



No Man Is Able To Pluck Them Out Of My Father's Hand

(John 10:29)



What a precious promise!

God makes plenty of promises as recorded in the Bible, but sometimes readers of the Bible can become unbalanced spiritually. This particular promise is exemplified to us in the life of King Saul. No man plucked him out of God's hands, yet He is a lost soul. How can that be?

Was Saul truly converted?

One sign of conversion is found in Ezekiel 36:26-27, which says, "A new heart also will I give you, and a new spirit will I put within you: and I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh, and I will give you an heart of flesh. And I will put my spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes, and ye shall keep my judgments, and do [them]." And in the New Testament, 2 Corinthians 5:17 says, "Therefore if any man [be] in Christ, [he is] a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new."

It is the new heart, new person result. Did Saul have this experience?

1 Samuel 10:6 states, "And the Spirit of the LORD will come upon thee, and thou shalt prophesy with them, and shalt be turned into another man."

Not only did he become a new man, he had a gift of the Spirit! He had the ability to prophesy. It was so much so that "it became a proverb, [Is] Saul also among the prophets?" (1 Samuel 10:12)

And we know what the Bible says about prophesying. "For greater [is] he that prophesieth than he that speaketh with tongues" (1 Corinthians 14:5).

And make no mistake, 1 Samuel 10:6 clearly states that the Spirit of the Lord or Holy Spirit was in Saul. This was no trick being portrayed by Satan. This was not a false conversion. Saul was not deceived.

What happened?

When it came time for Saul to be made king, how proud was Saul?

1 Samuel 10:22 says, "Therefore they enquired of the LORD further, if the man should yet come thither. And the LORD answered, Behold, he hath hid himself among the stuff." The answer is that he was not proud or he would not have hidden himself. But this would soon fade away.

Before that would happen notice again the relationship Saul had with God. Upon hearing how badly the Israelites were being treated, "the Spirit of God came upon Saul when he heard those tidings, and his anger was kindled greatly" (1 Samuel 11:6). Saul practiced being "angry, and sin not" (Ephesians 4:26). This is called holy anger, which Jesus demonstrated twice in the temple when He overthrew the money changers' tables.

Now a crisis is reveals the deep secrets of the heart. "They search out iniquities; they accomplish a diligent search: both the inward [thought] of every one [of them], and the heart, [is] deep" (Psalms 64:6). We are about to see the first step of Saul's turn away from the hand of God.

"The Philistines gathered themselves together to fight with Israel, thirty thousand chariots, and six thousand horsemen, and people as the sand which [is] on the sea shore in multitude: and they came up, and pitched in Michmash, eastward from Bethaven" (1 Samuel 13:5). Then Saul "tarried seven days, according to the set time that Samuel [had appointed]: but Samuel came not to Gilgal; and the people were scattered from him" (1 Samuel 13:8).

So surrounded by the enemy and losing his own men, all for the fact that a priestly sacrifice was to be offered before going to battle, Saul found himself in a crisis, especially when Samuel was late. Anything could have happened to Samuel.

"Saul said, Bring hither a burnt offering to me, and peace offerings. And he offered the burnt offering. And it came to pass, that as soon as he had made an end of offering the burnt offering, behold, Samuel came; and Saul went out to meet him, that he might salute him. And Samuel said, What hast thou done? And Saul

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said, *Because I saw that the people were scattered from me, and [that] thou camest not within the days appointed, and [that] the Philistines gathered themselves together at Michmash; therefore said I, The Philistines will come down now upon me to Gilgal, and I have not made supplication unto the LORD: I forced myself therefore, and offered a burnt offering*" (1 Samuel 13:9-12).

But this was not considered a little mistake.

"Samuel said to Saul, Thou hast done foolishly: thou hast not kept the commandment of the LORD thy God, which he commanded thee: for now would the LORD have established thy kingdom upon Israel for ever. But now thy kingdom shall not continue: the LORD hath sought him a man after his own heart, and the LORD hath commanded him [to be] captain over his people, because thou hast not kept [that] which the LORD commanded thee" (1 Samuel 13:13-14).

Now *"whosoever is born of God doth not commit sin; for his seed remaineth in him: and he cannot sin, because he is born of God"* (1 John 3:9). This does not mean when one is born again that he will never sin, but rather that if you are truly born again, you will not continue in your sins, make excuses for your sins, but rather *"if any man sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous"* (1 John 2:1) and *"If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us [our] sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness"* (1 John 1:9).

So yes, we are to be *"perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect"* (Matthew 5:48). We are to be part of God's church *"not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing"* (Ephesians 5:27) meaning that *"your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ"* (1 Thessalonians 5:23). Though one sin can keep us out of heaven, we do not lose hope, because *"If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us [our] sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness."* (1 John 1:9).

And did you notice something else with Saul. The beginning of his downfall started with not keeping the commandment of the Lord.

How is it with us? Jesus said, *"If ye love me, keep my commandments"* (John 14:15). And make no mistake. Jesus was referring to the Ten Commandments as He, in these few words, just quoted from the middle of them in Exodus 20:6. Besides, it is not like the Ten Commandments were given by God the Father, and Jesus replaced them with *"a new commandment I give unto you, that ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another"* (John 13:34). No, Jesus wrote the commandments Himself seeing that He declared that He was the *"I am"* (John 8:58). And

in the context, Jesus declared that He was the God with Abraham, therefore using the same title with Moses (Exodus 3:14) means that Jesus was with Moses as well and ended up recording a copy of the Ten Commandments for Moses.

You may be wondering why we used the word copy. Both sets of Ten Commandments given to Moses were a copy, for the original is safe in heaven. Revelation 11:19 says, *"And the temple of God was opened in heaven, and there was seen in his temple the ark of his testament: and there were lightnings, and voices, and thunderings, and an earthquake, and great hail."* What do you think is in that ark?

And Jesus continued to say, *"He that hath my commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth me: and he that loveth me shall be loved of my Father, and I will love him, and will manifest myself to him"* (John 14:21). And *"if ye keep my commandments, ye shall abide in my love; even as I have kept my Father's commandments, and abide in his love"* (John 15:10). And the reason for keeping the commandments is not to be saved, but *"by this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God, and keep his commandments"* (1 John 5:2). It is a result of being saved. It is the fruit of a saving relationship.

And for those that think keeping the commandments are a means of working for salvation, it is not, *"for this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments: and his commandments are not grievous"* (1 John 5:3). So *"this is love, that we walk after his commandments. This is the commandment, That, as ye have heard from the beginning, ye should walk in it"* (2 John 1:6).

Therefore, all this talk about doing away with the commandments is no different than following the path of King Saul. And we know how that ends, although we are getting ahead of ourselves. We just do not want anyone surprised when Jesus separates the sheep from the goats and it turns out that there are more goats than one expected.

The next step out of God's hand was making abusive rules. *"And the men of Israel were distressed that day: for Saul had adjured the people, saying, Cursed [be] the man that eateth [any] food until evening, that I may be avenged on mine enemies. So none of the people tasted [any] food"* (1 Samuel 14:24).

And then Saul's pride was on the line. His son unknowingly broke the rule, but to save face, Saul was willing to kill his son, who had gained the victory. If it were not for his own people standing in the way, it would have been a terrible situation. *"The people said unto Saul, Shall Jonathan die, who hath wrought this great salvation in Israel?"* (1 Samuel 14:45).

And we probably know what the Bible says

about pride. *"Pride [goeth] before destruction, and an haughty spirit before a fall"* (Proverbs 16:18).

Now God was still working through Saul and granting him many victories. God using you does not mean you are guaranteed to be saved. In fact, it is in these spiritual victories that people today think that God is all right with the way they are living. They say, "God would not be using me to lead people to church if I were not saved!" They say that while, embezzling, gossiping, or any other sin they have excused. We know that everything is His and He is able to do anything He wants to convey His message. He could use sinners as well. Even *"the stones would immediately cry out"* (Luke 19:40). So do not put false hope in that type of relationship.

If there is sin in the life, by the grace of God, forsake it.

So Saul disobeyed God's command and became prideful. What else?

"Samuel also said unto Saul, The LORD sent me to anoint thee [to be] king over his people, over Israel: now therefore hearken thou unto the voice of the words of the LORD" (1 Samuel 15:1). Now Saul is not listening and obeying God's Word.

That is true of today. Many Christians believe that the Bible is for saving the lost. In reality, the Bible is not just to save the lost as in those that do not have a relationship with Jesus. The main purpose is to *"sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth"* (John 17:17). Yes, the Bible can be picked up by an ignorant soul and be brought to the Lord, but in reality, even at that moment they are being sanctified or made holy.

And we know that Saul did not obey God's Word because he convinced himself to saying *"Blessed [be] thou of the LORD: I have performed the commandment of the LORD"* (1 Samuel 15:13) only to turn around moments later and say, *"I have sinned: for I have transgressed the commandment of the LORD, and thy words: because I feared the people, and obeyed their voice"* (1 Samuel 15:24).

And remember, all that Saul had to do was repent. For the *"Lord, [art] good, and ready to forgive; and plenteous in mercy unto all them that call upon thee"* (Psalms 86:5). Did you notice that? God does not just forgive. We need to call upon His forgiveness, and then He forgives. And of course we call through confession.

That is one of the most beautiful themes of the gospel. Why not take the time right now and set pride aside to confess the sin?

Finally, believe it or not, there is a point of no return. Although we may not know when that is, it would not be a good idea to walk close to

sin until you sense you have enjoyed all you can enjoy before coming to a full surrender.

How do we know this? The final step happened to Saul. *"The Spirit of the LORD departed from Saul, and an evil spirit from the LORD troubled him"* (1 Samuel 16:14). The same thing happened with Judas despite all the attempts of Jesus to reach his soul. *"And supper being ended, the devil having now put into the heart of Judas Iscariot, Simon's [son], to betray him"* (John 13:2).

Oh do not wait until the events of Jesus' return is upon us. Do not wait until you have aged. Now is the time for a full surrender. Let it be said, *"This day is salvation come to this house"* (Luke 19:9).

But how is this possible?

It is possible to lose salvation because the promise we started with is in the following context:

"And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any [man] pluck them out of my hand. My Father, which gave [them] me, is greater than all; and no [man] is able to pluck [them] out of my Father's hand" (John 10:28-29).

Did you catch it?

Although no man can pluck us out of the Father's hand, we can choose to leave.

Peter says, *"For it had been better for them not to have known the way of righteousness, than, after they have known [it], to turn from the holy commandment delivered unto them"* (2 Peter 2:21). That word "know" does not mean head knowledge alone. Just as *"Adam knew Eve his wife; and she conceived,"* (Genesis 4:1) to know the way of righteousness is to have experienced it.

Ezekiel also knew this to be true. *"But when the righteous turneth away from his righteousness, and committeth iniquity, [and] doeth according to all the abominations that the wicked [man] doeth, shall he live? All his righteousness that he hath done shall not be mentioned: in his trespass that he hath trespassed, and in his sin that he hath sinned, in them shall he die"* (Ezekiel 18:24).

And he said it more than once. *"When a righteous [man] turneth away from his righteousness, and committeth iniquity, and dieth in them; for his iniquity that he hath done shall he die"* (Ezekiel 18:26).

The status of the final moment of life determines the future. Unfortunately, we do not know when our final moment is.

And if you do not think it is fair that a person who was righteous all their life and then decides to give up the faith should go to hell, while a practicing sinner who could care less

THINK ON THESE THINGS

(Philippians 4:8)

God Is A Merciful God

2 Chronicles 30:9 *For if ye turn again unto the LORD, your brethren and your children [shall find] compassion before them that lead them captive, so that they shall come again into this land: for the LORD your God [is] gracious and merciful, and will not turn away [his] face from you, if ye return unto him.*

Psalms 116:5 *Gracious [is] the LORD, and righteous; yea, our God [is] merciful.*

Joel 2:13 *And rend your heart, and not your garments, and turn unto the LORD your God: for he [is] gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness, and repenteth him of the evil.*

How is God merciful to you? Jesus died when we should have. We are allowed to live despite having sinned. We are able to simply ask Jesus for forgiveness, and He does.

Do we really deserve this? So let us appreciate His mercy.

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about heavenly things all their life and then decides just before the day they died to surrender all to God should go to heaven, God has a statement. *"Yet ye say, The way of the Lord is not equal. Hear now, O house of Israel; Is not my way equal? are not your ways unequal?"* (Ezekiel 18:25)

May it be said, *"Well, thou good servant: because thou hast been faithful in a very little, have thou authority over ten cities"* (Luke 19:17).

What is the condition?

Did you also notice the condition attached to the promise? Look at the verse right before the two about no one being able to pluck us. It says, *"My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me"* (John 10:27).

If you stop listening to God's voice, through

His Word, or ignore the Bible then like Saul you are choosing to leave the hand of God. And listening to a preacher once a week does not count. Even attending a Bible study in addition to church does not account. Personal time, every day in the Word of God is required to make it safely through each day.

Salvation is not a date. It is a daily living experience. Even the grace filled, supposed law nailing apostle stated, *"I die daily"* (1 Corinthians 15:31). Paul, whom people try to paint as an anti-commandment keeping apostle and preacher, tells us that we need to wake up each day in the mode of dying daily.

Die daily to what? *"If any [man] will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me"* (Matthew 16:24).

There is no room for self. And the commandments guard well against self.

ART THOU IN HEALTH (2 Samuel 20:9)



And To Temperance Patience (2 Peter 1:6)

2 Peter 1:5-7 *And beside this, giving all diligence, add to your faith virtue; and to virtue knowledge; and to knowledge temperance; and to temperance patience; and to patience godliness; and to godliness brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness charity.*

In August 2003 of the general newsletter, we shared how Felix was intemperate. Now we revisit the topic revealing how you can tell if you are exercising temperance.

Temperance includes being in self-control. And one can eat all the health foods they want and still be temperate. Eating too much in general, too late, and too much of one particular item are just some examples of how even a

healthy diet can turn intemperate. Then we add to the lack of proper nutrition; the lack of proper rest, water, sunlight, fresh air, exercise, or time with God and we have a situation that reveals our intemperance.

What is the test? Patience. Struggling with patience? We may be fighting the wrong battle. Get temperance under control and patience will come. Peter wrote that.

Oh, you think you are temperate in all things? Peter tells us that prior to temperance is knowledge. Read all there is in the Bible, even the part that is undesirable, and apply that because our salvation depends upon it. How do we know? Peter wrote that too. The last item is charity. And charity or love is the only item to live eternally according to Paul.

FOR MY THOUGHTS [ARE] NOT YOUR THOUGHTS, NEITHER [ARE] YOUR WAYS MY WAYS, SAITH THE LORD.

(Isaiah 55:8)



Is God good to all, or just a few?

Psalms 145:9 *The LORD is good to all: and his tender mercies are over all his works.*

Jeremiah 13:14 *And I will dash them one against another, even the fathers and the sons together, saith the LORD: I will not pity, nor spare, nor have mercy, but destroy them.*

The questioner takes exception that the act of destruction towards sinners is not good therefore He is not good to all.

Believing that the Bible does not contradict itself, we would then be open to the following verses.

"But I say unto you, Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which spitefully use you, and persecute you; That ye may be the children of your Father which is in heaven: for he maketh his sun to rise on the evil and on the good, and sendeth rain on the just and on the unjust" (Matthew 5:44-45).

That alone means that God is good to all. He

does provide life for all. If He was not good to all, then as soon as you sin you would be destroyed. The fact that God allows the practicing and unrepentant sinner to live is an act of goodness towards all.

The verse in question does not state that God does good to all only. If that were so, nothing bad would happen to even the good people. But "God [is] faithful, who will not suffer you to

be tempted above that ye are able; but will with the temptation also make a way to escape, that ye may be able to bear [it]" (1 Corinthians 10:13). He allows evil to occur so that we would grow to hate the evil and love living in obedience to God.

And if we choose the evil, then after a period of time, we will be destroyed.

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For I fear God (Genesis 42:18)

1. Joseph feared God. What is called for before Jesus returns? **Revelation 14:7**
2. Now no one calls for something if it already exists, so being that it does not, what else may be missing from Christians today? **Ecclesiastes 12:13**
3. If we truly fear God, what else will we have towards God? **Hebrews 12:28**
4. What act replaces fear? **1 John 4:18**
5. How do we know we practice this act? **John 14:15**
6. What did Jesus quote? **Exodus 20:6**
7. What power will we have if we fear properly? **Proverbs 16:6**
8. If we truly fear God, what will we begin to have? **Proverbs 9:10**
9. In fearing God, what power do we recognize in Him? **Luke 12:5**
10. What shall we have from God if we fear Him? **Luke 1:50**

ANSWERS TO LAST MONTH'S STUDY:

What seekest thou? (Genesis 37:15)

1. What is our priority on earth? **Matthew 6:33** "But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you."
2. What does God promise if we seek? **Matthew 7:7** "Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you."
3. What ought we not look for? **Matthew 12:39** "But he answered and said unto them, An evil and adulterous generation seeketh after a sign; and there shall no sign be given to it, but the sign of the prophet Jonas."
4. What is not to be our priority even in difficulty? **Luke 12:29** "And seek not ye what ye shall eat, or what ye shall drink, neither be ye of doubtful mind."

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5. How shall we seek? **Luke 15:8** "Either what woman having ten pieces of silver, if she lose one piece, doth not light a candle, and sweep the house, and seek diligently till she find [it]?"
6. What shall we not protect? **Luke 17:33** "Whosoever shall seek to save his life shall lose it; and whosoever shall lose his life shall preserve it."
7. What should we commit our lives too? **Colossians 3:1-2** "If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God. Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth."
8. In seeking to escape evil, what should we seek for? **1 Peter 3:11** "Let him eschew evil, and do good; let him seek peace, and ensue it."
9. What does one receive in seeking God? **Hebrews 11:6** "But without faith [it is] impossible to please [him]: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and [that] he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him."
10. What specifically shall we receive? **Colossians 3:24** "Knowing that of the Lord ye shall receive the reward of the inheritance: for ye serve the Lord Christ." **Luke 18:18** "And a certain ruler asked him, saying, Good Master, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?"

WHO HATH BELIEVED OUR REPORT? AND TO WHOM IS THE ARM OF THE LORD REVEALED?

(Isaiah 53:1)



»World Net Daily, July 15, 2009

Christian women flogged for wearing pants

An international Christian ministry is condemning Sudanese Islamic officials for arresting, fining and flogging several Christian women for wearing pants.

COMMENT: Although we also condemn the Islamic officials for their actions, all of this could have been avoided. A better way of handling the situation would have been in providing the women with proper attire, as did the papacy in a similar situation years ago during a tour of the Vatican, and then if resistance were being demonstrated, actions of some sort could have been taken. But if Christians would not count things in the Bible as "that was then and this is now", it could have been avoided. "The woman shall not wear that which pertaineth unto a man"

(Deuteronomy 22:5). The pants movement by women was an act of showing equality with man despite God making men and women different and for different roles.

»Telegraph, July 12, 2009

NHS tells school children of their 'right' to 'an orgasm a day'

The advice appears in leaflets circulated to parents, teachers and youth workers and is meant to update sex education by telling students about the benefits of enjoyable sex. The leaflet

carries the slogan "an orgasm a day keeps the doctor away". It also says: "Health promotion experts advocate five portions of fruit and veg a day and 30 minutes' physical activity three times a week. What about sex or masturbation twice a week?"

COMMENT: 1 Corinthians 7:8-9 "I say therefore to the unmarried and widows, It is good for them if they abide even as I. But if they cannot contain, let them marry: for it is better to marry than to burn." The word contain could refer to pre-marital sex, but it also could refer to masturbation. It also could refer to all forms of unmarried pleasure, in which is our understanding. And notice how serious it is. If practiced, Christian or not, professed to be saved or not, results in burning. That is hell. So despite the so-called experts, refrain.

»Seattle Times, July 11, 2009

Children: Father didn't abuse us: Ex-Vancouver police officer spent nearly 20 years in prison

The two adult children of former Vancouver police Officer Clyde Ray Spencer, who spent nearly 20 years in prison after being convicted of molesting them, testified in court Friday that the abuse never happened. A 33-year-old son recalled how, at age 9, he was repeatedly questioned, alone, by now-retired Detective Sharon Krause, of the Clark County Sheriff's Office. He said that after months of questioning, he said he had been abused just to get

Krause to leave him alone. A 30-year-old daughter said she doesn't remember what she told Krause at age 5, but recalled Krause bought her ice cream.

COMMENT: Exodus 20:16 *"Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbour."*

»Yahoo, June 29, 2009

Grieving Jackson Fans 'Commit Suicide'

The man behind the world's biggest online Michael Jackson fan club has said heartbroken followers of the star have committed suicide because of his death.

COMMENT: It is a shame that many Christians have nailed, incorrectly, the commandments to the cross. The very first commandment could have saved these people's lives if more of the law were preached. Exodus 20:3 *"Thou shalt have no other gods before me."*

»Telegraph, June 23, 2009

Women students banned from wearing tight tops to prevent sexual harassment

College principals in Kanpur, in Uttar Pradesh, India's largest state, ruled that young women should not dress in 'vulgar western' clothes to prevent 'eve-teasing' – the Indian term for sexual harassment.

COMMENT: 1 Timothy 2:9-10 *"In like manner also, that women adorn themselves in modest apparel, with shamefacedness and sobriety; not with broided hair, or gold, or pearls, or costly array; But (which becometh women professing godliness) with good works."* Not only is it an Indian rule, but God also commands against wearing revealing clothing. Though a man is still responsible to God for his actions, God has given women the power to entice. Women, be careful of that power.

»Daily News, June 21, 2009

Thief preys upon purses during mass at Shrine Church of Saint Bernadette

After a thief struck during Mass, the Shrine Church of Saint Bernadette is warning parishioners to take their bags when they leave their pews to accept Holy Communion.

COMMENT: 1 Corinthians 6:9-10 *"Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Be not deceived: neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor abusers of themselves with mankind, nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, shall inherit the kingdom of God."* This goes to show that we need to get back to apostolic understanding. Church

was not the tool to win souls. Church was a place for the like believers to gather together for worship and to learn deeper things of God. Look at the end of Acts 2. Look at Ephesians 4:11-16. We are to attend church for becoming more perfect for we are to grow from obeying what we know to learning more of God's will and obey that as well. For example, grow from getting rid of using Jesus as a curse word into getting rid of the four letter words and also those words that are soft versions of four letter words known as euphemisms. People do not learn these things in a soul-attracting, visitor friendly environment.

»Telegraph, June 20, 2009

Church blesses fathers with beer

The plan to distribute ale has upset groups working to tackle alcohol abuse, but the Rt Rev John Inge, the Bishop of Worcester, said that it could help churches to attract more men.

COMMENT: In the church, the following is prophesied: 2 Timothy 3:1 *"This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come. For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, Without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good, Traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God; Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away."* INCONTINENT means to be intemperate, just as the groups against alcohol abuse are concerned about. Further, when will churches cease from using gimmicks to attract just any type of person to church?

»Telegraph, June 17, 2009

Witches claim religious discrimination after church ban

A group of witches is claiming religious discrimination after church leaders banned them from using its social club. "We thought we were bridging the gap with other religions but misconceptions still exist, like we sacrifice animals.

COMMENT: How far we have come! Exodus 22:18 *"Thou shalt not suffer a witch to live."* We have come from killing witches to, in some areas, ecumenicalizing with them. Praise the Lord that this group was supposedly discriminated against. *"Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness?"* (2 Corinthians 6:14)

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4 ISSUES REMAINING!

- ▶ The children's newsletter will be discontinued at the end of the year.
- ▶ After several years in prayer, we believe it to be in the best interest of the ministry to cease the children's newsletter.
- ▶ The whole concept of the children's newsletter and activities at the children's website does not parallel with our other outreaches.

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ANSWERS FOUND IN THE SCRIPTURE OF TRUTH

(Daniel 10:21)



QUESTION

Where is the sign for a one-world economy found in the Bible?

thou sawest are ten kings, which have received no kingdom as yet; but receive power as kings one hour with the beast. These have one mind, and shall give their power and strength unto the beast."

ing on fire shall be dissolved, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat?"

ANSWER

In Revelation 18:3, it says, "*For all nations have drunk of the wine of the wrath of her fornication, and the kings of the earth have committed fornication with her, and the merchants of the earth are waxed rich through the abundance of her delicacies.*"

Notice with the approval of the kings, the merchants (economy) are working with the beast or Antichrist power.

What further do the kings do? Revelation 17:12-13 says, "*And the ten horns which*

QUESTION

Should we be excited about the events happening that point to the nearness of time and even assist?

ANSWER

Excitement over soon entering into eternity is most definitely encouraged. 2 Peter 3:12 brings this out. "*Looking for and hasting unto the coming of the day of God, wherein the heavens be-*

Now hastening or hastening does imply assisting. Outside of this one prophecy, we are not to be involved in bringing in the last day events. We do not try to encourage the next world war. We do not try to encourage persecutions. We do not try to bring on the Mark of the Beast.

What we may assist in is in Matthew 24:14. "*And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come.*"

You may assist in taking the gospel to the world as a witness.
