



Prophecy in Perspective

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The High Stakes of Christian Compromise

For, behold, the wicked bend the bow, They make ready their arrow upon the string to shoot in darkness at the upright in heart. If the foundations are destroyed, What can the righteous do?" The LORD is in His holy temple; the LORD'S throne is in heaven; His eyes behold, His eyelids test the sons of men....(Psalm 11:2-4)

The recent killings of five Dallas city police officers and wounding of seven more by a hateful Black Lives Matter and Black Panther supporter is yet another example of the increase of hate and division in America! Barak Obama, while speaking in Warsaw Poland said that we are not able to "untangle" the real motives behind this gunman's actions. This was stated while all knew from the gunman's own words that he hated white cops, and wanted to kill them. We are living in prophetic times as we see violence and hateful division inspired and encouraged in America.

Mr. Obama bears much responsibility in his well known attempts to marginalize and minimize the influence of Christians, marriage, morality, racial harmony, law enforcement, and general social and economic well being of the once mighty and blessed nation of the United States. Hillary Clinton, whom Obama stated is the most qualified presidential candidate in American history, will certainly follow in his footsteps as "Divide in Chief" through continued promotion of abortion, homosexual "marriage," and general divisiveness toward traditional, moral, and biblically founded American principles. Through these liberal politicians, and others, America's constitutional and biblically oriented foundations are being systematically destroyed. Rebellion against God, His people and His ways is rising rapidly in America.

The Bible predicts an increase of violence and violence is rapidly growing in America. Obama's promise of a "transformed" America is being fulfilled. Some wonder if he will find a way to postpone or even cancel the upcoming elections as many are vocally calling on him to serve an unconstitutional third term. Could the unrest in our country be the result of a conspiracy to stir up civil strife to such a level as to allow Obama to declare Martial Law? The future Antichrist will lead by deceptions and intrigue, and flatteries (Daniel 8:23-25;11:21-23). With Hillary Clinton having been given a "pass" from the FBI and the Justice Department for her e-mail and private server scandal, it is very plain that supernatural evil is at work in America, according to the prophetic patterns set forth in the Bible (Luke 6:26-30; 2 Thessalonians 2:3-12).

I believe this present rebellion in America is planned, systematic, deliberate and preparatory for the coming rise of the Antichrist. The spirit of Satan is gaining strength in America. I believe the ultimate goal is the destruction of Israel once America, historically Israel's strongest ally, has been successfully and permanently neutralized. But God is still on His throne and prayer changes things! The church, the Bride of Christ, through the life and testimony of Christians needs to be steadfast and uncompromising, now, more than ever! Our calling, while on earth, is to stand in defense of the "foundations" of God which are now under an all out attack!

Recent events show that the Leftists, like radical liberal Barak Obama, are pulling out all stops to force their ungodly agenda on Christians with the recent attempts to intimidate churches by requiring them to allow men who feel like they are women to freely use women's bathrooms. And an announcement of openness to Transgender Soldiers, an Independence Day mockery, is now out where the military are to allow for transgender people to be admitted and provided for in the armed forces of the United States. The preference by our President and by candidate, Hillary Clinton, is the promotion of the most shameful examples of wickedness which they can possibly put forward to distract us from true righteousness and bring us to ultimate disgrace. All of these things are obvious attempts to weaken the nation as well as to insult and mock Christians.

There will be no end to the perversions which Obama and Clinton will push into American life. There needs to be clear stances against such abominations by vocal, prayerful and active Christians. I believe that these efforts reveal ultimate plans to shut down as many Bible believing and teaching churches in America as possible. The Christian faith is being targeted, and the attempt to get churches to allow men in women's bathrooms has now become the new "point of the spear" into the heart of the American church.

An article by Joseph Farah called: *War on Freedom of Religion* is worth reading, so I have included it here:

There is, perhaps, no principle more ingrained in U.S. law and the very foundations of Americanism than freedom of religion. Nevertheless, it is under assault by two of the three branches of the federal government – the executive and judicial – while the third and arguably most powerful of the tripartite system looks on helplessly, in virtual silence.

In addition, powerful cultural institutions, including most of the press, academia, taxpayer-supported education, the entertainment industry, major and well-endowed foundations and others, either soft-pedal the attacks, misrepresent them or actually champion them.

Even more dangerous is the fact that most Americans don't understand how all other constitutionally guarded liberties are in danger – including freedom of speech – should this trend go unchallenged. The most recent example came Friday when a U.S. federal judge, Carlton Reeves, issued a 60-page opinion in which he described the Mississippi law, known as House Bill 1523, as "state-sanctioned discrimination."

There have been numerous other similar rulings by other federal judges, but let's use the latest for purposes of explanation. The clear intent of the law was to protect the religious freedom of individuals so they cannot be coerced to participate in actions that would violate their sincerely held religious

convictions. From the earliest days of America's founding, this was the very definition of religious freedom.

For instance, in 1779, Thomas Jefferson, often cited by today's skeptics as their inspirational hero, drafted the Virginia Act for Establishing Religious Freedom – just three years after the signing of the Declaration of Independence and before the drafting of the Constitution and the First Amendment. It clearly defines what is meant by religious freedom: "Be it therefore enacted by the General Assembly, That no man shall be compelled to frequent or support any religious worship, place, or ministry whatsoever, nor shall be enforced, restrained, molested, or burdened in his body or goods, nor shall otherwise suffer on account of his religious opinions or belief; but that all men shall be free to profess, and by argument to maintain, their opinions in matters of religion, *and that the same shall in nowise diminish, enlarge, or affect their civil capacities.*" (Emphasis added.)

Now there are countless examples of sincere Christians being fined, coerced, jailed, intimidated and ostracized for simply refusing to actively participate in what they consider to be immoral, unbiblical practices. These actions of government render meaningless the entire concept of religious freedom, as defined by Jefferson and accepted by every other Founding Father and universally by Americans for the last 237 years.

Note, again, the last phrase Jefferson includes in his definition. It is the key to understanding religious freedom, which has often been mischaracterized by Barack Obama and others as "freedom of worship." Freedom of worship – the right to *believe* what we want and to attend the religious services we prefer – is dealt with in the first component of Jefferson's definition. But the last part of his definition, which has never been controversial in America until the last few years, is under siege.

Today, judges, major corporations, the news media and the popular culture are maintaining that Christians who take their faith seriously and into the public square are bigots, guilty of discrimination and must put their beliefs aside rather than translate them into personal action and conduct. Clearly, this was never the intent of Jefferson and the other founders. It's not what is meant in the First Amendment of the Constitution, which states: "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances."

Not only will the entirety of the First Amendment fall, including the protections of freedom of speech, freedom of the press, the right of peaceful assembly and the right to petition of the government for redress of grievances, if this trend is permitted to continue, but so will the rest of the Constitution and every other right it guards. (<http://www wnd com/2016/07/the-war-on-freedom-of-religion/#>!)

In light of the unpleasant realities that our freedoms are being systematically attacked we cannot forget how God is still in control. He is able! Bible prophecy shows us that God will turn the darkness of latter days persecution and judgment into many miraculous opportunities for gospel preaching and salvation.

The Coming Great Tribulation Will Be a Time of Judgment but Also of Salvation

In Genesis 18:26, God states that He will spare Sodom for the sakes of those who are righteous. This event, Sodom's destruction, has been viewed as a type of the great tribulation. That God desired to bring out Lot and

his family before judgment came reminds us of the rapture of the church before the beginning of the seven year tribulation period. It also comes to my mind in reading this along with the revelation accounts of the tribulation that one purpose of the harsh judgments of the Great Tribulation will be to convince the lost of their need for Jesus Christ as their Savior. There is much evidence that many people will be saved during the great tribulation period.

The seven years would be a good length of time to get the gospel preached to the entire world and for trouble to stir up to the degree that the lost, who will not have taken the mark of the Beast, would finally come to Christ. These who get saved in the great tribulation will be especially hardened, but the events of that time after the rapture will convince them of their need for Christ, while they cannot seem to be convinced now before the rapture. The Great Tribulation will certainly be a time of great redemption. I believe that while redemption during this seven year period is usually ignored or downplayed, this is a significant aspect of the Devine design for this pivotal period of world judgment. A clear part of God's plan in His prophecy to Daniel of the seventy weeks, is redemption, as the following verse from Daniel 9:4 shows:

Seventy weeks are determined upon thy people and upon thy holy city, to finish the transgression, and to make an end of sins, and to make reconciliation for iniquity, and to bring in everlasting righteousness, and to seal up the vision and prophecy, and to anoint the most Holy.

During the final week of these seventy weeks, or 490 years, the closing seven years will wrap up what is predicted by the angel to Daniel. Redemption for Israel and the Gentiles will be very much a part of God's plan in that final, 70th, week prophesied in Daniel. While the 70th week, the great tribulation, will be a time when the Antichrist will be working hard to gain global power through both diplomacy and violence, there will be much preaching happening. Those who will preach will be, among others, the 144,000 in Revelation 7 and the two witnesses in Revelation 11. It also stands to reason that many, many people, seeing the horrible judgments that will be coming upon the earth during those seven years, will come to saving faith in Jesus Christ. After the church is taken to heaven at the rapture, and during the 70th week of Daniel, the great tribulation period, there will likely be millions of tribulation saints who will come to faith in Christ. This will stir further wrath from the devil, the Antichrist, and the False Prophet against the tribulation saints to try to kill as many as they possibly can. Again, the final week of Daniel's 70 weeks, will be a time of great redemption from among the Jews and the Gentiles, in spite of the Antichrists best efforts, during the Great Tribulation God will still be saving sinners!

Abraham and Sarah: the Danger of Compromise and the Judgment it Brings Upon Nations

Biblical Christians are upset these days as to the amazing amount of immorality and deception that is going on in America and the entire world. Yet, we should learn a great lesson from faithful Abraham that even believers have a tendency to trust in the flesh during hard times. During our present day in America, I believe that the Lord is bringing believers through an incredible test that is commensurate with the end times scenario. This testing as to our faithfulness as Christians is patterned to a great extent in the testing of Abraham in the book of Genesis.

Abraham compromised when he had Sarah tell Pharaoh that she was his sister, so that he could avoid danger and so that he could financially prosper from the King of Egypt (see Genesis 12). God responded to Abraham's compromise by sending a judgment of plagues upon Pharaoh's house. This made Pharaoh aware of Abraham's deception regarding Sarah, his wife. Does this not speak to America today? Could it be possible that many plagues of abortion, homosexuality, race riots, violence and immorality in America are the result of God's judgment because of the compromise of Christians? Remember that "light received brings more light, but light rejected brings darkness." There is no doubt that Christians, both real and professing, are rejecting the light they have through worldliness, fleshliness and avoidance of biblical truth, especially prophetic truth! People, who call themselves Christians, are insulting the Spirit of God at each election in the U.S. by voting into office those who promote abortion and fully support the advancement of the hostile homosexual agenda in America. Too many preachers, seeking to be relevant, are not preaching the moral and prophetic truths of Scripture. Rather, they teach theological pabulum, and biblical compromise. They are often in full agreement with the leftward and liberal drift in America and the American church.

Abraham was faithful when God told him to offer his son as a sacrifice upon the altar to God (see Genesis 12). There, God blessed Abraham (and all of his descendants through the Son, Jesus Christ), with another offering for Abraham to make in his son's place. The lessons are clear for us today: When Christians compromise God's Word, judgment comes; when Christians obey God, through steadfastness, sacrifice and surrender, then God blesses.

Often, as in the case of American Christians and churches, decades of blessing have brought much apathy into the lives of believers, their churches and denominations. Now much judgment has come upon America. Christians and churches have lost their voice because we have often lost hearing (with a view to obedience) God's voice through His Word. To a great extent, through latter days apostasy, we have left our nation vulnerable to evil and judgment through prayerlessness and theological and moral compromise.

Abraham once again became apathetic about trusting God when, a second time, he told Sarah to lie to another king, Abimelech. God brought judgment upon the house of Abimelech because of Abraham's lie. But, Abraham prayed to God, and God healed Abimelech and his wife and his maids, so that they bore children (Genesis 20:17-18). So, the Bible shows that Abraham told Sarah twice to deceive by saying that she was his sister. Yet, again we see that this compromise displeased God and brought judgment upon the houses of two rulers: Pharaoh of Egypt, and Abimelech of Gerer. We see that God told Abimelech that Abraham was a prophet and that he was to restore his wife, Sarah, to him (Genesis 20:7). It is especially sad when believers squander God's blessing thorough compromise and then have to be corrected by others who have to suffer the consequences of the sins of Christians themselves.

But the question for us today as Christians is: what was it about Abraham that he would deliberately mislead these foreign kings by half truths? It was for self-protection. We would have expected by his past behavior that he would have trusted God for protection in his present trials. Yet, after God's blessing and great promises to him he still resorted to using fleshly and deceptive methods to get through his trials and to be protected from potential harm. The result of this method used by God's people to get by in life has always been judgment upon others and upon entire nations. Could it be that much of the judgment upon America

and the American church today is the result of the consistent and growing compromise of Christians? I believe it is.

These kings also seemed to know something about the God of Abraham. Likely their knowledge of God was the result of Abraham's testimony and life through the events that surely would have come to them. This is just how God uses the testimony of our lives. The kings responded to God's warnings of dire consequences for taking Sarah into their houses when she was already Abraham's wife.

There is a real need for integrity among those who are leaders and potential leaders in the church and in America. We need to be wise in how and whom we promote as leaders. This is because we are living in the latter days and thus in very perilous times. The temptation for position can be strong, and there can be much advantage to gain by manipulating information in direct opposition to the integrity and honesty that God lays out in His Word. Abraham's wife certainly could have spoken against the approach, but the pressure to conform to authority for her is the same as that which often happens today even in church ministries, and Christian businesses.

This tendency among God's people to drift and compromise is why the people of Israel were exhorted in Deuteronomy 4:9, ***"Only give heed to yourself and keep your soul diligently, so that you do not forget the things which your eyes have seen and they do not depart from your heart all the days of your life; but make them known to your sons and your grandsons."*** When we are faithless, God will be consistent in disciplining us for our good, because we are His children and He loves us: ***"My son, do not despise the chastening of the Lord, Nor be discouraged when you are rebuked by Him; For whom the Lord loves He chastens, and scourges every son whom He receives. If you endure chastening, God deals with you as with sons; for what son is there whom a father does not chasten?" (Hebrews 12:6-7).***

Christian leaders in America have a great responsibility to be steadfast in truth when confronted with challenges by those in governmental or church authority. If the government says a church, ministry or Christian school must have transgender bathrooms, locker rooms, etc. the answer must be **NO!**

The Problem with Preachers Seeking a Place on Presidential Religious Advisory Counsels

Presidents and presidential candidates might invite Christian or "religious" leaders to become part of their advisory team, however, if the council is made up of a combination of sound and unsound members, they may be actually ineffective or even damaging to the plan and purpose of God for a nation like America that is coming under God's judgment.

The effective and godly kings in Israel seemed to have had one faithful prophet who would counsel them as to the ways they should go. There were bad kings that were in trouble with God and who maintained a "council" of a group of prophets. These were false prophets. It *is* possible to have a council of godly men and women who are true to God's Word (as in the cases of ministries and even businesses to follow biblical principles), but *very difficult* for a king or government official, in America, to have a council of numerous people from different, and differing biblical spiritual perspectives. They cannot all possibly hear the same thing from God

because of differing theologies. A general rule to follow and understand is: *an ecumenical council will result in false counsel for any leader who depends on them for a sound word from God.*

Crafty leaders are very able to stack their boards, if they wish, with enough compromisers to allow him or her to get away with what they want to do yet still have the religious "stamp" of approval of a "religious" council. This can lead a nation or kingdom into chaos and eventual destruction. This has happened to many nations, kingdoms and Christian denominations in the past and is certainly happening today.

Needed Today In Leadership: A Sharp Prophetic Edge!

A sharp prophetic edge will be vital in the latter days, just as in Bible times. In fact, we are now in "Bible times" today. There will be the prophetic ministry of the 144,000 as well as the 2 witnesses during the great tribulation. There will also be the "false prophet" against whom those courageous witnesses will have to contend. They will need the sharp prophetic edge of personal righteousness, Bible knowledge and doctrinal truth. It is not realized by many that there will be such a powerful prophetic preaching ministry occurring during the great tribulation. But God has always been faithful to raise up prophetic preachers and witnesses during times of spiritual deterioration in nations.

Yet, many today want to forget and neglect Bible prophecy during these dark days in America. They seem to say that politics and better political candidates are the answer. But Bible prophecy shows us that Jesus is returning for His church and this rapture of the saints will occur in the context of growing darkness in the world. Preaching salvation through Jesus Christ and proclaiming His soon coming is vital for revival and for souls to be won in these latter days! Today, more than ever, we need the sharp prophetic edge, *razor sharp edge*, in preaching today.

All Prophecy Will Come to Pass!

The recent terrorist attacks in America and the Dallas police shooting, show that the violence of the end times is on the increase. The wars and rumors of wars that Jesus spoke about is now being stirred up by the liberal left, and by many who are motivated by racial hatred as well as lust for prominence and power. We must not miss the prophetic significance of the times we are living in.

Hillary Clinton was once again let off the hook when the FBI's head, James Comey, refused to recommend indicting her for her apparent criminal activity in her e-mail and private server scandal. Former president, Bill Clinton, and Justice Department head, Loretta Lynch, in a covert meeting on her airplane on the tarmac at Edwards AFB stirred up much speculation as to how Bill was able to convince Lynch not to press charges against his presidential candidate wife, Hillary Rodham Clinton. The far reaching effects of this systemic corruption in our political, media, and justice areas cannot be overestimated. I believe these events, along with the growing racial unrest that is being stirred by the left show that demonic powers are at work today to destroy America's ability to protect Israel and to destroy the promotion of the gospel of Jesus Christ worldwide.

Every word of biblical prophecy will come to pass! Each prediction will be fulfilled in the future and much is being fulfilled today before our very eyes! Hundreds of prophecies which have been written in the Word of God, the Bible, have already happened; which is how we know with such unshakable certainty that Jesus is the Son of God who died for us, rose again and has ascended back to heaven, and will return again for His bride, the Church, at any time. All of the prophecies of Jesus' first coming have been fulfilled to the letter, thus indicating that the prophecies of His second coming are just as true!

The unshakeable and unalterable truth of God's Word as well as its effective power is shown in Isaiah 55:11, ***"So shall my Word be that goeth forth out of my mouth, it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please. And it shall prosper in the thing whereunto I sent it."***

God has given us a book of books called the Bible. The Bible contains 66 different and distinct books that all show us the same God and the clear purpose of the Son of God, the Lord Jesus Christ, to come to earth to redeem all who would believe in Him. Christ is in each book of the Bible. And all through these books we may see for ourselves, if we are faithful to read and to search the Scriptures, the Word of prophecy that proves to us that God is real and that He loves us with an everlasting love. Jeremiah records: ***"The LORD appeared to him from afar, saying, "I have loved you with an everlasting love; Therefore I have drawn you with lovingkindness" (Jeremiah 31:1).***

God's Amazing and Unstoppable Plans for the Future

What is God's amazing plan for the Jews, the church, and for the gentile -- in fact -- for all of the earth and even the universe? The Bible is very clear with the answers. And these answers will also give meaning to each of our lives as special and unique creations of God.

Let's take a quick look at a brief overview of the Bible's end times order of events:

1. The Rapture of the Church - Jesus comes in the clouds to meet His Church in the air. The rapture of the church can occur at any moment! (1 Thessalonians 4: 17)
2. The Great Tribulation and Armageddon - ***"For then shall be great tribulation"*** (Matthew 24:23; Revelation 16:16)
3. The Return of Jesus Christ to earth with His church - ***"His feet shall stand...upon the Mount of Olives"*** (Zechariah 14:4; Revelation 19:14)
4. The thousand year Kingdom of Jesus Christ on the Earth headquartered in Jerusalem - (Ezekiel 44:1-3; Zechariah 14)
5. The final Rebellion and overthrow of Satan - ***"The devil that deceived them was cast into the lake of fire..."*** (Revelation 20:7-10)
6. The Great White Throne Judgment - ***"And I saw a great white throne, and Him that sat on it..."*** (Revelation 20:11-15)
7. The New Heavens and the New Earth - ***"And I saw a new heaven and a new earth..."*** (Revelation 21:1)
8. The Eternal State - ***"And the gates of it shall not be shut at all by day: for there shall be no night there."*** (Revelation 21:25)

Bible prophecy warns us that the church will experience a general departure from truth at the time of the disappearance of the true church at the rapture (see 2 Thessalonians 2). According to what we read in the

days of the prophets, such as during the times of Isaiah, there are certain patterns that we can detect when God's people depart from God. For instance, in Isaiah 56:10-12, I believe we can find a general pattern of just what is happening to the prophets, or preachers, in contemporary American Christianity. I will overview this important passage next.

Beware of the Reality of Latter Days False Teachers

His watchmen are blind: they are all ignorant, they are all dumb dogs, they cannot bark; sleeping, lying down, loving to slumber. Yea, they are greedy dogs which can never have enough, and they are shepherds that cannot understand: they all look to their own way, every one for his gain, from his quarter. Come ye, say they, I will fetch wine, and we will fill ourselves with strong drink; and to morrow shall be as this day, and much more abundant (Isaiah 56:10-12).

We may discern six key points in the pattern of spiritual deterioration mentioned by Isaiah which are symptomatic of false prophets in the latter days:

1. Blindness of preachers to the signs of the times and to national and personal unrighteousness.
2. Seeking fleshly fulfillment. Cowardly and compromising regarding truth and taking a stand for truth.
3. Greedy
4. No understanding or discernment of how to relate the Bible or Scriptural prophecy to today's situations. There will be a consistent denial of any relevance of the Bible to the immoral and occultic events and behaviors of the times. God's people will be fed spiritual pabulum and will starve for truth. Politics and position replace prophetic truth and separation from evil, which brings God's judgment.
5. Self-seeking and self promoting, prominence of personality over biblical precept.
6. Living only for today with no expectancy of the Lord's return, but false prophecies and promises of the future. Man will look to man for solutions. Many will gain power through false promises about the future that they will not have the power to bring about. Biblical truth will be ignored and rejected for the occult teachings of Satan.

In these latter days, the world needs to see a genuinely holy people and a consistent example of righteousness among Christians. God desired this in the Old and New Testaments for His people as stated in Isaiah 55:7,

"Let the wicked forsake his way And the unrighteous man his thoughts; And let him return to the LORD, And He will have compassion on him, And to our God, For He will abundantly pardon."

Isaiah's call here is vital for us today as Christians! Repentance among believers is God's effective hedge against growing evil in America and compromise in American Christianity! Isaiah's message to believers then is:

First, the wicked should forsake his way, The "wicked" here really refers to those who call themselves God's people! But they have gone into wickedness through compromise! As faithful Christians, we should repent of any wickedness in our lives. Then we should call the lost to faith in Jesus Christ and call evil what it is: **EVIL!** The only one that can rescue the wicked is Jesus Christ and we as Christians are commanded and commissioned (given authority) not only to live righteous lives ourselves, but to make the lost aware of their sin and lead them to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ.

Second, the unrighteous man needs to forsake his evil and immoral thoughts along with giving in to false religious idolatry and worldly philosophies that only lead to darkness and destruction of a godly nation and families.

Third, let him return unto the Lord for His compassion and mercy! There must be a return by Christians to the Lord in full confession of sin, repentance and surrender. Implied in this is separation from wickedness, for the mercy of the Lord to be fully and joyfully realized.

Fourth, Return to God (the true God) for pardon which comes only through the Son of God, the Lord Jesus Christ, by faith alone. Isaiah 57:15, "*For thus says the high and exalted One Who lives forever, whose name is Holy, 'I dwell on a high and holy place, And also with the contrite and lowly of spirit In order to revive the spirit of the lowly And to revive the heart of the contrite.'*" God delights in reviving the spirit and the heart of the contrite one who understands that God loves them and wants them to draw close to Him so He can bless them in the best possible ways.

Time to Be a Genuine Witness for Jesus Christ!

The Lord truly desires to raise up believers in these latter days whom He can call, direct, and empower to do mighty things in His behalf. This is not a time for compromise but for being "***steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your toil is not in vain in the Lord***" (1 Corinthians 15:58). The challenges today are great because of the great danger of these times, but God is able to deliver and enable you and me for the victory! Lets pray for a mighty revival in America and especially among Christians in America. The Lord Jesus has come! He has died for all sinners! He has risen again, so all that believe in Him can have everlasting life! But we must never forget, the Lord is coming back for His church!

Therefore, He is your Blessed Hope! (Titus 2:13) He will hear your prayers! He will see your service for Him and will honor you with great blessings of assurance and joy for the incredible victory that He has planned for you and for all who trust in Him. "***Do this, knowing the time, that it is already the hour for you to awaken from sleep; for now salvation is nearer to us than when we believed***" (Romans 13:11)... '***For I know the plans that I have for you,' declares the LORD, 'plans for welfare and not for calamity to give you a future and a hope***' (Jeremiah 29:11).

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