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the days of our life

"why should i fear in the days of evil, when the iniquity at my heels surrounds me?" psalms 49:5

we are living in the days of evil. it is only living our witness and God's grace that will get any of us through what is appointed to us. "and He has made from one blood every nation of men to dwell on all the face of the earth, and has determined their preappointed times and the boundaries of their dwellings." acts 17:26

often we look at our brethren and think they either have it easier than we do, and some perhaps harder. is it possible that God has equipped each of us for our unique struggle, knowing ahead of time all things as He does?

i know i often look upon our brethren in foreign countries and pray for their endurance. i see the persecution, the beheadings, the having to worship in secret, all the terrors surrounding them, and i pray again for their strength. in the spirit i can see them praying for us in america as well.

awhile back i mentioned about someone who had escaped from persecution in their country and had been living in america for awhile. it wasn't too long before they decided to return to that place of persecution. why seek to go back to such a place. they were not equipped for our surroundings. they saw themselves

slipping away from the faith in the laxness of american life. unfortunately, i see that happening to much of the church here as well. could it be possible that the trial of our faith is more difficult to us than to them. the enemy is perfectly happy to use ease instead of persecution if it will waiver our faith.

who can say what is bearable to one and not another? although i believe more actual physical persecution will be coming soon here also, right now it is a battle of a different kind we are in. the other day i heard someone give a witness about his daughter who had recently tried to commit suicide.

she was 17 she was being housed at a children's hospital. upon visiting his daughter he discovered that the hospital had children as young as eight years old who had tried to commit suicide as well. our adults, but especially our children are now having to endure things unheard of in my generation. his advice was to get your kids away from social media as much as you could - especially tik tok and snap chat. also to get then away from public schooling if you possibly could.

our children are being influenced and indoctrinated in ways we never were before. between school time and time spent on their devices, parental time and influence is minuscule. is it no wonder they are even confused about whether they are a boy or a girl? is it any wonder we are raising a generation of children disobedient to parents; more so than ever before.

Jesus warned we would have tribulation in this life.

paul gives us a terrifying description of how things will be in the last days and anyone who still believes we are not living in the last days had their head buried in the sand. that will not make it go away or protect one from experiencing it. it will just leave one unprotected; without the weapons of their warfare.

am i a watchman - called to warn others? i honestly do not know. i know i am doing what i think God wants me to do; to share and encourage, to warn and equip. whether it is enough or not i guess i will learn when the rewards are passed out.

i do know that Christ Jesus has made us kings and priests unto God and the scripture says: "let the priests, who minister to the Lord, weep between the porch and the altar; let them say, 'spare Your people, o Lord, and do not give Your heritage to reproach.'" joel 2:17 i also knows the tears i have shed; the prayers i have made. i want to encourage and entice you. i want to warn and weapon you. now is the time if we're going to serve Him! time shortens every day.