

Bible Prophecy Update – August 11th, 2019

- For today's update, I want to talk with you about what I believe is the most powerful weapon the enemy uses against believers.
- Namely, fear, of that which is to come and is even now beginning to come upon the whole world in this the last days of history.
- One of the end time's prophecies in the Bible that's not really talked about that much is how that fear will come upon the earth.

Isaiah 24:17–18 - 17 Fear and the pit and the snare Are upon you, O inhabitant of the earth. 18 And it shall be That he who flees from the noise of the fear Shall fall into the pit, And he who comes up from the midst of the pit Shall be caught in the snare; For the windows from on high are open, And the foundations of the earth are shaken.

Luke 21:25–26 - 25 “And there will be signs in the sun, in the moon, and in the stars; and on the earth distress of nations, with perplexity, the sea and the waves roaring; 26 **men's hearts failing them from fear** and the expectation of those things which are coming on the earth, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken.

Luke 21:10–11 - 10 Then he said to them: “**Nation will rise against nation**, and kingdom against kingdom. 11 There will be great earthquakes, famines and pestilences in various places, and **fearful** events and great signs from heaven.

- It's interesting to note that the word in the original language for nation is the Greek word “ethnos” where we get our word ethnic.
- In other words, Jesus is saying that at the time of the end, people of different ethnicity and race will rise up against other races.
- Perhaps it goes without saying but what's happening is the likes of which we've never seen before particularly here in the US.

On Thursday, Haaretz published a report about President Trump slamming Shepard Smith and Fox News after Smith said White Nationalism is a real problem. Fox News anchor Shepard Smith contradicted on-air Wednesday his colleague Tucker Carlson, who claimed a day before that white supremacy is “actually not a real problem in America.” ...Smith's words were a direct contradiction to Carlson, who argued, “the whole thing is a lie, ...White supremacy is “actually not a real problem in America.” Carlson added that the white supremacy issue is “a hoax” and “a conspiracy theory used to divide the country”

https://www.haaretz.com/us-news/trump-slams-shepard-smith-and-fox-news-after-segment-on-white-nationalism-being-real-1.7651468?utm_source=Push_Notification&utm_medium=web_push&utm_campaign=General

- Be that as it may, the fact remains that we are divided and this is exactly what Satan has successfully done to destroy America.
- I suppose you could say that this is a textbook case of “Divide and Conquer,” vis-à-vis ethnic race rising up against ethnic race.
- The result of this is that people even Christians, are becoming fearful of that which is now coming upon the earth as Jesus said.

This USA Today report says it all concerning American's being “on edge. “...a weeklong string of mass shootings have shaken Americans, and multiple false reports and hoaxes of active shooters have spread around the country, highlighting **an acute fear many Americans feel in the wake of the incidents**. It was evidenced by the panic that quickly spread in Times Square when a loud bang caused the crowd of people to scatter in all directions. “What many thought in the moment would be another tragedy in a sea of mass shootings in the USA turned out to be another false alarm. A motorcycle backfired, ringing out like the gunshots of an active shooter.

<https://www.usatoday.com/story/news/nation/2019/08/07/active-shooter-false-reports-put-america-edge-after-mass-shootings/1942249001/>

Isaiah 8:11–13 - 11 This is what the LORD says to me with his strong hand upon me, warning me not to follow the way of this people: 12 “Do not call conspiracy everything this people calls a conspiracy; **do not fear what they fear**, and do not dread it. 13 The LORD Almighty is the one you are to regard as holy, he is the one you are to fear, he is the one you are to dread.

Matthew 10:28 - And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. But rather fear Him who is able to destroy both soul and body in hell.

- One final thought; it has to do with Job and the conspicuous absence of a warning from Satan that he had God's permission.
- God didn't give Satan permission to attack Job with a spirit of fear prior, he only had permission to attack Job, not warn Job.
- In other words, whatever fears Satan is attacking you with, will not happen because if he had permission, he would just do it.

James 5:11 - As you know, we count as blessed those who have persevered. You have heard of Job's perseverance and have seen what the Lord finally brought about. The Lord is full of compassion and mercy.

Hebrews 10:36–37 - 36 For you have need of endurance, so that after you have done the will of God, you may receive the promise: 37 “For yet a little while, And He who is coming will come and will not tarry.

- This is why we do these weekly prophecy updates and end with the Gospel of Jesus Christ and the simple ABC's of Salvation.
- The Gospel, or good news is that Jesus was crucified, buried, rose again on the third day, and is coming back for us one day.

1 Corinthians 15:1–4 - 1 Moreover, brethren, I declare to you the gospel which I preached to you, which also you received and in which you stand, 2 by which also you are saved, if you hold fast that word which I preached to you—unless you believed in vain. 3 For I delivered to you first of all that which I also received: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, 4 and that He was buried, and that He rose again the third day according to the Scriptures,

The ABC's of Salvation

- The A is for Admit you're a sinner and your need for the Savior, (Romans 3:10, 23 – 6:23).
- The B is for Believe in your heart that Jesus is Lord and God raised Him from the dead, (Romans 10:9-10).
- The C is for Call upon the name of the Lord and confess with your mouth that Jesus Christ is Lord, (Romans 10:9-10, 13).