The Clash of Darkness and Light

GOD'S LIGHT ARISES TO DISPEL THE DARKNESS OF EVIL

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od created Adam and Eve to have dominion over the Earth. In fact, he created the world to be a blessing for man with an atmosphere of healthy air and life-giving water. Livestock, fish, and seed-bearing trees and plants were all created

for the benefit, health, and wellness of God's human creatures. But even amid tremendous blessings and generous favor, Adam and Eve rejected God's instructions. Dominion over the Earth was forfeited as the couple bowed in compliant submission to the angelic deceiver in the Garden of Eden.

According to Ezekiel 28, Satan was thrown down to Earth and banished from God's Holy Mountain. Clever, wise, and mesmerizing, this creature took possession of the earth as a spoil of conquest. He then took dominion over it. He set up his kingdom, a hierarchy of principalities and rulers that governed over the earth's inhabitants. This prince of darkness began to sell his wares, introducing the human creatures to divine secrets, sorcery, occultism, sexual seduction, materialism, mind-altering drugs, weapons, and barbaric warfare. The world that should have been governed by Adam and Eve, ministering in God's image of goodness and Light, instead fell to miserable corruption and darkness.

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And so, man began to develop a new mindset, learning the ways of sadistic spiritual authorities. They began to yearn for power, position, riches, and pleasure. Sadly, these fleshly desires became equivalent to the meaning of life. Since Satan subjugated Planet Earth, these "ambitions" of fallen man have propagated through the pervading powers of the world's hosts of evil rulers. Convincing man that these ambitions are "what life is all about," Satan fostered the deviant conduct that developed into what can only be described as amoral cultural anthropology. These ancient cultural systems created worldviews of ungodly idealism and degenerate behaviors.

Satan's cultural systems have promoted self-worship, self-promotion, and self-glorification. Happiness is thought to come from riches, education, positions of power, entertainment, sexual enjoyment, food and wine, and the list goes on. If you want it—get it at all cost—lie, steal, kill. Just help yourself. Very little is wrong. Indulge.

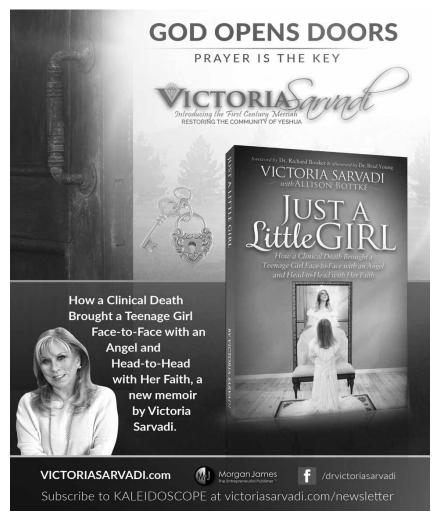
Because of the darkness of Satan's kingdom on earth, man has become disoriented, lost in the labyrinth of spiritual amnesia. And for this reason, God sent his Messiah to redeem those who would trust in him instead of this world system: "But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, the people who are God's own possession, so that you may proclaim the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light" (1 Peter 2:9, EHV).

Thankfully, there has always been a remnant of people who are disenchanted with the darkness of this world. They seem to hear and respond to a distant calling that's written in their very DNA. These children of God have hearts longing to reconnect with their Creator, a desire for true peace and marvelous Light. John 3:21 says "Whoever does what is true comes to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that his works have been carried out in God."

We are no doubt entering the time in God's plan called the *acharite hayamim*. This Hebrew term, translated as "end times," actually defers to and marks the end of an era. The focus of the *acharite hayamim* is the shift of the world's government from darkness to the Kingdom of Light.

The full gestation of God's purposes will eventually determine the final number of those who are righteous and also reveal those who are defiantly wicked (the haters of God and his Light).

While this plan may sound sardonic to many, these end-time events have been prophesied and must come about. We must realize that when it is time for God to implement his end-time events, no matter how much one prays, declares, and rebukes the evils and growing darkness, we will not be able to change or cancel



the prophesied words of tribulation and distress. These things must come to pass. The anti-messiah will rise, many believers will be imprisoned or martyred, and the kingdom of darkness will force a one-world tyrannical government and perverted religious system on all humanity.

We are already noticing that what used to be restrained is now freely operating in the world around us. Blatant hatred of God and his people is publicly demonstrated. Lawlessness and the abolishment of law enforcement are now being demanded. Criminals and lawbreakers are heralded as heroes. The killing of babies in utero

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"In fact, the mystery of this lawlessness is already at work, but only until the one who is now holding him back moves out of the way" (2 Thessalonians 2:7, EHV).

Because God has been waiting until the set time, restraint has been imposed on Satan's dark kingdom —that is until now! It has become evident to many of us living in this time of changing values and disintegrating principles that the restrainer is moving out of the way.

Darkness is becoming darker, but rest assured, the Kingdom of Light will also grow brighter than ever before. As the clash of the two kingdoms becomes more and more evident, conviction and power will energize God's people. Those who walk in the Light will do so through the empowerment of the Holy Spirit. Believers are acquiring spiritual sensory receptors especially designated for this time. Many are receiving wisdom and insight on what is hap-

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pening. Because of recent events, even nominal Christians are becoming more serious in their faith. In fact, during these trying times of the pandemic, Bible makers have seen a significant increase in the number of people seeking to have their own copies of the Word of God. Yes, my friends—*Light is indeed increasing!*

As the Holy Nation grows in number and intensity, we will see great miracles, a growing tenacity, and a supernatural ability to endure difficult situations.

The Kingdom of Light is God's government that Yeshua is bringing to restore the earth as it was intended to be in the beginning. He is taking the dominion back from the prince of darkness! And when it's all said and done and the wrath of God has eliminated this present darkness with its usurping ruler, then the Word will go forth from Zion, and all the nations will learn of his ways. His Laws will be established to the ends of the earth, and man will no longer be subject to war or despair.

Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord is dawning upon you. Look, darkness covers the Earth, and deep darkness covers the peoples, but the Lord will dawn upon you, and his glory will be seen over you. Nations will walk to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn" (Isaiah 60:1-3, EHV). The Hebrew word for light is ohr. The word *Orient* (or east) comes from this Semitic word. Matthew 24:27 and Revelation 1:7 gives us a remez (hint) as it relates to God's display of Light at his coming. It could be understood that the manifested lightning of God that comes from the east (when his foot touches the Mount Olives) will also be manifested in the West as every eye will see him!

Rest assured, when Yeshua's Kingdom is finally established, the veil of spiritual amnesia will be lifted, God's children will not see through a dark glass but will "see" all that God is. Satanic deception, temptation, and hate will no longer rule the world. He is calling us out of darkness and into intimate fellowship with Him. This is God's prophetic promise to us all

How's that for a cultural shift?



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