

Commentary

What's the relief we are all looking for in these troubled times?

Comfort in time of sorrow
Relief in time of suffering
Comfort in time of loneliness
Guidance in time of decision
Protection in time of danger
Courage in time of fear
Peace in time of turmoil
Rest in time or weariness
Strength in time of temptation
Warning in time or indifference
Forgiveness in time of conviction

There are certainly so many opinions and concerns regarding these end days that justify the need to prepare for our own safety and that of our loved ones. Out of curiosity and concern, I've asked some my friends to send me their opinions and comments.

Are we becoming so sensitized that we are becoming colder as a society? Are we becoming a better Christian neighbor by being more tolerant with our neighbor's life choices, and/or lifestyles, or are we becoming more disconnected in own relationship to God by extending our love to them?

Maija

The sound of the alarm concerning end times should be a wakeup call for those that are not saved...but for those that are saved and have a relationship with the Lord, Jesus Christ, we should focus on completing our mission of what He has called us to do for Him...and knowing that the weddings of all weddings will soon take place, and we will dwell with him forever.

Bernel

While we may not know the exact instant when God will allow His requirements for time to end, one thing is for certain. It is frighteningly more imminent and prophetically closer than it has EVER been.

Michael

They said, "The end of the world is coming." I said, "Oh, baloney." Then I thought about it. What's the worst that could happen if you prepare for "The

End,” but it doesn’t come? You might just get closer to God and enjoy the journey.

Maureen

Violence, injustice, poverty, environment... Our world is troubling enough to make many of us lose our sleep thinking about problems we are facing today to make our future no less than uncertain. However, for the sake of each other, we need to keep moving forward. As a musician, I feel we should face life the way we face practicing music; a musical score is like the bible-every marking in it is sacred and should be followed with utmost respect and discipline. Interpretation should be based on deep understanding and life-long study of the content and its principles, and finally, all answers to troubling questions are found in the score as in the bible, in form of love, hope, empathy and compassion. All we need to do, in music and otherwise, is to allow our hearts to take in as well as deliver those fundamentals towards all living things.

Marja

Hi Phil, Thanks for sending me *Prepare Me For the End Days: Secrets For Staying Alive* via e-Mail. I read the whole book in three sittings. It was great! You are a talented man. God gave you a great gift. I

was blessed with the information you put in the book. I also like your web site.

Ed

My understanding of Christian theology regarding the end-times rapture held dire consequences for the Jewish people. Pretty much across the board, Christians believe that in order for Jesus to return, the nation of Israel must be massacred. I believe that we have already seen the massacre of Jews, prophesied in the Bible, in the ovens of Auschwitz and the Holocaust of Eastern Europe over 70 years ago. I do find it exciting that we live in a day when we are seeing the fulfillment of so many ancient prophecies. What the future holds and when, I leave in God's hands and try to do my part by just living in the here and now, doing what I feel the Lord is telling me to do on a daily basis. As we do have to be responsible for our actions, I think if we live each moment to the fullest in light of eternity, we will accomplish far more than if we try, through human schemes, to "force" or otherwise "move" God's time table. My belief comes down to the fact that I don't have a clue what God has planned for the future, or the end times. And I don't really care. I just know that He is in control and that He loves me and I'm willing to trust God to take care of His own and

make a way for them when there may seem to be no way, thus I don't have to have it all figured out.

Richard

It appears that every time you expose yourself to the End Days with its surrounding elements, you're reminded of the perils that exist almost in your front yard. Be wise. Become like the prophets who hear and learn from God. Be wise. Jesus is really your only answer regardless of your brilliance or your current beliefs. When you accept Him, you'll see the difference as you can now run around bragging about your peace without any further fear of the future. Be wise.

Phil

As difficult it is to comment on the end times in just a couple of sentences, here goes...We all face the "end of ours days" as we know them, here on earth. In saying that, I do truly believe however, that we are living in the end times, and that we have purposely been put here in this time, place, and season, to be a light to the dark world, giving glory to God and pointing the world to Jesus Christ! For such a time as this, may we keep our hearts focused on Him, as we go about the work of His harvest!

Polly

Paul said that perilous times would come in the last days, and he also said that there would be a great “falling away” of those who professed to be Christians. I believe both of these things are happening now. Jesus said, “So when you see these signs, all taken together, coming to pass, you may know of a surety that He is near, at the very doors” (Matthew 24:33, NKJV). He also said, “All these are the beginning of sorrows” (Matthew 24:8). Let us remember, though, that we are more than conquerors through Him!

Lloyd

Jesus said in Matthew 5:8: “Blessed are the pure of heart, for they shall see God.” The state of our heart determines whether or not we perceive what God is saying to us through the many ways He speaks. In these end days, we have to come to a place of surrender to hear and understand what God reveals to us so we know the truth and avoid spiritual blindness. That’s what having a pure heart means. Then God will reward us with fresh revelations of truth. Proverbs 3:5-6: Trust in the Lord with all your heart, And lean not on your own understanding; In all your ways acknowledge Him, And He shall direct your paths (NKJV).

Nafty

We are in the midst of the greatest moral and spiritual crisis ever to be witnessed. This nation is on the brink of collapse as the result of sin, debt, greed, and corruption. This includes the unrest in our government and even in our streets. The root of the problem dates back to the pulpits of America. But is it fair to blame the church for the decay of our conscience? It is when you realize the church is the highest place of ultimate authority and influence for our nation. We are the ambassadors that represent the supreme kingdom of God, and Christ, the King of Kings. Martin Luther King Jr. pointed out that “The church must be reminded that it is the conscience of the state not the master or the servant of the state.” The calamity is that we have allowed the progressive stripping away of our godly foundations. The American church has been compromised at most every level with unbelievable statistics of adultery, divorce, drunkenness, homosexuality, pornography, and abortions. True change requires the convicting power of the Holy Spirit. The shaking of souls is needed to finally open their eyes and witness God’s magnificent love for them. The necessary majestic desires of the nation will be fulfilled when they return to Christ and His ways. God is calling all of us to our knees, especially the five-fold ministry. This requires that pastors with

their congregation unite, be obedient, humble, repent, and pray daily. Then we will see the heavens opened with holy visitations. There will be a cleansing and purifying fire that will hit our pulpits and send ripple effects throughout the pews and into the streets throughout our nation.

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My goal during these end days is to serve God by serving man.

Pastor

Be heavenly blessed.
Rev Phillip Goldfedder

**PREPARE ME FOR THE
END DAYS: SECRETS
FOR STAYING ALIVE**

by

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Every chapter in this book has been fully researched and written entirely with you in mind. The total intention is to provide you with everything you need to know in order to handle and triumph over all these terrifying challenges that are soon to come.

Disclaimer

The challenge to cover the massive subject of revelation and the end days in a book seems impossible. If you weren't well-informed from what you should have heard in church or from your reading, your first response would be to search for a great science-fiction writer and ask him/her for an explanation.

There doesn't seem to be an appropriate avenue to investigate this. The practical approach after a while may not make any sense. Another avenue would take you into the spiritual aspects. Many study this from a sensible or realistic approach and want only the facts. For example, when it gets too deep and you get over your head, you will miss the whole purpose of this information and start speculating like Adam did. How could he have a mother since he didn't have a navel? But speculation will take you nowhere. Even when you consider using the facts, the truth is that they are unreliable since facts are known to change.

It's the knowledge of the truth and knowing the truth that this is all about. The study of the end days

involves countless differences of opinion over these many years, and many of these beliefs include multiple errors.

The greatest book that reveals nearly everything you ever wanted to know (besides the Bible) is the study syllabus from Perry Stone called **BREAKING THE APOCALYPES CODE**. Repetition is necessary in the process of explanation because duplication is an ideal way to increase your learning.

The whole purpose of researching and writing this book is to prepare and protect you and your loved ones in anticipation of the end times. You need to utilize valuable information that will keep you safe and alive! This means changing your mind-set so God becomes first in your life and your primary love along with His Word, which is the spiritual medicine your body, soul, and spirit need.

So much tragedy is happening and will continue to increase, so get as close to God as you can and you will sense His presence all the time. That's why you're reading this book—by remaining alive so you will eventually spend all of your eternity in Heaven.

Dedication

This book is dedicated to all of you who love Jesus Christ, for He is the Lord who is living within you. You already know that Jesus is the only answer for the coming end-time challenges. Those who don't believe will still need Jesus to protect them if they are to survive. Truthfully, you will be forced to change your mind regarding many things as you experience the horrifying events that have already begun to surround you.

This is the most critical time in all of world history. Your current belief level stands no chance of survival if Jesus isn't with you as your Lord and Savior. That's why you should obligate yourself by exposing your heart and mind as well as your soul to this information that your spirit already knows about.

Receive salvation through faith in Jesus Christ. Then you will experience eternal and abundant life. This will result in peace and a thriving mentality instead of just a surviving one. You will no longer fear these end days, for the Holy Spirit, who is fully God, will become your mentor, your coach, and your

guide. You really want to be able to laugh at the future because you know God is watching over you and caring for you. Proverbs 31:25: “She is clothed with strength and dignity, and she laughs with no fear of the future” (NLT).

There are many of us who are looking for our own form of security. In case you are one who is looking for something different, it’s now available at your local Christian supermarket. It’s abbreviated as WWJDPS (What Would Jesus Do Pepper Spray).

Epigraph

Perhaps you have no questions about your future because you don't believe these end days even exist. In this case, you won't need any preparation, not even Preparation H. The next best advice to prepare you to face these catastrophic events is to seek a spiritual counselor, one filled with the Holy Spirit. You need to be able to function mentally from a cognitive point of view and without antidepressants. The major keys are to pray, read the Bible, memorize Scriptures, and learn to pray in tongues. Also add laughter since it's the music of the soul and a powerful weapon against the enemy. The devil hates when you laugh when you're exposed to these serious situations because it means you are onto him and not in the least affected by his deceptions, his trickery, and the fears he creates. This, of course, humiliates him.

Preface

The closer you come to these remaining (screaming) days, the more concerns you will face from exposure to the negative from denominational people, television, books, newspapers, magazines, and the Internet. My purpose here is to explain to the scoffers and nonbelievers that all this is real stuff.

We all need to prepare for whatever the ‘worse’ will be. Reminds me of a friend of mine who experienced this while gambling in Las Vegas. Things were not going well and he said, “It sure can’t get any worse.” And sure enough, “worse” showed up. He pointed out the terrible risks of speaking negative into existence.

You will learn to seek the truth for it’s the knowledge of the truth that will set you free. Many people have attempted to eliminate God and His Bible beliefs from their mind, soul, body, and heart. God has reason for us to be here now so we can be servants to help those who will struggle. They don’t know the answers or even the questions.

Bless yourself by turning over a new leaf. This means to begin again, to reform, to start a clean or

fresh page, to behave in a better way, or to give something up for something better. You have your own definition of that for yourself.

Introduction

The idea of our coming to the end of the world has been a subject of speculation, ridicule, general discussion, fascination, and fancy. Would you believe this conversation has been going on for over 2,000 years? Many professing Christians don't believe in a literal return to earth by Jesus Christ. Those who do believe think that it could be hundreds of years away. The truth is that we have been chosen to witness the ultimate triumph of good over evil and become a blessing, which is why we were born for a time like this.

The worse news is that of the 7.125 billion (2013) people on Earth thus far, less than thirty percent have still not accepted the Lord Jesus. The famous Olivet prophecy in Matthew 24 is referred to as the "Olivet Discourse." This is the single, longest, and greatest prophecy in the Bible of the end of the age which Jesus Himself gives. This overview was shared by Jesus with His disciples a week prior to His death. Jesus interrupted their joy of admiring the temple stones by announcing that the temple would be

destroyed and that the end of the age would come. Then, He would return to set up His earthly kingdom.

Matthews 24:36 presents the answer without the answer: “But of that day and hour no one knows, not even the angels of heaven, but My Father only” (NKJV).

Get committed together with God so Jesus can give you victory over darkness, including final judgment. The bottom line that you have to answer in your mind is, “Where will I spend eternity?”

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What's Been Happening

The accumulation of the American national debt is greater in the past seven years than all the debt from George Washington to George Bush combined. Add to that the health care bill, rising medical costs, and government regulations especially for the elderly. The threat of major pandemics includes Ebola, small pox, and bubonic plague. You don't need to hear this, but we already are battling hypertension, high cholesterol, stroke, respiratory diseases, obesity, diabetes, and sexually transmitted diseases.

You don't need to have mental images in your thoughts of the genocide and persecution occurring throughout our world especially of Jews and Christians. The worse enemy is from the radical Islamic army called ISIS. They even send their jihadist followers from house to house. The devil is loose as you will realize with the arrival of the Antichrist. Israel's Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu has recommended we assimilate into the

culture or communities of the Middle East in order to avoid eradication of Christianity.

We need a spiritual awakening that will lead to a revival of religious conviction. We obviously need to turn to God for guidance and security. Pray that God will awaken our generation to His word, for we desperately need a spiritual empire, what you would call a Kingdom of God.

It is well known that Jesus is returning at the fullness of time, which is in progress. This involves five aspects that are already happening.

- 1) Fullness of preaching the Gospel is coming in.
- 2) Fullness of the Gentiles is coming in.
- 3) Fullness of Iniquity is coming in.
- 4) Fullness of the Holy Spirit is coming in.
- 5) Christ will plant his unshakeable millennium kingdom in Jerusalem.

Revelation 20:4: “And I saw thrones, and they sat on them, and judgment was committed to them. Then I saw the souls of those who had been beheaded for their witness to Jesus and for the word of God, who had not worshiped the beast or his image, and had not received his mark on their foreheads or on their hands. And they lived and reigned with Christ for a thousand years” (NKJV).

We need to turn to God for guidance, security, a revival of religious conviction, and spiritual awakening.

2

How to Prepare Yourself

The only way to handle all these destructive activities is from the positive approach. Scott Scovell Hamilton points out that the greatest disability in life is a bad attitude. So turn what you say around like you're waiting for the return of Jesus rather than the Antichrist. Incidentally, it is believed he will be a messianic deliverer who will fill the Earth with justice and equity, restore true religion, and usher in a short golden age before the end of the world. But just the opposite will occur. The prediction is that he will come from the East—A Muslim—or more specifically, the Mahdi. In Arabic, this means “divinely guided one.”

A growing relationship with God develops faith so you can open your heart to get to trust Him. One author contrasted this as to why we have difficulty trusting God. You go to a doctor whose name you can't pronounce, get a prescription you can't read, talk to a pharmacist you don't know, get medicine

you don't understand, and then you take it with confidence. Does this make sense?

The comedy team of Mutt and Jeff approach this situation entirely differently. Mutt goes to the doctor and receives a prescription, which he gets filled at the pharmacist and receives medicine. As he leaves the drugstore, he throws the bottle away. Jeff catches all this and questions Mutt.

“What happened here, Mutt?”

“I had to go to the doctor.”

Jeff asks, “Why did you go to the doctor in the first place?”

He says, “Well, the doctor has to live.”

Then Jeff asks, “Why did you get the prescription filled?”

Mutt responds, “Well the pharmacist has to live.”

“But why did you throw the medicine away?”

“Well, I have to live, too.”

God chooses His pupils primarily on the basis of the attitude of their heart toward Him. Proverbs 9:10 reveals that your fear of the Lord is actually the beginning of wisdom. God will instruct these kind of men who will then spend their days in prosperity, and their descendants will inherit the land. The Scriptures are intended to bring you success. Just look onto Psalm 34:4 which informs you to seek the Lord who will deliver you from all your fears.

A major part of your challenge is the devil who wants to remove and destroy your relationship with God. He takes a DIM view of us through 1) domination, 2) intimidation, and 3) manipulation. This involves witchcraft, rebellion, and idolatry.

You can dramatically reduce your stress and anxiety by merely not attempting to figure things out. Spend time reading the Bible, praying, memorizing Scripture, and praying in tongues. I believe the greatest cause of depression in the country is the fixation on viewing television.

A friend of mine told me he was sitting in the living room with his wife watching tragedy on the news when he turned to her and said, "I never want to live in a vegetative state, dependent on some machine, and fluids from a bottle. If that ever happens, just pull the plug. My wife immediately got up, cut the TV plug, and threw out all of my beer."

Jesus handled challenges by not reacting to situations with emotion, logic, senses, intellect, or will, but just spiritually. You can train yourself to develop this habit by just doing it constantly. Do it because you can't make history without victory. Your life will be so much more meaningful and peaceful. I also found out that when you react with anger, you actually close down your immunological system for six hours.

3

Why You Need to Read

Henry David Thoreau spoke about the power of reading. “How many a man has dated a new cause in his life from reading a new book?” Wisdom comes from the accumulation of knowledge.

James 3:17 explains that wisdom is from above because it is pure, peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality, and without hypocrisy.

Charles “Tremendous” Jones told me, “You’re the same today as you will be in the next two to five years except for 1) the people you meet, and 2) the books you read.” Add to that, 3) the God you pray to. Revelation 1:3 confirms this, for blessed is he who reads.

You probably would be disappointed if I didn’t mention that the Bible is our textbook for life. Readers are leaders because they provide inspiration, for reading is to the mind what exercise is to the body. This little girl discovered that “television is

very educational. Every time someone turns on the TV, I go into the other room and read.”

Eleven benefits of reading on a daily basis are listed here by Lana Winter-Herbert:

- 1) Mental stimulation
- 2) Stress reduction
- 3) Knowledge
- 4) Vocabulary expansion
- 5) Memory improvement
- 6) Stronger analytical thinking skills
- 7) Improved focus and concentration
- 8) Better writing skills
- 9) Tranquility
- 10) Free entertainment
- 11) Experience.

The bottom line reveals that unless you read, you can't develop the knowledge and wisdom to solve your challenges. You do become who you hang around, either with the books you read or with the professionals who write them. These are the leaders you need, those who have been “around-the-block” enough times to make the difference.

Albert Schweitzer had a great saying, “Experience is not the best teacher; it's the only teacher.” The final answer is to yield to the Holy Spirit, for He is our divine standard bearer. Luke 12:12 summarizes

all you need to know about Him. “For he will teach you in that very hour what you ought to say.” The original source of our godly information comes from the Holy Spirit. Let’s acknowledge the Holy Spirit, for He is our divine standard bearer.

4

Why Have People Turned Away from God?

Our earthly foundation was simple. God created everything and everyone. Genesis 1:27–28 states that God created us in His image so we would be fruitful, multiply; fill the earth, subdue it, and have dominion over the fish of the sea, the birds of the air, and over every living thing that moves on the Earth. When Adam and Eve messed it up by being disobedient, it was never the same because of the increasing out-of-control evil. Out of some seven billion people on Earth, would you believe God only saved Noah and his family, a total of eight people?

But the wickedness persisted with the Tower of Babel. Freemasonry goes back to those days with a man named Nimrod. In the view of Freemasons, he is the true originator of their Order. He was a Mesopotamian king who founded the city of Babylon and established the first great empire after the flood. He sought to turn men away from God by setting up a tyrannical government and a new religion. This Babylonian system has controlled the

world and is really Satan's source of pride and joy, for he has seduced too many people into worshipping him. Yet his world is as an "angel of light." The mystery of Babylon became a counterfeit of God's plan for the salvation of men's souls.

The story regarding Noah was that God was not sorry for what occurred as a result of that tragic flood. He realized He wasn't going to be able to remove the evil that existed in man. This was a necessary process that was all part of God's commitment to this plan. He had to wean out the wickedness because of the level it reached. God has His own plan for mankind and He will intervene whenever necessary to get men to do what He wants done.

Your life began when you were conceived in your mother's womb. During that time you had a normal growth and development, which I believe is in itself a miracle and then you reach womb maturity. You were then born and delivered into this world. God is responsible for you, which means you are accountable to Him. If you ever questioned who was to blame for your existence, you won't have to guess. God is really inside you whether you're a Christian or not. God does three things in your life for which you are grateful: 1) He creates you, 2) He forms you, and 3) He transforms you, which makes you totally His.

Yet, the miracles always continue, for it was the Holy Spirit who was responsible for Mary's virgin birth of Jesus. He came to earth to be the final sacrifice for our sins, to love us, to deliver truth to us, and to give us our greatest need, which will be an eternal one.

Mom: "Doctor, I'm in my second month of pregnancy. When do you think my baby will move?"

Obstetrician: "With any luck, right after he finishes college."

Joan Rivers wrote a book entitled, *Having a Baby Can Be a Scream*. She said, "The pain, the hurt, the crying—and that was just during conception."

Why have so many turned away from God who is actually responsible for your very existence? Psalm 33:8–12 explains the depth of his power: "Let all the earth fear the Lord; let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of Him. For He spoke, and it was done; He commanded, and it stood fast. The Lord brings the counsel of the nations to nothing; He makes the plans of the peoples of no effect. The counsel of the Lord stands forever, the plans of His heart to all generations. Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord, the people He has chosen as His own inheritance" (NKJV).

People have become blinded to the truth of the message through Satan who has tricked and deceived

them. I believe that unbelievers who have purposely refused to receive Jesus as their Lord and savior didn't make that decision of their own free will.

If another religion could have prepared us to get to Heaven for eternity, why didn't God give us another one? Instead, He had Jesus beaten on the cross, then He sacrificed His life by allowing Him to be crucified. Then he surrendered His life for yours, and finally He has bought back to you almost everything that Adam and Eve lost.

Hey! Take advantage of Him so you can live with peace and security in your heart, which is why He's here.

5

Secrets of Living Joyfully

Joy is not the absence of suffering, but the presence of God. A quality of life includes peace, calmness, quietness, stillness, harmony, tranquility, and serenity. You can create all this in your mindset regardless of what's happening on the outside.

Whatever good habits you want to maintain, merely repeat them continuously for twenty-one days in a row and they're yours. Miss a day and you'll have to start again says Zig Ziglar.

The Ten Commandments is a good place to start with. The first four commandments involve loving God and the remaining six involve loving people. Here are the Country Ten Commandments:

- 1) Only one God
- 2) No idols
- 3) Y'all don't cuss
- 4) Go to Sunday meetin'
- 5) Honor ma and pa
- 6) Do not kill

- 7) Adultery is forbidden, for it's the worse form of disloyalty
- 8) Do not steal
- 9) Don't fib or gossip
- 10) Don't hanker for friend's things

When you lead someone to Jesus, you can expect all the angels in Heaven to rejoice. Start off by directing yourself. Speak this salvation prayer out loud:

- 1) "Father, thank you for forgiving my sins.
- 2) Jesus, come into my heart and make me the kind of person you want me to be.
- 3) Father, thank you for saving me today."

Release unforgiveness by just making the decision to forgive without the emotional attachment. Here's a great mathematical spiritual equation:

1 cross + 3 nails = 4 giveness.

Here's a great forgiveness prayer. Say this out loud.

"Father, thank you for the opportunity and privilege to totally forgive and forget any hurts I may have received from the following people." Now, just mention their first names aloud.

Then, say this, “Father, thank you for my release of bondage and any hurts I may have given them or myself.”

Maintain good health, which includes:

- 1) Get and stay Slim and Trim. You already know people who have done this.
- 2) Stop eating junk food, stimulants, fried foods, soda, sugar, etc.
- 3) Exercise daily if possible, like walking.
- 4) Get adequate sleep.
- 5) Drink sufficient water. (Roughly slightly less than half your body weight in ounces)
- 6) Rest. Taking a quick midday nap doesn't have to be a punishment.
- 7) Speak only positive words. (Negative words produce toxic emotions.) Whenever you accidentally speak a negative word, yell, “Cancel, cancel!”
- 8) James 4:7 instructs you to submit to God so you can resist the devil and he will flee from you.
- 9) Smile more often.
- 10) Increase your laughter and sense of humor. A bird lover goes to an auction and bids on a singing bird. He says to the auctioneer after he bids successfully, “This bird better be able to talk after all the money I spent.”

The auctioneer says to him, “Who you think has been bidding against you?”

Learn more jokes: the next time you enter the elevator and as soon as the door closes, turn around and say to the people standing in front of you, “I guess you are all wondering why I invited you here today?”

Go to You Tube on the Internet and listen to some of the greatest comedians, especially Rita Rudner.

11) Listen to your favorite music to turn you on or to relax you or to give you peace.

12) Honor God by tithing. Proverbs 3:9–10 reveals that tithing honors the Lord with your possessions so your barns will be filled with plenty, and your vats will overflow with new wine.

13) Say something nice to at least two people every day, in addition to your spouse. A marriage relationship includes integrity, commitment, and responsibility.

Here’s a great code of conduct to live by in Larry Stockstill’s book, *The Remnant*. I pledge myself to live a life as follows:

- 1) Prayer
- 2) Integrity
- 3) Moral purity

- 4) Be a good example
- 5) Have covenant relationships
- 6) Have a philosophy of simplicity
- 7) Faith
- 8) Use spiritual warfare against the enemy
- 9) Walk in humility. (This reminds me of the time I won the highest high school medal award for humility. However, when they found out I was wearing it on my shirt, they took it back.)

6

Get to Know God Better

Abraham Lincoln summed it up quite accurately regarding God: “He is the silent partner in all great enterprises. He’s really your only solution for success when you realize nothing else will work.”

Getting intimate with God simply involves a personal relationship by adopting Him as your partner. The closer you get to Him during these troubled times, the safer you will feel and the more peace you will sense. Consider discussing your challenges with Him, confide in Him with what you’re going through, draw closer to Him by depending more on Him, and even speak into existence what you want. Invite God into every aspect of your life, which includes your past, present, and future so you can experience His love and His favor as your partner. The goal of communicating with Him through continuous conscious practice will eventually become so real to you. As your faith grows, so will the fulfillment of your needs. This

becomes quite dramatic when your love becomes like that for your spouse or your dog. But you dog loves you more than he loves himself.

As you listen to Him, speak back and forth as if you've been doing this for a long time. He's open to whatever is on your mind. Tell him you love Him and do it often. He will know your heart as you let Him know you came to be with Him rather than looking to Him to have all your wants met. The truth is that He already knows what you think, say, do, and feel. The door will be completely open for you to experience God's love and His favor. He will reveal himself to you by His spirit. In other words, He will open the windows of Heaven for you, which will include answering your prayers. You will grow to love Him with all your heart, your soul, your mind, and your strength. You will spontaneously continue to give of yourself to God. This increasing intimacy with Him will enable Him to transform your life and be used to accomplish His kingdom purposes.

Mark 11:24 tells us that whatever things you ask when you pray, believe that you receive them, and you will have them. You know you are living in the spiritual realm when you actually believe that Jesus is living inside you. The symbols TGIF were a sign in my closet on how to get dressed getting ready for

work. Toes Go In First. This symbol has now become a powerful motto, for it stands for TODAY GOD IS FIRST.

A Great Mind-Set on Handling Life

This is a fascinating message presented during a tour on the Sea of Galilee sponsored by Perry Stone. You can experience two different kinds of storms on this sea. One comes up from 150 feet deep with seismic activity that causes hot springs and suddenly, the waters are turned upside down. The other kind of storm can be related to the wind blowing so hard it introduces the storm. This means we may or may not see the storms coming. Either way, when the storm comes, it was not meant to deform you, but rather to transform you for whatever happens, good or bad. God almighty will use it for His glory to provide nourishment for our growth and advancement.

God came to transform us from the way we're living our life for the moment. He never allowed anything into your life to stop you, hinder you, or to hurt you, only to grow you. He wants you to live a transcended life and be like Jesus who endured the

cross, despising the shame for the glory that was set before Him.

Just transcend the moment if you don't like it because you're already looking toward a future with eternity. Next, live a life so that you become transparent, especially since Jesus is already living in you. Finally, the Lord wants us to understand translation or even going to the point of our transference.

Everything in the world that lives and advances can only do so through resistance. Putting your feet down on a floor that moves won't get you anywhere. But if it resists, you're going to move forward. It's going to build you up in the most holy faith. God is a God who cares about you so much that He's going to transform you.

Proverbs 4:23 tells us to keep our heart with all diligence, for out of it spring the issues of life. You were put here to go beyond normal circumstances. God will use you to further you. He wants you to become transparent and transferred out of darkness into the light of His son.

Let's pray this: "Father, as we come before you, we thank you for this time together. Father, we pray that you begin to speak to us today and answer the questions: Are we living the transformed life? Are we pursuing this transcended life that Jesus made

possible for us by His very death on the cross? Are we living a life in such a way that we have become transparent? We understand translation and even going to the point of transference because resistance is important. Give us this powerful experience and all you have done for us and what you will do for us in your mighty name. Amen.”

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Mastering the Power of Your Tongue

How true it is that reliable communication permits progress. So from now on become a guardian of your tongue. Proverbs 18:21 clearly stresses that death and life are in the power of the tongue for how you run your life depends on how you run your tongue. What you say is what you get. What you confess is what you possess.

There are at least one hundred Scriptures that advise us the ideal way of talking. One of these is Proverbs 13:3: “He who guards his mouth preserves his life, But he opens wide his lips shall have destruction” (NKJV). Without mastery of your mouth, you could greatly reduce your success in life or even eliminate it.

Here’s an advertisement from a local car dealership. “Hope you don’t have a car accident. If you do, we’ll fix it.” What a terrible way to increase business by planting the seed of having an accident!

Dr. Masaru Emoto is a Japanese author, entrepreneur, and President Emeritus of the

International Water for Life Foundation, a nonprofit organization. Among other titles, he became a doctor of alternative medicine at the Open International University in India. He has demonstrated that energies or vibrations from human consciousness, prayers, and music can change water physically and affect the molecular structure of water.

He discovered that when water is exposed to positive speech and then frozen, it will result in “beautiful” crystals being formed. But when water is tested after speaking negative intentions, such as the use of foul or horrible words, or even playing rock and roll music, it will yield “ugly” frozen crystal formations. He has published several volumes of a work entitled *Messages from Water* confirming this phenomenon of voice-activated molecular vibrations causing structural changes.

Other research studies used solutions of rice exposed to negative words demonstrating decay shortly thereafter. On the other hand, when the rice is exposed to positive words, healthy growth is confirmed in the rice solution. The same kind of structural changes occurs when speaking positive words to plants as many people have discovered.

To prove that, here’s the testimony of a truck driver who pulled into a restaurant parking lot, walked into the building, and sat down at the counter

to eat and relax. Before the waitress handed him a menu, he said, “I need a good positive word. This has been a pretty rough day.” After he gave her his order, she turned and headed toward the kitchen, but not before he shouted out, “What about the good word?” She turned, walked back to him, bent over, and whispered in his ear, “Don’t eat the liver and onions.”

The Ultimate Power of the Holy Spirit

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The Holy Spirit is the key to enter into the spiritual realm, for He is responsible for raising Jesus from the dead. He is really Jesus unlimited, the power of the Holy Trinity, the power of Heaven, and fully God. He was sent to Earth to be our teacher and show us things to come. He comes in you after you get salvation and are born again. He took residence in you so He could guide your life providing you let Him.

To get to know the Holy Spirit, you just start talking to Him. He does grieve when you ignore Him or He gets angry if you fail to love people or even hurt them. His presence is glorified when we worship Jesus because this makes Jesus more real. Do you realize that when the Lord becomes more real than your sickness, you will be healed?

The Holy Spirit is the author of the Bible so when you approach the Bible, ask Him to open your eyes and give you understanding. He will even give you words you can speak that are from Him.

What about these examples for your communications with Him? “Holy Spirit, take control of my day today and guide me with every thought I need to have.” “Holy Spirit, I need your help.” “Holy Spirit, thank you for making me the kind of person you want me to be.” “Good night, Holy Spirit. Forgive me of anything I hurt you with today.”

The Holy Spirit’s desire is to bring you into a place of peace, hope, purpose, destiny, and especially togetherness. Forgive one another because forgiveness is a big deal to the Holy Spirit. Salvation is really a process of life rather than a onetime event.

The Holy Spirit is with you continuously, even when you sleep because our spirit never sleeps. Believe what the word says, not what man says so you can have the mind of God. The Holy Spirit convicts us of sin and brings truth into our life. He will take the message of what your pastor speaks in church to you, so spend more time with Him in that arena. Your relationship with Him will enable you to know where you need to be and what you’re

supposed to be doing with your life. This includes eventually leading you to eternity in Heaven.

The Holy Spirit is more real than the person next to you. Take a breath. That's where He lives all the time. Allow Him to speak to you and at the same time listen to Him when He talks to you.

Avoid violence in your life, video games, movies, television, because the enemy doesn't want you to believe and go after God.

When you are exposed to seminars, churches, meetings, and you experience someone going against the word of God, there is a problem. Get the Holy Spirit to help you. Ask Him who you should be and what you should be doing with your life. He's looking to bring change in your life. He's actually speaking to you all the time. Develop a lifestyle of speaking worthy words. Determine in your heart to let Him help you and overcome obstacles. He will not push you on any level. Ask the Holy Spirit for things and don't be surprised if people walk up to you and give them to you.

When you hear correctly from the Holy Spirit, everything changes. He's your friend and your comforter. He leads you into the truth. All the gifting and all the powers were given to you when Jesus went to Heaven. He gave you nine spiritual gifts that are ready to operate all the time. Our actual goal or

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purpose is to disciple the world. This means we have to stop trying to get out of the world; instead, we have to affect the world by bringing change.

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Your Success Thanks to God

Even if you don't understand God's plan, when you do respond in His direction, you are demonstrating obedience. God's will is the best plan for your life, which means you agree in advance without questioning, and that's called faith. He will support you to do all that he asks you to do.

When you go off His path, you're completely on your own, like those involved with cults. A cult, according to one dictionary's explanation, is a small religious group that is not part of a larger one; moreover, a cult harbors unorthodox religious beliefs regarded by many people as extreme or dangerous. It is also defined as a small group of very devoted supporters or fans. Sects, on the other hand, are found in all religions groups and they can be listed as religious, commercial, or secular in nature. There are an estimated 2,500 cults throughout the world established basically to worship man instead of Jesus Christ.

They take a portion of Scripture as part of their belief system and then deviate completely from any of the rest of the orthodox spiritual teachings of the church and the Bible. Consequently, they move away from God, the Father, and the Holy Spirit, along with all the basic truths.

Consequently, unbelievers do not realize initially they are missing their perfect peace that would have maintained their hearts and minds. Without courage, there is no safety or dependence on Him to face this devastating future. Isaiah 6:3 tells us that He will keep you in perfect peace because you trust in Him and your mind is trained on Him.

Some people handle their deviant attitudes with humor, which works for a while. For example, Amelia Earhart was a famous pioneering aviator who got lost on a second solo trip around the world. My question is why would you want to purchase Amelia Earhart luggage? Isn't that like an oxymoron?

If you're having challenges making decisions to get on God's side, find a Christian friend to help you. One of the most important reasons from your point of view is that a good friend like that is cheaper than therapy.

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When Did a Deck of Cards Become Spiritual? Wink Martindale

This is what Jesus said when the disciples asked Him to teach them to pray.

Matthew 6:9–13: “In this manner, therefore, pray:

*Our Father in heaven,
Hallowed be Your name.
Your kingdom come.
Your will be done
On earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts,
As we forgive our debtors.
And do not lead us into temptation,
But deliver us from the evil one.
For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the
glory forever. Amen (NKJV).*

Forgiveness must exist in your soul on a continuous basis, and be ready to resolve unforgiveness whenever the need arises.

It's a holiday and two monks decide to take a sabbatical together so they can pray and meditate. A few hours into their walk, they spot a woman standing before a rope bridge. Obviously scared about crossing it, she stands there shaking with great fear. One of the monks leaves his partner's side to attend to the woman's needs. He lifts her up and carries her across the bridge and then returns to his friend to continue their journey.

The silence continues for a long while until Brother Mark turns to Brother John and says, "Brother John, you not only looked at a woman, but you touched her."

Brother John looks at him and says, "Brother Mark, I put that lady down two miles back and you're still carrying her around."

The obvious question coming up is why in the world would you have a chapter with this weird title?

The truth is that we always seem to be dealing with demonic activity and as Kim Clement has pointed out, there is something dynamic in everything that is demonic. Who would think that there is spiritual involvement in cards that already have been infiltrated with gambling, fortune telling, immorality,

etc.? So don't be too judgmental when attempting to determine if a situation is spiritual or not.

In 1959, Winston Conrad Martindale spoke the following message, which was viewed on the Ed Sullivan show. He was born December 4, 1934, in Jackson, Tennessee. He was a teenage disc jockey and became both an actor and producer. Here is his narrative for the lyrics for the message, "Deck of Cards" written by Tyler T. Texas.

"During the North African campaign, a bunch of soldier boys had been on a long hike and they arrived in a little town called Casino. The next morning being Sunday, several of the boys went to church. A sergeant commanded the boys in church and after the chaplain had read the prayer, the text was taken up next. Those of the boys who had a prayer book took them out, but this one boy had only a deck of cards, and so he spread them out. The sergeant saw the cards and said, 'Soldier, put away those cards.' After the services were over, the soldier was taken before the provost marshal.

"The marshal said, 'Sergeant, why have you brought this man here?'

"'For playing cards in church, Sir.'

"'And what have you to say for yourself, son?'

"'Much, Sir,' replied the soldier.

“The marshal said, ‘I hope so, for if not I shall punish you more than any man was ever punished.’”

“The soldier said, ‘Sir, I have been on the march for about six days. I have neither a Bible nor a prayer book, but I hope to satisfy you, Sir, with the purity of my intentions.’ And with that, the boy started his story:

““You see, Sir, when I look at the ace, it reminds me that there is but one God. And the deuce reminds me that the Bible is divided into two parts, the Old and the New Testaments. When I see the three, I think of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost. And when I see the Four, I think of the four evangelists who preached the Gospel; there was Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John. And when I see the five, it reminds me of the five wise virgins who trimmed their lamps; there were ten of them: five were wise and were saved; five were foolish and were shut out. When I see the six, it reminds me that in six days, God made this great heaven and earth. When I see the seven, it reminds me that on the seventh day, God rested from His great work. And when I see the eight, I think of the eight righteous persons God saved when He destroyed this earth; there was Noah, his wife, their sons and their wives. And when I see the nine, I think of the lepers our Savior cleansed, and nine out of the ten didn’t even

thank Him. When I see the ten, I think of the Ten Commandments God handed down to Moses on a table of stone. When I see the king, it reminds me that there is but one King of Heaven, God Almighty. And when I see the queen, I think of the Blessed Virgin Mary, who is Queen of Heaven. And the jack, or knave, is the Devil. When I count the number of spots on a deck of cards, I find 365, the number of days in a year. There are fifty-two cards, the number of weeks in a year. There are four suits, the number of weeks in a month. There are twelve picture cards, the number of months in a year. There are thirteen tricks, the number of weeks in a quarter. So you see, Sir, my pack of cards serves me as a Bible, an almanac, and a prayer book.’

“And friends, the story is true. I know—I was that soldier.”

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Secrets of Staying Young

Attempt everything twice.

Keep only cheerful friends.

Keep learning.

Enjoy simple things.

Laugh often, long, and loud.

Tears happen—move on.

Surround yourself with love.

Cherish your health.

Avoid guilt trips.

Tell people you love them, often.

Forgive those who made you cry.

Save your drama for your momma.

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Winston Churchill's Classical Quotes

We were blessed to have had a great leader like this prolific genius who was responsible for the success of our nation. We need leadership to bring us through these most demanding and challenging times. This means the people have to give up their sin (Self-Inflicted Nonsense) and become obedient to the Lord.

Churchill's remarkable abilities saved many lives during a devastating era. He even received the Nobel Prize in Literature in 1953. He was born November 30, 1874, and died January 24, 1965.

Here are some of his words of wisdom which people utilized for their growth and challenges.

Continuous effort—not strength or intelligence—is the key to unlocking our potential.

Failure is not fatal: it is the courage to continue that counts.

A pessimist sees the difficulty in every opportunity; an optimist sees the opportunity in every difficulty.

Socialism is a philosophy of failure, the creed of ignorance, and the gospel of envy, its inherent virtue is the equal sharing of misery.

We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give.

Courage is what it takes to stand up and speak; courage is also what it takes to sit down and listen.

A politician needs the ability to foretell what is going to happen tomorrow, next week, next month, and next year. And to have the ability afterwards to explain why it didn't happen.

His greatest speech was in October 29, 1941, when he spoke at the Harrow School to give the commencement speech. He said, "Never, never, never quit. Never, never, never quit." Then he left the stage and sat down.

Lady Nancy Astor: "Winston, if I were your wife, I would poison your tea."

Churchill: "Nancy, if I were your husband, I'd drink it."

Bessie Braddock: "Sir, you are drunk."

Churchill: "And you, madam, are ugly. But in the morning, I shall be sober."

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Prayer of Faith for Baptism

Perry Stone presented this prayer for people to receive faith for baptism during his 2014 Prophetic Summit at OCIC in Cleveland, Tennessee. Why not speak this out loud?

Heavenly Father,
In the name of Jesus,
Thank you for saving me.
Thank you that the blood of Jesus covers all my sin.
Because of that, I can ask you,
For the gift of the Holy Ghost.
Lord tonight,
I believe it is your will,
To baptize me in the Holy Spirit.
So I'm asking you,
Fill me right now with the power of God.
I believe the promise of the gift of the Holy Spirit.

And in Jesus' name.
Break any unbelief,
Break any fear.
Break any hindrance off me,
From receiving from you.
In Jesus' name,
I receive the Holy Spirit.
Come in,
Baptize me right now.
I believe in Jesus' name,
I have received.
Thank you, Father God,
In the name of Jesus,
I believe you have baptized me,
And filled me with the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

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My Testimony

U ntil I experienced a midlife crisis, my Jewish heritage limited my ability to lead people to the Lord. That's when I experienced a supernatural miracle and Jesus healed me of chronic intractable pain called *plantar fasciitis* which had existed in my feet for almost three years. My medical colleagues weren't able to help, but they recommended that I learn to tolerate the pain. I then inquired of them as to where I could find a tolerance school to enroll in. The great disappointment to me in medicine was that we did not have the answers to heal people of so many conditions including acute, chronic, and the incurable you're-going-to-die-medical situations.

Then I read a book entitled *Good Morning, Holy Spirit* that sold four and a half million copies. This book was sitting on the desk in my office when a salesman saw it and recommended that I visit the author, Benny Hinn, since I was already scheduled for a Disney World vacation. From a neurosurgical point of view, I saw this as an opportunity for a

second childhood. I was already going to Catholic churches to study because the music was so beautiful and it enabled me to retain what I read better.

At that church in Orlando, I watched a video on a television set with Benny Hinn and Rex Humbard. It demonstrated many people lying on the church platform and praying. Within minutes or less, I suddenly felt heat come into my feet moving from my toes into my legs. At that point, I realized the pain totally left as the heat replaced it. The experience was so great I can still picture it anytime my mind wants to return to that time and place. It's like a perfect flashback. Then they told me Jesus healed me, but I didn't believe that because I was already Jewish. And what's more, it couldn't have been Jesus because He wasn't even there, for I never saw him. Can you image the drastic change in my life, from going to no belief in the existence of Jesus to eventually not being able to live without Him?

However, at that time, I decided to prove they were wrong and over the course of the following two years, I read over 500 books on healing and spirituality. Guess what? I realized the Holy Spirit had entered my life and that a healing-and-deliverance ministry was the only answer to eliminate sickness and disease in order to compensate what I wasn't able to do in medicine.

I actually began to witness even more people getting healed by the laying on of hands and ministering to them than I did with the scalpel.

My ministry background included twelve years of premed and medical school training, plus my neurosurgical residency followed by thirty-seven years as a practicing neurosurgeon. By the way, I tell people I never practiced but did the real thing. God sure has a great sense of humor for me to go into a healing ministry after fifty-one years in medicine.

My first exposure to another testimony, besides my own, occurred when I was on call for a neurosurgical emergency. A policeman-fireman, well-known to the hospital, had fallen from the back of a pickup truck. He was admitted through the emergency room to the Intensive Care Unit. The CAT scan (MRIs hadn't come into existence as yet) revealed he had suffered contusions of the brain. He demonstrated his limited state of consciousness by requiring an endotracheal tube to breathe on a respirator. After my evaluation, I documented on the patient's chart that he had poor prognosis. On the way home, I almost got into a discussion with my steering wheel and decided he was going to do well, regardless of what the facts revealed. This was not characteristic of my mindset. The following morning, I told the charge nurse he was going to do well, but she in turn informed me of

my hospital admission progress note from the previous night. I just ignored that. Within the next twenty-four hours, he began to respond and he returned to normal breathing, allowing us to remove the respirator and his endotracheal tube. Next he was moved out of ICU and then discharged two days later as he fully recovered. He refused a repeat CAT scan for comparison, but he did purchase a discharge birthday cake which he presented to me to celebrate his discharge. He did that for the following two years in a row.

Not too long afterward, God set me up for a Healing and Deliverance Ministry through a patient who came to my office. He was a patient of Charles and Francis Hunter, also known as the Happy Hunters. Once I met them, I spent the next ten years studying and training with them. My new goal was to become a reverend through the City of Lights, Inc., and be involved in a career in a healing and deliverance ministry. After graduation, the Hunters even allowed me to teach in their advanced healing school sessions. My organization is called Alternative Medicine Healing Ministry; my patients and my medical colleagues appreciated that there is an alternative to medicine. But more important is the truth that Jesus is the only alternative.

I have ministered to people all over the world through the telephone and Skype. I found a much more effective kind of healing and curative medicine through Jesus and the Word of God.

I had already learned through trial and tolerance how to bounce back from the nonbelievers' attitude because I used to be one. I was a good example of a bad example. I believe there are so many unbelievers especially for healing because:

- 1) There are so many still suffering with sickness and disease in spite of medical treatment.
- 2) Too many prefer to hang onto their sickness, including pain, because it gets them attention, sympathy, love, caring, and even pity.
- 3) They may love God, but they haven't yet accepted His awesome power.
- 4) Their lack of belief prevents them from believing and following what the Word tells them to do. **FAITH is really Fantastic Adventures In Trusting Him.**
- 5) They haven't read enough of the Bible or often enough to at least understand its power.
- 6) They have fears more than likely from the devil who is usually the major hindrance.
- 7) They have been disappointed so many times they aren't interested in another one.

- 8) As previously mentioned, the Lord has to become more real than their sickness or disease.
- 9) Here's a summary of how we handle sickness and disease:
 - a) We idolize sickness and disease.
 - b) We bow down to sickness and disease.
 - c) We are intimidated by sickness and disease.
 - d) We maintain respect for sickness and disease.
 - e) We are overpowered by sickness and disease.
 - f) We idolize doctors and medicine.
 - g) We give up.

There is no doubt that miracles, signs, and wonders are about to come upon us and even overwhelm us in these end days.

Joel 2:28: "And it shall come to pass afterward that I will pour out My Spirit on all flesh; Your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, Your old men shall dream dreams, Your young men shall see visions" (NKJV).

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You Have the Anointing

One of the greatest gifts you can receive from the Lord is His anointing after you receive Jesus. Since this means “to rub in,” you are in a sense being “smeared” with His power, which is absorbed by and through your skin. As a believer, you receive several life-changing things that you can take full advantage of following the anointing. When you do, you will live differently and experience the working of the anointing. You will never be the same.

As listed in an article by Pastor Benny Hinn, here are the manifestations that you have received the anointing:

1) You talk about Jesus a lot.

You become His witness and as Luke 4:18 points out, that “The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor.”

2) You have a hunger for the Bible.

You frequently open the Bible to read it and to understand it. This is really supernatural, for it brings life to your reading.

3) You are aware of a desire to heal the unhealed.

You suddenly want to minister to and pray for the sick: Luke 4:18 covers that because it states “He hath sent me to heal the brokenhearted, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised.” The healing power of God flows out of you.

4) You desire to bring deliverance to the captives.

Luke 4:18 includes your desire to preach deliverance to the captives even if it means leading them out of their bondage and pulling them out of the pit.

5) You want God to speak the prophetic into your life.

You will hear Him through dreams and visions because the anointing is prophetic.

6) You want to praise God.

You’ll find yourself praising the Lord regardless of what the day is like. You find yourself lifting up praises to the Lord, which in turn will lift yourself up.

7) You want God to bless you with prosperity.

This is no accident as are the six previous manifestations of the anointing. Deuteronomy 8:18 confirms that you shall remember the LORD GOD, for it is he that gives you power to get wealth.

You need to step out in faith to release the power of your anointing to see Him move in your life. Take your authority and speak to the Lord about what you need.

The Rapture of the Church

The Rapture is an “end time” event (eschatological event) during which Jesus Christ returns for His Church, and the believers who are alive and remain shall be caught up together. The following two scriptures explain this quite well:

1 Thessalonians 4:16-18: “For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of an archangel, and with the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And thus we shall always be with the Lord. Therefore comfort one another with these words” (NKJV).

1 Corinthians 15:51-52: “Behold, I tell you a mystery: We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed—in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed” (NKJV).

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The rapture is actually a reward for your faithfulness. You don't have to die, so you will bypass your funeral. Going to heaven is a reward for your salvation. Listen to this. If you decide not to accept your creator and His plan with the rapture, don't worry. The truth is that you won't be going to Heaven or enter into your heavenly rest for eternity because your wrong decision makes you ineligible.

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The Hebraic Vs the Greek Mind-Set

When we read the New Testament today and interpret it, we do so according to our American culture view. Don Coppler confirms the Hebrew Scriptures are the absolute foundation and significance for what we understand and learn in the New Testament. The Bible is a product of the Hebrew mind.

Origen (AD 185–254), a church Father, mixed this up in an attempt to help people understand and locate Scripture. He snatched away the inceptive Hebraic blueprint by which Jesus’ movement was being constructed, and replaced it with a non-Hebraic one. Jesus Christ appears to be returning his people to the original blueprint.

The differences between the Western, Hellenistic mind and the Hebrew mind “arise from the difference between doing and knowing.” The Hebrew is concerned with practice and right conduct, while the Greek with knowledge and right

thinking. The contrast is between the moral man and the theoretical or intellectual man.”

Christians are inclined to subject each other to litmus tests of orthodoxy, while Jews are concerned mainly with behavior. Dennis Prager writes that “belief in God and acting ethically must be inextricably linked. God demands right behavior more than anything else, including right ritual and right belief.”

William Barrett realized that between these two points of influence, “Hebraism and Hellenism” moves our world.”

Hebraic Vs Western Thinking A Comparison

Western Approach	Hebraic Approach
Life analyzed in precise categories.	Everything blurs into everything else.
A split between natural and supernatural	Supernatural affects everything.

Linear logic	Contextual or “block” logic
Rugged Individualism	Importance of being part of group
Equality of persons	Value comes from place in hierarchies
Freedom orientation	Security orientation
Competition is good	Competition is evil (cooperation better)
Man-centered universe	God/tribe/family-centered universe
Worth of person based on money/material possessions/power	Worth derived from family relationships
Biological life sacred	Social life supremely important
Chance + cause and effect limit what can happen	God causes everything in his universe

Man rules nature through understanding and applying laws of science	God rules everything, so relationship with God determines how things turn out.
Power over others achieved through business, politics, and human organizations.	Power over others is structured by social patterns ordained by God.
All that exists is the material	The universe is filled with powerful spirit beings
Linear time divided into neat segments. Each event is new.	Cyclical or spiraling time. Similar events constantly reoccur.
History is recording facts objectively and chronologically.	History is an attempt to preserve significant truths in meaningful or memorable ways whether or not details are objective facts.
Oriented to the near future	Oriented to lessons of history

Change is good = progress	Change is bad = destruction of traditions
Universe evolved by chance	Universe created by God
Universe dominated and controlled by science and technology	God gave man stewardship over his earthly creation. Accountability to God.
Material goods = measure of personal achievement	Material goods = measure of God's blessing
Blind faith	Knowledge-based faith
Time as points on straight line ("at this point in time...")	Time determined by content ("In the day that the Lord did...")

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Israel

Here's what the Bible reveals about Israel in Deuteronomy 6:4–8: “Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one! You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your strength. “And these words which I command you today shall be in your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, when you walk by the way, when you lie down, and when you rise up. You shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes” (NKJV).

The city of Jerusalem was destroyed because of three things which in turn caused the judgment of God against the Israelites:

- 1) Idolatry (defined as the worship of a picture or object as a God; immoderate attachment or devotion to something.)
- 2) Shedding of innocent blood.
- 3) Unbelief

The destiny of Israel is linked to the destiny of the world. Since the clash with Gaza, Israel and the Jewish people need support more than ever especially with anti-Semitism since the Holocaust. The Jews were the “first people” to understand a covenant God. The word of God calls Jews the “root” and the Gentles the “branches.” There will come a time when the nations of the world will turn against Israel which could be now.

These are the covenants with God:

- 1) The Abrahamic Covenant: the nations of the Earth will be blessed.
- 2) The Mosaic Covenant: this was the revelation of the Law given as a teaching to be used for Christ.
- 3) The New Covenant: the time will come when I will take My law and I will make a new covenant with you, and I will put my spirit within you.

His greatest gift was when He gave His only begotten son who came as a Jew.

To stand for Israel, we need to:

- 1) Equip ourselves with reliable information.
- 2) Avoid listening to the liberal media.

- 3) Pray for the peace of Jerusalem continuously, which is what Psalm 122:6 says so they may prosper who love you.

Speak this prayer: “Lord, we ask you God to cause our enemies to see their wrongs and repent. If not, together help us defeat them. Lord, we pray for the growing relationship of the United States to Israel. That you would keep your hand upon it and that you will also guide and overrule, to the benefit of Israel. Further, that this nation will not turn against Israel or take its stand among the enemies of Israel. That you would graciously use this nation continually to support and uphold Your people, Israel, and their state.”

The well-being of all nations ultimately depends on the destiny of Israel and the outpouring of the Holy Spirit. We will be ruling and raining with Christ in New Jerusalem on Planet Earth according to the Bible. Praying for the peace of Jerusalem is praying for the return of the Messiah. “Did you ever notice that the spelling of Jer usa lem is not a coincidence.” The closer we get to Israel, the safer we will be. God has His hand on the United States of America which depends on our concern about Israel, for we have been grafted into the Jewish Tree.

Thomas Jefferson informed people who had difficulty with spelling that, “he had nothing but audacity for anyone who didn’t have more than one way to spell a word.” Now, by calling one of the telephone companies, they will tell you exactly how to spell any word. Their telephone number is 1-800-colloquialism.

John Hagee believes that the gentiles controlled Jerusalem from AD 70 but no longer. Since the “times of the gentiles,” it has been fulfilled as a result of the Six-Day War of 1967, Jerusalem is now under the control of Israel, and this is a sign we are in the terminal age.

A lot of people don’t know why Israel won the June 1967 six-day war so here’s why: they were forced to win because their equipment was only rented for a week.

Jesus points out that salvation is from the Jews. We owe every spiritual blessing we ever enjoyed to the Jewish people. They are responsible for the patriarchs, the prophets, the apostles, the Bible, and the savior. Yet, interestingly, the number one enemy of the Jewish people is the Christians.

Moses, while being pursued by the Egyptian soldiers, stops short at the Red Sea. He gathers his key advisors together for a strategy session concerning what they should do. The leader of the

army suggests that they might be able to lay down pontoons to cross the sea. “But that would take at least two years,” Moses answers. Moses shakes his head and turns to his admiral for advice.

“Any ideas?”

The admiral shakes his head no.

Moses asks the chief engineer, “There must be something we can do. What about a bridge?”

“No, that would take three years.”

At this point, their public relations man starts waving his hand wildly, and Moses says, “Okay, Goldstein, you think you have a way out?”

“Oh, no, I don’t have a solution, Moses, but I can promise you this. If you find a way, I can get you two pages in the Old Testament.”

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God refers to the land of Israel in the Bible as “This is mine.” According to the Torah, Israel actually means a person of God. Israel was raised up to be a light to the Gentiles. When you go back to the inception of the church, it was virtually entirely Jewish. It wasn’t until the Gospel was spread into Antioch did the first Gentle congregation begin and from this base it extended into all the world.

In the 1960s, Golda Meir, the fourth prime minister of Israel, was invited by Nikita Sergeyevich Khrushchev, premier of Union of Soviet, to visit and tour all the new sophisticated buildings in Russia. Nikita was quite pleased that she was impressed. While in his office, Golda asked him, “What’s the purpose of the red telephone on your desk?”

“That’s our telephone line to God.”

“How much does it cost?”

It’s \$500.00 a minute in US currency.

Shortly thereafter, Golda Meir, in turn, invites Nikita to Israel and he is also quite impressed after he tours all the new beautiful buildings just completed.

As they finish and both return to her office, he notices the red telephone on her desk and asks the purpose of it.

She says, “It a telephone line to God.”

“How much does it cost?”

She responds, “Ten cents.”

“How come it’s so cheap?”

She answers, “It’s a local call.”

Golda Meir was an outstanding leader even when she was a teacher in the Milwaukee public schools. She placed a sign on the front lawn of the school which read, **IN CASE OF ATOMIC BOMB ATTACK, THE BAN ON PRAYER IS TEMPORARILY LIFTED.**

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Speaking in Tongues

You are looking for ways to be prepared for all the challenges that could come, which is why it's important to receive all this vital information. Besides, it's God who has given us the ability to pray in other tongues which I believe is one of the greatest miracles that anyone can obtain. Robert Engelhardt has discussed this in his book, *Speaking In Tongues*. You will appreciate his unique blessings and this gift as he reveals how this can change your life.

Tongues will strengthen our spirits and build ourselves up until our spirits take ascendancy over our flesh. Depend entirely on the Holy Spirit to pray. Romans 8:26: "Likewise the Spirit also helps in our weaknesses. For we do not know what we should pray for as we ought, but the Spirit Himself makes intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered" (NKJV).

Is it any wonder Apostle Paul said in 1 Corinthians 14:18: "I thank my God, I speak with tongues more

than you all” (NKJV). Speaking in tongues is one of the most powerful tools God has given us as it provides a portal to eternity. One of the great benefits of praying in tongues as a devotional practice is that it will increase spiritual intuition. The author believes when you pray in tongues it is a mandatory strategic element in the coming of the Kingdom. It is the single most supernatural thing one will ever do continuously in this life. When you pray in the Holy Spirit, it requires trust, and when you do, you release the rivers of life because the living water will flow.

Tongues do not edify the intellect, but rather the subconscious spirit, and this becomes a function of faith and trust in God’s process. It does not involve one’s personal abilities. It would be wise for you, once you pray in tongues, to take advantage of this during any personal challenge. Of course, no one understands us when we pray in tongues for we yield to the Holy Spirit. Tongues divide light and darkness, executes a word of God, creates new life systems, and brings chaos into order.

The way to achieve real intimacy is really between you and the Lord. When you pray through tongues into the atmosphere, it shapes the future. Love is not only the most important thing, but it’s also the Holy Spirit’s objective in all things. He who speaks in tongues edifies himself. Speaking in

tongues is a devotional practice because it releases the Holy Spirit to utilize the construction material—the Word of God—to build your spiritual house. The great Apostle Paul was emphatic that he wanted “that we all spoke in tongues.”

What Christian would ever think tongues are not worth seeking? It’s fascinating that the disciples prayed as the spirit gave them utterances.

Yes, praying in tongues comes from your mouth and not your mind. It requires learning to connect your mind with God’s. If I pray in a tongue, my spirit prays. Praying in tongues is really a private prayer language, while prophecy is for public encouragement. Did you ever consider that the lack you experience now is the result of your prayerlessness in the past? People will explain it away until God’s reward shows up in your life. The carnal mind revolts against the idea of speaking in tongues because nonbelievers—Christian or otherwise—consider practitioners as dangerous religious lunatics. Tongue requires a commitment to be alone with God. It is the most wonderful adventure you’ll ever take. Once you begin seeing changes as the result of your praying in tongues, you incorporate this into your life. By the way, there is no such thing as coincidences. Galatians 4:6: “And because you are sons, God has sent forth the Spirit of His Son into your hearts, crying out, “Abba, Father!”” (NKJV).

When your intelligence fails, leave it to the Holy Ghost to pray in tongues. Two components to creation are the moving spirit and the spoken words of God. They are in perfect agreement. The spirit of God moves as we pray in tongues, and God speaks as we abide in His word.

The words that come from your heart produce results. The person who just throws in a couple of faith words now and then isn't speaking them from the abundance of his heart, which is why they're not effective.

The following sums up the power of your words.

Matthew 12:34–35: “Brood of vipers! How can you, being evil, speak good things? For out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaks. A good man out of the good treasure of his heart brings forth good things, and an evil man out of the evil treasure brings forth evil things” (NKJV).

To me, the greatest feat using tongues, as an example, is for a person to walk into a restaurant in a foreign country and start speaking in a language he or she is unfamiliar with. The person then orders dinner speaking a foreign tongue. The waitress says to the person, “For an American, you’ve learned well how to speak Russian,” and he responds back, “But I never spoke anything but English.”

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Scientific Facts in the Bible

Ray Comfort discusses one hundred reasons why the Bible is supernatural in origin. The good news is that if the Bible is really the Word of God, it's certainly not bad news for the unbeliever. Therefore, it makes sense to search its pages for truth, especially if the promise of immortality and threat of damnation is true. Hearing a prophecy for your future could turn your life around. In addition, there is no other religious book that contains scientific truth.

The Bible was written over 1,600 years involving more than forty-plus authors from many different areas of life, at different times, different places, different moods, over sixty generations, from three different continents, in three different languages. It needs to become your handbook for living. Charles Spurgeon noted, "A Bible that is falling apart usually belongs to someone who isn't." There is nothing more dramatic or therapeutic for training your brain than memorizing Scripture.

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The Signs of Our Times

The Lord is sending Elijah to be the messenger to prepare the way and to usher in the Messiah. He is the spirit of prophecy. Here are the end-time signs for today:

- 1) Historical evidence
- 2) Increase of knowledge
- 3) Ability to enforce the mark
- 4) Violence and sexual immorality
- 5) Rise in spiritualism
- 6) Massive animal deaths
- 7) Natural disasters
- 8) Earthquakes
- 9) False Christ and prophets
- 10) World pushing for peace
- 11) War
- 12) Famine
- 13) Increase in disease
- 14) Increase in population, travel, and communication
- 15) Christians beings killed

- 16) Increase in sin
- 17) Man of sin revealed
- 18) Christians turn away from truth
- 19) God destroys those who destroy earth
- 20) Gospel Preached to the World
- 21) Godlessness
- 22) Apostasy: falling away from the faith

Our mission is to become a help and blessing to everyone because of the ongoing challenges that are being experienced. Our greatest hope is to come into the relationship that will develop through unity. The voice of God is calling today through the Body of Christ for this unity so we can lay down our disagreements and join together. We need to be in preparation for Jesus' return.

This consideration for many believers is scary because they ask, "How can I unify with someone from another denomination and give up my doctrines and agree with theirs just for unity's sake even though that's vital?" What they need to realize is that this scriptural unity is based on faith, not doctrine. Don't forget that denomination means division. The Holy Spirit is calling the Church of the living God to unity. As Ephesians 4:14 reveals, we need to forget our denominational squabbles because the unity of faith is the most unlimited power on earth. In addition, when you care about helping other people, God assumes responsibility for your problems.

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Fulfillments of Bible Prophecy

This is a well prepared and great research work regarding prophecy from Contender Ministries by Jennifer Rast.

- 1) Existence of a 200,000,000-man army in the East.
- 2) Redevelopment of the Roman Empire (European Community).
- 3) Return of the one pure language—Hebrew—to Israel.
- 4) Rebuilding the Temple, restoration of Temple worship, and animal sacrifices in Jerusalem.
- 5) Appearance of the Red Heifer after 2000 years.
- 6) Increase in knowledge and travel.
- 7) The rise of Russia.
- 8) Return of Russian Jews to Israel.
- 9) Technology for the mark of the Beast.
- 10) Plans for the one world government.
- 11) Instant communication around the world.

Your Soul

“**S**oul,” as defined in the Merriam-Webster’s Dictionary, is that spiritual part of a person believed to give life to the body. In many religions, it is believed to live forever. I definitely believe that when the body begins to die, neither the soul nor the spirit die, but they are transferred to Heaven.

That means we protect the soul and the spirit with our faith and the power of using appropriate words. The devil attacks our soul to keep us from getting closer to God. Kim Clement presented his usual brilliant message on the soul with some of his thoughts included here. You never have authority over the devil as long as you allow him to upset you.

Your soul is actually a bridge between your spirit and your physical body. The soul is represented by your mind, your emotions, your will, your intellect, and your personality. The more you understand what your soul is about, the more power you will gain in the activities of your daily life.

David cared for and protected his soul. He would tell his soul, “Soul, you’re my salvation.”

You could look at your soul as having arms, hands, breathing, and seeing, for it’s inside you. The truth is that everything you do is affected by your soul. Your soul not only can affect your entire body, but the surrounding conditions of your life can affect your soul, which includes your prophetic insight and your future.

You were created for a purpose and you need to find out what it is. The two callings in your life include your vocation or career and your purpose. It’s your purpose that feeds your soul. You can’t do without it. When you have challenges, Psalms 23:3 reveals that God restores your soul; He leads me in the paths of righteousness For His name’s sake. God reveals Himself to you in spiritual ways such as fellowship with the right people, music, joyful activities, etc. Your soul has virtues as well as vices. You bless yourself when you feed yourself positive, either from good news or great people, and from good things that your eyes see. Our souls need support and a positive outlook like the great Christians of yesteryear.

There are many positive things that happen in life. You heard about Lady Godiva who rode naked on her horse side saddle? That’s why you heard the

cheering only on one side of the street as they yelled, “Hooray for our side!”

Your soul truly makes the difference in your life. Say this: “Lord, I pray that you would reach out and bring life back into my soul for the rest of my days. Amen.”

The Harbinger

Rabbi Jonathan Chan is a Messianic Jewish Rabbi who has become quite famous. God endowed him with a prophetic message while he was standing at the edge of Ground Zero. This is known as the Harbinger that concerns the future of America. The first harbinger was a wake-up call on 9/11, which traumatized the nation.

This omen or warning has to do with judgment, because what happened to Israel is happening to the United States. Further, this whole thing is based on the Scripture from Isaiah 9:10: “The bricks have fallen down, But we will rebuild with hewn stones; the sycamores are cut down, But we will replace them with cedars” (NKJV). This applies to both eighth century BC Israel and the twenty-first century America.

He found nine harbingers or warning signs as to why America is in danger. Rabbi Cohn describes this as bizarre, ominous, eerie, and profound.

In the history of Israel, which was founded and blessed by God, the people turned away from Him. Consequently, God was forced to withdraw the hedges of natural protection because the people became defiant. This is a wake-up call to America to repent for rejecting God and abandoning the foundations upon which the country was built. The mystery, therefore, also warns of the “imminent danger of God’s judgment if this call is ignored.”

When the people evaluated Isaiah 9:10, they wanted to use hewn stone because it was a stronger rock, but the interpretation was that this amounted to an attitude of defiance. They vowed they were going to rebuild the nations by building higher, bigger, and better. Again this was defiance. They went to the mountains of New York to a quarry and hammered out a twenty-ton rock and brought it back to ground zero. Rabbi Cahn pointed out that several top leaders including our president gave it the vow of judgment on our nation. But, he pointed out, they didn’t know what they were saying and doing. Incidentally, some of these men fell into disgrace shortly after these events.

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The Shemitah Mystery

The Shemitah, Rabbi Jonathan Cahn reveals, is an ancient mystery that dates back over 3000 years to Moses and Mount Sinai. It has affected every life since the day we were born, and it will continue to affect our future.

The Shemitah means the release, the fall, the shaking, or the collapse in Hebrew. God gave this law to Israel so that every seventh year there would be a Sabbath year—that is, a year of rest. There would be no sowing or reaping of the land. The last day was called Elul 29 and all credit and debt was wiped away, including financial accounts. Whatever was grown on the land was free for anyone to take.

This potential blessing became a judgment because Israel turned against God and rejected Him. Here's the Scripture explaining this in Exodus 23:10–11: “Six years you shall sow your land and gather in its produce, but the seventh year you shall let it rest and lie fallow, that the poor of your people may eat; and what they leave, the beasts of the field may eat. In

like manner, you shall do with your vineyard and your olive grove” (NKJV). This continuation is explained by Deuteronomy 15:1–2: “At the end of every seven years you shall grant a release of debts. And this is the form of the release: Every creditor who has lent anything to his neighbor shall release it; he shall not require it of his neighbor or his brother, because it is called the Lord’s release” (NKJV).

The Israeli government encouraged local farmers to honor the Biblical mandate to let their fields lie “fallow” for that one out of seven years. As a result of their ignoring this, there were five terrible turning points or long-term collapses, including Freddie Mac and Fannie Mae, and Lehmann Brothers.

This great shaking coming to America will affect the economy, the financial realm, and possibly more than either of those realms. This great warning is in God’s mercy. There has to be shaking, for without shaking there can be no revival. We need to repent of our sins and ask Jesus to be our Lord and Savior and for the Holy Spirit to come live inside of us. You need to communicate with Him so you can be walking in peace.

Understanding Time and Its Final End

Time, as described by Onyemalechi, is a temporary interruption in eternity. Eternity is a timeless zone or realm described as one full day that never ends. He claims that time will come to an end and one good thing will be that this will be an end to evil as well as all negativity. Ephesians 5:16 confirms redeeming the time, because the days are evil. We will exist in eternity by getting to go to Heaven through Jesus.

The truth is that the only time we have is now, so we must get busy by using it wisely. Don't allow it to pass before accomplishing your intended plans or goals. God will move you to your next and higher level in the mighty name of Jesus, so you need to depend on Him. Use your time for sowing for your harvest, and may God grant you the grace to be on time. But not to worry, according to this Scripture, Genesis 8:22: "While the earth remains, Seedtime and harvest, Cold and heat, Winter and summer, And day and night Shall not cease" (NKJV).

Time is divided into three parts: yesterday, today, and tomorrow, or past, present, and future. The past helps you to have a better future, while your today determines tomorrow. Learn to redeem the time and make the most of every opportunity. We have to program tomorrow with the values, habits, thoughts, and deeds of yesterday, and of today. The decisions of today will determine tomorrow.

The kingdom of God is not related to time or space, but needs to be referred to as to where instead of when. This is God's world and His plan for the world. What He created has been timed and programmed by Him, which means no one can change His plans.

The word of God is the helmet that protects our minds from being taken over by demonic thoughts of the devil. The state of your mind determines your ultimate status in life. It's a good idea to get to know Scriptures well or at least better.

Problems create mental reactions, so avoid turning this into emotional responses. Only positive mental reactions will create proper solutions.

Ecclesiastes 3:1–8 covers the time we are living in now: “To everything there is a season, A time for every purpose under heaven: A time to be born, And a time to die; A time to plant, And a time to pluck what is planted; A time to kill, And a time to heal; A

time to break down, And a time to build up; A time to weep, And a time to laugh; A time to mourn, And a time to dance; A time to cast away stones, And a time to gather stones; A time to embrace, And a time to refrain from embracing; A time to gain, And a time to lose; A time to keep, And a time to throw away; A time to tear, And a time to sew; A time to keep silence, And a time to speak; A time to love, And a time to hate; A time of war, And a time of peace” (NKJV).

When it is time, God will show up because He is scheduled for an appointed time. Your future is actually in the hands of God. All his plans and actions are based on justice and righteousness. So keep pursuing your dream with zeal regardless of what you think will or might deter you. God knows the changes that will take place in your life because He knows the right time to grant your request to create a positive change. Be mature in the use and management of time. Keep appointments. Be punctual, never keep anybody waiting. Apologize if you do. Build a reputation for being on time and finishing on time. Time is money. When you waste time, you are wasting life. We really don't have forever to accomplish our God-given assignments. It takes the supernatural power of God to gain back what one lost in time. It can happen through the

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mercy and favor of God in a special package. Time is one of the best gifts God ever gave man.

You have to feel sorry for Charlie Brown because his biggest problem in life was trying to fix yesterday. Your mind can become a spring of life or the opposite, depending on how you use it.

PS: we are in a race against time.

The Return of Jesus Christ

Jesus has pointed out that war is not necessarily a “sign” of the end of days, but rather something that must happen as people continually move into their rebellion against God. God has allotted man 6,000 years to attempt his own governments, philosophies, value systems, religions, and forms of education. Humanly-devised ideas of men do not and cannot work in solving the world’s truly gigantic problems as the 6,000 years is almost up. In the last 200 years or so, the world has changed dramatically—and rapidly. Events are speeding up in a way that has never been experienced before!

We’re talking about the end of man’s civilization as noted here. Matthew 24:36: “But of that day and hour no one knows, not even the angels of heaven, but My Father only” (NKJV). Matthew 25:13 tells us to stay alert because you have no idea when he might arrive.

There are many things happening, but know that the kingdom of God is near. For all this will come as

a snare on all those who dwell on the face of the whole Earth. I recommend you yield yourself to Him and ask Him to prepare you for rulership in His kingdom! This is confirmed when Jesus returns to the Mount of Olives, which will suddenly split into two. Jesus will sit on the throne over the whole earth and Satan shall be removed.

Listen to this astonishing information at the time of the end from Joel 2:29–32: “And also on My menservants and on My maidservants I will pour out My Spirit in those days. “And I will show wonders in the heavens and in the earth: Blood and fire and pillars of smoke. The sun shall be turned into darkness, And the moon into blood, Before the coming of the great and awesome day of the Lord. And it shall come to pass. That whoever calls on the name of the Lord Shall be saved. For in Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there shall be deliverance, As the Lord has said, Among the remnant whom the Lord calls” (NKJV).

Luke 21:25–27: “And there will be signs in the sun, in the moon, and in the stars; and on the earth distress of nations, with perplexity, the sea and the waves roaring; men’s hearts failing them from fear and the expectation of those things which are coming on the earth, for the powers of heaven will be

shaken. Then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory” (NKJV).

The next time you think you have a time problem, just hear this. My cousin had to miss his fifth grade graduation ceremony because he had jury duty.

Pray for America

I took my Bible in my hand and I said: “I want to announce to Almighty God in Heaven and to Jesus Christ of Nazareth, to all the angels of Heaven, to all the demons of hell, and to anyone else who cares anything about hearing it, that from this day forward our needs are met according to God’s riches in glory by Christ Jesus.”

Pastor Bob Gass discusses prayer. It’s not an option, but a duty like going to work. It’s a commitment that includes the rewards it brings. It’s a discipline.

The most powerful thing you can do in the world is to pray and with a prayer partner. Prayer can become a habit, especially with answered prayer.

Susie Federer has written a marvelous book entitled *Miracles in American History*. I have taken the liberty of taking advantage of some of her awesome prayer thoughts.

Holy Spirit, lead us into prayer for the miracles we need here in America. Father, come to each of us as we pray. Hear our words of love. Forgive us of all the sins we ever committed. Remove our guilt. We repent of our ungodly activities.

Lord, forgive the sins of our nation and all those in the leadership position. Touch them Lord so they will be able to do your will.

We acknowledge you as our Lord of Lords and our One and only true God. There is nothing impossible for you. Please find the way that every one of us will come to know Jesus as their personal Lord and savior.

Give us a president with leaders who will serve you, uphold your commandments, love and protect Your people, and maintain the faith you have given to us. We want to give up our sins and stop being defiant.

Lord, we pray for the Senate, the Congress, our judges, and all elected and unelected officials at the federal, state, county, and city levels. Move them to a level of honor, integrity, responsibility, accountability, and commitment. Bless them. Endow them with the wisdom and knowledge they need. Lord, replace the leaders who are unable to release their selfish ambitions with God-fearing servants who respect life at all stages. Most important, Lord, forgive them of

their transgressions, their sins, their lying, their selfishness, their dishonest ambitions, their hurts, their hate, and bless them totally when they do.

Guard and protect our soldiers for we are one nation under God. Thank you for perfecting our country to live in it especially in The New Jerusalem and to be totally free from evil.

We cast out any demonic spirits and command you to leave now and go back to where you came from in the mighty name of Jesus.

Give charge to your angels to protect us from all harm, in Jesus' name. Lord, please continue to defend and protect Israel. Thank you for helping us pray for the peace of Jerusalem for we understand this means we are anticipating the return of the Messiah. Encourage the people who oppose Israel to seek the truth so they can be protected and blessed.

Cover this entire country with the blood of Jesus and shield us from evil in the name of Jesus. Thank you that you have given us eternal life.

Thank you for strengthening us and our families to serve you and be the witnesses of your love, your grace, your strength, and your power. We thank you dearly Lord for answering our prayers. We love you and speak these prayers in the mighty name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

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“He That Winneth Souls Is Wise”

Here’s a profound Scripture from Proverbs 11:30 that covers our major purpose in life. It was preached in Richmond, Indiana, 1922, by Billy Sunday, and is considered one of the greatest sermons. He left a professional baseball career after eight years of playing and went from a \$5,000 annual salary to \$75.00 a month when he converted his career to that as a minister. It is estimated that over 300,000 people received Jesus Christ as their Savior and Lord.

One of the major challenges is that men are in open rebellion against God and refuse to have Jesus Christ reign over them. They accept whatever they want from the Bible. They would like to codify it and put it into their order so they can eliminate that which isn’t pleasant to them. They would instead replace it with something they would like. But God almighty won’t adjust His principles for anybody. He has made His revelation known to the world

These men believe we have no king, but have self-established themselves upon their own desires and ambitions. They're not concerned about the influence their character has upon others who might be looking to them as an example. It's the law of their own desire. They need to understand "He that winneth souls is wise."

I believe that a definite effort needs to be put forth to persuade a definite person to accept a definite Savior at a definite time—and that time is NOW.

Men work harder to win in business and politics than the church will in religion. The church has got to wake up and do something. Soul winning is the most effective work in the world.

A Jewish business executive opens a new business and interviews for an accountant. He spends a lot of time looking for the ideal candidate. The most important question he asks is, "How much is two and two?" He finally finds an accountant who answers the question precisely and hires him. "How much would you like it to be?"

The Earl of Shaftsbury gave sixty-five years of his life working among the costermongers, the fallen, the submerged and mudsills of London. He was won to Jesus Christ by a servant girl in his home. When he was eighteen years old, he fell on his knees and gave his heart to Jesus Christ. When he died, his

funeral was the greatest ever held in England except when that occurred involving a king or a queen.

Charles G. Finney was well-known for his salvation intentions and for the Scripture, “He that winneth souls is wise.” That is, after learning the name of a man or a woman, he would immediately and invariably asked, “Are you a Christian?”

You need to always be looking for someone to receive Jesus Christ, for this will give you and them a new vision of life. The reason: “He that winneth souls is wise.” Don’t forget your Master went about doing good wherever he was in the world.

Soul winning is challenging for this involves doing personal work when you attempt to get somebody to take a stand for Christ. All the devils in Hell will be on your back, which means your efforts will always be difficult. Sorry, but I have no sympathy for folks who are looking for something easy!

I preached out in Salida, Colorado, a few years ago. The city lies 8,500 feet on one of the spurs of the Rocky Mountains. There was a woman there who sang in the choir. I used to drive the choir out there when they went to speak to somebody about Jesus Christ.

One day a woman from the choir came to me and said, “Mr. Sunday, will you speak to my husband about being a Christian?”

I said, “Have you spoken to him?”

She said, “No.”

I said, “No, madam, I will not.”

She said, “Why?”

I said, “God wants you to go and you are trying to sidestep and get me to do it.”

I added, “You go speak to him and if you can’t win him for Christ, come and tell me, then I will go.”

“Well,” she said, “you would have a greater influence with him than I have.”

“How long have you been married?” I asked.

“Five years,” she said.

“I have been in this town three weeks and it is a compliment for you to say that to me. You have cooked for him and sewed on buttons for him for five years.”

Finally one night, she said to me, “Isn’t it hot?”

I said to her, “You like to sing in the choir, don’t you?”

She said, “I love to do that.”

“You don’t like to do personal work?” I asked. “Then your idea of serving God is to pick out the things you would like to do, and the things that you don’t like to do you let somebody else do; then you let it go at that.” I said, “Then you will forget every blessing that ever came to you.”

One night I helped her off the platform; later I saw her coming down the aisle and her husband was

sitting on the front seat. She slipped her arm around his neck and whispered something in his ear. He nodded his head and down the aisle he came. He turned to her and said, “Bessie, I’ve been waiting for weeks for you to ask me to accept Jesus.”

I was out in Colorado Springs not very long ago and she came up to Denver. I said, “How do you do, Mrs. C?”

“How do you do?”

I said, “Where’s Charlie?”

“He went to heaven two years ago, but he prayed and lived consistently until the hour that God called him.”

You need to get out and do something! You’re fighting that same spirit of letting people go to the devil because they don’t eat at your table or because you are not married to them. There is too much of that today in the world. After all, “He that winneth souls is wise.” God blesses personal effort and He will honor and bless you.

The trouble with the world today is that we don’t care a rap of what becomes of others so long as we go through the world the way we want to. The truth is that we will all have to meet at the judgment. This should settle it! You have to do this! “He that winneth souls is wise.”

Billy Sunday, as you can see, was the kind of person who had compassion to help everyone he met, just like these monks. A homeless man enters their monastery with the understanding that he will finally have a place to sleep every night, have food for every meal, every day, and have clothes to wear. The arrangements he agrees to are: 1) No talking for the three-year period, 2) Working hard to do whatever his assignments, 3) Being obedient during the church services, and finally, 4) Give a two-word summary of his impression of living at the monastery at the end of each year.

He meets with the head monk and the entire group at the end of the first year and he's asked to speak only two words. He says, "Food bad."

He meets with the head monk and the entire group at the end of the second year and again he's asked to speak only two words. He says, "Bed hard."

He meets with the head monk and the entire group at the end of the third and final year and again he's asked to speak only two words. He says, "I quit!"

Everyone turns to the head monk to see his reaction and he says to the man, "No wonder you quit. All you've done is complain since you've been here."

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The Nephilim

The emergence of the Nephilim was what brought about the Flood of Noah. Randy DeMain explains this in his book, *Nephilim Agenda*. These are divine beings, offspring of angelic and human women. They did not receive redemption, which was reserved only for mankind. After the flood, they became disembodied spirits and remained eternal spirits since they were not redeemable. That is, their flesh was destroyed, but their spirit part went up into the third Heaven.

Jesus calls them unclean spirits, for they live from generation to generation always looking for a host to live in and use their wickedness. Goliath was an offspring of the Nephilim demons. There are some twenty races of Nephilim demons or Giants living here. Randy refers to them as Holy Garb because they wear suits and ties. They are very refined, wealthy, powerful, and influential. They are found in high places of government and in the medical fields.

Who Is the Antichrist?

This is that great personal opponent of Christ who will spread evil throughout the world before being conquered by Jesus. There will be many Antichrists or false teachers denying the Holy Trinity, but the Antichrist with the same consequences through the emotional control will be much like Adolf Hitler.

With several names, he plans to exalt himself above God and worship in the Lord's Temple, proclaiming himself to be God. He will do counterfeit miracles, signs and wonders, and gain a following with the intention to deceive many.

Daniel 8:25 reveals he shall be broken without human means. One prophet stated that the Holy Spirit will destroy him when he opens His mouth with one breath.

Who Is the Beast?

Satan has been on the earth for thousands of years. Although he has not been visible, he will become visible, disguised and masquerading as God. Our fight is against the demonic powers, the darkness, but now we need to take advantage of the authority that Jesus has given us to battle Satan.

Our part will require that we develop the joy that we avoided as we pray to proceed for this in obedience. Included in our new lifestyle is the need to start walking in forgiveness. The power of unity in these times will now become a necessity. Hebrews 10:25 speaks about the importance of not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together.

Demonic activities such as drinking, drugs, sin, etc., must be given up because they are obviously ungodly. Instead, we must be focused on godly things like following the Ten Commandments. Suicide is not a good thing. As a comedian put it, “You’re really only hurting yourself.” Cast out the

spirit of deaf and dumb and the spirit of suicide for this.

People need to finally surrender to God. He has every reason to be angry with the evil of this world for He wants to put an end to it forever. In spite of this, the Bible reports that many people will not repent and as a result of their inappropriate decision, they will simply be destroyed and doomed to hell.

The Mark of the Beast

The charismatic leader of the new international government system will implement a program for controlling people through economics and registration. The people will be required to receive a mark on the right hand or forehead in order to participate in basic transactions of life.

In prophecy, the word “beast” (a wild, dangerous animal) can refer to a gentile (non-Israelite) kingdom, a false church, or a dictatorial leader of a kingdom or church. John was seeing in his vision a powerful religious leader who “worked signs” [miracles] in the presence of the beast or on behalf of the beast. The False Prophet is the same as the one called “another beast” who performs miraculous “signs.”

The Blood Moons

These teachings are fascinating but frightening, for God uses the sun, moon, and stars for signs and seasons to talk to us. Mark Blitz, El Shaddai Ministries, the original researcher, began focusing on the precise times of solar and lunar eclipses that he called “blood moons” because the moon often takes on a bloody color. He logged onto NASA’s eclipse website which provided him with precision tracking of the celestial events. There are four consecutive total lunar eclipses, known as a tetrad. During this century, they will occur at least six times.

Pastor John Hagee believes that things are changing and God is trying to communicate with us in a supernatural way. He expects something dramatic to happen in the Middle East involving Israel that will impact the whole world. In his latest book, *Four Blood Moons, Something Is About to Change*, Hagee describes celestial signals and discusses what’s happening because these four series of blood moons in 2014 and 2015 are appearing so

closely together, an extremely rare situation. “A blood moon is when the Earth comes between the sun and the moon and the sun is shining through the atmosphere of the Earth and casts up on the moon a red shadow so the moon appears to be red.”

Further, Hagee has been warning of the Iranian nuclear threat through his work with Christians United for Israel that he founded in 2006. Every nation that rises up in judgment against Israel God will punish and punish severely.

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Armageddon

Armageddon describes that great battle where all the armies of the world gather against Jerusalem. This battle culminates with the Lord Jesus Christ returning from Heaven with His ruptured church, and He destroys these armies supernaturally with “the sword of his mouth.” Simply by using His spoken word, beasts and flesh-eating birds will devour the dead bodies. After this, Christ will set up His millennial reign at once, without any seven-year “waiting period.”

Zechariah 12:8 sums it up: “In that day the Lord will defend the inhabitants of Jerusalem; the one who is feeble among them in that day shall be like David, and the house of David shall be like God, like the Angel of the Lord before them. It shall be in that day that I will seek to destroy all the nations that come against Jerusalem” (NKJV).

You can be sure that many of those involved in battle will be speaking these words into existence: “Armageddon-outta-here!”

The Un-Be-Live-Er

You know, when you look at this entire picture of what's happening in our worldly civilization, you can't help but get the impression that so many people have hated God right from the beginning. The reasons are probably many, but my impression is that it really has to do with EGO, which amounts to Edging God Out through the help of the devil. There are so many totally involved with themselves. The unbeliever is someone who has no religious beliefs or who does not follow a particular religion. Synonyms include: infidel, heretic, heathen, nonbeliever, atheist, agnostic, pagan, infidel, heathen, nonbeliever, nihilist, apostate, freethinker, dissenter, and nonconformist. They get connected to the world and disconnected from Jesus because they don't want to hear the truth.

Drs. M.A. Haberman and S. Vaknin, two medical doctors from Israel, have diagnosed our current president with a behavior disorder they call narcissism to explain why he acts as he does. I blame the devil. I also believe that God allowed this to

happen because of America's defiance. You could say that these people prefer to be their own God. They give credit to themselves for the good things that have happened in their life. They simply don't want to believe that anything else could exist without being able to see it.

I have a Donor Report book from my New York Medical School with the picture of a biochemist in the laboratory holding up test tubes. At the bottom of the front cover, the headlines clearly read, "Seeing Is Believing." Basically, we have been exposed to, and listened to, and taught so many different beliefs to the point that many are willing to follow or die for their principles, including believing and nonbelieving Christians.

Here's what finally had to happen to resolve Lucifer's pride and cause him to leave Heaven. Isaiah 14:12:14: "How you are fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! How you are cut down to the ground, You who weakened the nations! For you have said in your heart: 'I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God; I will also sit on the mount of the congregation On the farthest sides of the north; I will ascend above the heights of the clouds, I will be like the Most High'" (NKJV).

There are an estimated 21,000 denominations in the world. Denomination is defined as “an organized Christian group within a country.” The worse part of the definition of the word “denomination,” as mentioned previously, is that it means division.

This demonic activity started way back even before the Garden of Eden with the Nephilims, so that even after the flood, there were demonic spirits still existing here. You could consider that a person growing up in an environment where there is no God, no Bible, no Scriptures, and no spiritual training is enough reason why such a person doesn't become successful in life. I also believe that the existing satanic power is strong enough to overcome their will and keep them in their own bondage or prison. Whatever they get from that relationship is strong enough to prevent them from searching for something that takes away their freedom. The challenge you create when you take matters into your own hands with your own thoughts is that they become in charge instead of following God's Word. When you deny what God says, you are actually calling God a liar. God's image is present in humanity itself. God takes on the form of man in Christ who is the very form of the invisible God. Hosea 4:6: “My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge. Because you have rejected knowledge, I

also will reject you from being priest for Me; Because you have forgotten the law of your God, I also will forget your children” (NKJV).

I also believe that all those nonbelievers with whatever mindsets that have been established will be content to live with whatever has to happen in these end days. This eternity in Heaven sounds good, but if they don't believe in God, how in the world will they be open with something that sounds more like science fiction? They don't believe it's worth the risk of coming over to God's side, regardless of what will happen including living in hell, if this really exists, according to them.

Doesn't this mean we should stop attempting to convince the nonbelievers there is a better way? The answer is absolutely no! Never give up. Besides, we can't withdraw from the unbelievers for then they will have no light and they will be forced to be cast into total darkness.

There's always that rare opportunity that one of the nonbelievers, like me in the beginning, could be exposed to a miracle, for example, like getting healed. Then that person would realize that only a Jesus could do the impossible for them so they would have to believe the invisible. Invisible means not perceivable, but it doesn't mean nonexistent. When whatever sign or wonder happens, it's almost

too hard to believe, but that's what's required to convince a nonbeliever. The key question now is: how do you get these miracles to happen to the nonbeliever so they, too, can turn to God and turn off the devil by casing him out?

“In the name of Jesus, devil, you come out of me right now. This is my body and I no longer want any part of you! I rebuke you in the mighty name of Jesus.”

Here's more good news: there are myriads and myriads of good angels who are given charge over you when you become God's people. They are there to guard you in all your ways. This means you have the guardianship, the protection, and the support of angels. So wherever you go there's an angel of God that encamps around and about you and delivers you. If God were to open your eyes, you would realize you have a great unseen army on your side.

God is not mad at unbelievers. Did you know that Jesus loves nonbelievers and has blessed them in so many respects? How about His appearance in their dreams, leading them into salvation? Here is one of many such testimonies: “A Muslim has a dream. A figure who is in a white robe calls the man to come to Him. Jesus says, ‘If you want to come to me, just come.’”

Unbelievers are screaming about our intolerance to their beliefs, and yet it is they who are the most intolerant. They actually want to destroy us because of our differences. The bottom line is that the church must become irresistible to claiming the lost. For only then can these precious people enter into the dream of massive multiplication and be saved. We need to become involved with embracing one another. This is called unity, which is the only answer for worldwide relationships as discussed in Chapter 22.

In the meantime, we continue to spend our time strengthening the believers who will continue to benefit from all this truth that the spiritual realm is real and actually exists in spite of the physical, emotional, sensual, and logical realms of the world. So just work on people who are workable at least for now, and wait until God comes into those unbelievers' lives.

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Why Do People Reject Jesus in Favor of Eternity in Hell?

You can't get upset with people for whatever their reasons are for keeping Jesus out of their life. Just consider the following considerations:

- 1) They've been hurt.
 - 2) They like their sin.
 - 3) They don't think He's real.
 - 4) They think He's someone He's not.
 - 5) They're ignorant of their need.
 - 6) They're afraid of what their peers will think.
 - 7) They don't want to give up stuff.
 - 8) They don't believe in hell.
 - 9) They think there's more than one way to Heaven.
 - 10) They think they're okay without Christ.
 - 11) They've seen how His followers behave.
- Reminds me of the church member who called his pastor and told him he wasn't coming back to church anymore—there were too many

- hypocrites. His pastor said, “Come on back, there’s always room for one more hypocrite.”
- 12) They’ve been deceived by the Father of Lies (the devil).
 - 13) They want to be in charge of their own life.
 - 14) They can’t make Him the top priority in their life when they have power, money, and possessions.
 - 15) They don’t need a savior.
 - 16) They have fear of social rejection or persecution.
 - 17) The worldly things offer them more than the eternal things.
 - 18) They are comfortable with demons.
 - 19) They have unbelief and with a different theology. If you ask God seven times for the same thing, six times are in unbelief. Once should be enough.
 - 20) They have apathy and simply don’t care.
 - 21) They grew up or hung around people who didn’t believe or care.
 - 22) They don’t need another god.

The worst part of hell is that you can’t die for you’re already dead and exist in your permanent spiritual body. You will have to endure ungodly bodily activities such as the eating of the flesh

(yours), intolerable heat, continuous cursing, unbearable odors, personal trauma, etc.

Any doubts? Avoid them with a quickie Salvation Prayer. Speak this out loud: “Jesus, come into my heart and make me the kind of person you want me to be.” Understand there is no second chance once you’ve made the wrong decision—so you better accept Jesus the first time in case there is no second chance.

If you have doubts, check this out on the Internet called “Twenty-Three Minutes in Hell,” which was experienced by Bill Wiese. Separation from God is separation from ALL GOOD. This includes the loss of 100 percent of love, 100 percent of holiness, and 100 percent of justice. Why do people falsely accuse God which they base on the reality of hell, their own ignorance, and arrogance?

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The Seven Jewish (God) Feasts

The God Feasts describe the stories of the main covenant events between God and His Elect people. Leviticus 23 sums up everything in God's eternal plan through the nature and timing of the seven annual feasts of the Lord. God gave Moses the dates and observances of these appointed times on Mount Sinai. Did you know that when Moses arrived on Mount Sinai, he looked around and said, "This looks like a good place to put a hospital?" (Mt. Sinai Hospital was just a few blocks from my medical school, New York Medical College.)

The first four feasts during the springtime are Passover, Unleavened Bread, Pentecost, and First Fruits. The summer fest is Pentecost. The final three holiday feasts which are yet to be fulfilled are Trumpets, the Day of Atonement, and Tabernacles.

Here's a summary of the prophetic significance of each of the seven Levitical feasts of Israel.

1) Passover

Leviticus 23:5. “On the fourteenth day of the first month at twilight is the Lord’s Passover” (NKJV). This pointed to the Messiah who is our Passover lamb. His blood was shed for our sins when Jesus was crucified on the day of preparation for the Passover. This occurred at the same hour that the lambs were being slaughtered for the Passover meal that evening.

1 Corinthians 5:7: “Therefore purge out the old leaven, that you may be a new lump, since you truly are unleavened. For indeed Christ, our Passover, was sacrificed for us” (NKJV).

2) Unleavened Bread

Leviticus 23:6: “And on the fifteenth day of the same month is the Feast of Unleavened Bread to the Lord; seven days you must eat unleavened bread” (NKJV).

This pointed to the Messiah’s sinless life, making Him the perfect sacrifice for our sins. Jesus’ body was in the grave during the first days of this feast, like a kernel of wheat planted and waiting to burst forth as the bread of life. Leaven is a picture of sin in the Bible.

3) First Fruits

Leviticus 23:10: “Speak to the children of Israel, and say to them: ‘When you come into the land which I give to you, and reap its harvest, then you shall bring a sheaf of the first fruits of your harvest to the priest. This pointed to the Messiah’s resurrection as the first fruits of the righteous. Jesus was resurrected on this very day, which is one of the reasons that Paul refers to him in as the “first fruits from the dead.”

1 Corinthians 15:20: “But now Christ is risen from the dead, and has become the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep” (NKJV).

4) Pentecost

Leviticus 2:16: “Count fifty days to the day after the seventh Sabah; then you shall offer a new grain offering to the Lord” (NKJV).

This points to the great harvest of souls and the gift of the Holy Spirit for both Jew and Gentile, who would be brought into the kingdom of God during the Church Age (see Acts 2). The Church was actually established on this day when God poured out His Holy Spirit and 3,000 Jews responded to Peter’s great sermon and his first proclamation of the gospel.

5) Trumpets

Leviticus 23:24: “Say to the Israelites: ‘On the first day of the seventh month you are to have a day of rest, a sacred assembly commemorated with trumpet blasts’” (NKJV).

This points to the Rapture of the Church when the Messiah Jesus will appear in the heavens as He comes for His bride, the Church.

6) Day of Atonement

Leviticus 23:27: “The tenth day of this seventh month is the Day of Atonement. Hold a sacred assembly and deny yourselves, and present an offering made to the LORD by fire” (NKJV).

This points to the day of the Second Coming of Jesus when He will return to earth. That will be the Day of Atonement for the Jewish remnant when they “look upon Him whom they have pierced,” repent of their sins, and receive Him as their Messiah.

Zechariah 12:10: “And I will pour out on the house of David and the inhabitants of Jerusalem a spirit of grace and supplication. They will look on me, the one they have pierced, and they will mourn for him as one mourns for an only child, and grieve bitterly for him as one grieves for a firstborn son” (NKJV).

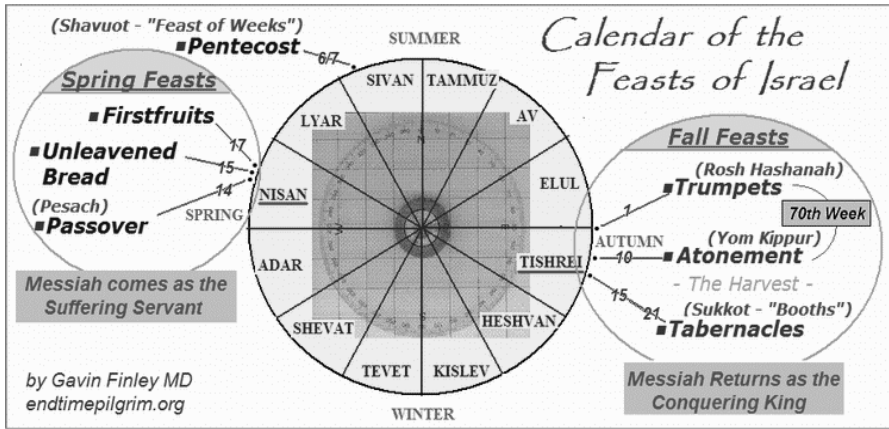
7) Tabernacles

Leviticus 23:34: “Say to the Israelites: ‘On the first day of the seventh month you are to have a day of rest, a sacred assembly commemorated with trumpet blasts’” (NKJV).

This points to the Lord’s promise that He will once again “tabernacle” with His people when He returns to reign over all the world.

Celebrate the feast days and know when they are because your blessings will increase threefold when you start honoring God on the Sabbath. In addition, you will gain a greater understanding and appreciation for Christ’s death and resurrection and the future promise of His coming. Put Christ in the center of the celebration, for He is the One who came to fulfill the prophetic significance of each of them.

Jesus is expected to return at the Feast of Triumphs called (Rosh Hashanah, Passover, or Hanukkah).



The Seven Jewish (God) Feasts

The Millennium Kingdom

The word “Millennium” simply means, “one thousand years.’ During these ten centuries of righteousness, Christ along with His followers will rule the World from His capital in Jerusalem.

Here are the Main End-Time Events by Liberty University.

- 1) Miscellaneous signs.
- 2) Restoration of the Jewish people back to the state of Israel.
- 3) Rebuilding of the Jewish temple.
- 4) Rise of the Antichrist, false prophet, and a ten-nation confederacy from which they will rule this world from.
- 5) The seven-year Great Tribulation.
- 6) The Battle of Armageddon.
- 7) The Return of Jesus to our Earth to set up a Millennium Kingdom.
- 8) The New Heaven and New Earth.

This will be a time of perfect peace without war and even with the wild beasts. The saints in heaven will come down to help Jesus rule the nations. He will be the only God people will worship and serve. All false religions will be gone and people will live long lives, possibly up to 1000 years or more.

People who have survived the Tribulation will continue to have children as well as the saints who had died and have returned to Earth. Some authorities believe God will allow the devil to be free one more time after the 1000 years and for people to continue to populate the Earth.

God will take out all the bad and unsaved people from this earth and put them in Hades or Hell until the end of the Millennium Kingdom. He will remove all the bad angels from the face of earth and then throw Satan into the Bottomless Pit during this entire period. It will become Heaven on Earth. The resurrected will face God when they are taken to the Great White Throne of Judgment. Here they will then be judged for their last and final time before God.

What's the difference between the first death and the second death? Lester Sumrall pointed out that our cells start dying from the moment we are born, which means the "First" death is the physical or temporary death inherent in every person who dies on Earth. However, those who are righteous will be resurrected

to everlasting life while those who are wicked will be resurrected for the judgment and the “Second Death,” believed by nearly all to be a physical death also. But this time the death is presumed to be permanent—that is, after judgment, the unsaved can be thrown into the Lake of Fire and Brimstone for all of eternity. Wild beasts and animals will be tame. There will never be another war.

The New Heaven and the New Earth

God will show us what the world can be like with His Son Jesus in total charge. Humans still don't have the answers or the ability to create a utopian world in which to live in, only a world for mass destruction. God will show us what the world can be like with His Son Jesus in total charge.

At the end of the 1000 years, two more things have to happen before we will get a New Heaven and a New Earth where righteousness dwells.

Although the physical properties of the new Heaven and the new Earth are not described in detail, that's where righteousness will dwell.

Satan is let loose for the last time to come upon our Earth and allowed to run free an unknown, but short period of time. He will deceive the nations for the last time and will be targeting all people wanting to rebel against God from the Millennium Kingdom. Satan will attempt to attack Jerusalem, but God Himself will literally devour him by sending down fire from heaven. He will be taken out right then and

there without the spilling of any blood. Satan will then be thrown into the Lake of Fire and Brimstone where the Antichrist and False Prophet had been thrown much earlier at the beginning of the Millennium Kingdom. They will remain in this place forever and ever and the devil will never be heard of again for all eternity.

Get Ready to Receive Jesus

How exciting to receive Jesus as your personal Savior when your knowledge has increased to the point that you have overwhelming confidence in your belief totally supported by Scripture. Your confirmation in His Word will establish a permanent peace in your heart and mind, along with your sensing the presence of God.

Being saved is really quite easy to happen because Salvation starts when you acknowledge your release of sin along with the guilt associated with it. You come to God believing in Jesus the Christ, the Son of God, to forgive you of your sins. Become spirit-led instead of guilt-led, particularly since Jesus took all your guilt on the cross. The challenge with guilt is that it's a gift that keeps on giving.

Jesus forgives everyone's sins, but the world has its own way of repenting. All you have to do is to just release your stubbornness. Almost all modern preachers stress the Person of Jesus Christ Himself instead of the message that He brings! When you

focus on the Messenger instead of the message, you can risk ignoring the coming of the world-ruling kingdom or suppress the soon-coming colossal events.

Scriptures are like an automatic package deal for they cover your release of sin, all of your good deeds, your ability to carry around and store the Ten Commandments, water baptism, church membership, Holy Communion, penance, authentication, endorsement from the Lord, and the power of pray whenever necessary. Salvation is not a prayer, a decision, or an experience. It's a supernatural act of God in response to your faith in Jesus Christ because eternal life is given freely.

This is one of the most dramatic testimonies that you will ever hear for it will enable you to realize the necessity of not only making your final decision, but making the decision right. This is from Bob Gass Ministries.

When ten-year-old Mary's mother died, the little girl became "mother of the house." She took care of her father who worked the night shift at a local mine. One evening as she was packing his lunch, she slipped a gospel booklet inside, hoping he'd find comfort after the loss of his wife. At 1:00 AM, an emergency whistle sounded, telling the townspeople that the miners had been caught in a collapsed mine.

Emergency workers worked throughout the night and finally broke into a small cavern, where they found the miners. Sadly, it was too late. All eight men had suffocated, including Mary's father. The rescuers were devastated. As they surveyed the scene, they noticed that the men had died seated in a circle. Looking closer, they discovered that Mary's father was sitting with a small booklet in his lap, opened at the last page where the plan of salvation was explained. On that page he had written a special message to her: "My dear Mary, by the time you find this, I'll be with your mother. I read your little book several times to the others while we waited, and the book told us what to do and pray. I love you, and one day we'll all be together in Heaven." John 3:3: "Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God" (NJKV).

The majority of people in America live in hope of going to Heaven. Yet, it's amazing that half of the atheists and agnostics believe in Heaven but have no idea how to get there. Jesus covers that quite well.

Prayer of salvation (say this out loud): "Father, forgive my sins. Jesus come into my heart and make me the kind of person you want me to be. Father, thank you for saving me today."

As you grow with Jesus, you will realize that this involves more than just a belief because to claim

your Savior, Jesus, you have to be involved with action. Living the born-again life is a whole new program compared to just getting born again.

Becoming born again is a necessity for life not only for today, but for tomorrow which will exist in New Jerusalem. This is also called the Tabernacle of God, the Holy City, the City of God, the Celestial City, and the Heavenly Jerusalem. It will be literally heaven on earth when the description of the New Jerusalem is given. The city will have twelve gates and each gate will be named after one of “the twelve tribes of the sons of Israel.” It is most fully and extensively described quite vividly.

Revelation 21: “Now I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away. Also there was no more sea. Then I, John, saw the holy city, New Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from heaven saying, ‘Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and He will dwell with them, and they shall be His people. God Himself will be with them and be their God. And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes; there shall be no more death, nor sorrow, nor crying. There shall be no more pain, for the former things have passed away.’ Then He who sat on the throne said, ‘Behold, I make all

things new.’ And He said to me, ‘Write, for these words are true and faithful.’ And He said to me, ‘It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End. I will give of the fountain of the water of life freely to him who thirsts. He who overcomes shall inherit all things, and I will be his God and he shall be My son. But the cowardly, unbelieving, abominable, murderers, sexually immoral, sorcerers, idolaters, and all liars shall have their part in the lake which burns with fire and brimstone, which is the second death.’ Then one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls filled with the seven last plagues came to me and talked with me, saying, ‘Come, I will show you the bride, the Lamb’s wife.’ And he carried me away in the Spirit to a great and high mountain, and showed me the great city, the holy Jerusalem, descending out of heaven from God, having the glory of God. Her light was like a most precious stone, like a jasper stone, clear as crystal. Also she had a great and high wall with twelve gates, and twelve angels at the gates, and names written on them, which are the names of the twelve tribes of the children of Israel: three gates on the east, three gates on the north, three gates on the south, and three gates on the west. Now the wall of the city had twelve foundations, and on them were the names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb. And he who talked

with me had a gold reed to measure the city, its gates, and its wall. The city is laid out as a square; its length is as great as its breadth. And he measured the city with the reed: twelve thousand furlongs. Its length, breadth, and height are equal. Then he measured its wall: one hundred and forty-four cubits, according to the measure of a man, that is, of an angel. The construction of its wall was of jasper; and the city was pure gold, like clear glass. The foundations of the wall of the city were adorned with all kinds of precious stones: the first foundation was jasper, the second sapphire, the third chalcedony, the fourth emerald, the fifth sardonyx, the sixth sardius, the seventh chrysolite, the eighth beryl, the ninth topaz, the tenth chrysoprase, the eleventh jacinth, and the twelfth amethyst. The twelve gates were twelve pearls: each individual gate was of one pearl. And the street of the city was pure gold, like transparent glass. But I saw no temple in it, for the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are its temple. The city had no need of the sun or of the moon to shine in it, for the glory of God illuminated it. The Lamb is its light. And the nations of those who are saved shall walk in its light, and the kings of the earth bring their glory and honor into it. Its gates shall not be shut at all by day (there shall be no night there). And they shall bring the glory and the honor

of the nations into it. But there shall by no means enter it anything that defiles, or causes an abomination or a lie, but only those who are written in the Lamb's Book of Life" (NKJV).

When you become a disciple, you also begin serving Him. When you became involved with Jesus, initially, you have no concept that the son of God is your mountain of shelter, your refuge, your place of security which guarantees your protection. With Jesus, you don't need to look to human sources, to the material world, to finances, to other provisions of that kind, or to the uncertainty of the situation you are living in today.

One day we will have beyond what words can describe, beyond our dreams and imaginations. I call these coming attractions the window of the future. When you profess Christianity, you believe in a savior and you're set for a quality of life both here and in the New Jerusalem.

Survival Guide for the End Days

Your challenges will be reduced with the proper information and preparation.

Matthew 24:40–44: “Assuredly, I say to you, this generation will by no means pass away till all these things take place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but My words will by no means pass away. “But of that day and hour no one knows, not even the angels of heaven, but My Father only” (NKJV).

Revelation 3:10: “Because you have kept My command to persevere, I also will keep you from the hour of trial which shall come upon the whole world, to test those who dwell on the earth” (NKJV).

- 1) Develop a survival kit: nonperishable food, a manual can opener, bottled water, survival food.
- 2) Keep small amounts of cash: twenties, tens, fives, ones, but not in a bank vault.
- 3) Get N95 Respirator Mask
- 4) Anticipate challenges without electricity, heat, or running water: get working flashlights, batteries,

- AM or shortwave battery-powered radio, candles and matches, first aid kit, a charged cell phone, extra blankets, polar tent, and an ax.
- 5) Establish protection where you reside: consider crime dogs, stun guns have challenges.
 - 6) If flooding is possible: purchase a small boat, life jackets.
 - 7) Keep a full tank of gasoline in your vehicle with proper fluid levels: oil, radiator, trans and washer fluid, fill your tank at three quarters.
 - 8) Be aware of volcano eruptions, fault lines.
 - 9) Help your church's needs, especially with feeding others.
 - 10) Grow your own food, store it, and know your water access and sources.
 - 11) Get involved with community subdivision protection groups.
 - 12) Get help. This is not the time to do any of these critical things without help. It's not like the Self-Help section in our local Library. When I asked the Librarian for assistance, she refused to help and told me, "It would defeat the purpose of the program."

Become the Person God Is Looking For

God is looking for faithfulness in this final generation because we are a prophetic people whose time has come. Step into this gap so we can minister to the world for doing the “little things” to help others, for this will make all the difference in the world. Become dedicated servants to reach this lost world.

You don't want to be left out of God's final assignment just because you're in your comfort zone in Western civilization. You need to seek your cause, which is to pursue God's purpose. After all, you were born-again so you could be alive at this exact time.

The two main divine objectives of God are unity and outreach. The relationship that exists among friends needs to develop into unity to accomplish the success we need in these end days.

One guy told me why unity doesn't work. He said, “I have a friend for whom there is nothing I wouldn't do, and there is nothing he wouldn't do for me.

Together we do nothing for each other.” This may be funny, but this attitude has to change.

The sign of the end of this age that relates to the church is the outpouring of the latter rain of the Holy Spirit when the greatest number of people will accept the Messiah. Now we’re talking about the Great Commission of Jesus Christ to His disciples after his resurrection. This is a commandment for evangelism.

Jesus says to go in My authority, even though there are many closed doors. But He says if you do and obey Me, I will open closed doors and make a way where there is no way. Be determined to obey Me and I will make it possible for this to happen. The way to safety and success for the church is to be bold, positive, and with an outreach in obedience to the Lord. We must align ourselves with the purpose of God for He accepts the responsibility for us.

I’m on vacation from work (I was a scrub tech in the local hospital) and walking on the beach. I see a postcard in the grocery store with a beautiful picture of a girl in a bathing suit. I decide to send it to my TB (Tough Broad) operating room supervisor. She was terrific! I wrote on the back of the card, “Having a wonderful time. Wish you were *her*.” She never said anything to me when I returned, but the card was on the OR cork board outside her office.

God will surely provide what you need to become the person He is looking for. He will change your basic hope into Bible hope, which becomes faith. One of the ways you and the saints will accomplish this is by evangelism through the Great Commission.

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Your Mission to Serve

Whatever your calling in life is, be it a pastor of a megachurch or a lay member, you're considered no more—and no less—than a servant. Class distinctions don't count in God's kingdom. It's absolutely essential to become a servant in order to achieve your mission. Even Jesus thought there was nothing wrong to be considered a slave in order to serve. While Paul was waiting in prison for his trial to begin before the Roman Emperor, his Christian visitors brought him a gift from the church of Philippi. He said to them, "Don't mind this guard chained to my wrist. He's my constant reminder that I am a slave to Jesus." It has been pointed out that service to others can never become slavery to the one who loves. Luke 9:48 explains that your care for others is the measure of your greatness. There is nothing you're doing that is insignificant, especially when you realize you're called to set apart people so you can bless the nations of the world. One explanation of believing you are "set apart" is in

having the same mindset as Christ. Jeremiah 1:5 states that “before I formed you in the womb, I knew you. Before you were born, I set you apart.” God obviously put a lot of thought into creating people, even before they were born.

As servants we’re called to do the will of God, which means there’s no pressure to perform and only our Master has the right to judge us. Our concern should focus on what pleases God and not people. For it is He alone who can evaluate our service, just like Jesus came to serve His Father.

The reason why a person like you and me gets addicted to blessing people has to do with our compassionate attitude.

Dr. Stephen Post conducted a study in forty-four major universities and found that “Giving is the most potent force on the planet, for this will protect your whole life.” So while you’re blessing others, you’re increasing your physical health, and of course, you can’t give without loving.

As you continue to serve people, you become dependent, almost addicted, on helping others because of the rewards that come from blessing others. The greatest gift you can give is to draw people to God and demonstrate His Kingdom.

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Scriptures That Will Make a Difference in Your Life

Andy Rau researched the most-read Bible verses on Bible Gateway in 2012. Here's a countdown of the top ten most popular Bible verses based on visitor data:

- 10) Proverbs 3:5: "In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths" (KJV).
- 9) Psalm 23:4: "Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me" (NIV).
- 8) 1 Corinthians 13:4: "Love is patient, love is kind, it isn't jealous, it doesn't brag, it isn't arrogant" (CEB).
- 7) Proverbs 3:5: "With all your heart you must trust the Lord and not your own judgment" (CEV).
- 6) Romans 12:2: "Do not conform yourselves to the standards of this world, but let God transform you inwardly by a complete change

of your mind. Then you will be able to know the will of God—what is good and is pleasing to him and is perfect” (GNT).

- 5) Philippians 4:6: “Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God” (ESV).
- 4) Romans 8:28: “We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose” (NRSV).
- 3) Philippians 4:13: “I can do all things through Him who strengthens me” (NASB).
- 2) Jeremiah 29:11: “For I know the plans I have for you,” says the Lord. “They are plans for good and not for disaster, to give you a future and a hope” (NLT).
- 1) John 3:16: “For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life” (NIV).

The Tree of Life

After Adam and Eve were cast out of the Garden of Eden, they were prohibited from eating the Tree of Life. They already disobeyed God by eating of the Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil. The Tree of Life appears in Eternity with the New Jerusalem. An obvious application of the following Scripture is that the saved will obtain their physical nourishment from the Tree of Life.

Revelation 22: 1-2: “And he showed me a pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding from the throne of God and of the Lamb. In the middle of its street, and on either side of the river, was the tree of life, which bore twelve fruits, each tree yielding its fruit every month. The leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations” (NKJV).

Healing of the nations seems to point to the separation that took place at the Tower of Babel and how God will gather us back together under the tree of life. Nations are made up of people, so we say that the leaves are for the healing of the people. The

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leaves from the Tree of Life in Heaven heal our sinful cravings. After the resurrection and when we are in heaven, we have glorified bodies, perfect bodies, and so there will not be cravings for carnal things. There will be no more sin, and no more night. God will reign forever. Put Him first. By the way, ever wonder what it would be like to live with Jesus during these coming times?

Many blessings,
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