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## **JESUS. LIFE IS ALL ABOUT HIM**

It's a new calendar year. Many difficult things are happening out there in the world right now.

But at least for the time it takes you to read this short piece, let's focus on Jesus, our savior, our king, our high priest. Only a few words are needed to make its point. Jesus is the one who has opened a way for you to God, a way for you to overcome death and evil and sin, a way for you to spend eternity in the Kingdom of God. Jesus is the one who said you can do the same things he did, even greater. Jesus is the one who told us how to heal the sick, how to cast out demons, how to relate to other people, how to forgive, how to live. He knows everything about you. He is now preparing to return to earth soon to collect his believers and humanity and the earth will move to the next age.

Jesus should and must be the focus of your life. If anything else approaches him in your priorities, rethink your priorities. Certainly you must love your spouse, your family, your parents, your neighbors. But all that is secondary. Jesus? Jesus is God. Remember the first of God's ten commandments – have no other gods before me. Remember Jesus' own statement about the first and greatest commandment: 'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.'

Time is evaporating. All those who do not truly have Jesus as their Lord are running out of second chances.

Jesus. It is all about him.

## **BEGINNING THIS HUGELY IMPORTANT YEAR 2020 WITH THE TRUTH OF WHAT IS HAPPENING AND WHERE WE ARE**

It is difficult to fathom and to follow for so many, even serious Christians. But yes we are in the last hours. How many of those hours we have left certainly no person on earth knows. Maybe a few years. But the prophecies have in great part been fulfilled. And the actions in the physical world mirror what has been prophesied.

There are so many obvious actions being taken by those pushing for a one-world type government: end to borders, open immigration everywhere, increasing taxation and the resultant lowering of income in an effort to average out income, universal health care, an inclusive universal religion, and

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so on. There are large numbers of obviously lost persons pushing toward that position and refusing to talk to or listen to others, almost blind and deaf in their ability to entertain other alternatives or opinions. These people all see government as the solver of all problems.

All of this is in line with the general flow as we move to the return of Jesus. As you know, the antichrist does indeed take power during the seven year Tribulation period, aided by his chief adviser and religious leader the false prophet. The last half of the Tribulation he rules this one-world empire from Jerusalem. On the religious front, I hope you are noticing all those efforts to put Christianity, Islam, Buddhism, and more together. Some have pushed towards what is called Chrislam. The Pope himself is active in reaching out to bring together these groups, having recently just visited the Buddhist leaders.

In the midst of this steady movement to the end of this time period, we have a few instances where someone or some effort has arisen to counter this trend and has been met with great opposition from the lost one-world movement. Three great examples are these:

- The United States in 2016 elected a political outsider to the presidency. Regardless of your personal views of this man, you must realize that he came with a background of great personal accomplishment and a solver of problems in the business world. And he has continued that approach as president, not accepting the historical attitudes and relationships of centuries of bureaucrats, political party establishments, associated media and other leaders on both sides of the political aisle. That group has reacted with vitriol, not respecting the views of the people or the established laws of America but rather from the beginning seeking to throw this president out.
- In Europe, right before the 2016 election in the US, the people of the United Kingdom voted to withdraw from the European Union. This was a total shock to the establishment in the United Kingdom. It was a rejection of the steady march toward consolidation of European nations into one entity, the EU. Ever since that time the establishment in the UK has worked tirelessly to keep that withdrawal from happening, even though the people, the citizens, have voted to withdraw. The current British prime minister is working to make that withdrawal a reality, but not without great opposition to every move from that establishment.
- In Hungary a president was elected who went against the one-world, open border philosophy of the EU and most of Europe (Germany especially) and refused to allow huge numbers of unvetted immigrants from the Middle East entry into the nation. As we have seen now after the fact, Germany and the German people have suffered greatly from allowing hundreds of thousands of these immigrants from a drastically different culture and religion and value system to come in, not checking to see who might be terrorists or criminals and such. There have been great incidents of attacks on women in Germany since that entry. Sweden in its naiveté allowed a large number to come in, and that small nation has been changed forever.

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These are isolated incidents. How long these three will be able to continue is not clear. Perhaps right up to the Tribulation. Perhaps the antichrist never fully gains universal control. There is some indication in the Bible that some leaders may not follow him.

One final word needs to be given. There has been some expression from a few serious Christian leaders that 2020 will be a dramatic breakthrough year, a year of great revival. That word revival here refers to large numbers coming to a true understanding and faith in Jesus Christ. Let's pray that is so. That would then be an effort of God here at the end of the age we are living in to bring more into the Kingdom.

We are entering this most important year yet of our lives. Why most important? Because it is the closest yet to Jesus' return.

Seek more of Jesus yourself. Talk to him like this: Wherever you go to have a private uninterrupted time with the Lord, ask him for more of himself. More revelation truths regarding himself and his return. More revelation of what he would have you do at this point in time. More of his presence. More. Life is all about Jesus. Your life is all about your relationship to him. It is that simple.

God bless you all. We are living in the second greatest time in human history – the return of Jesus Christ to collect his believers and then at the end of the Tribulation to establish his rule on earth. What was the greatest time? You know that answer – two thousand years ago in Bethlehem when God came to earth as a little baby and lived here as a person for thirty-three years, culminating in the great sacrifice on the cross and Jesus' resurrection victory over sin, sickness, death, evil, and so much more.

## WHO NEVER GETS INTO THE KINGDOM OF GOD?

*Outside are the dogs, those who practice magic arts, the sexually immoral, the murderers, the idolaters and everyone who loves and practices falsehood.* – Revelation 22:15 NIV, Jesus speaking

These are the Lord's own words in the last chapter of the Bible. Specific, clear.

Except for the word "dogs," these words are pretty easily understood in our modern day. That word "dogs" refers in the original Greek to ungodly people with impure minds living in immoral ways.

Jesus does not mince words. He was crystal clear in the gospels about what it takes to be in the Kingdom of God (to be saved), about how many do not find the way, about how even some people who say they have done great works in his name may not be known by him and will be ordered away. He talked to Nicodemus about the need for a person to be born anew – born of water and the spirit. He talked later in the same chapter emphasizing the phrase "believe in him." Elsewhere he spoke of the need to do the Father's will. And of the need to be like little children, e.g., to have that innocent true faith of little children. Paul in his words said a person must confess Jesus is their Lord

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and believe in their heart that God raised him from the dead. All these various ways of describing being saved have to do with the truth that Jesus must know you and know that you are his.

Now here at the very end of the Bible we see Jesus saying flatly those described in Revelation 22:15 are those who are outside. You for your part are responsible for your own relationship with Jesus. And as possible you certainly should do all you can and all you are led by the Holy Spirit to do in helping God the Father lead others to Jesus – your family members, work associates, neighbors, and so many more.

Remember, just going to church certainly does not get a person into the Kingdom. Neither does doing good works, such as feeding the homeless or having church pancake breakfasts on Saturday or holding a Bible study. You must truly know Jesus and him crucified, deep in your heart. The fact remains, as Jesus said himself, no one can come to Jesus unless the Father draws that person. We of course do not know who the Father will draw, but we surely can pray and ask the Father to draw specific people to Jesus. And we can do our part in getting the message out about Jesus, about who he is, and about his imminent return.

## **ACTION POINTS TO CONSIDER IN LIGHT OF ALL THIS:**

- Ask the Holy Spirit to set up encounters and guide you in speaking about Jesus and the time we are living in to all your unsaved family and friends and neighbors and co-workers.
- Our book **WAKE UP AMERICA! JESUS IS COMING SOON** can help you in this and can help others to learn about Jesus' imminent return to earth.
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God bless all of you. We are living in the last of the last days and hours. You are indeed blessed because you know the truth or at least are being confronted with the truth. What you do with that knowledge is up to you, but you can never say you did not hear it.

***May you live in the blessings of God always.***

***John***

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