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Welcome to our November newsletter! Our Scripture text reads: ***“For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war after the flesh: (For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds;) Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity (taking prisoner) every thought to the obedience of Christ” (2 Corinthians 10:3-5).***

I have determined to be very deliberate, candid, and forthright today due to the many satanic strongholds presently ruling over our nation. These strongholds will only increase in the coming days. *Merriam-Webster's Collegiate Dictionary* defines a stronghold as: *“A place dominated by a particular group or marked by particular characteristics”*.

Here, in the time of the end, the warfare will only increase and there will be more spiritual hindrances than ever before. America is in a life and death struggle for her survival. Without a sovereign move of God, the coming days will only become more perilous. The apostle Paul warned, ***“In the last days perilous (dangerous) times shall come” (2 Timothy 3:1).***

At this present time, Satan is controlling much of what transpires in the heavenlies. The apostle Paul deemed Satan as ***“the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience” (Ephesians 2:2).***

Admittedly, that spirit of disobedience works fluidly in the children of disobedience. However, Paul is not addressing disobedient children

but those under Satan's influence, in whom he works and upon whom the wrath of God is divinely appointed.

As you well know and understand, the redeemed of our Lord are not appointed to God's wrath. which is predetermined and appointed for all the “tares” in the earth.

Please note, the wrath of God is not in the seven seals or the seven trumpets, but only in the seven vial or bowl judgments. To say the great tribulation is the wrath of God is spurious at its best.

As a believer you must remain steadfast in His Word and spend time in His presence to overcome the adversity of this present hour.

Suffer me to rehearse these words of the apostle Paul: ***“Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might. Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places” (Ephesians 6:10-12).***

It is imperative to understand, that which we behold in the natural world is not what we are fighting and wrestling against. This battle of which I speak cannot be seen with the natural eye because it is a spiritual battle, which is far greater and more dangerous than what most people understand.

Some years ago, while walking and praying, the Lord spoke to my heart, saying: “If I opened the heavenlies and allowed you to observe the warfare taking place, your mind, your

ears, and your eyes could not handle the intensity of the battle”. This warfare is so exceedingly great that men in their humanity cannot bear it.

Knowing that Satan is the prince of the power of the air simply means he ranks as the number one leader in this dark and wicked spiritual realm. Oftentimes, we do not discern the spiritual sessions, deliberations, nor divine decisions happening around God's throne.

For example, we read in Job: ***“Now there was a day when the sons of God came to present themselves before the LORD, and Satan came also among them. And the LORD said unto Satan, Whence comest thou? Then Satan answered the LORD, and said, From going to and fro in the earth, and from walking up and down in it” (Job 1:6-7).***

These judicial decisions, convocations, and deliberations, concerning America are coming to a zenith. Other than the nation of Israel, I believe America is in a very grave and dangerous place relative to spiritual war, physical destruction, and an impending Third World War.

The devil and demons in the heavenlies are concocting evil, sadistic plots against our nation, and most Christians are too carnally minded to discern the hour in which we live. It is also Satan's desire to hinder and impede your walk with God. Even Paul faced this challenge: ***“Wherefore we would have come unto you, even I Paul, once and again; but Satan hindered us” (1 Thessalonians 2:18).***

Satan has many tools at his disposal to use against the child of God. One of those tools is hindrance.

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Throughout the years I have repeatedly said, "If Satan cannot get to you personally, he will use someone very close to you to bring you into despair, depression, fear, destruction, ruin, and chaos". I know, for I have been there, and your natural strength is not enough to endure the crisis!

More times than not, the believer is not aware of these deliberations, gatherings, and councils involving each of us at a very personal level. I do not believe the apostle Peter was aware of the spiritual warfare coalescing around his life. Nevertheless, Jesus was well aware of the warfare raging as Satan desired to sift the apostle Peter and damn his immortal soul: *"And the Lord said, Simon (Simon Peter), Simon, behold, Satan hath desired to have you (has sought permission to inflict your soul), that he may sift (agitate, shake, riddle) you as wheat: But I have prayed for thee, that thy faith fail not: and when thou art converted (turned back again), strengthen thy brethren. And he said unto him, Lord, I am ready to go with thee, both into prison, and to death" (Luke 22:31-33).*

Sadly, our humanity suffers us to be pompous and arrogant, and such was the apostle Peter when he replied: *I'm ready to go to prison and to death with you.* But when that day of sifting arrived, he denied the Lord's Christ three times!

That was a very dangerous place and time in Peter's life. Jesus had already told the disciples: *"Whosoever therefore shall confess me before men, him will I confess also before my Father which is in heaven. But whosoever shall deny me before men, him will I also deny before my Father which is in heaven" (Matthew 10:32-33).*

In failing to remember the words of Christ, Peter violated the doctrine of public confession when he publicly denied Christ. It was then that he went out, weep bitterly, and repented of his sin of denial. We are

unable to know just how thankful and grateful Peter was when knowing that Christ the Lamb had been interceding for him and not allowing Satan to have his immortal and eternal soul.

God help each of us to be more sober in this hour concerning the perils we face. We are now better able to understand these powerful Holy Ghost-inspired words: *"Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour" (1 Peter 5:8).*

The Holy Ghost inspired Peter to pen those words of warning. Those words were reinforced by the empirical knowledge he gained, experiencing firsthand, as Satan sifted him like wheat just before the rooster crowed.

Probably one of the greatest messages Peter ever received was the morning that rooster crowed: *"And the Lord turned, and looked upon Peter. And Peter remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said unto him, Before the cock crow, thou shalt deny me thrice" (Luke 22:61).*

I have certitude in my heart that when Jesus turned and looked upon Peter, His "look" did not say: *I told you so*, but, rather, His "look" said: *Peter, I still love you despite your failure!*

The savagery and barbarity we are witnessing in this hour will only increase, as before the global flood: *"But as the days of Noe (Noah) were, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be" (Matthew 24:37).* The discerning reader understands, when Christ alludes to Noah's day, it is not so much about fallen angels copulating with earthly women and producing giants but it's more about the state of man's heart *"And God saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every imagination (conception) of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually" (Genesis 6:5).*

The word *wickedness* here speaks of lewdness, moral depravity, being

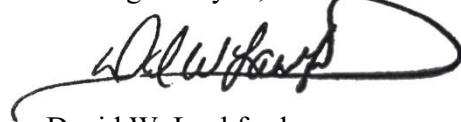
worthless, and good for nothing. America has steadily and systematically removed Jehovah from His rightful place, all because we have lost our awareness in what I deem "God consciousness", or awareness concerning His Lordship. In the end those without Christ will be fools for all eternity: *"Professing themselves to be wise, they became fools" (Romans 1:22).*

Just because someone is deemed great in the eyes of humanity, it means nothing spiritually. We read in *Job 32:9, "Great men are not always wise: neither do the aged (elderly) understand judgment (the verdict)" (Job 32:9).* It will take the spirit of God abiding within our hearts if we are to be wise in this present hour.

In closing, let me express our gratefulness and thankfulness for your love, prayers, and financial support for this ministry. You have been so very kind, gracious, and benevolent and for that we know we can never repay you in any way. However, we trust, as we preach and proclaim His Most Holy Word without compromise, it does bless and edify you.

Allow me to encourage you to strive to spend more time in His hallowed presence, where you will always find copious amounts of His grace and strength. His divine presence will always fill any void or vacuity that might inhabit your heart. What a mighty God we serve!

Serving with you,



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