As we venture further into 2013, we draw steps closer to the ancient prophecies of the Bible being fulfilled. Understanding the times we live in and knowing what to do is of major importance.

“And of the children of Issachar, which were men that had understanding of the times, to know what Israel ought to do; the heads of them were two hundred; and all their brethren were at their commandment.” 1 Chronicles 12:32

The ancient rabbis taught that the sons of Issachar were “valiant men of might” (1 Chronicles 7:1-5). These skilled men excelled in God’s word, the Torah, and were endued with great wisdom. The sons of Issachar were anointed to understand the times they lived in and to know what Israel should do. They had insight into God’s timing of things past, present and future. As we approach the end of the age, ancient prophecies will be fulfilled. The body of Messiah or the New Covenant church needs this “Issachar anointing” in order to understand the times and know what to do. Remember 2 Peter 1:19 says “We have also a more sure word of prophecy; whereunto ye do well that ye take heed, as unto a light that shineth in a dark place, until the day dawn, and the day star arise in your hearts”.

The valiant men of might, the sons of Issachar knew exactly what to do during Israel’s first civil war, when God was transferring the kingdom of Israel from Saul’s ruler-ship over to David. The two hundred leaders from the tribe of Issachar understood the temper of the times. Just like God’s people today, eleven of the twelve tribes were confused and divided as to whom they would serve. Saul or David? A great dilemma for the people, indeed. The sons of Issachar understood Bible prophecy and knew the prophetic word (1 Samuel 15:28) given by the prophet Samuel seventeen years earlier. Because of this knowledge, they sided with David. They realized God was taking the kingdom from rebellious Saul and transferring the kingdom to his servant David (1 Samuel 15:22-28). The sons of Issachar’s total commitment to “King David” brought them honor and prosperity. They instinctively knew what to do, as Bible prophecy enabled them to be forerunners of a renewed kingdom built on obedience to God.

As the New World Order quickly approaches, the Ten Kings, Antichrist and the False Prophet await their time. The Mark of the Beast will soon be a reality to the world’s masses. Understand Bible prophecy and be ready. You will certainly know what to do.