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WE WILL NEVER KNOW EVERYTHING, BUT WE DO KNOW JESUS' RETURN IS IMMINENT

Followers of Jesus Christ live in difficult and confusing times today. We know that. But our spiritual eyes have been opened. We do not see through veils. We see clearly what is going on – at least, as clearly as we can in this confusing time.

Because we have been born of water and the spirit, we are able to see the deception in our current society - at all levels, government, media, entertainment, even in some of our day to day relationships with ordinary people. And we are horrified at the evil acts in society and in the steady move of the nation to ever more immoral behavior and a general falling away from God.

How do we survive in all this? By keeping our eyes on Jesus, never looking to the right or the left, and seeking God's guidance in all situations. By knowing God's promises and appropriating them for our own lives. By living in the authority of Christ. After all, Jesus said we could do the same things he did. In several areas of the Bible as we have discussed many times in these newsletters, Jesus and others have revealed the signs of the last days. The events to happen have been prophesied and many have indeed occurred. You can read our past newsletters or watch our television programs on our web site on this, or get our CDs. One thing Jesus made clear in Luke 21, Mark 13, and Matthew 24 was that we would indeed know the season of his return. While we may not know the precise day and hour, we are to know the season. He gave examples there of how we recognize the seasons. And the events prophesied in those chapters are to be used by us to recognize the season of his return.

Well, we do know the season of this return. It is now. The return is imminent, whether it is today or next year or another year soon thereafter. Many things have happened that he prophesied to happen in one generation, the generation that will see his coming. To narrow it all down, looking at all that is prophesied in the Bible, there are even specific points to look for that help, such as the signing of a peace agreement involving Israel which Israel actually believes. When that happens, the time is here, the rapture of the Church will soon occur, and the seven year tribulation will begin. All these things we have taught a great deal.

But nevertheless we will never know everything. Just think about these key scriptures:

For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, saith the LORD. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts. (Isaiah 55:8-9, KJV) God is so much greater than we in intellect and understanding and planning and scope that we cannot begin to imagine how much greater. We cannot really even conceive the magnitude and grandeur and glory of God. After all, he did create the universe. You and I cannot create a blade of grass.

Then I beheld all the work of God, that a man cannot find out the work that is done under the sun: because though a man labour to seek it out, yet he shall not find it; yea farther; though a wise man think to know it, yet shall he not be able to find it. (Ecclesiastes 8:17, KJV)

The secret things belong unto the LORD our God: but those things which are revealed belong unto us and to our children for ever, that we may do all the words of this law. (Deuteronomy 29:29, KJV)

Well, these scriptures make it pretty clear. We just cannot find out all God has done or is doing, nor can we understand it. God has revealed some things to us, but much remains secret to the Lord and known only by him.

A few years ago the Lord made this crystal clear to me. One day he said: John, you know many things, but you will never know everything.

I'll say! We just can't know or comprehend all that is going on. And this is where faith comes in. We have a God who made us and loves us and takes care of us. And we are going to have to rely on him as we move forward through these hard times.

Just think. Most people out there do not know what is happening or what is coming. If they do think about it at all, imagine their fear and dread and horror of seeing all these world events and not understanding, seeing it all just as random events. And if they are blind to it all, as we know many are, they are to be pitied. We should always pray for the lost, pray that God the Father will lead them to Jesus. And we should always do our part as the Holy Spirit leads to present the truths of God and the gospel to anyone we can. But we must remember, no one can make another believe in God. No one. It is God who must lead someone to Jesus.

Always, always keep your eyes on Jesus. Remember the scriptures and quote them. Go to the menu on the home page of our web site and look at the healing scriptures and all those scriptures that tell you who you are in Jesus. Look at the life proclamations you can say over yourself. You can print all this out. And just read the Bible. Look up the 91st Psalm or the 23rd Psalm that are both so reassuring. And remember, if you are truly a believer in Jesus Christ, Jesus is not going to lose you.

May you live in the blessings of God always.

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