No, you're not. You got another thought coming. You may be full of evil. You may be full of violence, but you ain't seen no violence yet. And God has a lion and he had the elephant stampede them. He had snakes coming, all of the animals of the field came against the people and they could do nothing but run.

Remember when you see all of this stuff in the world, and I don't know what's coming. There is a very real possibility that because of the turmoil that's coming just even with just the election. I don't know where the virus is going. I don't know where the economy is going. There are the clouds and the rumors of war among the major power. I don't know where it is going. This is what God came to tell me to tell you today. No matter what you see in the world around you, no matter what, remember this I am in the ark. I'm not standing on the outside. I'm not hollering for Noah and there was Noah, there was Noah's wife, Noah's three sons in other words there were three brothers with three wives and that's who was in the ark.

God is here to say remember that you were in the ark. I don't care who the president is. Remember that you are in the ark.

You know, (00:23:14). Don't remember that. It's not what God told you to remember and that's what you focus on. Focus on what God told you to focus on. Regardless of what you see, regardless of what you hear, even if you hear Trump, regardless of what you hear, don't focus on what you see, don't focus on what you hear, don't focus on what is around you, focus on the thing God told you. I am in the ark.

And there are those of you you're not physically here now, but you still been faithful, you still watch. Our income has not going down one penny. As a matter of fact since the pandemic began it's slightly up. So, you haven't slowed down you're giving. You're still in the ark and you remember what God spoke. Regardless of what you see and I got a feeling, we don't see some stuff but remember what Psalms 91 says, a thousand may fall at the left and 10,000 at the right and it shall not come nigh thee. Remember you are in the ark. You are in the ark. You are in the ark. I just want you to turn to the person next to you. Just tell him, I am in the ark.

For those of you who are streaming right now, if you're with anybody turn to him and just tell them I, even though your home, you may be in your living room, in your pajamas and your underwear, just tell him I am in the ark and it was a place of protection. And see the rain that God sent and I didn't understand. I said Lord, why you had to kill everything. You did just kill all the people. You kill every creature that breathe the air. I said you kill the lambs, you killed the cows, the donkeys, the snakes. You kill everything but breathe. I said why you had to kill everything. I don't know.

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That's why I say even though the man had evil and violence in their heart, they hadn't seen any violence they saw God get mad and God gave them 120 years to straighten up. Sometimes God has told us over and over and over and over, straighten up your ways until finally he seals the door and pours the rain on you and then you're hollering. Let me in. He said told you, straighten up and I gave you ample time. I gave you six generations to straighten up and not only did you not straighten up. You got worse. I'm in the ark. I'm in the ark. I'm in the ark. Regardless of what you see. Don't worry about what's on the news. Don't worry about what's on Twitter. Don't worry

about what's on Facebook. Don't worry about what's on the internet. Don't worry about who passed another thing and you voted for president. Don't worry about that. You focus on one thing. I am in the ark. I am in the ark. God is controlling all this stuff outside and he may have to send some heavy-duty rain to wash some stuff clean. He may have to send some stuff that's unpleasant to all of us, but you need to remember where you are and you need to remember who you are. In any message this may be the most important message you here for the rest of the year, for the rest of the next twelve months. Remember that you are in the ark and everybody who was in the ark, even though they were jostle about, even though they may have gotten some bruises from all of the turmoil that ark had to go through with the waves and the storm but they all came out alive. They were all protected and they all survived and prospered and repopulated the entire world. Remember you are in the ark.

I thank you for joining us today at Brothers of the Word. This is probably one of my most controversy and talked about messages because regardless of what I said about people in the ark, I know there's one thing folk will talk about more than anything else. But, so be it. Sometimes in life and sometimes even with the prophetic calling, you go and places where you risk literal death. It's part of the journey. And if you're going to ever wear the prophetic mantle you have to be prepared to walk that journey. God has places for us to go but he has places of sanctuary and shelter in the ark.

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