

1,21,21 A Children's Story & the Coming Glory of the Church

Because of the circumstances the Church is in in this country, this is going to be an unusual study. I'm even going to spend about 10-15 minutes reading a PDF called "The Children's Story". You'll see why we need to hear this in a few minutes.

Biden has been confirmed as president.

I'm not discounting the possibility of major push back against him; there are millions of Americans who see this election as an overthrow of our nation, not simply a shift from one political party to another.

The bottom line is that Satan is going use the leadership of America he's installed to label Christians and patriots as domestic terrorists.

Let me quickly share a few news 'headlines' to show what I mean. For sake of time, I'm not going to read any of the articles; the headlines are self-explanatory;

"The Guardian"

Biden decries Trump mob: "Don't call them protesters. They were domestic terrorists."

Biden chose his words carefully and purposefully. I looked up the implications of being labeled a domestic terrorist – here's what I found:

The FBI defines domestic terrorism as acts "perpetrated by individuals and/or groups inspired by or associated with primarily U.S.-based movements that espouse extremist ideologies of a political, religious, social, racial, or environmental nature."

Now, from "The Hill"

Tech corporation working to create digital COVID-19 vaccination passport

On "60 Minutes" (I'm paraphrasing from a report on this I received about this);

"CBS 60 Minutes did a documentary about the Republicans that were incited by Trump that became mob rioters and will probably assault capitol buildings throughout the nation on inauguration day. . . One reporter

implied that the real threat to America is the ardent mass of Trump supporters all over America that could still be incited.”

Yeah, that’s what I do. I sit around all day waiting and hoping someone will “incite” me.

Finally, from “Newsweek”

“Franklin Graham compares 10 senators who voted to impeach Trump to the betrayal of Christ.”

I threw this one in, because millions of believers in our country have, whether they realize it or not, raised “saving America” to the level of the Great Commission – and placed their hopes in Trump as much, if not more, than in the Lord.

If Satan is successful in what he is instigating through the Marxists who are trying to assume control of our nation, then marginalizing those the government considers ‘insurrectionists” will move swiftly from shaming, labeling and accusing to potential imprisonment– we will become like China and Stalinist Russia, which, of course, has been the plan all along, as was made clear in the documentary, “Agenda: The Grinding Down of America” by Curtis Bowers, which I hope all of you have seen by now.

It appears that 2020 was just the calm before the storm.

As for the Church, what I want to read now perfectly describes what the Lord is after in us. I recently read this in one of our recorded discussions with Larry and Doug,

“And the remnant... shall again take root downward, and bear fruit upward.”
(Isaiah 37:31)

“The Lord must have something which cannot be carried away, which cannot be removed, cannot be shaken, and certainly something which cannot be rooted up. That is His remnant. That, He must have for His own

glory, and that being so, He will take every measure with His remnant to have them after that kind, with roots downward. Of course, unto fruit upward. We speak much about the upward side of things, life in the heavenlies, sitting in the heavenlies, and our warfare and work – the fruitfulness of our life in union with the Lord. That is only possible as our roots are downward. In order that that might be so, we have to get into a place of unshakeableness where the roots have got such a grip that nothing can overthrow. And I believe that explains a very great deal of what the Lord is doing with His own spiritual people in these days.

“It is true that the true children of God are going through a time of intense trial and testing spiritually in these days; everywhere it is so. Why? Because the Lord must have something against which hell is impotent and by which He demonstrates to the universe the strength of His might which causes to stand and withstand. Just to be able, through testing, trial, when everything is blowing round you like a blizzard; when everything is dark, mysterious, and even God seems far away and unreal, and faith is tested and you are being assailed on the right hand and on the left, and there is every reason outwardly for your moving, giving up, falling down, surrendering, lowering your standard, just to stand and not be moved in your faith is the greatest possible victory.... We are passing through deep experiences; the enemy is doing it and the Lord is not preventing him. The Lord is seeking to have a people who cannot be shaken, against whom hell with all its demonstration of arrogance and pride, is impotent. “And the remnant... shall again take root downward.” That is what the Lord needs.”

I want to share a story of a possible agenda that may be ramped up in 2021. This scenario reflects what has happened in the past when movements like the one we see now in the United States take control of a nation.

And, again, even if this accurately captures our future, it would only be a small part of all that will actually happen this year. We know from the scriptures that the “beginning of sorrows” spoken of in Matt. 24, is casting its shadow on us from Daniel’s 70th week.

We're also aware that many other passages speaking of violence, apostasy, national and global resets, the reshaping of governments around the world, digitalized monetary systems, tracing and tracking of every human on the planet, and hundreds of other clearly stated prophecies are beginning to be fulfilled.

So, what we're going to look at now is a description of what would only serve as a reinforcement of what will be going on in many other areas of society and government.

It's called "The Children's Story" and it's written by James Cavell, the author of Shogun. And as I said before, it will take me a few minutes to read, but it's worth it, so settle in, grab a cup of coffee, and seriously consider the implications to all of us in this portrait that Mr. Cavell paints for us.

"The Children's Story"

From 8:58 to 9:23, in 25 minutes, the training this teacher had received enabled her to move her children from patriots to comrades; from believers to atheists.

And not reluctantly or forcefully through torture or severe brainwashing techniques, but subtly and deceptively through a powerful and effective worldview that became, to them, completely reasonable and absolutely true.

Listen again to the last couple of sentences;

"It was a good land, and vast. A land to breathe in. But she was warmed not by the sun, but by the thought that throughout the school, and the land, all children, all men and all women were being taught with the same faith, with variations of the same procedures. Each according to his age group. Each according to his need. She glanced at her watch . . . it was 9:23."

Under the influence of the secular media, coupled with the censorship of anyone trying to get the truth out, millions of both non-believers and Christians have moved from holding to the values of the post-world war two generation, to fully believing the "faith" of the Marxist, globalist-controlled media.

This deception has been so effective that the followers of Christ, who were accepted and, in most cases, honored for centuries in our country, are now seen as extreme right-wing activists who are a danger to all of us.

In the tribulation, the world will be indoctrinated by these beliefs through lying signs and wonders. They will be completely deceived into worshipping and following their “leader” and they will be committed to eliminating those who follow the Son of God.

If you’ve watched what’s happening, for example, to Israel and the United Kingdom, you know that the United States was the last nation on our planet acting as a barrier to the global conquest of this world through the instilling of the principles and beliefs ingrained in the worldview of the spirit of Antichrist.

So, to close our study, I want to give a brief review of what the Millennial Kingdom will look like and also show you the incredible things God has planned for us leading up to the rapture.

The Kingdom will be inhabited by both mortals and immortals. The mortals are those who survive the tribulation and enter Christ’s Kingdom when He returns. They will repopulate the earth. They will live in perfect environment throughout the world because the curse of the fall will be removed.

Israel will be the head nation with Jerusalem as the capitol of the world. Christ will sit on the throne of His father David and reign over the earth in righteousness.

The immortals are made up of three categories:

- 1) Those faithful to Christ during the tribulation and who are martyred by the Antichrist. They will be resurrected at Christ’s coming.
- 2) The spiritual descendants of Abraham who will also be raised to life at the return of Christ.

- 3) The Body of Christ, the Church, all of whom will have received their resurrection bodies at the rapture, will return with Christ at the end of the tribulation.

Though all believers from the Church age will be glorified with Christ in His Kingdom, there will be a remnant within the Church (the Lord's overcomers), who will share the throne of Christ. These will be in closest proximity to Him and like the inner chamber of King Arthur's court or David's mighty men, they will reign with the Lord over all His Kingdom.

Now, here is what the Lord is going to do with us between now and the rapture.

(1 Thess. 5:23-24) From the Amplified version:

"Now may the God of peace Himself sanctify you through and through [that is, separate you from the profane, make you pure and whole and undamaged—consecrated to Him—set apart for His purpose]; and may your spirit and soul and body be kept complete and [be found] in a state of blamelessness (of holiness) in the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. Faithful and absolutely trustworthy is He who is calling you [to Himself] and He will accomplish this [He will fulfill His call by making you holy, guarding you, completing you, watching over you, and protecting you as His own]."

I'll share some clarifying comments by Sparks on this:

"God is going to have it; a Church at the end filled with glory. That is how it is going to be - spiritual fulness at last. God is not going to be defeated, and the Church is the very vessel or sphere of the power of the resurrection. This is something that the Lord has provided for - to have a people here on this earth who are the channels for the enrichment of others in all directions, a people through whom there shall go out spiritual riches (rivers of living waters). This is the calling of the Church: that wherever people are really seeking to know the truth, know the Lord, to come into the light, the Lord should have a vessel where that light can be found. It is a challenge, as well as a statement of fact. It is something that we must quite definitely lay hold

of by faith. It is God's intention: therefore, it must be possible. The Lord provides for what He wants. It is not necessary for any child of God, who is standing by faith in the good of the heavenly calling and vocation, not to be a vehicle of light to others. The Church is to be that light in fullness (at the end)".

In God's perfect timing, our spirit, soul and body are going to be brought to completion, to provide a testimony to this world of the grace and presence of Christ, and of the empirical results of what He accomplished and brought to His elect through His death and resurrection.

In spirit we will be brought into a complete and clear understanding of the full counsel of God and His purpose in Christ; and we will be moving under an open heaven receiving revelation, guidance and empowerment.

In our souls, Christ will have been fully formed, so that what we think and what we do will reflect His moral and spiritual character.

And in body, we will be free from the curse of the fall. Our bodies will be, as the passage in 1 Thess. 5 tells us, "undamaged". They won't be the same as our glorified bodies which reflect our final conformity to the new creation species, but they will be fully functional and unimpaired.

All of these things, and a billion more that await our resurrection at the rapture, are the fruits of what our Lord has made possible for us because of His sacrifice on the Cross and His resurrection and ascension to the right hand of God.

So, we can, and should, be aware of what's going on around us because we want to be awake and not have our heads buried in the sand. But what I just shared about what the Lord intends as His counter move to what the enemy is doing, by bringing us to spiritual fullness and revealing the glory of Christ to this world in a way not seen since the book of Acts, and then removing the Church - that is where our thoughts and prayers need to be.

Again, we should be aware of what's happening on the earth, but our passion and heart needs to be on things above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God.

Because when Christ Who is our life appears, we will appear with Him in glory.

Like our Savior, for the joy that is set before us, we must be willing to despise the shame and endure the cross in whatever form that takes.