THE LAST DAYS

Sin and Deception Increase

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VER THE TWO decades, to date, of www.Micaiah.com, and during my ministry before this site, I have been consciously preaching a zealous pursuit of the Lord, with an emphasis on superceding the customs and traditions that separate us from our Heavenly Father, and our fellow believers. But at the same time I have been conscious also of a growing unction from the Holy One to remind the Church of what He said about the imminence and the accelerated sinfulness of the Last Days. I have written, already, of the visions/dreams that our Heavenly Father has given me over the years and that have increased recently, warning of His imminent return, and of the soon-coming destruction, before that, that will be wrought by satan and man.

I am *very* concerned about the accelerated pace of sin we are now witnessing in the West, and indeed around the world, for the West has been also forcing its sin upon the rest of world! Jesus told us:

- 1 Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils;
- 2 Speaking lies in hypocrisy; having their conscience seared with a hot iron;
- 3 Forbidding to marry, and commanding to abstain from meats, which God hath created to be received with thanksgiving of them which believe and know the truth.

1 Timothy 4:1-3 The BIBLE

- 3 For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears;
- 4 And they shall turn away their ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables.
- 2 Timothy 4:3-4 The BIBLE

And in my own lifetime, here in Canada, I have seen this very thing happening!

Legally:

<u>Sodomy/homosexuality</u> has become institutionalized. Going from being illegal, its acceptance by all segments of society is now required by law! Canadians are now required not only to turn a blind eye to it, they are mandated to participate in its normalization, being required to use dishonest pronouns, and denied the right to protect their children from Sodomy's influence, or to seek its cure for their afflicted children. Children are encouraged to participate in Sodomy!

Bestiality is now legal in this country!

Marijuana ownership and use is now legal despite <u>Scripture's condemnation of it</u>. Use of more powerful street drugs on the street is ignored, and injection sites are arranged and manned by officially provided assistants!

Pornography, printed and digital, is now legal, and prolific! Prostitution is accepted.

Divorce and Remarriage are now routine! Abortion is common!

And all this is NOT normal! Nor is it Godly, nor acceptable!

Morally:

Society no longer frowns on <u>Fornication: pre-marital sex</u>! It is commonly accepted, even in the Church! Unmarried people live together! Marriage, itself, is no longer sacred; divorce has become the norm in most marriages, even in the Church! Girls no longer seek a husband in order to have a child, a mere one-night-stand is fine with them!

God's design for gender roles has been destroyed by secular society, and many Christians join them!

And vices like gambling and <u>alcohol</u>, that, while not strictly prohibited by Scripture, are sinful in their abuse, and typical of an unGodly life, are now mainstream, and easily accessible.

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It's begun.

Yes, this is the call of an older person decrying how things are different now; but not, "for old time's sake:"

10 Say not thou, What is the cause that the former days were better than these? for thou dost not enquire wisely concerning this.

Ecclesiastes 7:10 The BIBLE

Rather, this is the cry of a man of God, calling on the people of God to repent, return to Him, and to beware of the coming Great Falling Away spoken of by our Lord Jesus Christ before they, too, become part of it!

16 Thus saith the Lord, Stand ye in the ways, and see, and ask for the old paths, where is the good way, and walk therein, and ye shall find rest for your souls. But they said, We will not walk therein.

17 Also I set watchmen over you, saying, Hearken to the sound of the trumpet. But they said, We will not hearken.

Jeremiah 6:16-17 The BIBLE

Sin will only increase, in both **Depth of Depravity**, and **Number of Sinners**! There shall be such sin and persecution of the righteous as hasn't occurred since the time of Noah!

9 Then shall they deliver you up to be afflicted, and shall kill you: and ye shall be hated of all nations for My Name's sake.

- 10 And then shall many be offended, and shall betray one another, and shall hate one another.
- 11 And many false prophets shall rise, and shall deceive many.
- 12 And because iniquity shall abound, the love of many shall wax cold.
- 13 But he that shall endure unto the end, the same shall be saved.
- 21 For then shall be great tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be.
- 22 And except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved: but for the elect's sake those days shall be shortened.

Matthew 24:9-13, 21-22 The BIBLE

- 2 That ye be not soon shaken in mind, or be troubled, neither by spirit, nor by word, nor by letter as from us, as that the day of Christ is at hand.
- 3 Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition;

II Thessalonians 2:2-3 The BIBLE

8 I tell you that He will avenge them speedily. Nevertheless when the Son of man cometh, shall He find faith on the earth?

Luke 18:8 The BIBLE

And <u>such increases in sin</u> are almost always *irreversible* if not followed by the development of enormous occurrences like a Christian revival such as happened in Great Britain and the USA in the Victorian Era, or the total destruction of a society such as happened to Sodom or the Roman Empire. And Scripture doesn't tell us that there will be any such great revival before Christ's return. But Scripture does tell us that a total *destruction* will happen! A destruction as total as that of the Great Flood of Noah!

- 1 This second epistle, beloved, I now write unto you; in both which I stir up your pure minds by way of remembrance:
- 2 That ye may be mindful of the words which were spoken before by the holy prophets, and of the commandment of us the apostles of the Lord and Saviour:
- 3 Knowing this first, that there shall come in the last days scoffers, walking after their own lusts,
- 4 And saying, Where is the promise of His coming? for since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as they were from the beginning of the creation.
- 5 For this they willingly are ignorant of, that by the Word of God the heavens were of old, and the earth standing out of the water and in the water:
- 6 Whereby the world that then was, being overflowed with water, perished:
- 7 But the heavens and the earth, which are now, by the same word are kept in store, reserved unto fire against the day of judgment and perdition of ungodly men.
- 8 But, beloved, be not ignorant of this one thing, that one day is with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day.
- 9 The Lord is not slack concerning His promise, as some men count slackness; but Is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance.
- 10 But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burned up.
- 11 Seeing then that all these things shall be dissolved, what manner of persons ought ye to be in all holy conversation and godliness,
- 12 Looking for and hasting unto the coming of the day of God, wherein the heavens being on fire shall

be dissolved, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat?

II Peter 3:1-12 The BIBLE

And Scripture says that Christians will be persecuted and murdered in vast numbers.

- 17 But beware of men: for they will deliver you up to the councils, and they will scourge you in their synagogues;
- 18 And ye shall be brought before governors and kings for my sake, for a testimony against them and the Gentiles.
- 19 But when they deliver you up, take no thought how or what ye shall speak: for it shall be given you in that same hour what ye shall speak.
- 20 For it is not ye that speak, but the Spirit of your Father which speaketh in you.
- 21 And the brother shall deliver up the brother to death, and the father the child: and the children shall rise up against their parents, and cause them to be put to death.
- 22 And ye shall be hated of all men for my name's sake: but he that endureth to the end shall be saved.
- 23 But when they persecute you in this city, flee ye into another: for verily I say unto you, Ye shall not have gone over the cities of Israel, till the Son of man be come.
- 24 The disciple is not above his master, nor the servant above his lord.
- 25 It is enough for the disciple that he be as his Master, and the servant as his Lord. If they have called the Master of the house Beelzebub, how much more shall they call them of His household?
- 26 Fear them not therefore: for there is nothing covered, that shall not be revealed; and hid, that shall not be known.
- 27 What I tell you in darkness, that speak ye in light: and what ye hear in the ear, that preach ye upon the housetops.
- 28 And fear not them which kill the body, but are not able to kill the soul: but rather fear him which is able to destroy both soul and body in hell.

Matthew 10:17-28 The BIBLE

I may be arraigned before the courts for the Gospel I preach, whether it be explicitly declared as that, or whether the charge will be disguised as something else; likely the latter. Already there are those who stand against what I preach and have taken overt actions to stop it; these attempts could increase in the future. I feel that I could not receive any greater honour from God and man than to be thus persecuted! But regardless, I am getting older now, and even if I am not charged by earthly authorities, what I write now will some day be prohibited. I will not be on earth more than a couple decades more, perhaps. So it is not for myself that I fear. I fear for those I will leave behind. But it is not the persecution I fear, for myself, nor even for those who will outlast me on this earth.

I fear for their Spiritual salvation!

- 3 But I fear, lest by any means, as the serpent beguiled Eve through his subtilty, so your minds should be corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ.
- 4 For if he that cometh preacheth another Jesus, whom we have not preached, or if ye receive another spirit, which ye have not received, or another gospel, which ye have not accepted, ye might well bear with him.

2 Corinthians 11:3-4 The BIBLE

12 Take heed, brethren, lest there be in any of you an evil heart of unbelief, in departing from the living God.

Hebrews 3:12 The BIBLE

12 Blessed is the man that endureth temptation: for when he is tried, he shall receive the crown of life, which the Lord hath promised to them that love Him.

James 1:12 The BIBLE

SO BEWARE OF TWO THINGS:

I) BEING CAUGHT UP IN SIN

II) BEING DECEIVED!

3 For we ourselves also were sometimes foolish, disobedient, deceived, serving divers lusts and pleasures, living in malice and envy, hateful, and hating one another.

Titus 3:3 The BIBLE

- 21 For then shall be great tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be.
- 22 And except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved: but for the elect's sake those days shall be shortened.
- 23 Then if any man shall say unto you, Lo, here is Christ, or there; believe it not.
- 24 For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall shew great signs and wonders; insomuch that, if it were possible, they shall deceive the very elect.
- 25 Behold, I have told you before.
- 26 Wherefore if they shall say unto you, Behold, He Is in the desert; go not forth: behold, He Is in the secret chambers; believe it not.
- 27 For as the lightning cometh out of the east, and shineth even unto the west; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.

Matthew 24:21-27 The BIBLE

20 And the beast was taken, and with him the false prophet that wrought miracles before him, with which he deceived them that had received the mark of the beast, and them that worshipped his image. These both were cast alive into a lake of fire burning with brimstone.

Revelation 19:20 The BIBLE

If you develop a relationship with Christ, knowing His Spirit and His Word, and you are not in sin, you will not be deceived! For deception comes from the heart, from a lack of relationship with the Saviour; even if the eyes and ears are deceived, a spirit and heart that knows the Lord will *not* be deceived. And even where there is confusion, knowing the Word will save you: *obey the Word, and you will not sin!*

11 For sin, taking occasion by the commandment, deceived me, and by it slew me.

Romans 7:11 The BIBLE

- 24 Let that therefore abide in you, which ye have heard from the beginning. If that which ye have heard from the beginning shall remain in you, ye also shall continue in the Son, and in the Father.
- 25 And this is the promise that He hath promised us, even eternal life.
- 26 These things have I written unto you concerning them that seduce you.
- 27 But the anointing which ye have received of him abideth in you, and ye need not that any man teach you: but as the same anointing teacheth you of all things, and is truth, and is no lie, and even as it hath taught you, ye shall abide in Him.

1 John 2:24-27 The BIBLE

- 12 Yea, and all that will live godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution.
- 13 But evil men and seducers shall wax worse and worse, deceiving, and being deceived.
- 14 But continue thou in the things which thou hast learned and hast been assured of, knowing of whom thou hast learned them;
- 15 And that from a child thou hast known the holy Scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus.

II Timothy 3:12-15 The BIBLE

The strength and ability promised by our Lord to overcome the present and approaching time of great Sin, Deception, and Persecution, is not gained by mere association with a group such as a church, a family, or survivalist group, etc. It will not be endured by hording food and weapons. It will not be overcome by political and legal action. It is overcome only by personal Spiritual preparation! It will be endured only by a personal, strong relationship with Christ, one which has been developed and matured over a lifetime. It will be overcome only by a strong commitment to Christ, and an experience of resisting sin. It will be survived only by knowing what the Scriptures say, and by believing the Word, and knowing what to expect, and a commitment, starting now, to obey Christ, even when it is inconvenient and difficult. It will be overcome only by such preparation begun and lived now.

- 5 And beside this, giving all diligence, add to your faith virtue; and to virtue knowledge;
- 6 And to knowledge temperance; and to temperance patience; and to patience godliness;
- 7 And to godliness brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness charity.
- 8 For if these things be in you, and abound, they make you that ye shall neither be barren nor unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.

II Peter 1:5-8 The BIBLE

- 19 For in those days shall be affliction, such as was not from the beginning of the creation which God created unto this time, neither shall be.
- 20 And except that the Lord had shortened those days, no flesh should be saved: but for the elect's sake, whom he hath chosen, he hath shortened the days.
- 21 And then if any man shall say to you, Lo, here Is Christ; or, lo, He Is there; believe him not:
- 22 For false Christs and false prophets shall rise, and shall shew signs and wonders, to seduce, if it were possible, even the elect.
- 23 But take ye heed: behold, I have foretold you all things.

Mark 13:19-23 The BIBLE

15 Moreover I will endeavour that ye may be able after my decease to have these things always in remembrance.

II Peter 1:15 The BIBLE