

# **FIRES OF THE END-TIME ARE THE CHRISTIANS READY?**

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**Have the Christians of the end-time hit the bottom spiritually at a time when we should be shining the brightest? Are we lulled into a deadly slumber, while the fires of the end-time burn around us? Are we heaping up treasures for the last days? Has the mantle fallen to the ground? Has holiness been replaced by one television program after the other? Has consecration been replaced with preoccupation with self? The question is: has Satan made a bargain basement bid for our souls? And, are we selling out at bargain prices? We are indeed living in perilous times—even the planet itself is at risk. The Christians need to be alerted that a sinister force is influencing countless millions and is stealing the spirituality of those who should be shining “as lights burning.” The world is on a downward course like a roller coaster plunging, and nothing seems to be able to stop the fall. The world has never been in such condition; and the Christians have never seemed so helpless, so immobile and so ineffective against the sins of the world. Instead of nullifying them, we are pacifying them. And too many of the voices are teaching that gain is godliness and are attempting to justify our greed and materialism like the scripture: *“Thy prophets have seen vain and foolish things for thee; and they have not discovered thine iniquity”* (Lamentations 2:14).**

**Why are we believing the lie and leaving the truth fallen in the streets? Have we been told that gain is godliness and greed is sanctioned by the Holy Ghost? Have we trusted the liar, the false shepherd and laid our gifts and money at the feet of ministries and individuals that really cared nothing for the dying world and lost souls, those who only cared for their own comfort and lavish lifestyles? ”He that biddeth them God speed is PARTAKER OF THE EVIL DEEDS.” John 1:11. So if you have supported these people, you are an enabler and a partaker of the evil deeds. That is why we need to really know where we are placing our loyalty and our gifts. In giving to the tainted sources, have we deprived the true ministries of the support needed to reach a dying world? Have we winked our eye at truth and rested under the false security of the lying prophets? Have we basked and chased after “success” in a ministry and a message that makes us *“feel good”* rather than repenting? Have we gathered in some of the largest church buildings ever constructed only to see our surrounding community and world unchanged? Does it bother us that there is a church every 200 yards and a bar every 100 yards in some areas? Or, are we so caught up in the cares of this life and SELF that we are like the people in the days of Noah and Lot? Will the warnings go unheeded? Every generation has stoned, killed or rejected true prophets and ministries --will this generation be any different?**

You can cheapen the standard of the Gospel and get the crowds. The problem is it becomes another gospel and not THE GOSPEL. People are easily led into a false security which then leads them into eternal destruction. We hear too much of a non-repentant, non-sanctified Gospel at bargain prices. Man has a talent for accepting the false and crucifying the true. At the crucifixion of Jesus, they cried, "GIVE US BARABAS!" And we still have the thieves from the politicians to the pulpit. God judges a ministry not by its worldly success or what size crowds it draws -- God judges a ministry on how TRUE IT WAS TO HIM AND HIS WORD. Jeremiah did not draw the people with his message, instead they imprisoned him.

The question is asked, "*When the son of man comes, shall He find faith on the earth?*" (Luke 18:8). The answer to this question lies in you – the people who by destiny, rather by choice, find themselves living in the fires of the end-time. At times in history, God has had to rise up and tell His people to repent or be destroyed! He warned Nineveh to get it right, to really repent – or else. Hitler's holocaust is secondary to what is coming on the earth, and we need to be prepared. God has set watchmen on the walls to sound the alarm and awaken the sleeping saints "*Lest coming suddenly, He finds you sleeping.*" (Mark 13:36) This message is in some way an alarm, a cry to awaken; because the fires of the end-time are burning around us all! If we turn away from our old ways and turn back to God, He stands with an outstretched hand to receive us—the prodigal son returns and God runs to meet him. If not, we will burn with the chaff and shall be as stubble -- For He shall thoroughly purge His floor and burn the chaff with unquenchable fire. Christ tells His disciples not to stoop or take up crowns for their heads but a cross for their backs: "If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross and follow me." (Matt 16:24. Jesus' words which the apostles taught did not lead them to palaces but to prisons. These men did not dream of getting the world's treasure but prepared themselves to part with what they had.

Nineveh repented and revival came! This is our example; the Christians of today can awaken from their slumber and indeed arise, shine and declare to the world the everlasting Gospel. He has asked us to bring to Him "*gold tried in the fire*" (Rev. 3:18). The Lord has set before us an open door, a chance to change for the better. "*It is the Lord's mercies that we are not consumed, because his compassions fail not. They are renewed every morning; great is thy faithfulness*" (Lamentations 3:22-23). We must not put our trust in ourselves, this vapor of smoke called life. It will fade as the leaf and wither as the flower of the field. ETERNITY is the door before us; let us enter in and partake of the good fruits of the Lord from everlasting to everlasting. Turn onto Him with weeping and prayers; and He will restore your joy, your peace and your power –

*"Arise, cry out in the night; in the beginning of the watches,  
pour out thine heart like water before the face of the Lord"*  
(Lamentations 2:19).

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