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- realizing the power of a life in Christ-

These are exciting times.

These are terrifying times.

These are the days we are living in.

The Final Confrontation

Before I had the amazing experience with God's angel in the car accident in Beverly Hills, California in 1983 and before the momentous visit from God in 1990 that changed my life 180 degrees and began pointing me in the direction of the call he would give me, before all that I had several high level positions for one of the world's giant multi-national corporations. In that capacity I worked throughout the world, including in the Middle East. There I was involved with many Arab Muslims, some in authority in government and business, some professionals such as engineers, and some blue collar workers in manufacturing.

So I have worked and traveled in and experienced several Muslim cities and countries. For a period of some months years ago I presented to various persons in that company back in the US an overview of how things were going in a giant project we were doing in the Middle East. Part of that presentation dealt with the culture of the area, the people – how they related to the west, how they were different. I remember showing before a large group cartoons from the area that depicted the hatred of the Arab Muslims for the Jews. I remember specifically a dinner at my house attended by a Jewish couple who were my friends. They asked about the Arab Muslims. I responded simply, "They hate you." They seemed unable to grasp that fact.

Far more knowledgeable people than I have analyzed the prophet Mohammed and his life and relations with Jews of his day to explain this hatred. I tend to go back further in time, to the two sons of Abraham – Isaac, the son of God's promise to Abraham through whom the Jewish people are descended, and Ishmael, the son of the servant woman Hagar. Consider these words the angel of the Lord spoke to Hagar concerning Ishmael:

"He will be a wild donkey of a man; His hand will be against everyone And everyone's hand against him, And he will live in hostility toward all his brothers.

Genesis 16:12, NIV

So I trace the hostility of these Arab Muslims, descendants of Ishmael, back to that point as well as specifically to Mohammed and his actions.

There can be no true or lasting negotiations between the Jews and the Muslims. It is difficult to negotiate with someone who wants to exterminate you, to eliminate your existence. Many in other countries like the US or Europe just have a hard time coming to the realization of this truth.

I was always amazed with my own business negotiations in the Middle East. The Arab Muslims, including leaders, tend to take bold stands and stick with those positions, while Americans tend to move away from initial positions and hope to compromise. In such an approach, the Americans are always going to lose. In my own case, if I stuck to my position the Arab Muslims were confounded as they usually did not find such a response among Americans.

Perhaps another insight is worthwhile – In that period so long ago, before I received God's call on my life, I reached a personal opinion that the countries in the Middle East were being held back by their culture. It was archaic, medieval, outrageous. Women were clearly second class and held back. The people were never going to be able to move into the modern world without a change in their world views. Now, of course, I realize that my observations were nothing more than recognizing the effects on people of living under a disastrous false faith, Islam. They were suffering under deception and realizing the effects of not following God. And they still are.

We are heading for a final confrontation. It is imminent and it will be soon. In a recent writing I listed the war events to happen soon. They are well on the way.

How this all plays out for the US and other nations is not specifically understood, although the Bible is clear about who wins. God wins. The Lord eliminates his enemies, all those armies that have come against Israel and against him, and takes up his Kingdom rule from Jerusalem. After a thousand years of that believers end up in a new Jerusalem, a place where we will live with Jesus and the Father forever.

People who are unbelievers, who take positions opposed to the Lord, will most assuredly suffer and eventually end up in the Lake of Fire for eternity.

Now as we go through these few wars – the elimination of Damascus as a city, the battle between surrounding Arab Muslim nations and Israel, the attack on Israel from nations to its north and Iran and others, and eventually Armageddon, we must keep our focus on Jesus. That is why we always say, "Keep your eyes on Jesus!" No doubt in much of this the people of the current geographical nation of Israel will suffer greatly – after all, most there are not believers in Jesus Christ and are currently lost. But the ultimate end of all this is that God's special people – the Jews – do come to know the Lord and they and those of us who are not Jews but are believers in the Lord make up the people who will be with the Lord and the Father forever.

Where is the US in all this? Who knows? The Bible is silent on this. Perhaps the US is so weakened in its spiritually fallen state that it just does not get involved in the initial wars in the Middle East. If it does not come to the defense of Israel, it will further incur God's curses.

At some time in all this Jesus will come in the clouds and call out his true believers, who will go with him. Hopefully this will happen before things get so terribly difficult on earth. But that we do not

know. What we do know is that we will be protected from the wrath to come, for Jesus and Paul have told us that. Just how bad things get before this "wrath" begins is not known.

For some reason only God knows, you and I have been chosen to live at this point in God's history. We are seeing things that the prophets of old only saw dimly and with only partial understanding. How they would have loved to see what we have the opportunity to see if we stay focused on Jesus and not on the deception which flows daily through the media, through political and cultural leaders in society.

Find those people who are true believers in Jesus and align yourself with them, but always above all work on your personal relationship with the Lord. It is all about Jesus, and it is all about your knowledge of him.

MORE OF GOD'S HEALINGS! - ENCOURAGEMENT IN A DARK TIME

In the last newsletter we included accounts of some dramatic healings God has done through this ministry. The response from several has been to encourage us to include more of these, so we will do just that from time to time. Here are a couple more:

THE RICOCHET HEALING! – A man and his fiancée had been coming to our weekly programs for several weeks. One night during the prayer time at the end of the service, they both came forward for healing prayer for her back. The next week before the program began I saw the man standing at the back of the room and waving for me to come to where he was. So I did. He had a praise report. He had been healed of hemorrhoids when we had prayed for his fiancée the previous week! He was thrilled by the healing but a bit embarrassed to describe it to everyone present, although later that night after the praise and worship music he could not contain himself and shared with those present. I call this our ricochet healing, as if the prayer bounced off the fiancée and hit the man. But really, of course, what we see is his faith in Jesus and in healing, and Jesus' compassion for his specific problem.

THE CLOGGED ARTERIES HEALING! - One night after a program, a woman came forward who informed Cathy and me she would be going into the hospital that Friday for a medical procedure to deal with clogged arteries at her heart. We then prayed for healing for these blood vessels, for there to be no clogging. When Friday night approached, I telephoned her house since I had known this woman for a few years. She answered the phone and gave a wonderful report. She described how she had been taken to surgery, how a tube had been inserted in her thigh and pushed up to her heart. Suddenly the doctor had jerked the tube out and whisked her to recovery. He then had come into the room and announced to her and her husband "Not only do you not have clogged arteries, but you have the arteries of a young woman!" She was not a young woman. She was delighted and of course thankful to God for this healing. The lesson here is just faith in Jesus and what he has done for us. This woman had such faith and also a good understanding of divine healing, as did her husband.

THESE ARE MOMENTOUS TIMES – MAKE SURE YOU ARE RECEIVING OUR COMMUNICATIONS!

In consideration of the momentous days in which we are living right now, both in the spiritual and secular world, we have decided to issue at least two email documents (either a teaching, a *Watchman Warning*, or a *Signs of the Times*) each month plus the monthly newsletter. All these except the newsletter will be also posted on "John's blog" and on the web site; as always, the newsletter will be posted on the web site. If you have an email and have not let us know it, now is the time to do so. Just send us an email or write it and mail it in the enclosed envelope.

TWO MORE TELEVISION PROGRAMS BEING ADDED NOW TO OUR WEB SITE: WHAT JESUS REQUIRES OF HIS DISCIPLES

If you are a true believer who is following Jesus, you are his disciple. What he expects of his disciples is a really important subject for you, and that is the focus of two videos being added to the web site this month. By going to the web site given at the bottom of this page, you can watch these and all the many other television programs on the site any time you wish. If you would like our CD with the same title, you can request that in the usual way – over the web site, by writing, or by telephoning.

SUPPORT

Please don't forget to continue to support this ministry! Your gifts to the ministry are the way we are able to get the truths God has revealed to us out to more and more. We are living in the last of the last days, and as you well know, the majority of people on earth do not know Jesus nor know what is soon to happen. Help us bring these truths and God's power to more and more. The opportunities are abundant, but they do require funds.

These I know are difficult days for many people. But God knows of your gifts, and as is said in several places in scripture, there are blessings that come to those who give to Jesus and the gospel, which is what you are doing by sowing into this ministry. To all those who do contribute, we send our heartfelt thanks.

May you live in the blessings of God always.

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