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## From the Editor ...



A major telephone company once had a slogan that said: "Let your fingers do the walking through the yellow pages!" And it was a simple fact that, when information was desired on practically any business, industry, hospital, school, or a lone individual, an advertisement and telephone number was available to help you in your search in the "yellow pages" section of the telephone book.

Have you ever thought that your Bible can be used in the same way? Any information you need in over-

coming in this life is available in the pages of the Holy Bible.

Recently, a man excitedly sent me a message stating how deeply thankful he was for his "calling". It was apparent to me that the feeling of "first love" for God's way of life had been re-ignited within this person. He realized that he is one of a special group that God has personally invited to be a part of His family. This man also knows there is nothing special about himself, only that His Creator has called and chosen him; therefore, he is willing to do anything required to achieve the reward of this fabulous invitation.

As he meditated on this blessing, he was so moved about the knowledge that he was "one of them," a firstfruit, whom God had chosen, that he "let his mind do some walking through the Holy pages." Thus, the following is not just "information" but TRUTH as he was led from page to page, here a little and there a little, seeking God's guidance. (The KJV or the MKJV is used throughout.)

Our Savior, the Lord Jesus, declares in John 17:9:



I pray for them. I do not pray for the world, but for those whom You have given Me, for they are Yours.

To be "ONE OF THEM" is possible only through a most wonderful invitation!



No one can come to Me unless the Father who has sent Me draw him..." (John 6:44). The most exclusive invitation that can be offered to anyone, anytime, comes ONLY from the Father!

And this is how the invitation comes about:

But that sown on the good ground is this: he who hears the Word and understands; who also bears fruit and produces, one truly a hundredfold; and one sixty; and one thirty" (Matt. 13:23). And the fruit is described in Gal. 5:22-23: "But the fruit of the Spirit is: love, joy, peace, long-suffering,

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#### by Jon Ardis

Many times when we see or hear bad news on television, radio, the

newspaper that--bad news. We may think to "That's too bad -- for them," or, "I in their shoes." More often than

we are emotionally involved in some manner. In no other time in the history of man has Daniel 12:4 been fulfilled as it is today. Everyone is running back and forth, to and fro, and knowledge has been increased. We have instant access to news 24/7 through our televisions, and breaking news beamed to our ears and eyes though our cell phones.

We see it all, or at least hear it all, and honestly, it's quite difficult to shock, alarm, or stun anyone in today's world. We all have lost our innocence and we all have become emotionally corrupted at some level. We have become callused to the affairs of the world, numb to the constant happenings that surround us on a daily basis. We are callused to murder, rape, violence, disease and the famine that affects every part of the world. We have become callused to it because we see it so often: we see it too often. And as long as it is happening somewhere else, then it's just a part of life and something that someone else can worry about.

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ture is shown in high definition on 55" LED screens, to the thrill of the perverted mind. As a people, we seem to delight in the sight of blood, gore, killing and suspense. We see and hear of things that an innocent mind was not created to experience. Our emotions have been affected and we no longer

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Many have stated that, since the beginning, or at least since Cain slew Abel, there has always been violence, there has always been war and abuse, there has always been famine and disease and "that's just life." However, to those of us who understand the incredible plan that God has laid out for us, we can see that the situation of the world is getting more and more serious with each day. Those of us who have been given the wonderful understanding of The United States and Britain in Prophecy realize fully that this is the end time and it's just a matter of time before these two wonderful nations totally collapse. Those who have God's Spirit, and understand His great plan to create a God family, comprehend the importance of His promises to Abraham in Genesis 12: 1-3, and Genesis 17: 1-5. We understand the incredible blessings that

react in the way God bestowed upon the United States and Britain because of Abraham's obedience to God.

> And, as we understand the blessings that God gave to us through Abraham because of his obedience, then we must

understand also that these blessings will be or have been taken away because of our nations' disobedience.

world, and we need to become

more emotionally responsive to

the situations of the world.

Anyone who has ever walked upon the white sandy beaches, or waded in the crystal clear waters of the Gulf Coast must consider the fact

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that America's and the United Kingdom's blessings have run out. The beautiful coastline of Florida, Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana, Texas and possibly Georgia, South Carolina and the entire Eastern Seaboard is in serious danger. How many animals will be affected, how many businesses will be bankrupted, how many people affected? How many millions and millions of gallons of oil will tarnish the beautiful waters of the Gulf? Here we are, still with no end in sight. And the fact that BP, British Petroleum, is the largest corporation in the United Kingdom must help us realize that this disaster was no mere coincidence, but one calculated strike against the two major nations of the world. What will become of British Petroleum when all is said and done?

God blessed Abraham because Abraham was obedient to God. Abraham kept God's Laws, His commandments, and His statutes, and he listened to God and did what God instructed. And God blessed Abraham and his descendants for it. God uses the "law" of BLESS-INGS versus CURSES as a motivational tool to help us live the correct way of life. If we keep God's laws, then we will lead a happy life and God will bless us. However, the opposite holds true as well. If we do not keep God's Commandments, His Laws, and His Statutes, then we will not live a happy life and we will be cursed until we start living by His Laws.

Deuteronomy 28 is a chapter in the Bible that is so easy to read and understand, but so hard for us humans to follow. Deuteronomy 28:1-3:

And it shall come to pass, if thou shalt hearken diligently unto the voice of the Lord thy God, to observe and to do all his commandments which I command thee this day, that the Lord thy God will set thee on high above all nations of the earth. And all these blessings shall come on

...if thou shalt hearken unto the voice of the Lord thy God. Blessed shall thou be in the city, and blessed shalt thou be in the field...[Deut. 28:1-3]

thee, and overtake thee, if thou shalt hearken unto the voice of the Lord thy God. Blessed shall thou be in the city, and blessed shalt thou be in the field.....

Chapter 28 of Deuteronomy goes on to tell how blessed you will be – blessing after blessing after blessing, and blessing upon blessings. IT SEEMS SO SIMPLE, doesn't it?

In verse 15 we see the bad news:

But it shall come to pass, if thou wilt not hearken unto the voice of the Lord thy God, to observe to do all his commandments and his statutes which I command thee this day; that all these curses shall come upon thee, and overtake thee.

Curse after curse after curse, curses upon curses! IT SEEMS SO SIMPLE, doesn't it?

In Leviticus 26:21 God states that He will bring seven times more plagues upon us according to our sins!

And if ye walk contrary unto me, and will not hearken unto me; I will bring seven times more plagues upon you according to your sins.

What does that say for the United States and the United Kingdom as we see them today? What does that say for the entire world?

God saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually. (Gen. 6:5)

Is this any different from what we see in the world today? Even worse in today's world is the fact that "every imagination" can be shared at a click of a button. "Every imagination" can be brought to life via theater and television and the Internet. This brings us to the conclusion that it's only a matter of

...if thou wilt not hearken unto the voice of the Lord thy God...all these curses shall come upon thee...[Deut. 28:15]

time before God will straighten this all out!

Of all the billions of people on Earth today, only a select few understand

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where we are in Bible prophecy. Very few understand that we are in the Day of the Lord – and that Jesus Christ has returned to this

messed up world astated Temple. So again, it's is straightened before the greatest "time of trou-

ble" that ever existed in the history of man becomes a reality.

The Church of God's Faithful has continually stated that Jesus Christ is here in the Day of the Lord. He is checking us out; are we physically, mentally and spiritually ready for this time in history? What will Christ find within our character and within our minds? In the

booklet, Petra, Place of Safety? or Place of Slaughter? it is also stated that Jesus Christ is now preparing the place of safety that will be nec-essary for His

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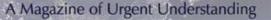
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and to His dev- Our God is our Rock and our Fortress, just a matter of and He will protect time before all us from the "time out, and just a of trouble," as long matter of time as we do our part. 

that we may be accounted worthy to escape. Do you consider yourself worthy to escape at this moment in your life? This is a question that we really need to consider. We want the answer to be way, way up there on the plus side, not somewhere in the middle!

The LORD also will be a refuge for the oppressed, 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. (Psalms 9:9-10)

For thou art my rock and my fortress; therefore for thy name's sake lead me, and guide me. (Psalms 31:3)

Our God is our Rock and our Fortress, and He will protect us from the "time of trouble," as long as we do our part. The Church of God's Faithful has been given secret after secret; we must have continued faith that God will lead us through more revealed "secrets." And we, as individuals, must continue to be a blessed people by keeping His Commandments, His Laws and His Statutes, and enjoy the effects of blessing upon blessing being poured upon us all. 🛠

#### Jeremiah 49:17-18 states:

"Also Edom [the land where Petra is located] shall be a desolation: every one that goes by it shall be astonished, and shall hiss at all the plagues thereof. As in the overthrow of SODOM and GOMORRAH and the neighbor cities thereof, SAITH THE LORD .... "

#### Isaiah 34:5-6 adds more:

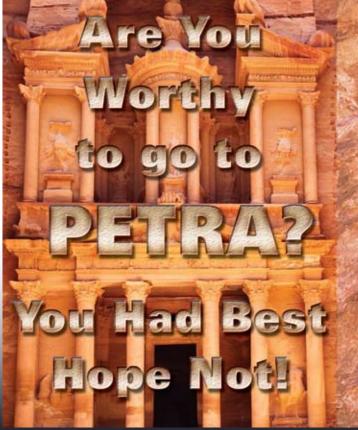
"For my sword shall be bathed in heaven: Behold it shall come down upon Idumea [Latin for Edom]...for the Lord has a sacrifice in Bozrah [ancient capitol city of Edom], and a GREAT SLAUGHTER in the LAND of IDUMEA ... " Many of the World Wide Church of God's splits off groups teach that Petra will be a place of safety.

#### God's Word says PETRA WILL BE A PLACE OF SLAUGHTER!

It's easy to prove that Edom is where Petra is located, and why this "slaughter" will occur. Order your FREE copy of Petra, Place of Safty or Place of Slaughter? now. Before you end up exacly where you don't want to be. See page 16 for contact information.

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# the Michight C GREATER LOVE...

by Robert Ardis

Most human beings are deeply touched by the suffering of others, although the society in which we live has calloused all of us to one degree or another. But there is so much suffering in the world today. In areas that are mostly unknown by the western world, such as Uzbekistan, entire ethnic groups

have been forced to flee their homes to berefugees come in neighboring lands. How do these thousands of people cope with being uprooted in every phase of their lives? In areas of Africa, violence, maiming and

death to the civilian population have caused utter misery on a national scale. In other 'third world' nations there is grinding poverty, famine and disease. The production of drugs and the illegal distribution of them have created "drug wars" and have become a cruel way of life, resulting in great suffering for many people.

In the more affluent nations of the world, there are seemingly unsolvable problems that have caused financial woes, unemployment and suffering. Entire nations are on the verge of economic collapse, and many states here in the USA are teetering on the edge of bankruptcy. And our hospitals are filled with very sick people.

There is not enough space in this magazine to list all of the woes and sufferings of the world—but there is a better world coming. But until that great day arrives, suffering is going to continue and increase in intensity.

In thinking of the problems in the world, I wondered, "If one particular photograph could be chosen

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as a symbol of the sufferings of the world, what would it be?" There are hundreds of photos from which we could choose: starving children, victims of natural disasters, cancer or AIDS patients, holocaust the

survivors of WWII-and on and on!

One recent photo, to me, reflects the utter hopelessness and complete suffering of the innocent as seen in the pitiful, pleading eyes of that helpless oil-covered pelican that has appeared in many newspapers and on TV. Looking into that pain-filled, blinking eye brought to mind the scripture in Rom. 8:22:

For we know that the whole creation groaneth and travaileth in pain together until now.

Yes! The entire creation groans and is in pain.

#### What Can We Do?

As concerned Christians, is there anything we can do about the sufferings of the world when we can see, hear, and feel a part of that suffering? Is there anything we can do?

I would like to answer that question with a true story of two men who had worked at the same cement manufacturing company where I was employed for 43 years. These two men were Donny and Rufus. They were "shift repairmen" at our plant. They worked a weekly rotating schedule of day, afternoon, and nighttime 8-hour shifts. As their title implies their job was to watch over and take care of any mechanical malfunctions of the vast array of machinery required in the process of producing Portland and masonry cements during their shifts.

Rufus was a "good ole country boy" in the best sense. Everyone liked him. He was a good mechanic, a few years older than Donny. Donny was a man! A big, powerful mannot so tall-but big. He stood about 5 feet, 10 inches tall and weighed around 275 pounds; wide and thick, solid muscle and bone. Donny had jet black, curly hair, black eyes, bushy black eyebrows, and a thick black mustache. And in contrast to his black hair and eyes, he had very white skin and always a twinkle in his eyes—and almost always a big cigar clamped between his teeth in his right jaw. Donny and Rufus were good workers and an asset to the company.

One afternoon, as the shifts were changing at 3PM, a red warning light appeared on an operational

flow diagram panel in the main control room. The control room is the operations center of the cement making process, and the "red light" indicated something was wrong at the main clinker elevator of the #2 kiln.

To make cement, a great amount of heat energy is required to convert an exact blend of finely pulverized and ground, raw limestone, silica, alumina, and iron mixture into a fused clinker. A properly burned clinker is from dusty sand size to large softball size, but ideally is

pea-size, very dense and hard. The clinker is formed as the raw mix (in this case a wet process) slowly moves down the slowly rotating 12-feet-in-diameter cement kiln. The kiln is a huge machine that must be lined with refractory brick in its entire length to protect the steel shell from the intense heat. The kiln is tilted slightly downward over its 425-foot length. The raw mix enters the rear of the kiln where the temperature is around 250°. But the temperature rises as the mix makes the 2 to 3 hour journey down the kiln into the burning zone with temperatures of 2700° F. That temperature is so hot, and appears so bright, that the eyes must be protected to

view it—and in the kiln being discussed, 20 tons of clinker per hour was being produced.

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Thus, at shift change, when the red warning light came on, it took

several minutes for the on-coming control room operator to assess what was happening. He immediately informed the shift foreman that something had malfunctioned in the drive of the clinker elevator of #2 kiln. The clinker elevator is a long series of metal scoops or buckets--each having the capacity to hold approximately 50 pounds of clinker--attached to a large, movable steel chain. The chain was mounted on a lower gear and an upper gear powered by a powerful heavy-duty electric motor that took the collected clinker straight

On that afternoon the shear-key on the motor drive of the clinker elevator had unknowingly sheared. This allowed the motor to continue to run, but the chain had stopped, causing the entire elevator shaft to beginning filling with hot clinker. That was a situation that was not supposed to happen.

The shift foreman radioed Donny and Rufus to go and determine what was happening. They hurried over to the elevator area and went down two flights of metal stairs to reach the drive area of the eleva-

> tor. This was a low-lying area with 3 to 4 inches of standing water over the cramped working space at the foot of the stairs. Old wooden pallets had been placed in the water to provide dry foot space.

On reaching the bottom of the stairs, Donny and Rufus quickly looked around to try to figure out the problem. The motor was running but the elevator shaft was extremely hot and giving off an acrid smoke. Rufus, wanting to see what was happening inside the shaft, struck the release handle of the inspection door with a heavy hammer-and the worst happened!

The inspection door was an 18-by-18-inch opening in the elevator shaft which, all of a sudden,

became a gushing stream of superhot, man-made lava! The force of it knocked Rufus to the far side of the enclosure and immediately turned the water in the pit to live steam. Donny stumbled backwards—then



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cerned for this pitiful world. Love is true concern—and God is love!

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up over 70 feet into a storage silo

for the clinker. By the time the

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has been cooled from its maximum

heat to around 500° --still very

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quickly fled up the stairs to escape the blinding dust and steam. But be-

fore he reached the top he heard a scream that turned his blood cold!

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Donny heard. His friend was being boiled alive in searing hot steam and was pleading for help! Donny didn't hesitate. He plunged back down the stairs. The material was still pouring forth from the inspection door and the bubbling mass was already up to the second step of the stairs. Donny could not see Rufus through the dust and steam—but he could hear his cries about eight feet away on the other side of the pile of hot clinker that was increasing in size every second.

Without thought of his own safety Donny stepped out into that superheated mass and waded over to where Rufus was lying and scooped him as he would a child. Cradling him in his powerful arms, Donny turned around and walked back through that "hell" again. Choking and gasping he began to climb the stairs. But as he ascended the stairs the soles of his shoes had so melted that they adhered to the metal grating of the steps and came completely off as he continued to climb. When he staggered forth from the stairs with Rufus in his arms, the horrified shift foreman had just arrived and helped Donny to gently lay Rufus down. As the foreman radioed for help, Donny ..... laid down, too.

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Both men suffered severe burns, and more suffering treatment of the burns. But later, they were able to come back to work, although, after a short while Rufus had to retire. But before a cheer-

ing crowd, Donny was presented the highest award for bravery that the governor of the state of South Carolina could award.

This is a true story that happened sometime in the 1970's, and I have written it as factually as I can remember. What a lesson! What an example Donny was! Jesus Christ tells us. "Greater love has no man than this that he lay down his life for his friends" (John 15:13). That is what Donny did for his friend and co-worker, Rufus. That was his automatic reaction to the suffering at hand.

#### Sighing And Crying

Don't we wish the whole world would react as Donny did. That is the way Jesus Christ was! He gave His perfect life for each of us. He hears the cries of the world and will soon intervene. In the meantime, each of us needs to strive for a deeper concern for this pitiful world-the entire creation. In fact we must be concerned, if we want God to be concerned about us. Ezekiel 9:4 is a direct warning to His Church that we must be

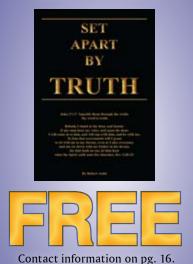
sighing and crying for all the suffering—all the wretched things the abominations-occurring on this earth:

And the LORD said unto him, Go through the midst of the city, through the midst of Jerusalem, and set a mark upon the foreheads of the men that sigh and that cry for all the abominations that be done in the midst thereof.

Has God set His mark on youand on me? We must be more concerned for this pitiful world. Love is true concern—and God is love! Greater love has no man than this, that he lay down his life for his friends. As we behold the sufferings in this world of Satan the devil, let's more fervently pray, "Thy Kingdom come!"

Donny died last month from the ravages of cancer, but I will always remember him as a man of true love. He truly laid down his life for his friend! 🛠

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And At Midnight There Was A Cry Made...

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# Will You Be Wise?

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And at midnight there was a cry made, Behold, the bridegroom cometh; go ye out to meet him. Rev. 3: 7-12 & Matt. 25: 1-13

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#### by J R Cabangbang

What is a warning? It simply means an advisory to beware or desist, in other words, to stop and take notice of something with high importance. It is a 'sign' to which necessary precaution can be taken ahead of time. The end result, whether good or bad primarily depends on how we respond accordingly on time. Serious warning requires "urgent and swift action" if we are to avoid tragedy.

All of God's elect at this time have already been warned. It is God who warns! In Old Testament times, prophets delivered messages directly from the Eternal One. These godly men have carried weighty responsibilities, having warned those whom God rebuked. The Patriarch Noah was used to warn an evil generation of their incorrigible wickedness. They were alarmed but God's premonition to them was stubbornly ignored as His begotten children are doing today. People in Noah's time were so grossly evil that it grieved the Almighty's heart in creating man on the earth (Genesis 6:6). And so goes the story, a great flood engulfed the whole earth and the rebelliously wicked mankind therein. God's warning entails dire consequences when ignored!

Watch you therefore, and pray always, that you may be counted worthy to escape all these things that shall come to pass, and to stand before the son of man. Luke 21:36

To be or not to be, that is the question! Christ's statement is the ultimate guideline if we are to be accounted worthy to escape the Great Tribulation. Our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ had pro-



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foundly admonished us to watch and pray. We are told to watch world and Church's events in the light of bible prophecy that will precede His second coming. One of the most potent signs of the proximity of Christ's return is recorded in Matthew 24:15:

When ye therefore shall see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet,

### stand in the holy place, (whoso reads, let him understand:)

The CGF's book *Set Apart by Truth* on page 53 by our Pastor-General states:

Gerald Flurry makes himself a "false Christ" and an abomination in God's sight by his declaration that the title of "That Prophet" refers to him. Mr. Flurry and about 25 of his full time PCG ministers are still "standing in the inner court (Holy Place) of the Spiritual Temple. Appropriating a title belonging only to the Son of God, Jesus Christ clearly makes him the "abomination standing in the Holy Place.

Can our mind grasp this? Well, it is high time to really understand this revealing prophecy being fulfilled now. For more information on this eye-opening subject, please request a copy of the above-mentioned book.

We are likewise reminded to pray at all times to escape Satan's wrath in this worst trouble ever. This ominous warning must be upper-most in the minds of God's people alive today! Never in the history of the Church has Christ's warning been as URGENT as for in our time now. We are at a crossroad of an impending calamity that is about to burst on the horizon!

The Church of God's Faithful is the vanguard of the end-time Philadelphia work of God. Its foremost commission is to ring out the midnight cry of Matthew 25:6 and PUR-POSES TO WARN the SCATTERED MEMBERS of God's Church (Ezekiel 34). They comprise the majority of God's children in the 300 plus split and splinter groups of the former Worldwide Church of God. At present, God's people are suffering

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from a severe spiritual malnourishment that has detrimentally depleted their faith. The hireling

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of God's people is the CGF's "utmost concern" as

we painstakingly following Christ's admonition to 'prophesy again'. Deep sense of urgency has dissipated following the demise of the WCG under the leadership of Mr. Herbert W. Armstrong. Through the CGF that administers the government of God today, the sense of urgency is restored!

#### In Transition

The CGF, as it was then a fledgling church when conceived on the Feast of Trumpets 1997, is in a transitional period. Christ came suddenly to His spiritual temple as a "thief in the night" on that special event. One humble and faithful servant was chosen by God for this grand revelation. The mystery of God is finished! The Bridegroom has come! The Kingdom of Heaven is at hand! These powerful messages reverberate in the Church as the CGF relentlessly proclaims Christ's warning to the 'churches of god'. Mr. Herbert W. Armstrong, in his final book "Mystery of the Ages", wrote:

Notice especially, there is only the ONE CHURCH. Not MANY churches. The CHURCH is not divided. There is only one Church. Not a parent church and many little daughter churches

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that have split offin disagreement. It is the CHURCH that is to marry Christ in the resurrection at his comingnot disagreeing churches - not groups who have broken off! Not a parent church and apostate daughters

(Mystery of the Ages, page 243).

God has opened channels of revelation to Mr. Robert G. Ardis, "new truths" are revealed for understanding in their time and order. Our Lord Jesus Christ continues to reveal eye-opening and vital truth(s) deemed necessary in this final hour and last moments of the 'midnight cry'. These TRUTHS can only be revealed by the living Christ to His one, true, and faithful Church fulfilling the end-time work of God! Remember, there could ONLY be one Body of Christ--- the remnant of the Philadelphia era of God's Church represented to-

day by the CGF. Interestingly, 'new revealed very foundation to which the Faithful is substantially built--being Christ as the cornerstone Head.

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Through the years, the CGF has been on a bumpy rough road, it has gone up and down the hill. We have witnessed heartbreaking departure of some beloved brethren. They have

brazenly embarked on a "journey to the uncertain", propelled by pure vanity and pride. Their vision of the Kingdom of God has been clouded in obscurity. They are now adamantly rejecting truth and real understanding from the Almighty God! Their leaders are confused, pretentious, and irreverently brandishing against the benevolent government of God. It is incredulous that some dedicated servants of the CGF. the one and only true Church of God, have turned away from basic truth they once knew. They have contributed in some way to the impediment of God's work, causing additional confusion to God's already confused people! Apparently, time is approaching an impasse for these brethren; a point of no return! Many followed them while disregarding the True Head of the Church, Jesus Christ, and trusting in some man who appealed to them in some way. God calls these leaders "deceitful workers":

For such are false prophets, deceitful workers, transforming themselves into the apostles of Christ. And no marvel for Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light. Therefore it is no great thing if his ministers

> also be transformed as the ministers of righteousness: whose end shall be according to their works (2 Cor. 11:13-15).

Disobedience and outright rebellion against

God is man's main problem since the fall of Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden.

The Church of God's Faithful is

thundering forth God's FINAL WARNING to His lost sheep. It is extremely prudent to HEED and FLEE to the spiritual PLACE of SAFETY prepared of Christ right now! He is in the "inner court" of the Spiritual Temple waiting for your return! Christ knows your real identity, you are one of those lost sheep gone astray. You belong to the Ten Virgins of Matthew 25 that MUST be awakened NOW or face frightful consequences beyond measure. IF you stubbornly continue to scoff at and ignore this "midnight cry", you will soon cry and Christ WILL NOT hear you! You are spiralling towards the most agonizing defeat of your life ever. The CGF is in no way in the position of attracting anyone for membership. Christ is the OPEN DOOR that will compel you to come and seek us out before it is too late. It is our URGENT COMMISSION to warn the sleeping virgins to come to a spiritual awakening which Christ demands now! Look and listen to Matthew 25:6-12 and feel the sense of its urgency:

And at midnight there was a cry made, Behold, the Bridegroom cometh; go ye out to meet him. Then all those virgins arose, and trimmed their lamps. And the foolish said unto the wise, Give us of your oil; for our lamps are gone out. But the wise answered, saying, Not so; lest there be not enough for us and you: but go ye rather to them that sell, and buy for yourselves. And while they went to buy, the bridegroom came; and they that were ready went in with him to the marriage: and the door was shut. Afterwards came also the other virgins, saying, Lord, Lord, open to us. But he answered and said, Verily I say unto you, I know you not.

You may probably have stumbled over these scriptures a million

times. At last, the time has come for the uncorking of your stubborn, deaf ears and for some serious listening. Do you really UNDER-STAND that Christ is very serious about your plight? Will you finally listen to His voice now? And be accounted worthy as wise?

#### An Eternal Goal

What was in God's mind as the basis for selecting us individually to His Church? God is omnipotent and He is the Eternal that judges in righteousness. He is able to foreknow our potential; whether or not we can attain eternal life, a free gift by His will and mercy. Righteous Abel and the last one that must qualify to enter into the Kingdom of God will comprise Christ's team in the very soon-coming wonderful World Tomorrow. We are called and chosen by God to be kings and priests in a millennial rule under Christ. We are specially selected to become members of this mostcoveted team man has ever imagined!

The Great Tribulation is fast approaching and a spiritual "place of safety" is already prepared by Christ as a refuge.

The World Cup 2010 is yet another page of history written in the Book of Sports. Each individual team has intrepidly done an impressive job. They have displayed enormous amount of effort in trying to possess this 'cup of achievement' by man's standards. The euphoric moments have come and gone, and what is left is just a memory of it. Grand finale came; one winner and many losers!

We, as Christ's team in this end-

time work of God, are playing a fantastic role. Christ has commissioned us to warn our beloved brethren trapped in the "synagogue of Satan". In comparison to the World Cup, there are no qualifying matches we have to undergo to reach the finals. We are the only team now playing in the final! The players of the winning team in the World Cup 2010 are now enjoying their dream cup. Whereas, we, of the faithful Church will drink from a "heavenly cup" the prize as pillars standing in God's Holy Temple for all eternity!

The Church of God's Faithful is shaking vigorously the Ten Virgins toward a spiritual awakening. Through the Midnight Cry, the CGF endeavours to warn God's people to FLEE NOW to the mountain of God! The Great Tribulation is fast approaching and a spiritual "place of safety" is already prepared by Christ as a refuge. If you, dear readers, will finally realize that you are in a grave danger, wouldn't you run immediately for protection? We sincerely hope and pray you will!

The ingathering of the Lost Sheep must begin now, to become a part of the "WOMAN" or the "REM-NANT" of Revelation 12:14, 17:

And to the woman were given two wings of a great eagle, that she might fly into the wilderness, into her place, where she is nourished for a time, and times, and half a time, from the face of the serpent. And the dragon was wroth with the woman, and went to make war with the remnant of her seed, which keep the commandments of God, and have the testimony of Jesus Christ."

Will you come NOW and fly with us soon to the Place of Safety? Your life depends on the answer! �

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#### From the Editor

kindness, goodness, faith, meekness, self-control; against such things there is no law.

As a result, the called and chosen ones have this obligation:

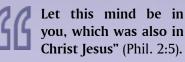
Therefore, brothers, we are not debtors to the flesh, to live according to the flesh. For if you live according to the flesh, you shall die. But if you through the Spirit mortify the deeds of the body, you shall live. For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God (Rom. 8:12-14).

Now therefore you are no longer strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints. and of the household of God, and are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the chief cornerstone in whom every building having been fitly framed together, grows into a holy sanctuary in the Lord; in whom you also are built together for a dwelling place of God through the Spirit (Eph. 2:19-22).

As "one of them" (as one of the 144,000 firstfruits), each individual is "built together" with the others into the Spiritual Temple.

I beseech you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God to present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, pleasing to God, which is your reasonable service. And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, in order to prove by you what is that good and pleasing and perfect will of God (Rom. 12:1-2).

Consequently...



#### Because...

**GG** I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me... For I through the law am dead to the law, that I might live unto God (Gal. 2:20 and 19).

For which cause we faint not; but though our outward man perish, yet the inward man is renewed day by day (II Cor. 4:16).

And so...

**GG** If you abide in Me, and My Words abide in you, you shall ask what you will, and it shall be done to you. In this My Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit, so you shall be My disciples. As the Father has loved Me, so I have loved you; continue in My love. If you keep My commandments, you shall abide in My love, even as I have kept My Father's commandments and abide in His love (John 15:7-10).

Then through Christ's love He tells us...

**GG** For I have given to them the Words which You gave Me, and they have received them and have known surely that I A Magazine of Urgent Understanding

came out from You. And they have believed that You sent Me. I PRAY FOR THEM. [I want to be ONE OF "THEM".] I do not pray for the world, but for those whom You have given Me, for they are Yours. And all Mine are Yours, and Yours are Mine; and I am glorified in them (John 17:7-10).

Thus...

**GG** To him who overcomes I will grant to sit with Me in My throne, even as I also overcame and have sat down with My Father in His throne (Rev. 3:21).

For that reason...

Let us be glad and rejoice, and give honour to him: for the marriage of the Lamb is come, and his wife hath made herself ready (Rev. 19:7).

Consequently...

**B**lessed and holy is he who has part in the first resurrection. The second death has no authority over these, but they will be priests of God and of Christ, and will reign with Him a thousand years (Rev. 20:6).

After his "walk through the Holy pages," the writer closed with this question: "Am I living worthy of my CALLING to be "ONE OF THEM"?

That is a good question to keep in mind everyday—as we walk with God!

Your brother in Christ,

**Robert Ardis** 



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### This Month's Top Articles from The Faithful Watchman Newsletter of the Church of God's Faithful

Through *The Faithful Watchman*, we endeavor to keep ourselves abreast of how our Lord Jesus Christ is orchestrating the ride of the 4 Horsemen as He sets the scene for the Two Witnesses to begin their 1260 days of prophesying and for the Great Tribulation to begin. Read daily updates to *The Faithful Watchman* online at setapartbytruth.org.

## Report: Oceans' demise near irreversible

WASHINGTON -- A sobering new report warns that oceans face a "fundamental and irreversible ecological transformation" not seen in millions of years as greenhouse gases and climate change already have affected temperature, acidity, sea and oxygen levels, the food chain and possibly major currents that could alter global weather.

The report, in Science magazine, doesn't break a lot of new ground, but it brings together dozens of studies that collectively paint a dismal picture of deteriorating ocean health.

"This is further evidence we are well on our way to the next great extinction event," said Ove Hoegh-Guldberg, the director of the Global Change Institute at the University of Queensland in Australia and a co-author of the report.

http://www.kjonline.com/ ....

Comment: It takes a lot to galvanise men into action regarding the well-being of our planet. Not only are we destroying the earth and polluting the atmosphere by our extravagant way of life but it now seems the demise of our oceans is almost complete!

The sad fact is, mankind is slowly destroying the planet by its selfish ways. That is even without considering nuclear weapons. The earth is God's creation and we are supposed to be looking after it, not hurting it. The time will come when God Himself will hurt the earth for the ultimate good of mankind whilst protecting His people. At the end of the Laodicean era we read in the book of Revelation chapter seven:

"And I saw another angel ascending from the east,

having the seal of the living God: and he cried with a loud voice to the four angels, to whom it was given to hurt the earth and the sea,

Saying, Hurt not the earth, neither the sea, nor the trees, till we have sealed the servants of our God in their foreheads." Rev 7:2-3

Mankind will endeavour to clean up its mess when it becomes absolutely necessary, but then it could be too late. Really we should be looking after this wonderful and beautiful earth as God gave it to us.

If the oceans demise is nearly irreversible we still have a little time to reverse the situation, however, if we look at what has already occurred, it will continue to be business as usual!

## U.S. marks 3rd-largest, single-day debt increase

The nation's debt leapt \$166 billion in a single day last week, the third-largest increase in U.S. history, and it comes at a time when Congress is balking over higher spending and debt has become a key policy battleground.

The one-day increase for June 30 totaled \$165,931,038,264.30 - bigger than the entire annual deficit for fiscal year 2007 and larger than the \$140 billion in savings the new health care bill will produce over its first 10 years. The figure works out to nearly \$1,500 for every U.S. household, or more than 10 times the median daily household income.

http://www.washingtontimes.com/ ...

Comment: It is very difficult to understand these figures that are so immense and continuing to grow. If an individual has a debt, then over time that debt should get smaller until it is paid off. Otherwise

that individual faces court and loss of everything, even a prison sentence.

Some governments do try to get their debt under control but not with much success as the world debt grows larger and larger. The Bible gives some simple advice.

"Then she came and told the man of God. And he said, go, sell the oil, and pay thy debt, and live thou and thy children of the rest. 2Kings 4:7

It just doesn't seem possible though that individuals and governments are able to live within their means. Perhaps it would be better to wipe out all debts and start again. We will all need God's help though.

"And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors." Matt 6:12

#### Crowd of 10,000 Declare: The Temple Mount Belongs to Jews

A huge crowd of 10,000 Jews gathered at the old gates of the Temple Mount Monday night and declared their allegiance to the holy site, which rally organizers said is being separated from Jews by discriminatory practices by the police.

The "pledge of allegiance" to a Jewish Temple Mount and a united Jerusalem was part of the monthly "March around Old City Temple Gates," a colorful event featuring the recital of Psalms at various closed gates around the Temple Mount.

The monthly march usually attracts 2,000-3,000 people, but organizers successfully brought out thousands more Monday night as Jews around the world marked the beginning of the Hebrew month of Av. The Ninth of Av is marked every year as the day when foreign invaders destroyed the First and Second Holy Temples.

http://www.israelnationalnews.com/...

*Comment: The Temple complex was a huge construction, taking 46 years to complete.* 

"Then said the Jews, Forty and six years was this temple in building, and wilt thou rear it up in three days? John 2:20

The Temple was originally built by Solomon. David, his father had wanted to build the Temple, but was forbidden because he was a man of war. Solomon's Temple lasted for about 400 years when it was rebuilt by Zerubbabel which remained for about 500 years.

Herod the Great constructed the Temple Mount when he rebuilt the temple of Zerubbabel, which had deteriorated during the preceding time of strife. To accommodate the Jews in Jerusalem, Herod kept to the dimensions of Solomon's temple, and not only building a new temple he created the enormous complex called the Temple Mount. Herod's Temple was of course the Temple to which Christ came. Built of marble and gold it was magnificent beyond description and yet Christ made it plain that earthly temples were not necessary to the worship of God.

"But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him.

God is a spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth." John 4:23-24

#### Berlin Pushing For European Bankruptcy Framework With Provision For State Sovereignty Give Up

The big news out of Europe this morning, and the reason for the drag on the euro is an article in Der Spiegel, "Merkel's rules for bankruptcy" according to which Germany is now actively (and very secretly) pushing for a plan outlining a set of insolvency rules, which would require that private investors bear a portion of the rescue burden, and much more importantly, would see at least a partial give up in state sovereignty, where a new insolvency trustee (the "Berlin Club", which we fail to see at least for now, how it differs from the Paris Club) would take implicit control over and override a default nation's treasury, in essence pushing the bankrupt country into a form of Feudal vassal state-cum-reparations subservience. Welcome to financial warfare in the postglobalization period.

The main reason for the initiative is, of course, Germany's taxpayers' increasing dissatisfaction with the growing financial burden they are forced to shoulder as more and more European countries succumb under the need to resort to a bailout of some sort:

http://www.zerohedge.com/ ...

Comment: Germany is starting to get the upper hand with a major insolvency threat against Greece, Portugal and Spain. However, the Biblical nations of Israel had better watch out, you're next!

"O Assyrian, the rod of mine anger, and the staff in their hand is mine indignation.

I will send him against an hypocritical nation, and against the people of my wrath will I give him a charge, to take the spoil, and to take the prey, and to tread them down like mire of the streets." Isa 10:5-6

*Very soon God is going to use Germany to punish the modern day nations of Israel.* 

#### Pope launches team to 're-evangelise' the West

Benedict XVI announced the creation of a new Vatican department dedicated to tackling what he called "a grave crisis in the sense of the Christian faith and the role of the Church."

He expressed deep concerns that previously staunch Catholic countries in Europe and North America were facing "the eclipse of a sense of God". Tens of thousands of worshippers are deserting the Church over issues such as clerical sex abuse and the ban on married priests.

"I have decided to create a new body with the

aim of promoting a renewed evangelism," in countries that are going through "progressive secularisation of society", the 83-year-old Pope said.

http://www.telegraph.co.uk/...

Comment: It is hardly surprising that people would lose faith in a church that has been rocked by scandal, especially when its priests have been engaged in the abuse of children. The Bible comes down very hard on so-called spiritual leaders that use their office for personal gain, but what is going on in the Catholic church almost defies belief in the depth of evil some of their priests have sunk to.

"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." Isa 56:11

"Woe be unto the pastors that destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! Saith the LORD." Jer 23:1

Although these scriptures refer mainly to Israel and the True Church of God they certainly apply to any that are in a spiritual leadership position.

Pope Benedict XV1 is trying to put things right. He has a long way to go, but those guilty priests should be shaking in their boots. Not because of any punishment that the Pope may meter out, but because of what the Supreme Head of the Universe thinks about their debased activities.

## The Midnight Cry Has Begun

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