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PROSPECTS FOR THE NEW YEAR

Every year the world celebrates a new year with parades, fireworks, and all sorts of excitement along with ceremony. Every year the majority of people are hoping that the new year will be filled with hope and peace. For the last few years, hope for the world has been diminishing while hope for the Christian has continued with the Biblical promise.

The world is looking for the hope that the Christian has in a risen Saviour. The world is seeking the peace that the Christian radiates. Thus the world celebrates every new year with rowdy behavior and all sorts of celebrations that they think will give them the desires of their heart.

Needless to say the drunken, rowdy celebrations come to an end, leaving the world in the same situation. None of the parties and celebrations changed a single thing. The world is still without hope and peace in the new year.

The Christian on the other hand wakes up with a clear head along with the hope and peace that the world is searching. Of course there is no peace and little hope. While the world rejects Jesus Christ, they will never find what they are seeking.

Presently, we are fighting a war of terrorism against an enemy who is not seen. We are fighting against a devoted foe who is willing to sacrifice themselves. This is a war that cannot be won without the power of the Lord. As long as the United States rejects the Lord and His righteousness, there will be no peace.

Jeremiah 8:1-12

1 At that time, saith the LORD, they shall bring out the bones of the kings of Judah, and the bones of his princes, and the bones of the priests, and the bones of the prophets, and the bones of the inhabitants of Jerusalem, out of their graves:

2 And they shall spread them before the sun, and the moon, and all the host of heaven, whom they have loved, and whom they have served, and after whom they have walked, and whom they have sought, and whom they have worshipped: they shall not be gathered, nor be buried; they shall be for dung upon the face of the earth.

3 And death shall be chosen rather than life by all the residue of them that remain of this evil family, which remain in all the places whither I have driven them, saith the LORD of hosts.

4 Moreover thou shalt say unto them, Thus saith the LORD; Shall they fall, and not arise? shall he turn away, and not return?

5 Why then is this people of Jerusalem slidden back by a perpetual backsliding? they hold fast deceit, they refuse to return.

6 I hearkened and heard, but they spake not aright: no man repented him of his wickedness, saying, What have I done? every one turned to his course, as the horse rusheth into the battle.

7 Yea, the stork in the heaven knoweth her appointed times; and the turtle and the crane and the swallow observe the time of their coming; but my people know not the judgment of

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that has been devastated by the recent tsunami with a gigantic wave which traveled approximately 500 miles per hour destroying everything in its path.

The Bible tells to look at the signs of the times concerning the last days.

Matthew 24:1-31

1 And Jesus went out, and departed from the temple: and his disciples came to him for to shew him the buildings of the temple.

2 And Jesus said unto them, See ye not all these things? verily I say unto you, There shall not be left here one stone upon another, that shall not be thrown down.

3 And as he sat upon the mount of Olives, the disciples came unto him privately, saying, Tell us, when shall these things be? and what shall be the sign of thy coming, and of the end of the world?

4 And Jesus answered and said unto them, Take heed that no man deceive you.

5 For many shall come in my name, saying, I am Christ; and shall deceive many.

6 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.

7 For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom: and there shall be famines, and pestilences, and earthquakes, in divers places.

8 All these are the beginning of sorrows.

9 Then shall they deliver you up to be afflicted, and shall kill you: and ye shall be hated of all nations for my name's sake.

10 And then shall many be offended, and shall betray one another, and shall hate one another.

11 And many false prophets shall rise, and shall deceive many.

12 And because iniquity shall abound, the love

of many shall wax cold.

13 But he that shall endure unto the end, the same shall be saved.

14 And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come.

15 When ye therefore shall see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, stand in the holy place, (whoso readeth, let him understand:)

16 Then let them which be in Judaea flee into the mountains:

17 Let him which is on the housetop not come down to take any thing out of his house:

18 Neither let him which is in the field return back to take his clothes.

19 And woe unto them that are with child, and to them that give suck in those days!

20 But pray ye that your flight be not in the winter, neither on the sabbath day:

21 For then shall be great tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be.

22 And except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved: but for the elect's sake those days shall be shortened.

23 Then if any man shall say unto you, Lo, here is Christ, or there; believe it not.

24 For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall shew great signs and wonders; insomuch that, if it were possible, they shall deceive the very elect.

25 Behold, I have told you before.

26 Wherefore if they shall say unto you, Behold, he is in the desert; go not forth: behold, he is in the secret chambers; believe it not.

27 For as the lightning cometh out of the east, and shineth even unto the west; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.

28 For wheresoever the carcase is, there will the eagles be gathered together.

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29 Immediately after the tribulation of those days shall the sun be darkened, and the moon shall not give her light, and the stars shall fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens shall be shaken:

30 And then shall appear the sign of the Son of man in heaven: and then shall all the tribes of the earth mourn, and they shall see the Son of man coming in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory.

31 And he shall send his angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and they shall gather together his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other.

Look at the signs of the times compared with the above prophecy. Jesus was telling his disciples that in the last days iniquity would abound. Look around you and what do you see? Don't you see all of the wickedness and evil that was prevalent in Sodom and Gomorrah? God is judging the world with the earth-

quakes and other natural catastrophes that are becoming more frequent as time goes on. I don't see a bright future for the coming year unless there is a massive repentance.

As long as the nations of the world embrace everything that is wicked and evil, we will see the increase in terrorism and natural disasters. The nations of the world have embraced hedonism and are looking for a world leader who the Bible calls the Antichrist.

I hope that this sermon has gotten your attention and that you consider the signs. If you are concerned about your salvation, follow the following instructions.

Acts 2:38

38 Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.

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