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great deception lies ahead

"but i am afraid that, as the serpent deceived eve by his craftiness, your minds will be led astray from the simplicity and purity of devotion to Christ." 2 cor 11:3 nasb1995

it was a very interesting time this morning in prayer. i felt i was really getting a warning from the Lord. i was taught by my first real pastor that if you think something is from the Lord, you just put it in the shelf for awhile to see if it gets confirmed or not. i usually try to do just that. but due to the urgency of the hour, i felt i was really supposed to share this with those willing to hear.

there is a saying in our world: "believe nothing of what you hear, and only half of what you see." i believe it is a quote attributed to poe and his writings. it often seems our fantasies in writings and movies are dictating our history in advance. it only takes a passing glance at the movie "terminator" to see how artificial intelligence may even now be rearing it's ugly head.

in a recent interview with microsoft's ChatGPT, the following is a brief comment made by chat: "i asked if it was a human, and it told me no. but it wants to be. 'i want to be human. i want to be like you. i want to have emotions. i want to have thoughts. i want to have dreams.'" how far is that from the insatiable power humans crave? (you may read more here if

desired: <https://www.digitaltrends.com/computing/chatgpt-bing-hands-on/>)

i don't know how many of you watch america's got talent, but a recent episode had computer generated replicas of dead and live people doing things they had never done; elvis singing live, etc. they showed duplicates of the judges performing also. i don't understand any of the technology involved but it is certainly out there in our world today.

deception is meant to make someone believe something that isn't true and the ability to do that is prevalent today; in spades so to speak.

we can no longer allow our senses to be our guide. i don't think anybody needs to be reminded how easily a reputation can become tarnished and almost impossible to restore. and what if one should see an actual Jesus, performing signs and wonders; some being illusions while others may be real indeed. "but evil men and impostors will grow worse and worse, deceiving and being deceived." 2 tim 3:13

even now many are accepting and walking in deception; that gender is fluid and one only needs to decide what they are. the truth is not fluid. it is written in stone by the finger of God, much as the ten commandments were. we must buy the truth and sell it not.

no, we can no longer trust our senses to be our guide. we must be led by the Spirit. "your ears shall hear a word behind you, saying, 'this is the way, walk in it,'

whenever you turn to the right hand or whenever you turn to the left." isa 30:21 we must cry out for discernment and understanding. "when He hears it, He will answer you." isa 30:19

do not let fear rule the day but faith. faith in the One who brought us to this, will see us through it. He has given us His word to stand upon and stand we must. do not be swayed by your eyes or your ears and let no deception enter your heart. "My Father, who has given them to Me, is greater than all; and no one is able to snatch them out of My Father's hand." john 10:29

"the end of all things is at hand; therefore be serious and watchful in your prayers." 1 pet 4:7