**PUTTING YOUR TRUST IN GOD**

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I come to you in this Newsletter truly with my heart stirred! I know that by now, everyone is well aware of the Coronavirus that is now sweeping the world. This is for sure one of the last day plagues that Jesus said would come upon the land right before He returns. Jesus’ reply to His disciples when they asked Him what would be the sign of His coming and the end of the world was: “When you hear of wars and rumors (threats) of wars, nation rising against nation, when you see and hear of famines, **Pestilences**, and earthquakes in different places, know that this is the beginning of **sorrows**. It will get much worse before I come!” The Greek word for sorrows here is – Labor pains. The Holy Ghost through Paul in **I Thess. 5:1-3** warned: But of the times and seasons, brethren, ye have no need that I write unto you. For yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord (Jesus’s return) so cometh as a thief in the night. For when they say peace and safety (when this world and its governments are crying for peace and answers to their dilemmas); then sudden destruction cometh upon them as **Travail** upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape.

God said in **Romans 8:22** – For we know that the whole creation (both earth and man) groaneth and travaileth in pain together until now. What’s the Lord telling and warning us? It’s a picture of a woman in travail. As she nears the time for her son to be born, the labor pains increase in frequency and intensity. The travail gets stronger and the pains increase and are closer together as the child makes its way down the birth canal. That son whom the mother loves is getting ready to make his grand entry into the world. She knows this by the pain and suffering she is experiencing. The travail tells her he’s coming. She has not seen her longed-for son yet, but she longs to see and embrace him as soon as he comes forth and makes his entry into this world! Glory to God!! Jesus is saying – “You’ll know the time and season when I’m about to appear.”

Dear reader, there’s nothing but bad news everywhere you turn. All the signs are pointing toward Jesus’ coming. Disasters and troubles are all around us – earth shaking events, cataclysmic changes, out of control weather – rains, floods, winds and fire breaking all time records - disaster after disaster and growing more intense. It’s a time of suffering, of upheaval and uncertainty! Things are being shaken, that those things which cannot be shaken may remain!! And **now** this fearsome Pestilence and pandemic from out of nowhere has entered the world scene and is spreading all through

our society affecting both rich and poor, the mighty and weak - from government leaders on down. People are running scared. While I was praying and pouring my heart out to God the other morning, I could see in a vision the whole globe of earth grimacing as she grabs her stomach from another labor pain! Surely she’s burdened and bent over in travail!! She is hurting from the sins and transgressions that are heavy upon it. She’s reeling to and fro like a drunkard – crying out to her Creator who made her – “How long O God, how long till you come in Righteous judgment and make all things new?”

CAN YOU HEAR THE CRY?

Listen close dear Brother and Sister, can you hear it?? Creation itself is groaning in pain together until now along with God’s people because of man’s sin and ungodliness! This world has forgotten God. They have turned away from the Holy One! The Lord is coming and it breaks my heart that people are not even aware and ready!! The earth herself is waiting for her change to come. If she could speak, She’s saying to Him that judgeth – “O Lord, I am waiting for you to come and deliver and make all things New! – I am longing for you to come and make a brand-new earth that’s filled with Righteousness! I am waiting for the manifestation of the Sons of God, when the Redeemed shall rejoice as they inherit a new earth - when Righteousness shall cover the globe from sea to shining sea!” Thank God, there will be no more crying in the ghetto’s, no more hungry children, the cry from the blood of innocents will never be heard again. O for that new earth where Pestilence and sickness shall be unknown! God shall wipe away the tears from all faces. We the Bride of Christ and this big earth is groaning together until now, saying – “Even so, Come Lord Jesus!” Thank God for the day that’s soon coming when there will be no more suffering or wars, there’ll be no more trouble or pain. So please hasten thy coming Lord Jesus for we long to be with you in a new world where the nations will learn war no more. They’ll beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks: nation shall not lift up a sword against nation. O for the thousand year millennial reign on earth when Christ rules, where the wolf shall dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the kid; and the calf and the young lion and the fatling together; and a little child shall lead them. God said - They shall not hurt nor destroy in all my holy mountain: for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the LORD, as the waters cover the sea.

YOUR SORROW SHALL BE TURNED TO JOY

Remember the precious words Jesus told His disciples. He said: – I’m soon going away, I’m going back to Heaven, I’ll be gone for awhile. You’ll not see me, but don’t worry – I’m coming again – I will return!! **John 16:16** ¶ A little while, and ye shall not see me: and again, a little while, and ye shall see me, because I go to the Father.

**17** Then said some of his disciples among themselves, What is this that he saith unto us, A little

while, and ye shall not see me: and again, a little while, and ye shall see me: and, Because I go to the Father?

**19** Now Jesus knew that they were desirous to ask him, and said unto them, Do ye enquire among yourselves of that I said, A little while, and ye shall not see me: and again, a little while, and ye shall see me?

**20** Verily, verily, I say unto you, That ye shall weep and lament, (you’ll long for me) but the world shall rejoice: and ye shall be sorrowful, but your sorrow shall be turned into joy.

**21** A woman when she is in travail hath sorrow, because her hour is come: but as soon as she is delivered of the child, she remembereth no more the anguish, for joy that a man is born into the world.

**22** And ye now therefore have sorrow: **but** I will see you again, and your heart shall rejoice, and your joy no man taketh from you. (Glory to God! Come Lord Jesus, we long for you and are waiting for you to return!)

THE SIGNS OF TRAVAIL ARE HERE

Jesus said plainly in Luke’s Gospel in **Luke 21** that right before He returns to get His people and (rapture) His church out of here that there would be fearful signs – upon the earth **distress** of nations with **perplexity**. The original Greek translation of this verse with its word meanings paint a picture of people and their leaders under great stress, not having the answer to the world’s problems! It gives the image of government leaders and those in authority ringing their hands, searching for answers to the world’s dilemma’s.

Have you ever seen such stress in our society? Jesus goes on in **Vs 26** – Men’s hearts failing them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth. It’s more than just the physical heart giving out! Jesus warned that People’s spiritual hearts would fail them in the last days: **Vs 34** – And take heed to yourselves, lest at any time your hearts (physical and spiritual heart) be **overcharged** with surfeiting, and drunkenness, and the cares of this life, and so that day come upon you unawares. **Vs 35** – For as a snare shall it come on all them that dwell on the face of the whole earth.

What is Jesus saying? I am coming soon! Don’t be caught off guard. Don’t get loaded down and lose heart and not be ready for my coming! For an **illustration**: Your home has a breaker box and the main power from your electric company comes from the source to your breaker box. The electrical wiring carries the current from all the breakers in that box and feeds your whole home and keeps it running. But you can overload the circuit breaker and run too many appliances and things on it at one time till it kicks out and the power shuts off. The breaker can only hold and carry so much!

Jesus said in **Matt. 24** and **Luke 21** – When all these things begin to come to pass, then look up and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh! In your patience possess ye your souls.

GOD IS STIRRING TO AWAKEN SOULS

 Concerning this Coronavirus, did it take God by surprise? No! Did He see it coming? Yes. Does He still love and care about His children? Oh yes! God saw it all coming and He will take care of His own! Just a few months ago, we would never have dreamed of an hour like this, when people are being quarantined, people staying home in fear, afraid to go out of their houses and if they go out, they wear masks and gloves.

 As I’ve been praying and studying God’s Word, I am seeing how God deals with man to keep Him out of the pit. It’s not His will that any perish. The Lord goes to great lengths to save souls from being lost and going to Hell! He sends them wake-up calls. Whether this thing was sent by God or the Devil, we know that our Lord is using it to get people to call on Him and pray. Wake up sinner man, wake up backslider, awake thou lukewarm slumbering saint and draw nigh to God.

 When the Gospel of Christ goes unheeded and the world won’t listen to God’s anointed preacher man, then the Lord uses other drastic measures to get their attention! If I could personify this virus for a moment, I would call it God’s little missionary. Could it be that we are witnessing God’s little Missionary busy at work? He’s going all through our land, through the country sides and cities humbling hearts and in his strong way - preaching a message of repentance! Yes, he’s invisible on the world’s scene to the naked eye, but yet his voice is heard loud and clear. He’s stirring souls and bringing the fear of God with conviction. His message and work is bringing people to their knees and flat of their back to get them to look up and call on God!

There’s no doubt that the Coronavirus was sent as judgment upon this backslidden world’s many gods – of sports, money and entertainment. It has shut the sports world down, closed the big stadiums and ran their cheering fans home. It has shut down the filthy & ungodly movie industry of Hollywood. Their camera’s now sit idle from pumping out the adultery, fornication and violence. This virus has struck at the very heart of the covetous and the big gambling halls are now closed. The bar stools and tables are empty in the hell holes of bar rooms where the sinners gather to drink to the tune of the world’s lustful music. Only our God knows where he (Mr. Coronavirus) will show up next, what door he will walk through and what individual or family he will visit! Do you have the hedge of God’s presence?

Only seen under a microscope, yet his message that God put in him is loud and clear: “Repent and turn from your wicked ways! You have no promise of tomorrow. Return to the Lord thy God and He will save, forgive, cleanse and heal your land!!” It would surely behoove every soul to cry out to God in such a time as this! Are you ready? Are you saved and have the Blood of Jesus applied to your heart and life? Is your heart right with God? Are you in His divine will and have the shield of His protection? Is your life hid with Christ is God? O soul of man, prepare to meet the Lord thy God! Your only security and hope is in Jesus Christ our Lord!!

FEAR NOT – PUT YOUR TRUST IN GOD!

 Just a few mornings ago before I rose out of bed, I wasn’t fully asleep or awake, before I opened my eyes, God spoke a Scripture in my heart and mind. **Psalms 56:3** – What time I am afraid, I will Trust in thee. In God I will praise His Word, in God I have put my Trust; I will not fear what flesh can do unto me.

When I rose out of bed, I looked another scripture up that reads: **Psalms 9:9-10** – The Lord will be a refuge in times of trouble, and they that know thy name will put their Trust in thee: For thou Lord hast not forsaken them that seek thee.

 If you have surrendered your all to God and are serving Him, He will take care of you! **De 31:8** - And the LORD, He it is that doth go before thee; He will be with thee, He will not fail thee, neither forsake thee: fear not, neither be dismayed.

 I’m here to tell you that God’s compassions fail not, they are new every morning, His Faithfulness reacheth unto the clouds, His mercy endureth forever and His Grace is abundant and sufficient for every need. He has been the Faithful God in your past – He’s blessed you, kept you and held to you! He has provided for you then and He will now! He didn’t let you fall through the cracks then and He won’t now. Thank God He loved you enough to save you. He’s picked you up many times when you have fallen, came through and healed you when you were sick. If you have His Spirit dwelling in your heart, then you belong to Him. He knows where you are. You’re sealed with the Holy Spirit of promise.

 The Psalmist David said – I’ve been young, now I’m old and I’ve never seen the Righteous forsaken nor their seed begging bread. Look back child of God – many of you have been to the bottom, some of you at death’s door, but God didn’t walk out on you nor forget you. The Lord knoweth them that are His. We’ve already been through deep valley’s, climbed high mountains, crossed many rivers and traveled across dry deserts and the Lord has helped us hitherto. The Lord has brought us a mighty long way. We have come this far by faith. He has brought us safe thus far and I know He will help us make it home.

 Don’t ever forget, It’ll never get too bad, that He won’t be there. It’ll never get too dark what He won’t light up our path and show us the way. He will guide us with His eye and afterward receive us to glory! I’ve been through the valley of weeping, walked through the valley of sorrow and pain – but the God of all Grace was with me, He was there to uphold and sustain. Children, we don’t have to fear and we don’t have to worry. God has not given us the spirit of fear, but of Love, power and a sound mind.

LOOK UP – OUR LORD JESUS IS COMING!

 In ending this Newsletter, I want to encourage all my readers to keep praying, hold on and look up! Jesus is coming!! Soon all the battles of life will be over, the war ended and we’ll be Home! If there’s ever a need to draw nigh to God, it is now! Spend quality time every day in His Word, soak your mind in it and get it in your heart! The Word of God is Spirit and Life. It will give you courage and strength. It will put faith in your heart and bring healing to your body! **Ps. 46:1** – God is our Refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Therefore we will not fear though the earth be removed and though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea. **Ps. 91** – He that dwelleth in the secret place of the most High, shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty. Surely He shall deliver thee from the **noisome pestilence**. He shall cover thee with His feathers and under His wings shalt thou Trust. His Truth shall be thy shield and buckler. No evil shall befall thee, neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling!! Hang this Promise on your wall children! May God Bless and keep all my readers!!