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The Pastors Message:

Christians, Stand Firm!

Jude 1:17 - 18 *"But, beloved, remember ye the words which were spoken before of the apostles of our Lord Jesus Christ; How that they told you there should be mockers in the last time, who should walk after their own ungodly lusts."*

I know it is hard living in a world that is getting worse and worse every day. It is hard to live in a world that hates God more and more every day. The hate of this world is not just against God, it is against Christians and churches alike. Jesus said, *"The world cannot hate you; but me it hateth, because I testify of it, that the works thereof are evil."* John 7:7 The world hates us because we are Christians, it hates us that we stand for God's word and try to do God's works, against abortions, against homosexuals, against sinfulness. This world is getting eviler by the day, evil has overtaken our education system and are brainwashers with evil and teaching anti-Godism. Our government have been taken over by these same evil people who are as evil as our educational system, and it is not going to get better. Paul wrote to young preacher Timothy, *"Yea, and all that will live godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution. But evil men and seducers shall wax worse and worse, deceiving, and being deceived."* 2 Timothy 3:12 - 13 If you look closely at this verse you will see the reality of this verse In America, but also in the world. Christians have always lived in persecution since Jesus was here, but look closely at verse 13, *"evil men and seducers shall wax worse and worse"* The word "seducer" is defined - a deceiver, imposter - which are liars not only telling lies but believing them. Today you no longer must prove anything, just keep telling the lies and the people will believe it. Three things control this world, money which is the root of evil, the news media which controls our information, and government which make the laws. The seducers control all three in this world, and it is getting worse by the day. Jude warned us, "...there should be mockers in the last time, who should walk after their own ungodly lusts." A "mockers" is defined - a false teacher: - mocker, scoffer - these false teachers, i.e. educators, news media, and etc. will be pushing their own lust and brainwashing people with their own evil lust, and God warned when this happens we are in the "last days". John wrote in The Revelations, *"And the light of a candle shall shine no more at all in thee; and the voice of the bridegroom*

and of the bride shall be heard no more at all in thee: for thy merchants were the great men of the earth; for by thy sorceries were all nations deceived." Revelation 18:23 The "Bridegroom" is Jesus Christ and the Bride is the churches, their voices will not be heard again even though we keep preaching. People will attempt to eliminate both the bible and the voice of the churches; Satan will use the voice of the Arminian churches assist in to do this. They will confuse the world with false teachings to promote humanistic views that eliminates God, Jesus, and Grace from salvation that also works to the elimination of God from peoples thinking. These false prophets will promote humanism over God creating a Godless religion. "*Who changed the truth of God into a lie, and worshipped and served the creature more than the Creator, who is blessed for ever. Amen.*" Romans 1:25 This is the definition of mockers and scoffers, the educators, news medias, and politicians, all fit into this category of mockers and scoffers, all are liars. Therefore, as we see this world getting worse and worse, we as Christians and churches should not be of great concern because God has ordained it all to be. He warned us that happenings over time would worsen more and more and seeing all these evils should grow our faith in God. We should be rejoicing, not over the persecutions and liars but over seeing God's revelations of the end of our time coming true and closer and closer by the day. Therefore, as we watch the world grow more and more in evil, living in lies, and brainwashing our young it all points to the last days. Therefore, while the pain is great seeing salvations getting far in between, churches getting fewer and fewer, and churches dying off, it is all living in the last days. There was a time when churches and Christians were murdered even by so-called other Christians that were nothing but scoffers and murders. But do not forget God is in control and God will be victorious in the end. God sets kings up and God takes kings down, to God be the glory. Our suffering will only be a short time, therefore we churches and Christians must stand firm in Christ. Every time a Church weakens, or a Christian weakens to the power of this world Satan gets a victory. The Lord warned us, "*Watch ye, stand fast in the faith, quit you like men, be strong.*" 1 Corinthians 16:13

That pestilent and most wretched John Wycliffe!

John Wycliffe was the first to translate the complete Bible into the English language in the 1380's.

John Wycliffe wrote the following:

Holy Scripture is the preeminent authority for every Christian, and the rule of faith.

Forasmuch as the Bible contains all that is necessary for salvation — it is necessary for all men, not for priests alone. It alone is the supreme law that is to rule the Church . . . without human traditions and statutes.

Christ and His Apostles taught the people in the language best known to them. Therefore, the doctrine should not only be in Latin but in the common tongue. The laity ought to understand the faith and, as doctrines of our faith are in the Scriptures, believers should have the Scriptures in a language which they fully understand.

The Catholic Archbishop of Canterbury wrote the following:

"That pestilent and most wretched John Wycliffe, of damnable memory, a child of the old devil, and himself a child or pupil of Antichrist... crowned his wickedness by translating the Scriptures into the mother tongue!"

N.B. The Roman Catholic Council of Constance declared Wycliffe to be a heretic, and decreed that Wycliffe's works should be burned. In 1428, under the direction of Pope Martin V — Wycliffe's corpse was exhumed and burned.

Why?

By A. W. Pink

Instead of a *river*, God often gives us a *brook* — which may be running today, and dried up tomorrow.

Why?

To teach us not to rest in our *blessings* — but in the *blessor* Himself.

"Hold me up — and I shall be safe!" Psalm 119:117

"So do not fear — for I am with you! Do not be dismayed — for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with My righteous right hand!" Isaiah 41:10