



Grace Place Ministries, Inc.

Ordinary People Serving an Extraordinary God

Spiritual Perspective

Happy New Year everyone! Or, we could say, Challenging New Year everyone! Or, we could say, Amazing and Supernatural New Year everyone! It's all about perspective from our soul (mind, will or emotion) or from our spirit (the God part of our being). The saying, "it is what it is" is often said in trying situations so what is the "it"? The "it" may be political chaos, or pandemics, or falling and collapsing of the economy, or immorality exposed on all levels of society including the Church. These are just a few of the "it's" that are prevalent in the headlines of today.

The media paints a future of dire and impending doom and gloom but what does the Lord say? Hopefully, as we ponder just a few scriptures, we will have more of a spiritual perspective with hope and an anticipation of some of the greatest and most glorious days ahead!

Concerning **Political unrest**: the Bible says to pray for all leaders in 1 Timothy 2:1-2, **"I urge, first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for all people, for kings and all those in authority so that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness."**

Proverbs 11:14, **"For lack of guidance, a nation falls, but victory is won through many advisors."**

This year I am going to be more diligent to pray for all leaders in the city, state, national and world leadership. This is not a time to be passive in our prayers and in our election of officials. We must pray for Godly wisdom and the fear of the Lord!

Concerning **Pandemics**: We can live in fear or faith! 2 Timothy 1:7, **"For God has not given us a spirit of fear but power, love and a sound mind."**

Psalms 91: 1-2, **"He who dwells in the secret place of the Most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty. I will say of the Lord, 'He is my refuge and my fortress; my God in Him I will trust.'" The Secret Place is the Presence of the Lord and if we abide there, the promises of God's protection are to all who will trust and believe. If ever there was a time to memorize this Psalms....it's now!**

Every morning I declare out loud that me and mine are covered in the Blood of Jesus! Even if we get Covid or any other plague, the case will be so mild and short lived that we will hardly know that we got it!

Concerning **Economy falling or collapse**: Matthew 6:31-34 is where Jesus is teaching about not worrying as to what we eat or the clothes we wear but to seek His Kingdom first and all the things we need will be provided. And in Philippines 4:19, the Apostle Paul says, **"And my God will meet all your needs according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus."**

Concerning **Immorality exposed on all levels**: Luke 8:17, **"For there is nothing hidden that will not become evident, nor anything secret that will not be known and come out into the open."**

1 Peter 4:17, **"For it is the time for judgement to begin with the household of God; and if it begins with us, what will the outcome be for those who do not respect or believe or obey the gospel of God?"**

Hebrews 12:25-27, says that **"everything that can be shaken will be shaken so that what cannot be shaken may remain."**

So, if our perspective for this new year is that God is in absolute control and He is faithful and trustworthy and that all the shakings are good signs that He is coming back soon....then with Heaven's view...we need to remember what it says in Luke 21:28, **"Now when these things begin to happen, look up and lift up your heads, because your redemption draws near."**

Normal isn't coming back....but Jesus is!!!

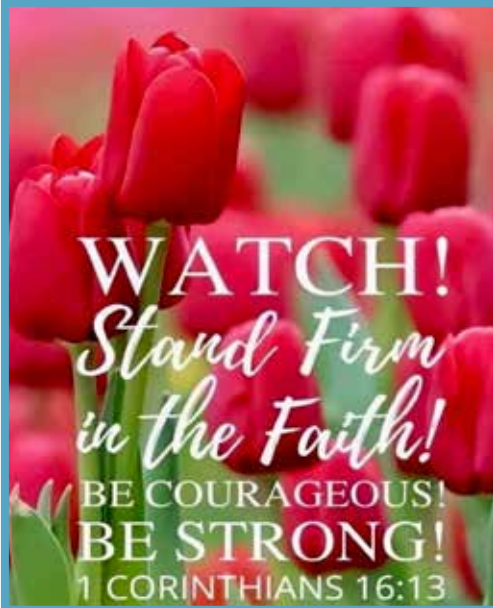
Happy and glorious and amazing and supernatural New Year to you and all those you love!!!

I love you all!!
Rhonda



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- Sheets (all sizes)
- Care kits
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