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World War — Jerry O'Donnell

No, this is not about World War III, but it is an active war that is taking place right now involving the entire world. No, it is not the war in Ukraine or Israel or elsewhere specifically that has ancillary effects upon many, if not all, countries around the world.

Before we get into the message, let us back up for a moment taking time to realize what is wrapping up by the time you receive this in the mail – it is called the holidays. Like it or not, celebrate it or not, at some point, everyone is bound to hear the all-familiar prayer request: Let there be “Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men” (Luke 2:14). And from this, the desire is strongly there for world peace. On this side of the second coming, it is not going to happen. They can annually request it but guaranteed, they will be disappointed.

Besides, is that good will toward men and peace referring to cessation of physical wars? What did Jesus declare about this matter? “Think not that I am come to send peace on earth: I came not

to send peace, but a sword. For I am come to set a man at variance against his father, and the daughter against her mother, and the daughter in law against her mother in law. And a man's foes [shall be] they of his own household. He that loveth father or mother more than me is not worthy of me: and he that loveth son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me. And he that taketh not his cross, and followeth after me, is not worthy of me. He that findeth his life shall lose it: and he that loseth his life for my sake shall find it” (Matthew 10:34-39). We shall have a sword, or war, between people right up until the second coming. The peace and goodwill is the relationship between us and the Father through the “Prince of Peace” (Isaiah 9:6).

It is not intentional that true Christians are the cause of the fighting, which is classified as war. True Christians, unyielding to worldliness without even saying a word and just wanting to be left to live one's life as their conscience dictates, are sufficient to have all

those that oppose complete obedience to God to get upset and war against the righteous, so much so that like Cain, they would eventually wish they were gone, even killed. “And he had power to give life unto the image of the beast, that the image of the beast should both speak, and cause that as many as would not worship the image of the beast should be killed” (Revelation 13:15).

Further, what did Jesus say would be a sign right up to the second coming? “And ye shall hear of wars and rumours of wars: see that ye be not troubled: for all [these things] must come to pass, but the end is not yet” (Matthew 24:6). Please take notice that we are not to be troubled by Ukraine, Israel, the threat of nuclear attacks, etc. They may all be serious concerns, but for a soldier of Christ, we are not to be distracted by those things. If we have to lay our lives down for Christ's sake, we shall find life eternal as stated just moments ago.

So, now let us get into the current World War details. What would be

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on most people's minds would be when did the war start? "And there was war in heaven: Michael and his angels fought against the dragon; and the dragon fought and his angels" (Revelation 12:7). It started well before this earth was populated with humans.

What was the result of that war? "And prevailed not; neither was their place found any more in heaven" Revelation 12:8. In fact, "And the angels which kept not their first estate, but left their own habitation, he hath reserved in everlasting chains under darkness unto the judgment of the great day" (Jude 1:6), and "God spared not the angels that sinned, but cast [them] down to hell, and delivered [them] into chains of darkness, to be reserved unto judgment" (2 Peter 2:4). Those chains of darkness are not physical chains binding the fallen angels. If that were so, then there would be no temptations happening to us. Those chains are another way of saying that the fallen angels are bound to this planet. In other words, earth is quarantined from the rest of the universe. That also means that the war has not ceased. It simply has changed locations involving our entire world. Basically, the World War that is currently going on is known as the Great Controversy between Michael, or Christ, and Satan. [Please refer to October 2023 issue in the section *Prophecy Made Plain* if you need to see the Bible support on Michael being Jesus.]

And to confirm that the location of the war is here on earth, Revelation 12:9 states, "And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the Devil, and

Satan, which deceiveth the whole world: he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him." Upon deceiving Adam and Eve, Satan accomplished deceiving the whole world.

Now, what are all true Christians called to do? "Fight the good fight of faith, lay hold on eternal life, whereunto thou art also called, and hast professed a good profession before many witnesses" (1 Timothy 6:12). By the grace and divine power (2 Peter 1:3), we are to fight the good fight of faith.

It is said that to know your enemy is half the battle, so just who is really our enemy? "Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might. Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high [places]" (Ephesians 6:10-12). The enemy is the devil and his angels, but even though they may inspire human beings to do some awful things, the true battle is still against Satan.

What are we to fight with? "Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand. Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth, and having on the breastplate of righteousness; And your feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace; Above all, taking the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery

darts of the wicked. And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God: Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints" (Ephesians 6:13-18). We do not have the space to go into details of each of the weapons to be used, but suffice it to be said, our warfare is spiritual, and we are to use spiritual instruments.

As good soldiers, though, it is important to be fit. Just what shall keep us fit for the fight? "Dearly beloved, I beseech [you] as strangers and pilgrims, abstain from fleshly lusts, which war against the soul" (1 Peter 2:11). We have to detach ourselves from the wants of the world and consider ourselves as pilgrims on the move. More importantly, all fleshly desires have to be set aside. The littlest excuse or allowance will cause us to have weak links in the armor and we shall be defeated.

What must we endure in this battle? "Thou therefore endure hardness, as a good soldier of Jesus Christ" (2 Timothy 2:3). It is not an easy warfare. In fact, it is a constant warfare, a tiresome warfare, a demanding warfare.

What does the enemy incorporate that makes it even more difficult and complicated? "And the dragon was wroth with the woman, and went to make war with the remnant of her seed, which keep the commandments of God, and have the testimony of Jesus Christ" (Revelation 12:17). It is the compromised church, the woman.

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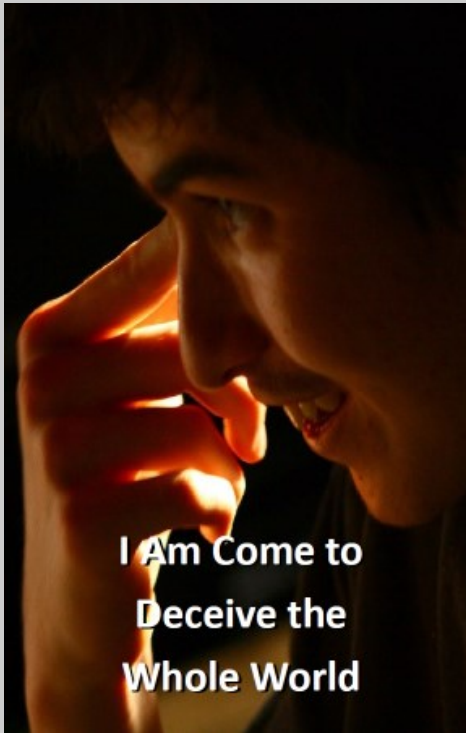
the testimony of Jesus Christ, even “the Spirit of Prophecy” (Revelation 19:10), which incorporates all of God’s Word,

the Bible, and Ellen White’s writings. The reason it is complicated is that we are to find refuge in the church, but the church is what will eventually turn completely against us and help enforce the Mark of the Beast (Revelation 13:11-17).

And that brings up an interesting concern – the beast. And this is what the beast, or antichrist, will do: “And it was given unto him to make war with the saints, and to overcome them: and power was given him over all kindreds, and tongues, and nations” (Revelation 13:7).

What influence shall the beast have? “And there are seven kings: five are fallen, and one is, [and] the other is not yet come; and when he cometh, he must continue a short space. And the beast that was, and is not, even he is the eighth, and is of the seven, and goeth into perdition. And the ten horns which thou sawest are ten kings, which have received no kingdom as yet; but receive power as kings one hour with the beast. These have one mind, and shall give their power and strength unto the beast. These shall make war with the Lamb, and the Lamb shall overcome them: for he is Lord of lords, and King of kings: and they that are with him [are] called, and chosen, and faithful” (Revelation 17:10-14). The antichrist will have enough influence to become the recognized world leader for a mere two weeks of literal time. In the meantime, they will have influenced the vast majority of the planet to war against Christ, hence the war in Heaven having never ceased but continues today taking souls to perdition every single day.

I Am Come to Deceive The Whole World



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How are the leaders of each nation influenced? “And I saw three unclean spirits like frogs [come] out of the mouth of the dragon, and out of the mouth of the beast, and out of the mouth of the false prophet. For they are the spirits of devils, working miracles, [which] go forth unto the kings of the earth and of the whole world, to gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty” (Revelation 16:13-14). They are influenced by three powers as well as the miracles. There will probably not be an atheist on this planet when such deception reaches the climax.

And what are Satan, antichrist, and Protestant America preparing the world for? “And he gathered them together into a place called in the Hebrew tongue Armageddon” (Revelation 16:16). It is the fight over salvation, where in the Hebrew tongue, it is the “mount of the congregation” (Isaiah 14:12-13) even “Mount Zion” (Isaiah 10:24) the people of God (Isaiah 51:16). They are amassing a warfare against Christ to see Who shall be the leader in the end.

And now let us look at one of the greatest future battles that will be fought yet it will not bring an end to the war. “And I saw heaven opened, and behold a white horse; and he that sat upon him [was] called Faithful and True, and in righteousness he doth judge and make war. His eyes [were] as a flame of fire, and on his head [were] many crowns; and he had a name written, that no man knew, but he himself. And he [was] clothed with a vesture dipped in blood: and his name is called The

Word of God. And the armies [which were] in heaven followed him upon white horses, clothed in fine linen, white and clean. And out of his mouth goeth a sharp sword, that with it he should smite the nations: and he shall rule them with a rod of iron: and he treadeth the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God. And he hath on [his] vesture and on his thigh a name written, KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS. And I saw an angel standing in the sun; and he cried with a loud voice, saying to all the fowls that fly in the midst of heaven, Come and gather yourselves together unto the supper of the great God; That ye may eat the flesh of kings, and the flesh of captains, and the flesh of mighty men, and the flesh of horses, and of them that sit on them, and the flesh of all [men, both] free and bond, both small and great. And I saw the beast, and the kings of the earth, and their armies, gathered together to make war against him that sat on the horse, and against his army. And the beast was taken, and with him the false prophet that wrought miracles before him, with which he deceived them that had received the mark of the beast, and them that worshipped his image. These both were cast alive into a lake of fire burning with brimstone. And the remnant were slain with the sword of him that sat upon the horse, which [sword] proceeded out of his mouth: and all the fowls were filled with their flesh” (Revelation 19:11-21). I do not know about you, but with every one of Satan’s human agents dead, that would pretty much be considered the end of the war, yet it is not.

It will finally have a pause, but then it will pick up again for one last battle: “And when the thousand years are expired, Satan shall be loosed out of his prison, And shall go out to deceive the nations which are in the four quarters of the earth, Gog and Magog, to gather them together to battle: the number of whom [is] as the sand of the sea. And they went up on the breadth of the earth, and compassed the camp of the saints about, and the beloved city: and fire came down from God out of heaven, and devoured them. And the devil that deceived them was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet [are], and shall be tormented day and night for ever and ever” (Revelation 20:7-10). Satan leading the forces into yet another battle clearly reveals that the war is not over at the second coming, but will be when everyone, including Satan himself, is devoured with fire.

And how do we know that it is finally over after hell fire? “And I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea” (Revelation 21:1). “What do ye imagine against the LORD? he will make an utter end: affliction shall not rise up the second time” (Nahum 1:9). God says so. All this sinning and warring will be passed away. All will live in harmony. And then it is declared that affliction or rebellion will not rise up a second time. Praise God!



Heavenly Health

“If our bodies which are the “work of Providence” are not in good working order, our spiritual lives suffer, our minds become dull, we do not make good decisions, everything in our lives is affected. Physical, mental, and spiritual health are all intertwined; maintaining balance is a necessity as well as our responsibility.”

Hopefully, those first two sentences sound familiar to you – they are the last lines from the Health article for last month, and I wanted to expand on the theme of keeping our bodies in good working order, especially now that cold months are upon us here in the United States and some other parts of the world.

I want to discuss the concept and necessity of weather-appropriate dressing which will help us achieve that much-needed balance in our health. In some of my own childhood family photos there is one image in particular that springs to mind of a young relative and me taken in a cold month in Ohio. Both of us were wearing pretty little dresses with short sleeves, ruffled socks with dress shoes – and bare legs to match those little bare arms. We were dressed for a family event; we were all dressed up! And that was generally how little girls were dressed for those occasions. I know many women, actually, probably most, can relate to that picture. We were indoors, of course, but just the thought of that scenario still makes me cringe remembering snow piled high outside of that house. So, what

exactly is wrong with that picture as far as health goes? But before we get into the physical aspects of that I want to point out another common sight today – young adults, male and female, wearing heavy sweat shirts with short pants in cold weather. There are those naked legs again!

Let us take a look at the circulatory system of blood in our bodies to determine the need for proper distribution of our clothing. A perfect circulation throughout our system to every part of the body where every organ is supplied with pure blood is said to be a state of good health. To assure this good health it is necessary to make certain the entire body is as evenly clothed as possible so as not to dam the system, retarding the circulation. When one part of the body is heavily covered (sweatshirt on top) and the upper legs only slightly covered (short pants) a very damaging blood-flow and blood temperature fluctuation are developed, putting undue stress and wear and tear on the heart which needs to maintain a steady temperature and flow of blood to function optimally.

The primary function of blood is to deliver vital oxygen and nutrients to, and remove wastes from, the body's many cells; but that is only part of its job. Another function of blood is to evenly distribute heat throughout the system. So, if there is no covering on certain parts of the body the blood becomes chilled which slows down the circulation, causing the heart

to overwork. Then when the blood reaches the heavily covered parts of the body which are much warmer the blood is sort of pulled even further away from the exposed extremities so the vital organs are then heavy with blood, and all suffer from the uneven distribution of covering. The circulation of the blood is unequalized, and becomes impure, laying the groundwork for diseases of the mucus membrane of the throat and air passages. The whole system is deranged. The clothing should be loose fitting so there can be no restriction caused by tight waistbands, etc., as such pressure on the body prevents the rapid flow of the blood from the extremities to the heart.

A vital cleansing function of the blood is that it transports cell wastes and by-products, delivering them to various organs for disposal, and if this does not take place in a timely fashion another development of disease begins in the body which we do not have room to address in this article. Needless to say, to impede the flow of blood through the system in any way affects every organ and system in the body from digestion to brain function. If the circulation stops, there is poisoning and consequent death.

Fashions may change, but principles of health do not change. We cannot allow current trends or even family traditions to dictate our dress if it compromises our health, for these bodies are not our own.

1 Corinthians 6:19-20 says, "What? know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost [which is] in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own? For ye are bought with a

price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's."

1 Corinthians 7:22-23 tells us, "For he that is called in the Lord, [being] a servant, is the Lord's

freeman: likewise also he that is called, [being] free, is Christ's servant. Ye are bought with a price; be not ye the servants of men."



Healthy and Delicious Recipes

Creamy Vegetable Soup

Ingredients

- 3 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil
- 1 medium onion diced
- 2 celery stalks sliced
- 2 large carrots sliced
- 2 cups chopped cabbage
- Salt and pepper to taste (not with black pepper)
- 4 potatoes diced (3-4 cups chopped)
- 1 teaspoon dried thyme
- 2 garlic cloves minced
- 3 cups low-sodium vegetable broth
- 2 cups peas frozen
- 2 cups corn frozen
- 2 cups plant-based milk
- Fresh parsley for serving

Instructions

1. Heat the olive oil in a large pot over medium heat.
2. Add the onions, celery and carrots to the pot.
3. Season with salt and non-black pepper.
4. Cook, stirring occasionally until vegetables start to soften, about 5 minutes.
5. Stir in the chopped potatoes, thyme and garlic and cook until fragrant, about 1 minute.
6. Add the vegetable broth.
7. Bring mixture to a boil, then simmer until the vegetables soften, about 20 minutes.
8. Use an immersion blender to lightly blend the soup so it's thicker but still chunky. [You can remove some of the

vegetables to the side to stir back in if you prefer to have more whole vegetables.]

9. Stir in the peas, corn and milk, and simmer until the vegetables are warmed through and soup has thickened, about 5 minutes.
10. Serve with fresh parsley and crusty bread, if desired.

Notes

- Storage: Store any leftovers in an airtight container. They will last about 4 days in the fridge and reheat really well.
- Substitute potatoes with cauliflower or zucchini.



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Be Ye Holy — 1 Peter 1:15

2 Timothy 3:10 is subtle, but it is there for us to live by knowledge and look upon as the example of what a Christian is expected to be – holy and sanctified – especially, when Paul also wrote, “to make ourselves an ensample unto you to follow us” (2 Thessalonians 3:9). “But thou hast fully known my doctrine, manner of life, purpose, faith, longsuffering, charity, patience.” Doctrine is the knowledge of a sanctified life while the manner of life is the example. This is why we are to “Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth” (2 Timothy 2:15). Now, are you obeying the knowledge you are gaining from God’s Word of a holy life and following Paul’s example?

Hebrews 6:9 declares what was identified prior about the expected holy and sanctified life

being connected to salvation in that without such a life, we are lost (Hebrews 12:14), though with such a life, we do not earn Heaven. “But, beloved, we are persuaded better things of you, and things that accompany salvation, though we thus speak.” With that said, Hebrews 6:12 states, “That ye be not slothful, but followers of them who through faith and patience inherit the promises.” The only thing one can be slothful at is work. Our holy and sanctified life is not to be approached slothfully. We are to be followers, which is to conduct our lives in the expected holy and sanctified way; and by faith, that we can while being patient (if we fall along the way), to get up, “For a just [man] falleth seven times, and riseth up again: but the wicked shall fall into mischief” (Proverbs 24:16). And it ends again, as a reminder, that such a life is connected to the eternal, inheritable promises. So, are you slothful in your holy works or

diligent?

Titus 3:8 states, “[This is] a faithful saying, and these things I will that thou affirm constantly, that they which have believed in God might be careful to maintain good works. These things are good and profitable unto men.” The ‘good works’ is the holy and sanctified life. What shall it profit unto men? Eternal life is the answer, for “Follow peace with all [men], and holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord” (Hebrews 12:14). Where there is no holiness in the life, we shall not see the Lord. Now, the good works do not earn seeing the Lord, but good works reveal that we have been saved. Remember, Jesus “shall reward every man according to his works” (Matthew 16:27). And it is not a matter of putting good works into the day, but rather all day that we live a life approved of God, a holy life all the day long. So, what do your works reveal?

2 Thessalonians 3:6 is a command to all Christians showing forth the expected holy life that we ought to live. "Now we command you, brethren, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye withdraw yourselves from every brother that walketh disorderly, and not after the tradition which he received of us." It is expected to not walk disorderly, which is not about being drunk. Anything short of the standard of God, the Ten Commandments, is disorderly. So, if lying is prevalent in the church, that would be a disorderly conduct that we are not to be associated with. If brethren are taking part in fornication, like the Corinthian Church was involved in, that would be disorderly conduct that

we are not to participate in. It also includes those that disrespect authority, steal, are hurtful in any manner, foul mouthed, etc. Not only are we not to participate in such, but we are not to be associated with such Christians that do. If a bunch of foul mouth Christian teenagers are inviting an upright Christian to a cookout, watch a movie, or do anything, the upright Christian is to refuse the offer. If adults are conversing with one another saying, "Oh, it is okay to look but not touch", move away from such supposed Christians, as they disregard the words of Jesus (Matthew 5:28). Further, the use of the word "tradition" is not like holiday traditions or superstitious activities, but rather a reference to

doctrine and even, according to the Bible Lexicon, the written law that we know better as the Ten Commandments. So, are you disorderly or have you ordered your Christian walk properly? Do you follow or obey what the apostles, even what Jesus taught, or are you following your own ways?

Claiming to be saved or pointing just at the people who are unsaved, the truly saved do not lie: "Wherefore putting away lying, speak every man truth with his neighbour: for we are members one of another" (Ephesians 4:25). There is no such thing as a "white lie". It is not acceptable for a

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Christian to play tricks through lying. Telling stories of make-believe characters, especially one that carries all aspects of God to his name and is celebrated in the month of December, is still a lie, and a big one at that. Jesus even said, "let your communication be, Yea, yea; Nay, nay: for whatsoever is more than these cometh of evil" (Matthew 5:37). We are not to answer a question jokingly the opposite way. Jesus said that such is evil. So, can it be said of you, "in their mouth was found no guile: for they are without fault before the throne of God" (Revelation 14:5), or do you excuse lying in your life?

2 Corinthians 7:10 tells us the difference between a sanctified and holy person as opposed to a worldly person. "For godly sorrow worketh repentance to salvation not to be repented of: but the sorrow of the world worketh death." A worldly person is sorry for what they did when they are found out and even look for better ways to get away with it next time. They repent in such a way hoping that the consequences are simply forgotten. A godly person will repent as well as being sorry, and look for ways to repair the

damage. To repent is to stop doing it, and to truly be sorry is to realize the ramification of their actions. Sin is destructive to relationships, be it human to human, or human to God. When a godly person realizes their sin, they will ask for forgiveness, and evidently, if we do not have true sorrow and repentance, there is no salvation, for true repentance and sorrow leads to salvation. So, are you sorry for all of your sins, and have repented of them, or do you treat sin, even the little ones, as a light thing?

Acts 14:15 tells us "And saying, Sirs, why do ye these things? We also are men of like passions with you, and preach unto you that ye should turn from these vanities unto the living God, which made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and all things that are therein." Leaving the fake gods, leaving the fake religions, and serving the living God only is the holy and sanctified life. It may not appear too broad in this verse for declaring the expectation, but it is broad enough to realize that we do not all serve the same God. Only one offers eternal life and only "He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life: and he that

believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him" (John 3:36). So, do you abide in Jesus or do you serve vanity?

1 Corinthians 6:13 tells us "Meats for the belly, and the belly for meats: but God shall destroy both it and them. Now the body [is] not for fornication, but for the Lord; and the Lord for the body." It does not tell us that saved people who commit fornication, or are given to appetite, are exempt. No! This applies to everyone. And if we do not have a sanctified life regarding our appetite and regarding our sexual attention, even if it is just in the mind as Jesus told us (Matthew 5:28), shall be destroyed. So, where does your mind wander and what do you feed your belly?

Romans 3:31 is so clear on the expectation for a Christian. "Do we then make void the law through faith? God forbid: yea, we establish the law" (Romans 3:31). It is true that "a man is justified by faith without the deeds of the law" (Romans 3:28), but justification is about how we are saved. Sanctification is how we live after we have been justified. If we continue to break the law, we are then stuck in needing to be justified, and if we think we are saved that way and do not constantly ask for justification, we are lost. Besides, we are not to be in an infinite loop of sinning, asking for forgiveness, sinning, asking for forgiveness, ... "We know that whosoever is born of God sinneth not" (1 John 5:18).

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Justification is the forgiveness of sin and cleansing of all unrighteousness at the point of confession (1 John 1:9). Sanctification is allowing the “divine power” (2 Peter 1:3) to work in us having Him keep us from falling into sin (Jude 1:24). Sanctification also is what prepares us to dwell with holy beings who have never sinned. Establishing the law does not do away with it, change it, discarded it, downgrade the importance of it, etc. We basically live the life Jesus set before us where we deny ourselves the pleasures this world has to offer, face the temptations to indulge in those things, and just obey whatever is commanded by Jesus. So, are you establishing the law in your life, or are you claiming the wrong version of faith by having no regard to obeying His law?

John 4:23-24 states twice about worshipping God properly and if not, even if one claims to be saved, they will be lost. “But the

hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him. God [is] a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship [him] in spirit and in truth.” The word “must” makes it a requirement. So, have you searched the scripture for truth on what you believe, or do you believe the opposite of what Jesus taught going along with most Christians thinking it does not matter what beliefs one has, classifying oneself as part of anti-Christ?

Luke 6:20-26 contrasts those who are blessed (those who are poor, hungry, weep, reproached) with those that have woes against them (those that basically are living it up without regard to others known as the rich, laughers, full, well-spoken of). Those who are rich or have fullness are not condemned if they are helping those who are in the blessed group. It is not a sin to be

rich. Now, if we are in the blessed group, we are saved. If we are in the woe group, we are lost. Which group are you in?

Coincidentally, Mark 9:43, the next verse in sequence that reveals the expected holy and sanctified life, is Mark’s version of the post from Matthew 5:29 on the same subject. “And if thy hand offend thee, cut it off: it is better for thee to enter into life maimed, than having two hands to go into hell, into the fire that never shall be quenched.” Seeing that the hand represents our actions (Ecclesiastes 9:10), if sinful actions are not cut off, and it does not matter if one claims to be saved or not, then explicitly the word “hell” is our destination. So, what do your actions reveal is your destination, referring to Romans 6:16 on obedience?



Study to Shew Thyself Approved Unto God—(2 Timothy 2:15)

Battle With Self

1. Who said the battle is with self?
Matthew 16:24

2. How often are we to battle against self? **1 Corinthians 15:31**

3. What do we need to do with the body? **1 Corinthians 9:27**

4. What help do we have? **2 Peter 1:3-4**

5. What do we need dwelling in us? **Romans 8:8-9**

6. What warning are we given regarding the flesh? **Galatians 6:8**

7. Where is the battleground fought? **Romans 8:7**
8. What do we specifically fight against? **2 Corinthians 10:5**
9. Who helps us to bring the will into conformity? **1 Peter 4:1**
10. What practically are we to do? **James 4:7**

What is Promised to the Overcomer

1. What is promised to those who overcome? **Revelation 21:7 “inherit all things; and I will be his God, and he shall be my son”**
2. What is granted to those who overcome in symbolic

Ephesus? **Revelation 2:1, 7 “eat of the tree of life”**

3. What is granted to those who overcome in symbolic Smyrna? **Revelation 2:8, 11 “not be hurt of the second death”**
4. What is granted to those who overcome in symbolic Pergamos? **Revelation 2:12, 17 “eat of the hidden manna, and will give him a white stone, and in the stone a new name written”**
5. What is granted to those who overcome in symbolic Thyatira? **Revelation 2:18, 26 “power over the nations”**
6. What is granted to those who overcome in symbolic Sardis? **Revelation 3:1, 5 “clothed in white raiment; and I will not blot out his name out of the book of life, but I will confess his name before my Father, and before his angels”**
7. What is granted to those who overcome in symbolic Philadelphia? **Revelation 3:7, 12 “make a pillar in the**

temple of my God, and he shall go no more out: and I will write upon him the name of my God, and the name of the city of my God, [which is] new Jerusalem, which cometh down out of heaven from my God: and [I will write upon him] my new name”

8. What is granted to those who overcome in symbolic Laodicea? **Revelation 3:14, 21 “grant to sit with me in my throne”**
9. Who believed that they could be an overcomer against such great odds physically, pointing to us being able to overcome spiritually? **Numbers 13:30 “Caleb”**
10. Who is our enemy that we need to overcome despite the great odds against us? **Revelation 12:9-11 “the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan”**



Questions & Answers

QUESTION: Should we get the Real ID?

ANSWER: As we know, the Real ID is not the Mark of the Beast. In comparing Daniel 7, especially verse 25 to the list of items in Revelation 13, the Mark of the Beast has always existed in the form of obeying the world powers and disobeying God. The world is gearing up for the next form of direct contrasting disobedience, and it is obvious that the Ten Commandments (Daniel

7:25) is going to come in conflict, especially involving time and worship. The governments already in unison controlled a bit of worship during the COVID crisis being a forerunner to the final crisis. When they closed all of the churches and dictated the rules for opening them up, they crossed the lines from enforcing no stealing, killing, etc. to the commandments regarding worship of God.

In any case, the question comes down to the use of the Real ID, which is being sold as a need, especially in emergency situations, however, it is intrusive and can be used for governmental control. It is simply a tracking mechanism. The confusion with the Mark of the Beast is that between tracking and what the Mark actually is. No buying and selling does not always involve credit cards or monetary systems. The gas crisis of the 1970s revealed that license

plates were used to control buying and selling.

The act of getting the Real ID or not getting it is by choice. Do you want to make it easier for the government to track various activities or not? But before giving the answer, do keep in mind that there are personal purchases and various property ownership that already accomplishes the same task. If a person owns a cell phone, the Real ID is insignificant as the phone, even when off, tracks every movement. In many cases, even purchases. If a person uses credit cards for every transaction, all of that is tracked.

Now, the question comes about regarding driving. Many states make the Real ID and the driver's license one and the same card. If we adhere to council and live in the country, having no driver's license, it is going to cause a whole lot more problems than the government having access to personal information.

And let us not get started with the "smart" things in the home that do tracking and even recording of activities: smart TVs, smart refrigerators, even smart light bulbs.

So, it is a personal choice and may be one that is unavoidable.

Do keep in mind, everyone may run but eventually no one will be able to hide, even if completely off the grid. Do the work of the Lord and let the consequences in the Lord's hands.

QUESTION: Is God fair?

ANSWER: We would say that God is not fair but just. Now, after you let that settle into the mind and may want to argue the opposite position, let us first create a scenario.

There are three people: a billionaire, an employee, and a homeless single

mother. If there is to be \$300 given out, the fair thing would be to give each \$100. To be just, as in justice being served, all \$300 would be given to the homeless woman. The Bible states that Jesus "is just" (Zechariah 9:9). It does not appear to state that Jesus "is fair".

In regards to eternal life, all that receive it may believe that it is given out fairly. We all receive the same amount of the experience. There are no multiple levels to Heaven. We all get the same mansions presented to individual tastes but still mansions. We will get access to the streets of gold, and even access to Jesus Himself. On the contrary, we all come from various backgrounds, primarily that of sin. It all has to be forgiven before any of us step foot into Heaven. Some of us have huge amounts of sins while others, not so much. Some required multiple attempts to be pulled out of worldliness while others, one attempt was all that was necessary. Jesus even spoke on this.

"Wherefore I say unto thee, Her sins, which are many, are forgiven; for she loved much: but to whom little is forgiven, [the same] loveth little" (Luke 7:47).

If God were fair, all of us would receive the same amount of grace. If it were done by average, those that sinned just a little up to the average point would be allowed entrance into Heaven while all others would get the cold response, "Sorry, there is no more grace to provide." Instead, "My grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness" (2 Corinthians 12:9). We each receive the sufficient amount based upon our needs. Now, do realize, we are all saved through Jesus Christ completely by His merit. "All our righteousnesses [are] as filthy rags" (Isaiah 64:6). The best we can claim for salvation is, "We are unprofitable servants: we

have done that which was our duty to do" (Luke 17:10). In other words, we cannot add to our salvation no matter how long we walk in righteousness. It is Christ's righteousness that we are saved by, but all of it is one package, both the saving part and the conditions to be met. But let us not get too deep on that subject as the point of the question is about the fairness of God.

God is just and not fair. Thank God.

QUESTION: What is the winepress in Revelation 14?

ANSWER: Revelation 14:19-20 states, "And the angel thrust in his sickle into the earth, and gathered the vine of the earth, and cast [it] into the great winepress of the wrath of God. And the winepress was trodden without the city, and blood came out of the winepress, even unto the horse bridles, by the space of a thousand [and] six hundred furlongs."

The symbolic object of the "winepress" is squeezing the life out of the lost as it is the "Wrath of God" and is outside the city where the lost are. There are many figures of this event when Jesus breaks through the clouds and the lost realize that they are indeed lost. We have "the kings of the earth, and the great men, and the rich men, and the chief captains, and the mighty men, and every bondman, and every free man, hid themselves in the dens and in the rocks of the mountains: And said to the mountains and rocks, Fall on us, and hide us from the face of him that sitteth on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb" (Revelation 6:15-16) when we know in reality all are simply slain: "And then shall that Wicked be revealed, whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of his

mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of his coming" (2 Thessalonians 2:8).

The winepress specifically is not the focus as opposed to the results thereof, but if a person is really pressing for something, it would simply be that which will slaughter

the wicked when Jesus returns preparing them for "an angel standing in the sun; and he cried with a loud voice, saying to all the fowls that fly in the midst of heaven, Come and gather yourselves together unto the supper of the great God; That ye may eat the flesh of kings, and the flesh of captains,

and the flesh of mighty men, and the flesh of horses, and of them that sit on them, and the flesh of all [men, both] free and bond, both small and great" (Revelation 19:17-18).



News and Comments

October 31—Atlanta Black Star

Neighbor Kills New York Man and Stepson Execution-Style In Dispute Over Loud Music Captured on Video: 'Why Would You Bring a Gun to Tear My Family Apart?'

God says, "I will make a man more precious than fine gold; even a man than the golden wedge of Ophir" (Isaiah 13:12). Man says, "Lives of people are not as valuable as material goods nor selfish desires."

November 9—The Cool Down

Shocking Study Finds Exposure to One Seasonal Factor Is Comparable to Smoking a Whopping Seven Cigarettes a Day

More scare tactics pushing people to "Stay inside as much as possible, and use a HEPA air filter in your home. If you have to go outside, wear a mask and limit your activity", all of which has their own health issues. Eventually, outside air gets inside homes unless they are poisonously air tight. Lack of outdoor exercise is known to bring on debilitating issues later in life. And the fiber from masks in constant use gets into the lungs and causes other health issues. The bottom line is to trust in God and live life as He intended. "There is no fear in love; but perfect love casteth out fear: because fear hath torment. He that feareth is not made perfect in love" (1 John 4:18).

November 10—Telegraph

When it comes to holidays, it seems no one really cares about climate change

To stay home and never visit relatives again is idolizing the planet, similar to those who "worshipped and served the creature more than the Creator, who is blessed for ever" (Romans 1:25).

November 11—Insider

Pope Francis ousted a Texas bishop, signaling he may finally be done with ultraconservative US Catholics

From a religious figure to condemn the right and let free the evil is showing how the world continues to "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).

November 13—Insider

Near-death experiences are important but they are not the afterlife, according to a cardiologist

In reality, trips to Heaven at the near point of death are not real for "the living know that they shall die: but the dead know not any thing, neither have they any more a reward; for the memory of them is forgotten" (Ecclesiastes 9:5). And the event of being with Jesus, well, "every man in his own order: Christ the firstfruits;

afterward they that are Christ's at his coming" (1 Corinthians 15:23).

November 1—Salon

Hidden danger: How much caffeine is actually safe to drink in a day?

FDA is not God. "According to the FDA's own guidelines, about 400 milligrams of caffeine is the maximum amount a 'healthy adult' should consume in a day (as a reminder, Panera's large charged lemonade contains 390 milligrams)." The accumulation of caffeine day in and day out brings on health related issues over time. And since it is over time, like future heart attacks, it is not considered serious enough to say that 'none' is the recommendation by God. It is a stimulant that excites the body in a manner that the body is not supposed to experience. "That thy way may be known upon earth, thy saving health among all nations." (Psalms 67:2).

November 13—CNN

There's another Christian movement that's changing our politics. It has nothing to do with whiteness or nationalism

"They are using the Bible, as Social Gospel leaders once did, to argue in various ways that Christian deeds are more important than creeds and that unfettered capitalism 'thrives on selfish impulses that Christian

teaching condemns.'" Basically, the article depicts where Jesus is inserted into social issues, and then many assumptions are made. The focus was the union strike. They concluded that Jesus would be for the workers, and He would join the picket line. So, if the owners were operating properly, not greedily, but there was a strike, Jesus would be against the owners? That is an assumption. The reality of things is that Jesus would stay out of social issues. In one social situation, Jesus stayed out of it by stating, "Render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's" (Mark 12:17). In another social situation, Jesus responded with, "Man, who made me a judge or a divider over you?" (Luke 12:14). And our creed is the Bible, as in, "good deeds" are not the same as "obedience". And Jesus says, "If ye love me, keep my commandments" (John 14:15) among other things. "Good deeds" are in the eyes of the beholder. "Good deeds" are confused with kindness. It is a kind act to allow marriages outside of man and woman, but that is an abomination to God. The social gospel is sold in such a way that it sounds like what Jesus would be in favour of, but it is the most deceptive message from Satan that is sweeping away many in the church. It is not as simple as Sunday versus Sabbath, good versus evil, right versus wrong. Who in their right mind would be against "good deeds"? Well, unless a person realizes the agenda behind "good deeds", people are being easily deceived.

November 13—Business Insider

An FDIC supervisor reportedly invited staff to a strip club and senior bank examiners texted nude pics to female employees. They're still employed.

In the category of desensitizing, people truly do not know boundaries any more, neither what is considered immoral. The title of the story is just the lead in to bigger issues, not only

at the FDIC, but in many business environments. For the senior people to act this way and are "still employed" is unbelievable. Further, the article stated, "Two supervisors told the Journal they'd either visited strip clubs with their colleagues after work, or had invited staff to a strip club. One supervisor, Trevor McIntosh, said the organization had not told him that visiting the strip clubs was a problem and 'he didn't know why it would have been,' the Journal reported." It is immoral!!! But, when the Bible is no longer considered the moral standard in society, "Because [there is] no truth, nor mercy, nor knowledge of God in the land. By swearing, and lying, and killing, and stealing, and committing adultery, they break out, and blood toucheth blood" (Hosea 4:1-2). It was innocent to attend company picnics, then sporting events, then happy hour where many a personnel have had loose lips under the influence of drinks, and now strip clubs, a form of adultery, is accepted as proper business behavior. Satan leads on step-by-step.

November 16—Pet Helpful

Couple Smuggles Dog Into Hospice To Visit Ailing Mom and Her Face Says It All

The article celebrates breaking the rules because people were thinking with their hearts, which "The heart [is] deceitful above all [things], and desperately wicked" (Jeremiah 17:9), for the article specifically states, "After all, rules are there to be broken." Tell that to Satan who broke the coveting rule that then spread to other commandment breaking and eventually loss of his position and removal of a third of the angels. Tell that to Adam and Eve who also broke the coveting rule expanding to the other commandment breaking. Rules are not meant to be broken. If more people kept the simple rules, we would not have the chaos we are

experiencing today. Allowance or exception is one thing but smuggling is outright breaking the rule.

November 16—Sacbee

Hundreds 'begged' Rocklin school board not to pass parent notification policy, emails show

According to the article, which is slanted, we have "hundreds of messages from students", disobedient students, and teachers and counselors who ought to be fired that are protecting disobedience. Parents are responsible in every other respect, so who gives the exception in such a life altering decision? And the media does not report the number of students, now becoming adults, who regret the decisions made much earlier in life when they were not completely informed of all the ramifications. It is an agenda – a Sodom and Gomorrah agenda! Thankfully, "the board voted 4-1 to require school staff to inform parents when their student transitions or experiments with their gender identity."

November 26—The Gateway Pundit

Pope Red Francis Goes from Meeting with Transgender Sex Workers in the Vatican to Accusing Jews of Terrorism

This is simply an example of Isaiah 5:20-21. "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! Woe unto [them that are] wise in their own eyes, and prudent in their own sight!"

November 14—Huffington Post

Mike Johnson Says Americans 'Misunderstand' Separation Of Church And State

The separation between church and state may not be explicit in the

constitution but the Bible shows that they were intended to be separate powers represented by two separate horns: "And I beheld another beast coming up out of the earth; and he had two horns like a lamb, and he spake as a dragon." With that said, we know eventually that will not remain as intended because force of

compliance, as a taste of which came through COVID, will be the norm.

November 27—MSN

Outrage: Court Ruling Allows State to Seize Citizens for Indefinite Quarantine and Isolation - Due Process No More?

Good-bye constitution. "And I beheld another beast coming up out of the earth; and he had two horns like a lamb, and he spake as a dragon" (Revelation 13:11).



Natural Remedies

Relief from Strep with Peppermint Oil

Peppermint oil has antibacterial properties and can be used to relieve your pain by gargling ½ cup of warm water with 10 drops of the oil added to it, being sure to swish it around in the mouth to eliminate even more bacteria

before spitting it out. The oil's cooling effect helps relieve sore throats. Also applying it topically to the neck and jawline is helpful, making sure to dilute it with a carrier oil such as coconut or olive oil first so as not to burn the skin.

Its anti-inflammatory and decongestant properties can help reduce inflammation and speed up recovery time. Each of these applications can be repeated several times throughout the day.

