

jan 4

what you do, do quickly

Jesus issued that command to judas right before he was to be betrayed. the task judas was to perform was one which needed to be done by one who was willing to do it. our Lord travailed in agony before His necessary suffering. not a suffering of pain as much as the wedge it must temporarily drive between the Father and Him. "You are of purer eyes than to behold evil, and cannot look on wickedness." hab 1:13

i think Jesus is again issuing that command to a more vast number than the one. He is issuing it to all would hear the command and take it to heart. if you've ever seen an hourglass keeping time, the sand is almost all passed from top to bottom. lyrics from an old song come rushing to memory.

now is the time if you're gonna love Him  
now is the time if you're gonna serve Him  
let your song reach out just now  
let your heart, let it make the vow  
now is the time to serve the Lord

yes, what you do, do quickly. just as judas had a task to perform, so do we. we are to usher in His second coming, the end of this age. there are other lyrics that come to mind as they are often in my prayers of sort.

but wait a little longer, please Jesus  
there are so many wandering out in sin

just a little longer, please Jesus  
a few more days to get our loved ones in

often i think of how God must be amused by our cry to "come now" followed quickly by a "wait a little longer." we know it will be in His sovereign will. God knows those who are His. He knows those who will come to true repentance and those who must be given over. there is a traveling so far into darkness that one doesn't desire the light anymore.

days have now passed and soon "one more chance" will become their "last chance." now is the time to do what we must do; before God does what He must do; separate the light from the darkness. it was divided in the beginning and will be again.

others may mock and ridicule that old "fanatic" many see us believers as being. we've have all heard it before. "where is the promise of His coming? for since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as they were from the beginning of creation." 2 pet 3:4

"but when the fullness of the time had come, God sent forth His Son." gal 4:4 that fullness is arriving again. that which we must do, let us do quickly!