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falling apart or falling into place

"but know this, that in the last days perilous times will come: for men will be lovers of themselves, lovers of money, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, unloving, unforgiving, slanderers, without self-control, brutal, despisers of good, traitors, headstrong, haughty, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God, having a form of godliness but denying its power. and from such people turn away!" 1 tim 3:1-5

these things must be as inhabitants of the end times. we might look upon things as though they are falling apart. God sees them as falling into place. i know people in america are entering into hard times. if that be the case here, just think of the suffering elsewhere as little children slowly breath their last after enduring an extended time of starvation. it's happening even as we speak. it can not remain "out of sight," "out of mind." we must do what we can to ease their pain - financially if possible, prayer for sure.

nuclear war is no longer unimaginable as it is being threatened by a number of nations now. volcanoes, earthquakes, pandemics are all indicative birth pains have arrived. the world is talking about a great reset. many nations are now considering, or implementing, a cbdc - a central bank digital currency. one can easily see how there could be no buying or selling without approval. the powers that be know more about us now than we do our own family members.

crispr technology is boasting how it will allow people to edit genes and cause certain diseases to become nonexistent (an enticing thought to many). elon musk says brain implants are now possible, only awaiting approval from the powers that be. many, even in world of computer hacking, will willing submit to brain implantation and possible hacking of their actions, their beliefs, even their very will. how far is this all from when the fallen angels mingled dna with humans? the days of noah have arrived again.

most americans believe in karma instead of sowing and reaping. over 25% believe in reincarnation or astrology. surveys shows nearly nine out of 10 americans say they believe in at least one belief that falls under the loosely defined umbrella of new-age spiritualism, while about a quarter believes in reincarnation, parallel realities and telepathy.

jerusalem, always a sure steady sign of end times is now building a highway leading directly to where they anticipate the new temple to be constructed. the red heifers needed to dedicate the temple are standing in preparation for the appointed time.

the apostasy is in full swing as the percentages of those claiming christianity as their faith dwindles. and among those few, how many are true believers and how many claim it just out of habit? one can almost hear our Lord Jesus mouthing the words, "i never knew you." matt 7:23

i know some people believe "once saved, always saved."

i do not. always saved doesn't leave much room for the apostasy, the great falling away. the other day i heard a wise man explain it better than i could. one may rest secured in their faith in Jesus. His is a finished work, but one still has free will. they may give up their faith and eternal hope. it's not so much losing one's salvation as it is forfeiting it. esau forfeited his birthright for his belly.

i was listening to a radio program one morning and two men were having a discussion about the times we are going through. the discussion boiled down to this: "it is better to light a candle than to curse the darkness." people, we who carry the torch of Jesus Christ are that candle.

eyes are always on us - children, spouses, friends, even scoffers, are watching to see how we will act or react. sadly, too often we have been a poor representative of the One we claim to believe in. now as we are witnessing the beginning of sorrows, may we all pledge to do better, to be better. i leave you with the prayer of francis of assisi.

"Lord, make me an instrument of Thy peace. where there is hatred, let me sow love. where there is injury, pardon; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; and where there is sadness, joy. o Divine Master, grant that i may not so much seek to be consoled as to console, to be understood as to understand, to be loved, as to love. for it is in giving that we receive, it is in pardoning that we are pardoned, and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life."

