All Things New

The book of Revelation

Revelation 12:1-6 ESV

1 And a great sign appeared in heaven: a woman clothed with the sun, with the moon under her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars. 2 She was pregnant and was crying out in birth pains and the agony of giving birth. 3 And another sign appeared in heaven: behold, a great red dragon, with seven heads and ten horns, and on his heads seven diadems. 4 His tail swept down a third of the stars of heaven and cast them to the earth. And the dragon stood before the woman who was about to give birth, so that when she bore her child he might devour it. 5 She gave birth to a male child, one who is to rule all the nations with a rod of iron, but her child was caught up to God and to his throne, 6 and the woman fled into the wilderness, where she has a place prepared by God, in which she is to be nourished for 1,260 days.

- 1) Don't interpret <u>resistance</u> as <u>rejection</u>. It is confirmation that something holy is being born.
- 2) We have to trust God with the <u>outcome</u>. Our role is <u>obedience</u>, His is <u>preservation</u>.
- 3) The wilderness is not <u>abandonment</u>. It's a place of <u>strengthening</u> and <u>maturing</u>.