GOD... Is Waiting!

(A Message to the Ministers of the Lord Jesus of Christ)

(Preached on Saturday Evening, June 20, 2020)

"So it came to pass in the day of battle, that there was neither sword nor spear found in the hand of any of the people that were with Saul and Jonathan: but with Saul and with Jonathan his son was there found."

(1 Samuel 13:22)

"And Jonathan said to the young man that bare his armour, Come, and let us go over unto the garrison of these uncircumcised: it may be that the Lord will work for us: for there is no restraint to the Lord to save by many or by few."

(1 Samuel 14:6)

I. God waits for the armor bearer!

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II. God waits for the soldier!

"And Jonathan said to the young man that bare his armour, **Come, and let us go over unto the garrison of these uncircumcised**: it may be that the Lord will work for us: for there is no restraint to the Lord to save by many or by few." (1 Samuel 14:6)

III. God waits for the one who believes!

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IV. God waits to release his power through you!

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Conclusion

★ What will happen now?

"And Jonathan climbed up upon his hands and upon his feet,
and his armourbearer after him: and they fell before

Jonathan; and his armourbearer slew after him. And that **first slaughter**, which Jonathan and his armourbearer made, was about twenty men, within as it were an half acre of land, which a yoke of oxen might plow. **And there was trembling in the host**, in the field, and among all the people: the garrison, and the spoilers, they also trembled, and the earth quaked: so **it was a very great trembling**. And the watchmen of Saul in Gibeah of Benjamin looked; and, behold, the multitude melted away, and they went on beating down one another.

★ What will happen to you?

"Then said Saul unto the people that were with him, 'Number now, and see who is gone from us.' And when they had numbered, behold, Jonathan and his armourbearer were not there." (1 Samuel 14:13-17)

★ What will happen to us?

 "And his armourbearer said unto him, Do all that is in thine heart: turn thee; behold, I am with thee according to thy heart."
(1 Samuel 14:7)

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WORSHIP:

<u>I'll Go Where You Want Me to Go (introductory background music)</u>

Rise Up, O Men of God! (340: no interlude)

There Shall Be Showers of Blessing (342: interlude)

Stepping in the Light (425: sing 4th stanza first, then: no interlude)

I'll Go Where You Want Me to Go (352: interlude)

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