

## Preparations For Blessings By Gary Bowell

### Classic Christian Writings:

The eastern monarchs often sent heralds to go before them to clear the way of any obstructions. So John was the forerunner of Christ to prepare the way spiritually. John was a fearless preacher of righteousness. And although he was beheaded by evil souls because of his fearless message (he had preached to the king, "It is not lawful for thee to have thy brother's wife") yet his "voice" lives on!

There is a spiritual application for us today: "There are special seasons of spiritual blessing promised to the church and the people of God," wrote A. B. Simpson. "The Holy Ghost does come in a very glorious way and give power to His word and salvation to His people; but for this also there must be special preparation. The crooked must be made straight and the rough places plain. The stumbling blocks must be removed and the way of the Lord prepared."