



## PREPARED FOR HIS SOON RETURN SERIES

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RENEW YOUR MIND, FOR THE TIME IS AT HAND.

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(John 18:36-NIV).*

Jesus has finished the work the Father has given Him to do. He was about to accomplish the ultimate sacrifice for the redemption of Mankind. After praying in the garden of Gethsemane, He was arrested, and tried before the Sanhedrin, condemned and sent to Pilate the next morning (Mark 14:53-65). Before Pilate, when Jesus was questioned about His kingship, He gave the following answer:

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The concern of the people living in the time of Jesus was wellbeing, prosperity, peace and happiness on this earth. As disciples of Jesus-Christ awaiting His kingdom of righteousness, should our hope rest on this world?

Jesus made it clear, His kingdom was not of this earth. His mission was the establishment of His kingdom of righteousness where sin will not longer be named the second time; a kingdom of godliness where true love and the perfect peace and rest of God will abide forever.

Today we are so much privileged to witness the fulfillment of the final events prophecies in the religious, political, natural, and economical worlds; things Holy Spirit filled apostles of Jesus-Christ wished to see in their lifetime.

In Luke 21:29-39-KJV we see the words of Jesus Christ regarding the final events preceding His return:

- when these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh. And he spake to them a parable; Behold the fig tree, and all the trees; When they now shoot forth, ye see and know of your own selves that summer is now nigh at hand. So likewise ye, when ye see these things come to pass, know ye that the kingdom of God is nigh at hand. Verily I say unto you, this generation shall not pass away, till all be fulfilled. Heaven and earth shall pass away: but my words shall not pass away. And take heed to yourselves, lest at any time your hearts be overcharged with surfeiting, and drunkenness, and cares of this life, and so that day come upon you unawares. For as a snare shall it come on all them that dwell on the face of the whole earth. Watch ye therefore, and pray always, that ye may be accounted worthy to escape all these things that shall come to pass, and to stand before the Son of man.

In the verses above Jesus spelled out the things that can prevent us today to have a spiritual focus, and a meaningful relationship with God:

- surfeiting (overindulgence in worldly things, seeking for worldly things in excess),
- Drunkenness (carelessness regarding the things of God, being totally lost in the things of this world),
- the cares of this life (the concern about worldly things, careers, money, fame, worldly ambitions, , houses, success, positions, and the likes).

As we begin the journey in this new year, our prayer for you and ourselves is not to be conformed to this world but, to be transformed by the renewing of our mind, that we may prove what is good, acceptable and the perfect will of God, (Romans 12:2) especially in this time. We pray for God to bless you as you get very intentional in making God and His soon coming kingdom your priority.

By His grace, we will see His face, not in shame but in righteousness. Amen.

Yours in the blessed hope.

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