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## **THE LORD'S TIME...AND OUR TIME**

About this time of year you might expect I would be writing about the founding fathers and what they said about faith and America. Some of them really did have strong faith and great insights. More than half of the group that met in Philadelphia were preachers.

John Adams had the great remark that the American Constitution was made only for a moral and religious people and is inadequate for the government of any other.

So you might expect I would look at some of their quotes and draw encouragement.

But no, that is not the case. This government and nation of the US is in free fall right now, fall from the design and creation of the founding fathers, fall from God himself. There are so many areas I can and do write about in this regard that I tire from writing of them. My point always of course is to show how the things happening fit with the prophesied times we are living in and how close we are to the Lord's return.

Often I think, well I've written about all this, surely all those on our distribution list are tired of hearing of this. And I try to insert encouraging writings through our **God Moment** and *Sign of the Times* email publications and such. But still the fact and the truth remains – we are in the very last of the last days. The trauma and challenge of these times, the lying and deception, the falling away from God, even the obvious delusion under which some of these really bad leaders live and operate make the case for all this themselves.

Jesus himself said the last days would get so bad that if they had not been cut short no one would have survived.

Several years ago a minister and I were eating in a restaurant. We were talking about the times and why people aren't speaking out more against all the evil, the absurd government policies, the violence, and so on. When we got up to leave and walked past a table nearby where an elderly couple sat, the woman spoke up and said "I'll tell you why. They are scared."

I think she is right. It is one thing to be bold and go off to fight an obvious evil opponent like Germany or Japan in WWII. It is quite another to try to decide what to do when the very enemies are the deceived and misguided and malicious, inept leaders of the country and other key national figures such

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as major business execs, entertainers, sports figures, university leaders, and such. How does one rise up against such a lost coalition of people? They even control most of the media!

Well, one point I will make. This coalition of lost, woke, cancel-culture, far left, progressives is still a real minority of the population. It is just like all the hubbub of the LGBTQ movement and the recent transgender turmoil – lots of political pressure and action brought on by a very loud but tiny part of society. The major part of the American people remain quiet, concerned, troubled, and confused at what to do. Part of their confusion is that so many of the pastors and churches are themselves lost, not teaching of all the prophecies relating to the last days that have now been fulfilled, not pointing out that Jesus indeed is coming really soon, not pointing out all the evil and even bizarre actions in so many places in society (like doing away with police, not prosecuting crime, and so on).

We all know that Jesus knows who his sheep are. And his sheep know him. In short order, he will be coming to gather his sheep. They will recognize his call and they will go with him. The seven year Tribulation will begin with great confusion in the world. Imagine, a world without any true believers. How horrible is that!

I do believe that soon after the rapture some of those who had been on the fence regarding faith will realize the error of their ways, perhaps going into church libraries to read and to see videos they missed. So there will no doubt be a Christian underground of some sort. But not big unless God himself leads a big revival. Maybe that happens early in the Tribulation. Remember, John in Heaven in Revelation sees an enormous number of people called the Tribulation saints. Those would be people who came to Jesus during the Tribulation.

How is a believer to behave today? How are you to act when you are around neighbors or family who just don't know the Lord or don't have any deep understanding of the times or the gospel. Often those people will just not listen if you start to try to talk about this. Yet you want them to know and to be able to go with the Lord.

In our family we have all sorts of members, relatives, who will never bring up our ministry or ask how it is going. They are pleasant when we are around, but it is as if the conversation is controlled and limited if we are to have one at all. I am sure you have experienced that.

One action step is to ask Father God to draw each of these people specifically to a saving knowledge of Jesus. The Lord said that is the only way anyone comes to him. And you can ask the Holy Spirit to orchestrate any divine encounter he would have you have with others. Ask the Spirit to guide such encounters.

In all this mess of a society in which we now live, always stand up for Jesus. Do not let him be insulted or mischaracterized. If you acknowledge him before men, he will acknowledge you before his father in Heaven.

Keep your eyes on Jesus. He is truly coming very soon. I have that on good authority. His.

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## THE LONGING OF THE HEART

In his poem “Death of the Hired Man” Robert Frost wrote these wonderful lines about the word home:

“Home is the place where, when you go there, they have to take you in”  
 “I should have called it something you somehow haven’t to deserve.”

They are spectacular sentences, the type only great poets seem to be able to construct. But I say to you, these two sentences are marvelous descriptions of the true believer in Jesus Christ and their ultimate destination – being with Jesus and the Father. Home – Heaven – The Kingdom of God. All the same thing for a believer. The one true home.

For the true believer Heaven is the place where when he goes there they have to take him in. That is part of the deal. It is something he didn’t deserve, but he gets it anyway because of the wonderful action of the Lord Jesus Christ in going to and through the cross and earning God’s forgiveness for us. He gets it because of God’s grace.

Some years ago I wrote the following poem. It has been published more than once, and I include it for you today. It reflects reality for the true believer in the Lord.

WE ARE NEVER HOME  
 by John Newlin

We are never home.  
 Not now. Not here.  
 No matter how we try.  
 We cannot get there.

The moments of joy  
 Family and friends bring  
 Cannot dispel  
 The longing of our hearts.

Harsh though the words,  
 God’s children are  
 Strangers in a foreign land,  
 Aliens on planet earth.

This is not our world.  
 But we will soon be home,  
 That we know.  
 Our hope is secure.

More and more, increasingly, we believers are obviously strangers in this bizarre world in which we find ourselves physically living. But have faith. We won’t be here much longer.

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# UPDATE TO RECENT WATCHMAN WARNING ABOUT THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION

In a recent Watchman Warning titled **ONE-WORLD: GIVING AWAY THE SOVEREIGNTY OF THE NATIONS**, I warned of the meeting beginning May 22 of the World Health Assembly, the decision arm of the World Health Organization. The World Health Organization is the directing and coordinating authority on international health within the United Nations system.

My warning had to do with the fact that the meeting would consider recommended amendments quietly submitted to it by the US government back in January, the passage of which would give the World Health Organization greatly increased authority in the internal affairs of nations in health emergencies (which it itself could declare). This all quite obviously seems to be part of the move to the new one-world government of the last days.

Here is a brief update: Fortunately, it turned out that at the meeting there were some countries that took exception to this giveaway of national sovereignty and would not vote for passage, so that the really significant amendments did not pass. Rather, they are now being studied for future consideration, no doubt to be brought up in some form at a coming meeting. That surely was encouraging, but beware the intention of these amendments has not gone away and they likely will not.

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

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