

THE LAST MESSAGE OF OUR RISEN LORD

"SURELY, I come quickly"-Rev.22:20

Beloved of the Lord:

Undefined by any date or external sign, in an unspecified moment, the Church will be caught up to meet the Lord in the air (1Thess.4:17). "Of that day and hour knoweth NO man"-Mk.13:32. Any who fix a date join the ranks of false prophets. God's Word declares it will take place "in a moment" etc.-1Cor.15:52. The uncertainty of the time and its imminence should produce the spirit of expectancy. Though we look not FOR signs, yet conditions speak forcibly to us. Consider the following facts:

1 - CHRISTIANS TODAY - There are many believers who have a strong intuition that the Lord's return is near. Increasing numbers are praying - "Even so, COME, Lord Jesus". The increasing sorrows, sufferings, tragedies, testings and trials are creating BRIDAL longings and affections in harmony with the Spirit of God, to say - "The SPIRIT and the BRIDE say COME" Rev.22:17. Through these, the Lord is drawing our hearts away from earth, that we may be LOOKING for the Saviour every moment - Phil. 3:20,21: Tit.2:13.

2 - ISRAEL - God's earthly people have never lost sight of the fact that the land of Israel is theirs, unconditionally promised to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob -Gen.13:14-17. Gen. 22:17; 26:2-4; 28:13-15. The Jews have a passionate love for the land of their fathers. Providentially, many are now there though in unbelief."The eyes of the Lord are ALWAYS upon it" - Deut.11:12; 1 Kings 9:3. God Himself claims it, calling it "MY LAND" in Jer. 2:7 and 16:18. He NEVER will give it to Gentiles. He is preparing His people for the time of "Jacob's trouble" (Jer.30:7), when through that "fiery furnace" He will refine the godly remnant for the coming of their Messiah, our Lord Jesus Christ. See Dan. 12:1 and Matt. 24:15-21; Rom.11:26. If so, the Rapture of the Church is nearer!

3 - THE NATIONS - "Distress of nations - men's hearts failing them for fear" - Lu.21:25,26 - is universal in its political character on every side. Lawlessness abounds and standards of human decency have been abandoned by the world today! Man is living WITHOUT GOD, and producing a moral mess that no human expediency is able to stop! The present world wide crisis is not accidental, but foretold by God, so that the shadows of judgment are now hovering over the world. Read Jude 14, 15; Rev. 1:7; Lu.17:26-37; Joel 3:2,9-14.Zech. 14: 1-3. Having lost all reason and led by Satan its prince, the world is rushing blindly, helplessly and hopelessly to its destruction. There is but ONE remedy- CHRIST'S RETURN. He is the "Prince of Peace" and "King of Kings"- Isa.9:6,7; Zech.6:13;14:9. God says - "I will shake ALL nations, and the desire of ALL nations shall come" -Hag. 2:7.

4 - THE PROFESSING CHURCH - The apostasy of Christendom was foretold by Paul, Peter and Jude; and by our Lord Himself. See 1 Tim.4:1,2; 2 Tim.3:1-5; 2 Pet. 2; Jude 3,4,17,18. Today, liberalism and worldliness are increasing in the profession, becoming bolder and like Judas betraying the LIVING WORD and the WRITTEN WORD! Secretly and openly the Word of God is being undermined and its authority attacked! When the Rapture of the saints takes place, the profession left behind will quickly become a mass of religious corruption. The SALT being removed will then permit the SEDUCERS to have their own way and THE APOSTASY will reach its climax, under Anti-Christ - 1 Jno. 2:22;Rev.13:11-15. "The mystery of iniquity doth already work" - 2 Thess.2:7, and only waits its coming leader - see 2 Thess. 2:8 etc. We are living in the closing days of church history on earth, leaving us - but one conclusion - THE IMMINENT RETURN OF OUR LORD.

May God speed the moment and fulfill the last message of our Risen Lord - saying, "SURELY, I COME QUICKLY". We answer with sincere heart - "EVEN SO, COME, LORD JESUS"

THE NIGHT IS FAR SPENT, AND THE DAY IS AT HAND;  
NO SIGN TO BE LOOKED FOR, THE STAR'S IN THE SKY.  
REJOICE THEN, YE SAINTS, 'TIS YOUR LORD'S OWN COMMAND,  
REJOICE, FOR THE COMING OF JESUS DRAWS NIGH.

Faithfully yours in Christ,

