THE GREAT PREDICTOR

FOR THE "BODY OF CHRIST" AT THE CLOSE OF THIS AGE

"For even hereunto were ye called: because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that ye should follow his steps:" I Pet. 2:21

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The best any man could do for himself is to read through this treaty in its entirety that he might be better prepared to face the events coming on the Church and the Tribulation Period that should be avoided at all cost. The great predictor for the Body of Christ at the close of this age, the last days of the Church Period is the Holy Bible. The Holy Bible is the great Predictor, Hillary Clinton, your presumptive candidate for president of the US representing the Democratic Party says "Americans must deny their faith in Christianity" or else "leave the country." Joe Biden, the Vice-President of the US, another putrefying democrat stated that "Christians violate "Gay Rights" simply by existing", two pukes out of the same democratic sewer. Click and read their accounts for yourself. What's happening in America? Our present day and time are reverting back to First Century diabolical and government oppression of the Body of Christ. What we have here is a renewal of the persecuted Church under the cruel American and a revived Roman yoke. As all earnest Bible students know the Church, the body of all blood-bought believers is made up of people and not that which is made up of brick and mortar. The Bride of Christ, those that are alive on the earth at Christ return in the clouds and those that are asleep will come up and will meet the Lord in the air and we will reign with Him from the New Jerusalem for one thousand years as priest and kings judging God's earthly people during the Millennium. All of this is about to take place during the closing days of this Church Period or Age which we now live. That's what the Scriptures teach and if so what will it be like for the Church as these last days are coming to an end?

What is the spiritual condition of the "Body of Christ" in these last days? Are we still able to serve as the "salt of the earth" in this fast decaying society? As discerning Bible students of Scripture agree, the church in America has been hooked up to a "life support system." for over 100 years now. Thousands show up each Sunday morning to "fill up their tanks" on motivational feel-good messages, tidbit exhortations concealed as Bible preaching, success, goal oriented, personal wealth being, and self-esteem preaching for the lollypop sucking crowd. Blind suckers leading blind suckers who have only one motive and authority in their lives and that is themselves, feeling good. American Christianity has been diabetic for years now. I grew up in it and have cried many a tear because the average saint doesn't care and lives only to silence the real believer. When a preacher stands in the pulpit today preaching a strong message out of the Word of God with power from a King James Bible 1611 AV, the majority of the congregants would be chocking in their pews, squirming and trying to figure how to shut the preacher up. The only message they'd listen to would have to be sweetened by artificial sweetener or they'd not hear it. Our churches are drunk on love and our church congregations have succumbed to the "hissing sound" from the serpent. I'm afraid it's too late.

Selfishness, fraud, and deceit are practiced in the churches today. And there is no reproving of sin and conviction that rebukes the conscience anymore coming from our pulpits. And over all these evil sins they throw the cloak of religion. I have been shown the pride of the supposed church through the years. God is not in their thoughts, and their carnal minds dwell upon themselves. They decorate their poor mortal bodies and then look upon themselves with satisfaction and pleasure. Jesus looks upon it in anger. Their

sins and pride have reached unto heaven. Her portion is prepared. Justice and judgment have slumbered long, but will soon awake. "Vengeance is mine, and I will repay, saith the Lord." The fearful threatening will be realized, and they will drink the wrath of God. An innumerable host of evil spirits is spreading over this whole land. The churches and religious assemblies are crowded with them. And they look upon the religious crowd with euphoria; for the cloak of religion covers the greatest crimes of soul assignation and the greatest depth of iniquity.

All heaven beholds with indignation, human beings, and the workmanship of God reduced to the lowest depths of degradation and placed on a level with the brute creation by their fellow men. And professed followers of that dear Saviour, whose compassion was ever moved as he witnessed human woe, heartily engage in this enormous and grievous sin and deal in slaves and souls of men. Angels have recorded it all. It is written in the book. The tears of the pious bondmen and bondwomen, of fathers, mothers and children, brothers and sisters, are all bottled up in heaven. Agony, human agony, is carried from place to place, and bought and sold. God will restrain his anger but a little longer. His anger burns against this nation of ours, and especially against the religious institutions that have sanctioned, and have themselves engaged in this terrible merchandising of souls. Such injustice, such oppression, such sufferings, many professed followers of the meek and lowly Jesus can witness with heartless indifference. And many of them can inflict with hateful satisfaction, all this indescribable agony themselves, and yet dare to worship God. It is solemn mockery, and Satan laughs over it, and reproaches Jesus and His people with such contradiction, saying, with hellish triumph, "Such are Christ's followers!" Now, what does the Bible say?

What does the Bible predict for the "Body of Christ" at the close of this age, the close of the Church Period?

Much of the Bible is prophetic and foretells the soon coming events to take place during the end of days. What does every believer have in store for them in the closing last days of the Church Age just before Jesus returns in the clouds of the air? Often, I'm accused of preaching too hard in our churches. It may sound hard to the programmed jackasses and elephants in Washington DC and to the Apostate church members saturating our country today. But to the real Bible Believer, it's singing in our ears "Come Home." Let me share with you what the Bible says about the people who make up the Church and what they will go through at the end of this age.

The first thing we find out about its members is that they are not very popular. In fact, they are usually hated by most people. Jesus knew this would be the case and asked God the Father to protect them:

"I have given them your word; and the world has hated them, because they are not of the world, even as I am not of the world. I pray not that you should take them out of the world, but you should keep them from evil. They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world. Sanctify them through your truth: your word is truth" John.17:14-17 KJV.

Why are God's people hated by the world? The answer is really quite simple when we understand that the human mind and nature is enmity against God, his truth, and way of truth Rom. 8:7, and that God's enemy, Satan, has deceived the whole world into following him Rev.12:9 and influenced the world to hate the things of the true God and his people.

The Church will be persecuted, scattered, and small: Jesus understood human nature as no other man could. As the Creator God of all things including humanity John 1:1-3; Eph. 3:9, He had observed human behavior throughout their history and knew that people would continue to oppose truth as long as they were influenced by their own nature and Satan. From its very beginning, the people of the early church suffered much persecution because of what they believed, practiced, and taught:

"And Saul consented to Stephen's death. And at that time there was great persecution against the church which was at Jerusalem; and they were all scattered abroad throughout the regions of Judea and Samaria, except for the apostles" Acts 8:1 KJV.

God's way of life is opposite to the way most people want to live. Most people do not like to be told how to live or that their behavior is sinful and they usually dislike people who point out their faults. The Bible is full of examples of the righteous being hated, despised, maligned, persecuted, and murdered for believing, practicing, and proclaiming the truth. It is no different today. The Father's elect children will be hated and persecuted for believing, practicing, and proclaiming his truth until his kingdom rules the earth.

Although Christianity as a world religion encompasses hundreds of millions of people, it is evident from the Scriptures that those who truly comprise the spiritual organism which is the Church is a very small number of people in comparison but does being small in number make a group of people the true church? Of course not! There are many small groups that say they are Christian but they are so far out of line with what Jesus taught that they do not even begin to resemble true Christianity.

They will be hated by popular Christianity: There are tens of thousands of different competing groups and organizations that profess to follow the teachings of Jesus Christ. All of these feel that their particular interpretation of Jesus' teachings and the Bible is acceptable to God. Those who truly follow the teachings of God the Father and Jesus Christ teach that there is only one way to worship the true God and only one way to obtain salvation and that those who teach another way of worship and salvation are worshiping a false god.

The vast majority of counterfeit Christians hate the Father's true children because their belief, practices, and teachings are a condemnation of counterfeit Christianity. Just as the Jews of Jesus' day professed to believe in God and hated Jesus for what he taught, so it is in this age. God's people will be hated for believing and teaching the truth as Jesus taught it John 17:14.

They will be hated by the Jewish religionists: Those of the various Jewish sects, for the most part, believe that Jesus Christ existed, but very few believe he was the God the Creator, the Son of God, God in the flesh, and the Messiah. However, a major part of the gospel message teaches that Jesus Christ is the Creator and very God, the Son of God amongst men and that God the Father sent Jesus to bring in a New Covenant, the first covenant with Israel set aside for the new one.

Both the Old and New Testaments and the words of Jesus condemn Judaism as a perversion of the writings of the Word of God. Therefore, it is no wonder that those of the various Jewish sects feel that any who believe in and follow the teachings of Jesus are their enemies and worshipers of a pagan god.

Christianity and Judaism: Unbelieving Christians and people of Jewish sects who profess to worship the true God but whose lives and teachings are not harmonious with the truth of God always has a great deal of disdain and hatred for those who actually worship God in truth, love, and obedience. Jesus says these individuals who hate his followers are evil and corrupt:

"Hypocrites well did Isaiah prophesy about you, saying, This people draws near to me with their mouth, and with their lips honor me; but their heart is far from me. But in vain do they worship me, teaching as doctrines the ordinances of men Matt.15:7-9; Isa. 29:13; Ezek. 33:31-32.

"For the tree is known by its fruit. O generation of vipers, how can you, being evil, speak good things? For out of the heart, the mouth speaks. A good man out of the good treasure of the heart brings forth good things: and out of the evil treasure brings forth evil things" Matt.12: 33-35; Matt. 3:7.

Jesus called the religious leaders of the Jews "hypocrites, snakes, evil and corrupt men," because they were not teaching the total truth of God. Instead, they were teaching half-truths, just as is being done today, and their own perverted philosophies that were in opposition to God's Word. The same can be said for the false Christian and Jewish sects of today. Both claim to be obedient to the Word of God; however, their actions and the results of their teachings are far different from what the Bible says they should be if they were truly worshiping the true God and living according to his way.

"But I say to you, that every idle word that men speak, they shall give account for it in the Day of Judgment. For by your words you are justified, and by your words you are condemned" Matt.12: 36-37.

The words of those who only pretend to worship the true God condemn them for what they really are. People can fool other people as to their true beliefs and intentions, but they cannot fool God. Hence, Jesus gave his condemnation of the religious leaders of His day who were, in reality, only pretending to worship the true God:

"Why come to me and call me Lord, Lord, and do not the things that I say?" Luke 6: 46; Luke 6:43-45.

The child of God must speak out as Jesus did and condemn those who falsely claim to worship the true God. This is yet another reason that the Children of God will be hated and persecuted

We will be hated by all Religions: Those who truly believe that the biblical record is the printed Word of God should also believe the biblical teaching that there are only two religions in the world. The religion of God the Father who is Sovereign of all that exists and the religion of God's enemies that are separated into three basic divisions: Catholicism or unbelieving Christianity, Islam, and Judaism along with all the other religions.

Because of this belief, it is little wonder that those who truly believe that they are the only true worshippers of the only true God and his Son will be hated by all religions of the world today that will come together and make up a one world religion. It is interesting that this is the same basic reason that the ancient nation of Israel was hated and persecuted by other nations.

They will be hated by governments: Jesus was not persecuted by the Roman government; He was persecuted by those who said they were worshiping the one true God. After Jesus' death and resurrection, the early church existed for many years without being persecuted by the Roman or any other government.

During the time of the apostles and the early church, persecution always came from the Jews or other religions. It was only after the Romans and other governments perceived the followers of God as a political threat that they began to persecute them under ten Roman emperors.

During the time of the end, the children of God will claim to be the only ones worshiping the true God and the only true representatives of the government of God on earth, like Jesus and the early church did. The man of God will believe and preach that the government of God is about to begin its rule over all the earth, which will cause them to be hated by governments as well as by people of other religions.

"And you shall be hated of all nations for my name's sake" Matt.24:9.

We will be hated by Israel: The nation of Israel has always been rebellious people who have seldom heeded the warnings of God's prophets and servants. As the end of this age approaches and the saved of God proclaim the gospel along with its warning and witness to the Israelites scattered throughout the world, the Israelites will respond to God in the same way that they always have in the past. The prophet Isaiah was inspired to record the harsh reality concerning the attitudes and mindset of the people of Israel toward God. The comments God made about his chosen people are as true today as they were when Isaiah recorded them centuries ago: In Isaiah 30:1-15,

"Woe to the rebellious children, saith the LORD, that take counsel, but not of me; and that cover with a covering, but not of my spirit, that they may add sin to sin: That walk to go down into Egypt, and have not asked at my mouth; to strengthen themselves in the strength of Pharaoh, and to trust in the shadow of Egypt! Therefore shall the strength of Pharaoh be your shame, and the trust in the shadow of Egypt your confusion. For his princes were at Zoan, and his ambassadors came to Hanes. They were all ashamed of a people that could not profit them, nor be and help nor profit, but a shame, and also a reproach. The burden of the beasts of the south: into the land of trouble and anguish, from whence come the young and old lion, the viper and fiery flying serpent, they will carry their riches upon the shoulders of young asses, and their treasures upon the bunches of camels, to a people that shall not profit them. For the Egyptians shall help in vain, and to no purpose: therefore have I cried concerning this, their strength is to sit still. Now go, write it before them in a table, and note it in a book, that it may be for the time to come forever and ever: That this is a rebellious people, lying children, children that will not hear the law of the LORD: Which say to the seers, See not; and to the prophets, Prophesy not unto us right things, speak unto us smooth things, prophesy deceits: Get you out of the way, turn aside out of the path, cause the Holy One of Israel to cease from before us. Wherefore thus saith the Holy One of Israel, because ye despise this word, and trust in oppression and perverseness, and stay thereon: Therefore this iniquity shall be to you as a breach ready to fall, swelling out in a high wall, whose breaking cometh suddenly at an instant. And he shall break it as the breaking of the potters' vessel that is broken in pieces; he shall not spare: so that there shall not be found in the bursting of it a shred to take fire from the hearth, or to take water withal out of the pit. For thus saith the Lord GOD, the Holy One of Israel; in returning and rest shall ye be saved; in quietness and in confidence shall be your strength: and ye would not."

It should not come as a great surprise that all of the politicians, military leaders, and government officials at every level of nations scattered around the world will hate the elect of God because the elect of God will be preaching the same message of repentance that God's prophets have always preached to Israel.

Another reason for the international hatred and persecution of the children of God in the end of the age is that the man of God also will teach that God the Father is now punishing the descendants of Israel throughout the world for their continued rebellion against him and his physical and spiritual laws of behavior. The elect also believes that God will give them the power to bring destruction upon the Israelite people as a witness and warning of more destruction to come if they and the world at large will not repent of their evil ways and peacefully come under his rule. Isa. 29: 9-14.

Persecution to follow: Why was Jesus Christ crucified for preaching the gospel message? Why were most of the apostles along with many of the early church martyred? And why will many be murdered just before the return of Jesus Christ for preaching the true gospel message that Jesus taught? And that Jesus sayes.

Jesus gives us the answer: "If they have persecuted me, they will also persecute you" John.15:20. "And all that will live godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution" 2Tim. 3:12; Mark 13: 13; Luke 21:17.

The persecution of the children of God is a self-fulfilling prophecy, because of their obedience to the command of Jesus to proclaim the gospel message. The child of God will be hated and persecuted

because they will be doing as Jesus instructed. They will be preaching and teaching the good news message of repentance from evil, true belief in God the Father and Jesus Christ, and the soon-coming rapture of the Church with the Millennial Kingdom to follow.

The gospel message that Jesus brought from the Father is a message that is so powerful, and so diametrically opposed to what has been taught by this world's religious leaders and philosophers that the vast majority of people will reject it when they hear it and hate and persecute those who live it and teach it. Jesus says to let one's light shine Matt.5:14-16. When one does this, one cannot help but bring persecution upon oneself.

Today, just before the return of Jesus Christ to conquer the earth and establish his Father's Kingdom and government over the earth, the true servants of God must proclaim God the Father's good news just as Christ did centuries ago.

The basic reasons for the persecution of the blood-bought ones' are not complex or difficult to understand. Revealing the true condition of the world and laying the blame at the feet of those who are responsible for these horrible conditions will indeed bring persecution. Through it, all the Church awaits patiently for the Lord Jesus Christ to appear in the Eastern Sky where we will be ever with Him.

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It's time to pack your bags, Believer!