Morning Glory

"The Coming of the Lord Draweth Nigh" — James 5:8

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"March of Death"

(PROTESTANTS)

"Come out of her, my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues." Rev. 18:4

Dear Protestant Friend:

ow the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith ... If thou put the brethren in remembrance of these things, thou shalt be a good minister of Jesus Christ (1 Tim. 4:1, 6). Following the spirit of that injunction, may we suggest that you ask yourself if you are indeed a PROTESTant? If you are, you will be standing firmly in these days of compromise for 'the faith once delivered to the saints'. In clear PROTESTation, you will be voicing your undying opposition to any man or movement seeking to rob you of the precious fundamentals of the Christian Faith for which, in the love of Christ, martyrs down through the ages have given their lives.

We pray that it may not be sadly true of you that, having lost your PROTEST, you are unconsciously in danger of being classed by association as a temporizing, churchy **protest**ANT – an impotent speck lost in a crawling heap of apostasy.

Counterfeiters At Work - Beware!

Friend, if the above IS your unhappy position (which God forbid!), may this message arouse you to your great and imminent danger. We solemnly warn you by God's Word that a policy of no-PROTEST and drift can result only in your eternal bondage and loss. You must make a clear-cut and resolute separation immediately. The present-day 'Ecumenical Movement' is not of God's Spirit. It

is of 'another spirit' and it gives every indication of developing into a component of Satan's end-time counterfeit of the coming Kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Do you find yourself in the true or the counterfeit? Christ's Church is not a product of external organization. It is a union of the spirit, a living organism – "His Body, The Church" – made up of all the Blood-washed, born-again children of God whose names are written in the Lamb's Book of Life. As with a world-government, so it is that a world-church must be under a dictatorship. Who will be that dictator? Do not the Scriptures clearly identify him as the 'False Prophet', head over the apostate church (which is the 'harlot woman' of Rev. 17 & 18) and collaborator with the Antichrist? Take care, slumbering one, lest you unwittingly become his slave!

An Appeal:

This appeal is particularly directed to those who are sincere seekers after righteousness but who now find themselves emmeshed in changing church organizations whose leaders are doing Satan's work – casting out the great fundamental truths and flooding every level of church activity and thought with unbelief and blasphemy. As you love Christ and value your own soul (and, you parents, your children's!) you must make your **PROTEST** even to the point of 'coming out for among them', difficult though the decision may be, for what communion hath light with darkness? Or Christ with Belial?'

Faithful Sayings:

'You cannot join together those who believe and those who do not believe. Unitarianism in the major denominations cannot be blended with the fundamental faith of mil-

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lions of Christians. Unity of believers is possible. Unity of twice-born men is already here. But the present hour is one of separation rather than of unity.' Dr. Bob Shuler

'Numbers of our good brethren remain in fellowship with those who are undermining the Gospel, and they talk of their conduct as if it were a loving course which the Lord will approve in the day of His appearing. We cannot understand them. The bounden duty of a true believer towards men who profess to be Christians and yet deny the Word of the Lord and reject the fundamentals of the Gospel, is to come out from among them. Complicity with error will take from the best of men the power to enter any successful PROTEST against it. When will Christians learn that separation from evil is not only our privilege, but our duty?'

Charles H. Spurgeon. Selected. Contributed by Pastor Warren Roy, Stephens City, VA

Editor's Note: Please read these Bible verses which were included with this article: 2 John 9-11, 2 Cor. 6:14-18, 2 Tim. 3:13-14, 1 Tim. 6:3-5, 2 Tim. 3:1, 5, Eph. 5:11.

LORD JESUS, Give 'us' love, courage, power, steel in 'our' spiritual backbone so that 'we' are not ashamed of THEE nor THY WORD!

Matthew 10:32 - 34 and 38-39

Jesus...said unto her, Martha, Martha, thou art careful and troubled about many things. Luke 10:41

Occasionally there are days when everything wants to go wrong. Vance Havner commented on such times as "Being vexed by the mosquitoes of petty care." Small irritations spring up unawares to gnaw at us. If allowed to fester they create bigger issues. It is interesting that some are able to endure a big trial better than small annoyances. Havner also said "It may take more grace at the breakfast table than at the Lord's table on Sunday morning." When a peevish spirit threatens, may we be quick to turn Godward. He provides grace for the moment. "Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee: because he trusteth in thee" (Isa. 26:3).

E. Dyck

Oh God our help in ages past, our hope for years to come,

Be Thou our Guide while life shall last, and our eternal home.

I. Watts

Wisdom is better than jewels... I love those who love me, and those who seek me diligently find me...My fruit is better than gold, even fine gold, and my yield than choice silver. Proverbs 8:11, 19 (ESV)

God's treasures are better than jewels, better than pure gold and choice silver. Sadly there are many people today adorned with jewelry and not with wisdom. Wisdom is not in anything you can put around your neck or on your wrist or fingers. It only is found with the Lord. His Word is full of His wisdom, and God's Son, the Lord Jesus, is Wisdom. In Him "are hid all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge" (Col. 2:3). Love the Lord and His Word, and let His wisdom adorn your life. Carl Knott

For I say, through the grace given unto me, to every man that is among you, not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think.

Romans 12:3

Humility does not seem to be a trait that is prized in our society. In fact it seems to be the opposite. When Jesus, the Son of God, came to this earth He was laid in a manger. Hay and straw, the smell of animals and a food trough were His welcome into the world He had created. Jesus humbled Himself in a way we cannot comprehend. Let us rejoice in the glory of His incarnation and follow His perfect example.

Danielle E.

Editor's Note: First of all, this is God's infallible WORD (the entire BIBLE); as the Apostle Paul was inspired by the Third Person of our Triune GOD.

Secondly, there certainly is a most dangerous pitfall of thinking 'highly' of ourselves (EGO – Pr<u>I</u>de) as though I AM God's *gift* to the 'congregation, community, etc.) AND almost like I am indispensable: like a profound Editor, Pastor, Missionary, Evangelist, Teacher or Layman. By the way where does a person find that term "layman" in the Bible?

You know that <u>pride</u> was (IS) the basic downfall of (SIN), of Lucifer; as PRIDE is the backbone of <u>all sin!</u> Isaiah 14:12-15, Genesis 3:1-6.

BUT there is a very definite 'danger' to go the other extreme as well! False humility says — Oh I can't do that!!! I am too old! I have 'retired' now and will let some younger person take my place. For Example: Teaching Sunday school, Reading Scripture in public, Giving, Testifying, Hospitality, etc. Are you Forgetting that 'whatever' God the Holy Spirit prompts YOU to do, HE will enable! You may think: BUT I am so unworthy! THAT IS CORRECT: But IF you are a cleansed 'vessel' whose sins are under the blood of the crucified and risen ONE, as there is a 'foundation filled with BLOOD drawn from EMMANUEL'S VEINS, then you are a redeemed 'vessel' that the OWNER wants to use to His Honor and Glory! James 4:17 & 2:14 - 26.

THERE'S STILL HOPE FOR AMERICA

Christian young people across America gathered for prayer at their respective schools for the "See You at the Pole" day, held the fourth Thursday in September. Over 1 million young people participated in the 2014 event, praying for teachers, students, friends, family and nation. Such public demonstrations of faith signal fresh hope for the future of America. Selected

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There is truly only One GOD!

His name is not Allah. As there is <u>only one</u> Savior (Deliverer) and his name is not Mohammad, but **JESUS**. There is <u>only one</u> inspired Book and that is Divinely Inspired and that is the **BIBLE**, not the Qu'ran.

HE is the <u>one</u> and <u>only</u> Holy ONE and HE is the triune **GOD**, God the *Father*, God the *Son* and God the *Holy Spirit* and **HE** changes not!

God in the Garden

"And the LORD God planted a garden eastward in Eden; and there he put the man whom he had formed." Genesis 2:8

This was the world's first garden, and it must have been a beautiful garden, for God had planted it Himself. Every tree was "pleasant to the sight"; there was a lovely river "to water the garden" (Genesis 2:9-10), and God was there.

Then one day God was "<u>walking in the garden</u>" only to find that "Adam and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God amongst the trees of the garden" (Genesis 3:8). Sin had entered, and Adam and Eve had to be cast out, leaving God alone in the garden (Genesis 3:23).

Many years later, God entered another garden with His loved ones. "He went forth with his disciples over the brook Cedron, where there was a garden into which he entered, and his disciples" (John 18:1). There in the garden of Gethsemane, the disciples soon fell asleep, once again leaving Him alone in the garden, "withdrawn from them about a stone's cast" (Luke 22:41). There He "offered up prayers and supplications with strong crying and ears" (Hebrews 5:7) as He faced the death that He had pronounced on His very first loved ones long before in that first garden.

There was yet another garden where He must be alone. "In the place where he was crucified there was a garden; and in the garden a new sepulcher, wherein was never man yet laid. There laid they Jesus" (John 19:41-42). God had walked alone in the first garden, seeking His own. He knelt alone in the second garden, praying for His own. He was buried alone in the third garden, having died for His own. Therefore, in the new "paradise of God" where the pure river flows and the tree of life grows eternally, "his servants shall serve him" and reign with Him "for ever and ever" (Revelation 2:7; 22:1-3, 5). Henry M. Morris, Ph.D.

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Reverend Graham Slams Obama on ISIS

By Onan Coca

The Reverend Franklin Graham has been much more politically outspoken than his father, the Reverend Billy Graham, ever was. However, the issues that the younger Rev. Graham has been vociferous on all have to do with the church in one world. Whether on gay marriage, abortion or our conflict with Islam – including the violence being faced by Christians in the Islamic world – the Reverend Graham has been a voice in the darkness calling our nation to repent.

His latest outburst focuses on the horrible atrocities be-

ing committed against Christians by ISIS every day.

<u>He was recently on Fox News' the Kelly File</u> speaking with Megyn Kelly about this very issue.

Reverend Graham began by pointing out his disgust with the fact that our government knew Christians were being slaughtered last year and still the President chose to make light of the evil that is ISIS – calling them "a JV team." To which Megyn Kelly then said that whatever the President said then, he was now fully engaged in fighting ISIS.

Graham's reply, "He is. But the Christians are being slaughtered. Listen, this storm was coming last year as ISIS was building. And everyone knew it. I have people that work there (Iraq and Syria) and they saw these things happen, they saw it coming. Certainly, the CIA and everyone else knew it, the White House knew it, but he (Obama) called them junior league or something JV (Junior Varsity). So it's there. And listen, Christians are not only being targeted but they are being butchered. The women are usually raped by the soldiers. The men are shot or beheaded in front of their families. This takes place every day."

Kelly then brought up a story relayed from the Vicar of Baghdad Canon Andrew White about how recently some children in Iraq were martyred for not turning their back on Jesus ...

First the Reverend recounted the story of four Iraqi Christian children, all under the age of 15, who were beheaded by ISIS after refusing to renounce their faith. They told the ISIS murderers that they would always "love" and "follow" Jesus.

"ISIS turned up and they said to the children, 'you say the words that you will follow Muhammad.' The children, all under 15, four of them, said, 'no, we love Yasua (*Jesus*).

We have always loved Yasua. We have always followed Yasua. Yasua has always been with us. (The Militants) said, 'say the word!' (The Children) said, 'no, we can't do that.' They chopped all their heads off. (How do you respond to that? You just cry. They are my children. That is what we have been going through. That is what we are going through."

After recounting this story Kelly asked Reverend Graham if "in those circumstances, should Christians consider saying what the enemy wants them to say to preserve life?"

Graham said what most Christians understand innately to be true, even if it can bring terrible cost. "No, no. I think we take a stand for our faith. Christians have been martyred going all the way back to the Romans when they fed them to the lions. We would be betrayed, every person who stood for their faith, who stood for Jesus Christ, if we turned our back on Christ."

Eagle Rising, 12/20/14

Editorial

TRUMPETS!

"For if the trumpet makes an uncertain sound, Who will prepare for battle?" (1 Corinthians 14:8)

WITH excitement and anticipation I am looking forward to our Hauge Area Bible Conference; in which the 'theme' verse is above and I'm looking forward to what the LORD is laying upon the hearts of 'our' guest Speakers, who will be 'breaking' the <u>Bread of Life!</u>

TRUMPETS are a very significant part of the 'musical' world and most certainly for those who seek God's guidance, provision and security; which has been very true for numerous millenniums!

AS 'we' know, a 'trumpet' does not just get up and *blow its'* own horn; but is at the disposal of it's Master: just like a car does get up and start on its' own – nor a firearm! As already mentioned, it is vital for those who are seeking <u>God's guidance in the journey of life</u> to arrive safely to the Land/City that GOD has promised to HIS *followers!*

We have a son who played the 'trumpet' in the musical department in High School and Bible School. Likely almost all of our readers have heard the bugle sound of someone playing the 'taps' — Or heard a trumpet announcing one who is being 'honored' for their journey (occupation) of life OR the definite position they are taking.

SO every 'trumpet' NEEDS a 'trumpet-player' in order to function properly and GOD has called His 'people' to be His 'vessel/instrument' – sparing none.

One of the first occasions 'we' find a trumpet in God's Eternal WORD, the Bible, is found in Numbers 10:2, 8: "Make two silver trumpets for yourself; you shall make them of hammered work, you shall use them for calling the congregation and for directing the movement of the camps. The sons of Aaron, the priests, shall blow the trumpets, and these shall be to you as an ordinance forever throughout your generations." But now read on! THEN first of all 'we' have a 'command', not just a choice, option or suggestion; BUT a Command in the following: "Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for He who promised is faithful. And let us consider one another in order to stir up love and good works, not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as is the manner of some, but exhorting one another, and so much the more as you see the Day approaching." Hebrews 10:23-25. NOTICE: "so much the more as you see the Day approaching." This is a 'command', not a suggestion, and JESUS says if you love me you will keep My Commandments! - EVEN IF that means meeting in your 'own'

home, congregation, gathering room; IF You Love ME? There are at least FIVE challenges/commands in these THREE verses from Hebrews: 1) Hold fast (See Jude 3). 2) Stir up love and good works (See the Book of James. Sadly, 'we' are seeing some of the total opposite, as the Scripture predicts will happen: "And because lawlessness will abound, the love of many will grow cold," 3) Not forsaking (See Psalm 133). One clear earmark of a truly a child of God is this: "We know that we have passed from death to life, because we love the brethren. He who does not love his brother abides in death" (1 John 3:14). 4) Exhort one another. The word 'exhort' not only means admonition, but advice or strongly urging, encouragement, to make urgent appeal. 5) So much more as YOU see. ARE YOU and I doing that out of LOVE in OBEDIENCE to His **WORD?** As always, this command/admonition is for 'our' benefit! Yes, where two or three (or more) are gathered in My Name, there I AM also!

There are those who believe that they can 'just live the Christian life'; but they don't need to 'confess' with their mouth what they believe! Sorry, but such people would then be living just like the Pharisees! God is not that small. IF He dwells 'within' you by the Holy Spirit, and your 'cup' is filled to over-flowing, you will want to speak about this "Pearl of Great Price" – either privately or publicly OR BOTH! You will want to tell others what HE has done in your life and is doing, as you are led by the Holy Spirit! Don't get under the Law! "That if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one believes unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation" Romans 10:9-10, Matthew 10:32-33, Mark 8:38 & Psalm 6-10; **51:7-13**. Personally I can not think of anything more tragic than the following possibility of a 'tragedy upon one has sought to live like a 'christian', talked like a 'christian' and professed to be a 'christian' AND find at the end of this physical life; they were mistaken and denied admission to that prepared Place for prepared people! Heaven will be occupied with "forgiven sinners!" Oh how TRAGJC! BUT when a person consistently NEEDS JESUS and the covering in HIS Shed **BLOOD**: such a person is complete. (See Colossians 2:6-14) "Come now, and let us reason together,' Says the LORD; Though your sins are like scarlet, They shall be as white as snow; Though they

are red like crimson, They shall be as wool" Isaiah 1:18, 43:25, 44:22. Thus:

My hope is built on nothing less, than JESUS Blood and Righteous,

<u>I dare not trust my sweetest frame</u>; <u>But holy lean on JESUS</u> Name.

When God says 'all' in the Bible, He means 'all' for it excludes no one; for He says what HE means and He means what He says! (See Romans 3:9-26) Unless you are very willing to admit that you are included in the first 'all' in this Bible verse, you can not come out in the second 'all'—"All we like sheep have gone astray; We have turned, every one, to his own way; And the LORD has laid on Him the iniquity of us all" Isaiah 53:6, 1 John 2:2.

JUST THINK how *horrible* it would be,to be in 'Hell' *for only a very few seconds*; let only to be there FOREVER with NO-Relief ever in sight!

A 'biblical trumpet' has several VITAL functions in Holy Scripture, and by His Grace may each of 'us' let the Holy Spirit lead, when as a blood cleansed vessel — we 'sound the trumpet' out of LOVE in obedience to His Word. Sometimes the 'sound of a trumpet' is warning, victory, etc. For example: please think of Gideon, Nehemiah, etc. For the Devil is out to steal, kill and destroy; which includes you and me! "For if the trumpet makes an uncertain sound, who will prepare for battle?" Acts 20:26 – 32, Psalm 33.

Martin Luther shares, which is also so very 'biblical' – "T he person who does not fear himself; has the greatest reason to fear of all!" (Jeremiah 17:9). Just as we have

three-fold enemy; often self is over-looked or excused!

ALSO not only keep the 'ten virgins' in mind; but realizing there are supposedly 'biblical' churches that are <u>as smug as a bug in a rug</u>, and likely not realizing it! Take for example: the Laodicean church. There was nothing wrong 'doctrinally' nor in 'practice', there was NO NEED and JESUS stood outside asking/seeking for <u>re-admittance</u>!

Even the 'some-what' liberal Christian thinks that dances and dancing is alright and use David in the Old Testament as an example. Well please read the occasion in it's context and the result! Musical 'instruments' are especially mentioned in the Old Testament, and to my knowledge the 'drums' were used (mainly) to drown-out the screams and cries of infants/young children as they were being sacrificed to 'false gods' by 'heathens/unbelievers'!

"Therefore we must give the more earnest heed to the things we have heard, lest we drift away. For if the word spoken through angels proved steadfast, and every transgression and disobedience received a just reward, how shall we escape if we neglect so great a salvation, which at the first began to be spoken by the Lord, and was confirmed in us by those who heard Him." Hebrews 2:1-3. "Take heed, brethren, lest there be in any of you an evil heart of unbelief... But exhort one another daily ... lest any of you be hardened through the deceitfulness of sin... To day if ye will hear his voice, harden not your hearts" Hebrews 3:12-13, 15.

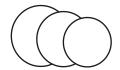
P. S. For those of you who can attend, are you prayerfully looking forward in anticipation of what God has in store for you at the Hauge Bible Conference in Thief River Falls, MN in April?

"I came not to send peace on earth, but a sword." Matthew 10:34

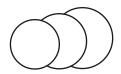
THE Christian will be sure to make enemies. It will be one of his objects to make none; but if to do the right, and to believe the true, should cause him to lose every earthly friend, he will count it but a small loss, since his great Friend in heaven will be yet more friendly, and reveal Himself to him more graciously than ever. O ye who have taken up His cross, know ye not what your Master said? "I am come to set a man at variance against his father and the daughter against her mother; and a man's foes shall be they of his own household." Christ is the great Peacemaker; but before peace, He brings war. Where the light cometh, the darkness must retire. Where truth is, the lie must flee; or, if it abideth, there must be a stern conflict, for the truth cannot and will not lower its standard, and the lie must be trodden under foot. If you follow Christ, you shall have all the dogs of the world yelping at your heels. If you would live so as

to stand the test of the last tribunal, then depend upon it that the world will not speak well of you. He who has he friendship of the world is an enemy to God; but if you are true and faithful to the Most High, men will resent your unflinching fidelity, since it is a testimony against their iniquities. Fearless of all consequences, you must do the right. You will need the courage of a lion unhesitatingly to pursue a course which shall turn your best friend into your fiercest foe; but for the love of Jesus you must thus be courageous. For the truth's sake to hazard reputation and affection, is such a deed that to do it constantly you will need a degree of moral principle which only the Spirit of God can work in you' yet turn not your back like a coward, but play the man. Follow right manfully in your Master's steps, for He has traversed this rough way before you. Better a brief warfare and eternal rest, than false peace and everlasting torment.

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From Our Fellowship Circle



M. & G. S. Ontario, CA

I have been getting a copy of *Morning Glory* from ... for about two years now. But I don't know if you know that Glenn went to Heaven some time ago and ... just moved to Thousand Oaks to live with her daughter. So, I won't be getting any more copies for Therefore, I would like to subscribe to the paper; enclosed please find a check as I have no idea of what the subscription price is to receive the *Morning Glory*, so please let me know if the amount enclosed is adequate?

Our address is ... Ontario, CA 91762-6198.

Thank you so much and let us know, OK? We enjoy reading the material very much.

Serving Jesus.

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R. & J. O. Saskatoon, SK, Canada

Please find enclosed a check for the amount of \$... to your important ministry of spreading the Gospel through your Christ centered magazine, which has so much good spiritual food to digest.

Please note the change of address.

N. G. Fergus Falls, MN

Dear Friend(s) in Christ,

Please find enclosed my check for the on-going Ministry of the *Morning Glory*.

Thank you for sending me this Messenger of Truth for these many years. Praise God for making it possible to have Eternal Life because of Christ's work of Reconciliation on the Cross. God is so good and we experience His faithfulness every day!

G. T. Morris, IL

Just a note to say how much I enjoy reading the *Morning Glory!* I read every word of it and can't wait till the next one comes as I need those articles so much to keep me focused on God's Work! Definitely, we are living in very trying days and it is so good to receive your publication. Thanks.

E. G. Story Plain, Alberta, Canada

Dear Brethren in Christ,

Thank you for another year of *Morning Glory*. I always look forward to the stand you take for the Truth.

While evil abounds, so much more shall His Grace abound. I need a fresh touch from the Lord as there is so much opposition to the Truth of God's Word.

Keep up the good work – To God Be The Glory!

L. V. T. LeRoy, MN

I am enclosing \$... to help keep the *Morning Glory* ministry a-going; for which it is a Spiritual magazine and one should not forget to read.

One may not always agree with some of it, but generally one does.

Thank you for a very good paper as it stands for the old-fashioned Christianity that is appreciated.

W. & P. B. Belgrade, MN

May the LORD's Blessings be upon your 'Ministry'.

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As the rain cometh down, and the snow from heaven, and returneth not thither, but watereth the earth, and maketh it bring forth and bud, that it may give seed to the sower, and bread to the eater; so shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth; it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing where-to I sent it. Isaiah 55:10, 11

As rain on meadows newly mown, So shall he send his influence down; His grace on fainting souls distills Like heaven dew on thirsty hills.

My doctrine shall drop as the rain, my speech shall distill as the dew, as the small rain upon the tender herb, and as the showers upon the grass. Deut. 32:2

Believable ... Yet Unbelievable

SCHOOL HANDOUT SAYS THESE PRESIDENTS WERE RACISTS

(Presidents: George Washington, Theodore Roosevelt, Jefferson and Lincoln)

A mother in Elizbethton, Tennessee was outraged when her third-grader brought home a handout produced by the Islamic Nation stating that the presidents whose images were carved on Mt. Rushmore were racists.

When the mother confronted her son's teacher at the Harold McCormick Elementary School in Elizbethton with the handout, she first denied it, then told the mother that the handout was not meant to be taken home. It was supposed to stay in the classroom. The superintendent also told the mother the handout was never intended to be passed out but that her son had taken it from the teacher's desk, which the son has denied doing.

Either way, the Islamic Nation handout was certainly on the teacher's desk, and it stated that "George Washington was a breeder of black people," that Theodore Roosevelt called black people "ape like," and that Jefferson and Lincoln were "racists."

From Townhall, 10/30/14

AUGSBURG COLLEGE REJECTS PRO-ISRAEL GROUP

A national pro-Israel group, Students Supporting Israel, (SSI) sought official recognition from Augsburg College (ELCA) in Minneapolis, but they were turned down. SSI seeks to offer "a clear and confident pro-Israel voice on college campuses."

Augsburg officials have stood by the student government's decision to reject the pro-Israel organization, even though there are questions as to whether their denial violates the college's own nondiscrimination policies.

Augsburg allows the Muslim Student Association to operate freely on its campus. This organization advocates boycotts of Israel and other measures that many critics deem to be anti-Israel. SSI backers on campus say their rights are being violated.

Information Casey Harper, Washington Free Beacon, 10/2/14.

NO ONE IS BORN GAY

Crystal Clear TRUTH IS: Identical Twins have the same genes or DNA. They are nurtured in equal Prenatal

Conditions. IF homosexuality is caused by genetics or prenatal conditions and only one Twin is gay, the Co-twin should also be gay ... because identical Twins are always genetically identical, homosexuality cannot be genetically dictated. *No-one is born gay!* As 'individuals' we are prone (weaker) towards certain SINS (*pet sins*) than others – BUT it is still SIN!

Selected

A Simple Proposal for all Muslim Immigrants!

IF militant Muslims seek to undermine or overthrow the government of the country to which they are immigrating, or if they plan to call for violence against those who reject or insult their faith, then they have no business living among us.

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LEADING ARCHITECT OF OBAMACARE SAYS HE HOPES TO DIE AT 75

Dr. Ezekiel Emanuel, the director of the Clinical Bioethics Department at the U.S. National Institute of Health, wrote in the October issue of <u>The Atlantic</u> that he hopes to die at age 75.

He wrote that "living into your 80s, 90s, and beyond often comes at the expense of quality of life." He said he would be perfectly content if he dies at age 75. "I will have loved and been loved. My children will be grown and in the midst of their own rich lives.

"A simple truth that many of us seem to resist: living too long is also a loss. It renders many of us, if not disabled, then faltering and declining... I think this manic desperation to endlessly extend life is misguided and potentially destructive."

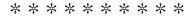
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Editor's Note: NOT TRUE! "The righteous shall flourish like a palm tree, He shall grow like a cedar in Lebanon. Those who are planted in the house of the LORD Shall flourish in the courts of our God. They shall still bear fruit in old age; They shall be fresh and flourishing. To declare that the LORD is upright; He is my rock and there is no unrighteousness in Him." Ps. 92:12-15. FURTHERMORE, to my understanding, the 'older' the 'Palm Tree' becomes; the 'better' is the fruit thereof AND 'our' time of life is in the "Palm of His Hand".

LUTHER COLLEGE (ELCA) CELEBRATED HINDU HOLIDAY "DIWALI"

This past October, Luther College, Decorah, Iowa, observed Diwali, a celebration of lights for the Hindu new year. Rajan Zed, president of Universal Society of Hinduism, praised Luther College and urged all USA universities and colleges to celebrate Diwali. "Awareness about other religions thus created by such celebrations like Diwali would make the students well-nurtured, well-balanced, and enlightened citizens of tomorrow," Zed said in a statement.

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Group rallies around chaplain cited for using Scripture

By Chad Groening

A coalition of organizations dedicated to upholding the religious freedom of those who serve in the U. S. military is coming to the aid of an Army chaplain who is being punished for using Christian Scriptures during a training program.

Chaplain Joe Lawhorn is one of the few Army Ranger-qualified chaplains serving in the Army. But on Thanksgiving Day, his brigade commander – Col. David Fivecoat with the Airborne and Ranger Training Brigade at Fort Benning, GA – ordered Lawhorn into his office and gave him a letter warning him to be "careful to avoid any perception you are advocating one system of beliefs over another."

Lawhorn was called onto the carpet for "using Christian scriptures and solutions" during a suicide prevention training session with the 5th Ranger Training Battalion held on November 20 at the University of North Georgia.

Lt. Gen. Jerry Boykin (USA-Ret.) is executive vice president of the Family Research Council. On Monday, he spoke on <u>American Family Radio's</u> "Sandy Rios in the Morning" program.

"First of all that is absolutely a violation of Army policy," Boykin emphasized. "But secondly, it's a violation of his constitutional rights."

He reported that a coalition known as <u>Restore Military</u> <u>Religious Freedom</u> has "gone to bat" for Chaplain Lawhorn.

We have written the Secretary of the Army (and) we have written the Commander of Fort Benning – and we've

got petitions up on <u>the AFA website</u> as well as <u>the FRC website</u>," said Boykin. *"We are* not going to let this stand without a huge challenge and we're going to win in the end."

The American Family Association says the Lawhorn incident is another example of military chaplains and soldiers being stripped of the very rights they're serving to protect.

"Our soldiers, sailors, airmen and Marines put their lives on the line every day to protect our liberties, including our religious freedoms," says AFA president Tim Wildmon. "It's beyond understanding that anyone would seek to deny these very same soldiers, sailors, airmen and Marines the religious liberty they fight and die for.

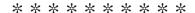
"Atheists, agnostics and any other groups wishing to attack Christianity aren't helping those struggling by preventing them from getting faith-based care, comfort and support during their times when great soldiers need our support, and the opposition is trying to keep them from getting crucial and necessary help.

"This is unconscionable and demonstrates an utter lack of compassion," Wildmon concludes. "When soldiers have depression, anxiety, or suicidal thoughts or tendencies – it's neither the time nor place for politics."

Boykin contends there was no legitimate reason for the commander to issue a "Letter of Concern" to Captain Lawhorn and argues it should be removed from his file.

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And exhort you that ye should earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints. Jude 3

Jude was deeply concerned about the problems facing the believers of his day. His warnings to them are given with force and authority. At the root of their problems was a drift from truth that had become an open denial of God's Word. Foundational truth was paramount to Jude and it ought to be to you and me. Someone has well said, "I looked for the church and I found it in the world and I looked for the world and I found it in the church." The only cure for such a situation is renewed obedience to the Scriptures. May God preserve us in this day of departure (Editor: Apostasy)!

James Comte

Revive Thy work, O Lord! Disturb the sleep of death: Quicken the smouldering embers, Lord, by Thine almighty breath.

Albert Midlane

LOVE

"Let us consider one another to provoke unto love and good works" (10:24).

(Based on Hebrews 13:1-6)

"Let love of the brethren continue."

The language suggests that Christ Jesus is the source of that love and we are to permit it to continue in its onward course of blessing through us. This love of the brethren reminds us of the new commandment that our Lord Jesus Christ gave that those who are saved in Christ shall love one another. Before Christ died and gave the grace for this new commandment men knew about love of God and also love of man, the latter to be expressed in deeds of kindness and mercy, but that men should love one another because they have become members in the body of Christ, was something that had not been known on earth before. We know, too, that the early Christians were noted amongst the heathen for the love that they showed one another.

There can be no doubt that this is an admonition which Christians need in our own day. There is a great stream of love issuing from Jesus Christ, but too often it is not permitted to flow out through the members of His body in love one for another. Love would solve all the problems of our relationship with each other as fellow Christians. When the heart is filled with the love of Christ towards fellow-believers, then every vice and evil desire is crowded out. In this connection it would be profitable to again read 1 Cor. 13.

Marriage

True Christian love will also be a solution for marriage problems. Marriage is to be held in honor among all, as over against any teachings of forced asceticism. On the other hand, there is to be purity in the marriage relationship "for fornicators and adulterers God will judge." How many who discuss the so-called marriage problems today recognize the fact that God will judge the sinners in this respect? The solutions suggested are oftentimes simply brazen fornication and adultery. God will surely judge both those who so teach and practice.

The only solution is true Christian love. If the love of Christ fills the hearts there will be no troubles between husband and wife that cannot be solved in a blessed way. Neither will anyone else who has the love of Christ in the heart cause any difficulties between a married couple. Christian love is a marvelous power. Where reason and law and every other effort fails to produce the proper relationship between people, Christian love can find wonderful solutions.

Money

Whereas we have been admonished to love the brethren, we are now admonished "<u>to be free from the love of</u> <u>money</u>." Love of the brethren will crowd out love of money, but love of money will never express itself in love of the brethren. Love of money is absolutely self-centered and is "the root of all evil"; for it will cause a person to commit every conceivable sin against the neighbor in order to obtain the object of the love.

Nor are we in any need of loving money, but ought to be "content with such things as ye have," for we have God's own promise to rely upon: "for Himself hath said, I will in no wise fail thee, neither will I in any wise forsake thee." How interesting and challenging to note that because God has said that, then we may "with good courage say, The Lord is my helper; I will not fear: What shall man do unto me?" A Christian who seeks God's kingdom and His righteousness first, can be absolutely sure that God will care for His material needs. Should he have to suffer want, then that is in the Father's plan and purpose for him and will work out for his good.

Excerpts taken from *A Better Life* by Samuel Miller, B.D., D.D.

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"God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not parish, but have everlasting life." John 3:16

I hope (It's a surety) for a pardon through thy Son For all the crimes which I have done; O may the grace which pardons me Constrain me to forgive like thee.

"Walk in love, as Christ also hath loved us, and hath given himself for us." Ephesians 5:2. – selected.

"And be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God in Christ forgave you" Ephesians 4:32.

"...bearing with one another, and forgiving one another, if anyone has a complaint against another, even as Christ forgave you, so you also must do" Colossians 3:13.

The Glory of the Lord

"The glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together" Isaiah 40:5

WE anticipate the happy day when the whole world shall be converted to Christ; when the gods of the heathen shall be cast to the moles and the bats; when Romanism shall be exploded, and the crescent of Mohammed shall wane, never again to cast its baleful rays upon the nations; when kings shall bow down before the Prince of Peace and all nations shall call their Redeemer blessed. Some despair of this. They look upon the world as a vessel breaking up and going to pieces, never to float again We know that the world and all that is therein is one day to be burnt up, and afterwards we look for new heavens and for a new earth; but we cannot read our Bibles without the conviction that —-

"Jesus shall reign where'er the sun Does his successive journeys run."

We are not discouraged by the length of His delays; we are not disheartened by the long period which He allots to the church in which to struggle with little success and much defeat. We believe that God will never suffer this world, which has once seen Christ's blood shed upon it, to be always the devil's stronghold. Christ came hither to deliver this world from the detested sway of the powers of darkness. What a shout shall that be when men and angels shall unite to cry "Hallelujah, hallelujah, for the Lord God Omnipotent reigneth!" What a satisfaction will it be in that day to have had a share in the fight, to have helped to break the arrows of the bow, and to have aided in winning the victory for our Lord! Happy are they who trust themselves with this conquering Lord, and who fight side by side with Him, doing their little in His name and by His strength! How unhappy are those on the side of evil! It is a losing side, and it is a matter wherein to lose is to lose and to be lost for ever. On whose side are you?

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The Four Calls

The Spirit came in CHILDHOOD And pleaded, "Let me in." But oh! The door was bolted, By thoughtlessness and sin. "I am too young," the child replied, "I will not yield today; There's time enough tomorrow," The Spirit went away.

Again He came and pleaded, In YOUTH'S bright happy hour. He came, but heard no answer, For lured by Satan's power, The youth lay dreaming then, And saying, "Not today; Not till I've tried earth's pleasures," The Spirit went away.

Again He called in mercy, In MANHOOD'S vigorous prime. But still He found no welcome The merchant had no time. No time for true repentance, No time to think or pray. And so, repulsed and saddened, The Spirit went away.

Once more He called and waited, The man was OLD and ill. He scarcely heard the whisper, His heart was cold and still.

Go leave me; when I need Thee, I'll call for Thee," he cried. Then sinking on his pillow, WITHOUT A HOPE, HE DIED!

Sent in by Paul Peterson, Kenyon, MN

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Life Is Beautiful When You Know Why

K. P. Yohannan – President and International Director – Gospel for Asia

King Solomon's journey into life began with an incredible, supernatural experience with the Almighty God who had chosen him to be king over His people Israel. Solomon was inexperienced and naïve, bu he had a humble and tender heart.

In a childlike manner he said to God, "I don't know what to do." And God asked him, "What do you want?" Solomon could have requested all the things 99.9 percent of people ask for –riches, power and a long life – but he didn't. Instead he said, "All I want is wisdom."

God was pleased, and He gave him more knowledge, wisdom and understanding than any human being on earth. Solomon applied this wisdom to lead God's people in righteousness and justice.

Life was beautiful because Solomon knew his purpose on earth, and he looked to God to enable him to fulfill that purpose.

But later on Solomon got off on a tragic detour. He decided to find out if there was something more to life than walking with God and doing His will. He set out to use his great wisdom to figure out everything under the sun and, in the process, create his own independent life centered around himself.

By the time he was done, he was completely disillusioned, lost and empty. He summed up his finds with the words, "Vanity of vanities, all is vanity" (Ecclesiastes 1:2). Then he went on and described life as a series of meaningless and futile pursuits that end up in grief and nothingness.

What happened to godly Solomon and his wonderful relationship with God that he would come up with such a depressing conclusion? He experienced that our lives as human beings lose their beauty and joy when we no longer know why we are on earth, for our lives only make sense and have purpose in relationship to our Creator.

Once we walk away from Him, everything becomes meaningless.

Is it possible that Solomon's experience can happen to any one of us?

It can if we don't know why we are on earth or if, as believers, we lose sight of the purpose of God in our lives. We all are driven by something, and that something determines what we say and do, the way we behave and the choices we make.

Long ago I had the following conversation with a 6-year-old boy in northern India:

Me: "What are you doing?" Boy: "I go to school."

Me: "Why do you go to school?"

Boy: "To learn."

Me: "Why do you want to learn?"

Boy: "So I can be smart."

Me: "Why do you want to be smart?"

Me: "So I can get a job."

Me: "Why do you want to get a job?"

Boy: "So I can make money."

Me: "Why do you want to make money?"

Boy: "So I can buy food to eat."

Me: "Why do you want to eat food?"

Boy: "So I can live"

At this point I told him that I had just one more question: "Why do you live?"

For the first time he paused. He looked this way and that, and in the end he looked straight into my eyes and said, "Why do I live? To die."

I want to ask you a similar question: "What is it that makes you do what you do and be who you are today?" Think about it. Is it ambition, power, position or money that motivate you, or are you driven by fear, anger, bitterness, failure and the guilt of your past?

If your honest answer is any of the above, you are well on the way to ending up with Solomon's sad conclusion about life: Everything is meaningless.

God's Word tells us clearly that our life on earth is not meant to be a pointless existence, but that each of us was created to fulfill a wonderful and specific purpose in God's plan: to live for Him.

"For by Him all things were created that are in heaven and that are on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers. All things were created through Him and for Him" (Colossians 1:16).

When Solomon lost sight of this truth, his life became empty. Perhaps you, too, get sidetracked in your own pursuits or find yourself trapped by past failures, hurt and guilt, and you wonder if there is a way back. Yes, there is! Many examples in the Bible are proof that God's high calling for someone's life never expires.

Peter, whom Christ said He would give the keys of the kingdom to, is one of them. After Peter had denied the Lord three times, he thought God had no use for him any longer. But when Jesus had a private talk with Peter after His resurrection, He never mentioned his failure but only asked him if he loved Him. Then He completely restored Peter's calling. God will do the same for you.

My dear friend, the only thing that is truly worth living for is Jesus and Jesus alone. If He becomes your sole purpose, then you know why you are on earth, and your life will be fulfilled and beautiful even in the midst of difficult circumstances.

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SOULS

"...they that gladly received his word were baptized: and the same day there were added unto them about three thousand souls. Acts 2:41

Many of them which heard the word believed; and the number of the men was about five thousand. Acts 4:4

Three thousand souls saved! Five thousand souls saved! The surprise is that the men leading this evangelical surge were scathingly referred to as "*ignorant and unlearned men*". Where then was the secret to their power? Surely it was that they were "*filled with the Holy Ghost*" (Acts 2:4) (Editor: Controlled by the Person of the Holy Spirit). Perhaps one of our failures today is that we depend more on our programs and techniques to the exclusion of the Holy Spirit. May we all covet to be filled with the Holy Spirit. W. H. Burnett

O fill me with Thy fullness, Lord, until my very heart o'erflow,

In kindly thought and glowing word, Thy love to tell, Thy praise to show.

Frances Ridley Havergal

Editor's Note: What is wrong today? First of all, the most important thing is that GOD is same, Jesus is the same, the Holy Spirit is the same and the Scriptures are the same. So what is 'wrong'? I am 'afraid' that we, in our beloved Country, have become <u>Gospel hardened</u> and HIS WORD is being 'watered down'!

You see, mankind's <u>vital</u> NEED is the same as it was in the book of Acts. *GOD'S LAW* is not being preached/testified in its fullness and sternness in love. Until we become 'sin-sick' spiritually; we have no NEED of the Great Physician! It is people who are sin-sick and lost who <u>need</u> the *Great Physician*!

Seemingly very little is SIN 'today'; because God's LAW is not being preached in its' 'fullness': in love!

How much do you CARE and is it being 'expressed' through YOU?

From Canada!?

By Pastor Perry Rockwood

"A generation and more ago evangelicals all over the world thanked God for the Reformation and recognized it as the greatest and most blessed event in the history of the church since Pentecost. They rejoiced in the light of the Biblical revelation whereby their lives were persuaded of such doctrines as those of the infallibility of Holy Scriptures, the Trinity, the virgin-birth, blood-atonement, bodily resurrection and second coming of the Lord Jesus

Christ, regeneration by the Holy Ghost, and justification by faith. They experienced in their souls the sweetness of the grace of God. They were convinced that the Papacy was a gigantic delusion of Satan, one of his chief strongholds of falsity and darkness, and that religious Rationalism was equally heinous in the sight of God... But many descendants of the God-fearing stock are today stigmatizing as narrow-minded, ignorant, uncharitable and even unchristian, that which their forefathers had held as divine truth. Instead of holding the Scriptures as the infallible Word of God, they reject this doctrine as untenable and dangerous; and as a consequence, they compromise and surrender the fundamentals of the Christian Faith. It is of such the Lord has said, "Woe unto them that call evil good, and good evil; that put darkness for light, and light for darkness; that put bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter." Isaiah 5:20. Selected

Editor's Note: AMEN and how 'we' NEED in essence Martin Luther's Reformation (God Given) AGAIN in 'our' day!

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The king's heart is in the hand of the LORD, as the rivers of water: he turneth it whithersoever he will. Proverbs 21:1

Does God truly work in such a prominent way? Yes! Such a divine turning took place in the reign of King Ahasuerus more than 500 years before our Lord's birth. Satan was working to destroy the nation of Israel. But God was in control. Esther, a Jewess, the new queen, was not only beautiful but courageous. She jeopardized her life to save her people, leaving the consequence to God. "And if I perish, I perish!" (Est. 4:16), she declared. God turned the king's heart. The wicked Haman was hanged and God's people saved. Surely He can and will move with power in your circumstances too. E. MacLelland

Now let the feeble all be strong, and make Jehovah's arm their song,

His shield is spread o'er every saint, and thus supported who shall faint?

Philip Doddridge

Editor's Note: Food for thought: It most certainly 'could-be' that the latter years are God's very, very mild righteous judgment in seeking to try to get our attention, as individuals, who make up our beloved Nation! Fairly frequently God lets us receive what we want as individuals and as a Nation: as this took place EVEN in the Garden of Eden! Genesis 3, King Solomon – for example, 1 Peter 4:12 – 19, II Peter 3:9, II Chronicles 7:14 – BUT my people love to have it so! To a 'certain-degree' the choice is ours!

Warm Wishes for a Triumphant New Year

From Mary Rosenthal

(Editor: I know it is now the month of March, but the Scriptural content remains the <u>same</u> for Each Day of this Year and ON: Lord willing.)

Dear Friend,

Happy New Year in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

When I use the word "happy," I do not do so lightly or in a shallow way. Though the world continues to grow darker and darker, as believers we live in the light of our Savior, and therefore the world's darkness can have no eternal impact on us. This gives us a grandiose reason to be happy.

Another reason to be happy is that, if you are a believer in the Lord Jesus Christ, you have an inheritance that is *in-corruptible, undefiled,* and that *fadeth not away* (1 Peter 1:4). It is astounding, but true that your inheritance is being guarded in Heaven – "in a safe deposit box" by God Himself, and your inheritance will be disbursed fully to you right on schedule in the last days. The reality is that because by faith alone you are in Christ you are infinitely richer than you can begin to fully comprehend even in the midst of this wicked world.

Why am I sharing this with you? Time and again believers come up to me expressing their concern over the world in which we live. These believers wonder where we are going as a nation. They are concerned about our economy. What should they do about their retirement fund? Should they invest in silver or gold? What should they do with their pensions and stock holdings?

There are many other concerns. What is going to happen in the Middle East? What is going to happen with Turkey, Syria, and Iraq? What is going to happen with IS (the Islamic State)? What is going to happen with Israel and the Palestinians? Here in America, what is going to happen along our border with Mexico? How will more lax immigration laws affect us? What about health care? Will costs rise so dramatically that we will no longer be able to afford the care we need? What about the racially-motivated riots we have been seeing? Are they going to increase, and if so, how much more dangerous will they become?

I understand the unsaved world bites its nails and is frightened over the Uncertainty of our world and our future. However, when it comes to us as believers, we need not be biting our nails or quaking in fear. It is appropriate as a good citizen to be concerned over the direction in which our nation and our world are heading, but those like us who have a guaranteed inheritance are to hold our heads high,

knowing that we are firmly in the grasp of God's protective hand. The Lord who saves us will most assuredly keep us in His perfect will. And if one day, we are called upon to lay down our lives in ultimate allegiance to Him, what an indescribable privilege will be ours. In seminary a godly professor made us begin each class with a hymn containing a line I will never forget which states: "More secure is no one ever than the loved ones of the Savior." In God's will we cannot lose.

No matter what happens in this world, our inheritance in Christ cannot be touched. Therefore, we who love the Lord should not fret or be fearful regarding the uncertainty of what lies ahead. As a believer in the Lord Jesus Christ, I want to admonish you as I admonish myself to look beyond the temporal to the eternal.

If you truly trust the Lord, the days ahead will give to you an unprecedented opportunity to display your faith. While the unsaved fear, we should stand boldly for the name of Jesus. While others seek for ways to improve their situation or simply look to hold on to what they have, we are to remain calm and confident, knowing that God will "supply all (our) need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus" (Philippians 4:19). While others search frantically for answers, we are to rest in the Lord Jesus, knowing that He is "the way, the truth, and the life" (John 14:6).

Above all, never forget your unshakable inheritance that is being reserved for you in the vault of heaven.

Therefore, I exhort you, as one with so great an inheritance, to approach this New Year (Ed. Each Day) with sanctified caution, but also with optimism, excitement, and anticipation. You belong to the **King.** There can be no greater joy and assurance than that! ...

Warmly in the bonds of Calvary, Marv Rosenthal, David Rosenthal

Letter from Zion's Hope

Editor's Note: AMEN & AMEN! In these Perilous Times (very difficult times): I want YOU to prayerfully read Revelation 17 & 18, with the possible thought that in chapter 17 is the Apostasy (church) and in chapter 18 the Muslim (ISIS, etc.) What do YOU think? By no means: I am not a prophet!

"Individual Muslims may show splendid qualities, but the influence of the religion paralyzes the social development of those who follow it. No stronger retrograde force exists in the world. Far from being moribund, Mohammedanism is a militant and proselytizing faith."

Winston Churchill

Elijah

And (Elijah) said ... and I, even I only, am left... And the LORD said unto him ..." Yet I have left me seven thousand in Israel, all the knees which have not bowed unto Baal."

1 Kings 19:10, 15, 18

Elijah had spent his life serving God and was devastated by the seeming lack of fruit. Depression struck! The Lord reminded him that, unknown to him, there were 7,000 in Israel who had refused to bow the knee to Baal. Were they the result of seeing Elijah's courageous stand for God? If you are discouraged, press on. Remember that there is much we do not know of how God has been working through us. May we be, "always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord" (1 Cor. 15:58).

David Croudace

The task Thy wisdom hath assigned, O let me cheerfully fulfill;

In all my works Thy presence find, and prove Thy good and perfect will.

Charles Wesley

Editor's Note: When the 'odds' seemingly are against 'us', it is so easy to become discouraged – individually and as a 'ministry'. Yes, face reality both secularly and spiritually and with 'reality' in view; such as: the boisterous, billowing dark clouds over the horizon and 'reality' is right before 'our' EYES – take HEART as **JESUS**' Name is also 'Morning Star' AND 'we' are called to be found 'faithful unto death' unto HIM in occupying until He comes!

What is taking place right before 'our' EYES should not 'surprise' "us" IF we <u>daily</u> are staying tuned-in to the Eternal Word of God, the BIBLE!

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"Thy love is better than wine."

Song of Solomon 1:2

NOTHING gives the believer so much joy as fellowship with Christ. He has enjoyment as others have in the common mercies of life, he can be glad both in God's gifts and God's works; but in all these separately, yea, and in all of them added together, he doth not find such substantial delight as in the matchless person of his Lord Jesus. He has wine (Ed. Is. 55:1) which no vineyard on earth ever yielded; He has bread which all the corn-fields of Egypt could never bring forth. Where can such sweetness be

found as we have tasted in communion with our Beloved? In our esteem, the joys of earth are little better than husks for swine compared with Jesus, the heavenly manna. We would rather have one mouthful of Christ's love, and a sip of His fellowship, than a whole world full of carnal delights. What is the chaff to the wheat? What is the sparkling paste to the true diamond? What is a dream to the glorious reality? What is time's mirth, in its best trim, compared to our Lord Jesus in His most despised estate? If you know anything of the inner life, you will confess that our highest, purest, and most enduring joys must be the fruit of the tree of life which is in the midst of the Paradise of God. No spring yields such sweet water as that well of God which was digged with the soldier's spear. All earthly bliss is of the earth, earthly, but the comforts of Christ's presence are like Himself, heavenly. We can review our communion with Jesus, and find no regrets of emptiness therein; there are no dregs in this wine, no dead flies in this ointment. The joy of the Lord is solid and enduring. Vanity hath not looked upon it, but discretion and prudence testify that it abideth the test of years, and is in time and in eternity worth to be called "the only true delight." For nourishment, consolation, exhilaration, and refreshment, no wine can rival the love of Jesus. Let us drink to the full this evening.

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Washed Robes

"They have washed their robes, and made them white in the blood of the Lamb; therefore are they before the throne of God." Rev. 7:14, 15.

Thy blood, dear Jesus, thine alone Hath sovereign virtue to atone; Here we will rest our only plea, When we approach, great God, to thee.

"He that keepeth his commandments dwelleth in him, and he in him. And hereby we know that he abideth in us, by the Spirit which he hath given us." 1 John 3:24.

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UpDate

What would YOU DO if you were privileged/responsible to be in the 'position' that we (HLIF/MG) are in?

"Serve the Lord with gladness." Psalm 100:2

DELIGHT in divine service IS a token of acceptance. Those who serve God with a sad countenance are not really serving HIM at all! YES, they may seek to bring the form of homage, but the 'Abundant Life' is missing! Our God does not seek slaves of sin to serve HIM, for He is the Lord of the empire of LOVE and HE wants His children to not only be clothed in His Righteousness, but with a 'cheerful' heart! That obedience which is not voluntary is disobedience, for the Lord looks at the heart of the expressions.

"'For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also." Matthew 6:21, Haggai 1.

By God's grace and through His strength, *Morning Glory*/HLIF has been able to touch many lives for Christ in the past and is seeking to do the same today! But much remains to be done! Your prayer and financial support most certainly will assist 'us' in accomplishing the same in this <u>crucial time</u> in the USA and beyond!

Seemingly, time is short and Satan definitely is working <u>overtime</u> as 'we' are coming close to the dispensation of the 'church-age'. During these challenging days, it is my sincere hope/prayer that YOU will stand shoulder-to-shoulder with 'us'!

I believe GOD wants YOU to not only support 'us' with specific Prayer Support, but also tangibly with 'finances'. Try/test GOD to see IF His 'shovel' is not bigger than your 'shovel' so, as YOU shovel out, HE shovels IN! Luke 6:38

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Hauge Area Bible Conference April 18 – 19, 2015

Abundant Life Free Lutheran Church Pastor Michael Johnson, Host Pastor Thief River Falls, MN

Guest Speakers: Pastor (Evangelist) Willmore Gunderson, Pastor Lindell Quam and Mr. Joel Zeltinger.

Theme: Trumpet(s) Sounds & Bearers
1 Corinthians 14:8.

Theme Hymn: (Possibly) — Hold the Fort!
PLAN AND PRAY NOW!
More Information Forth Coming ...

WELCOME!