Prepare for Collapse of the Dollar
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We know the days ahead have many trials and tests in them. Let’s talk first a little bit about economics and where we are today. Let’s come to Deut. 8. This ties right in with where we are headed from where we are.

Recently we’ve had to repair our sink in the kitchen and my shower in my bathroom. It has been a little longer in getting repaired than we figured. It’s made us stop and think.

• What would we do if we didn’t have running water?
• What would we do if we didn’t have bathrooms with flushing toilets and showers to bathe in?
• What would we do if we didn’t have supermarkets to buy our food?

I don’t think we understand how much, even though our version of reality is true to us, it would be completely undreamed by the Israelites when they were walking in the desert, especially after they had been there for 40 years. It was because they made the wrong choices, and they saw a lot of trouble, difficulty, death and trials and so forth.

Think how miserable you would be spending every day in the desert. There’s a cloud cover that mitigates some of the heat. There are no rivers except the water out of the rock that God would bring. You couldn’t bathe. You couldn’t go to the store to go shopping. God took care of them in three ways:

1. He gave them water out of the rock
2. He gave them manna from heaven
3. None of their clothes or their shoes wore out

He did this to test them whether they would obey God or not. They were just about ready to enter the promised land. God said that He did all of this:

Deuteronomy 8:1: “All the commandments which I command you this day shall you be diligent to observe and to do that you may live…” All the laws of God are a blessing if you obey them. Curses happen.

“And multiply and go in and possess the land which the LORD swore to your fathers” (v 1). They didn’t have any righteousness of their own that they deserved it. God gave it because of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob.

Then He says this of the trials that they have gone through, v 2: “And you shall remember all the way which the LORD your God led you these forty years in the wilderness in order to humble you, to prove you, to know what is in your heart, whether you would keep His commandments or not.”

He did this for a special reason. Human beings, when everything gets nice and comfortable, when they’re all educated and have all the knowledge that they think they need—and they had everything like they had in Egypt—then they forget God.

Verse 3: “And He humbled you and allowed you to hunger, and then He fed you with manna which you did not know, neither did your fathers know it, so that He might make you know…”

Every day the manna came from heaven—Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, double Friday and none on the Sabbath. For 40 years. You think after 40 years they would know and remember which day was the Sabbath. But how long does it take people to forget because everything is so convenient? Think of it today.

Just try this: You get up in the morning, walk around, see what you’d do without the running water, without the heat or the air conditioning, without all the packaged food that you have, without the cover over your head, without the clothes on your back and shoes on your feet—which you can get just at the drop of a hat—then think about what would you do with no telephone, no iPad, no computer, no car. It’s a little different with animals, you have to take care of them. If you don’t take care of them, you may get a butt somewhere or a kick somewhere. You have to feed them and take care of them.

Here’s the reason: “…so that He might make you know… [very purpose of our existence is:] …that man does not live by bread alone; but by every word that proceeds out of the mouth of the LORD does man live” (v 3). Do you want to know what that is? Pick up your Bible; it’s all recorded!

Then He chastens us, v 6: “And you shall keep the commandments of the LORD your God to walk in His ways and to fear Him.” Why? Because there’s the way that seems right to a man, but the ends thereof are the way of death! They seem really, really good.

That’s how our government has operated. ‘Oh, we’ve got all these great plans for everybody.’ What does it do? Leads to disaster! He says to fear Him and walk in His ways!

Verse 7: “For the LORD your God brings you into a good land, and a land of brooks of water, of fountains and depths that spring out of valleys and
hills.” Think how that sounded after being in the desert.

Verse 9: “A land in which you shall eat bread without scarceness…” Has anyone here been hungry? You even come to Church and we feed you physically and spiritually. Where do you get your food? At the supermarket! So stop and think about everything that you get at the supermarket, ask yourself: How would I have it if there wasn’t a supermarket? Dolores and I were talking about that this morning.

- Do you know how to plant a crop and harvest it?
- Do you know how to preserve it so you can eat it later?
- Do you have chickens or animals?

Think about that the next time you buy some eggs, drink some milk, eat some beef. Think about everything *that is provided for us and we are so dependent upon it*, absolutely dependent upon it.

Then God gives a warning, v 10: “When you have eaten and are full, then you shall bless the LORD your God for the good land, which He has given you.” He did brag about it all the time—don’t we? Yes, indeed! But do we honor God? No!

Verse 11: “Beware that you do not forget the LORD your God by not keeping His commandments, and His judgments, and His statutes, which I command you today.”

Isn’t that the reason why we come into such problems that when it’s going good and we have things we need to do, then we forget God. Look at how patient God has been. Look at the ten tribes of Israel—238 years after they separated from the southern tribes of Judah and the Levites and Benjamin before they went into captivity. They had trials, invasions, God sent prophets and told them to repent. Some of them did; some of them didn’t. Same way with Judah.

Verse 12: “Lest when you have eaten and are full and have built goodly houses and lived in them… [true] …and when your herds and your flocks multiply, and your silver and your gold is multiplied, and all that you have is multiplied… [true] …then you become haughty of heart, and you forget the LORD your God Who brought you forth out of the land of Egypt from the house of bondage” (vs 12-14)—or forget that you were a speck of dust and didn’t exist at one time.

Verse 17[transcriber’s correction]: “Beware lest you say in your heart, ‘My power and the might of my hand has gotten me this wealth.’”

- Which political party is going to lead us into more trouble with God?
- The Democrats who want to enslave you to a large government?
- The Republicans who say, ‘By our might, by our power we’re going to re-establish America’?

*Those are both on the same side of the coin!*

Verse 18: “But you shall remember the LORD your God… [remember Him first] …for it is He Who gives you power to get wealth, so that He may confirm His covenant which He has sworn to your fathers as it is this very day.” Remember all the blessings that God said He’d give to Joseph, to Ephraim and Manasseh? *All of them!*

Now then, a warning and we’re right here at this warning, right now, v 19: “And it shall be if you do at all forget the LORD your God and walk after other gods serving them and worshiping them… [Are we not doing it today? Yes, indeed!] …I testify against you this day that you shall surely perish—yes, perish…. [individually and collectively] …As the nations whom the LORD destroys before your face, so you shall perish because you would not obey the voice of the LORD your God” (vs 19-20).

We’re going to talk about some economics here today. Let’s first of all just remember this: God says all gold and silver is His. Everything that there is in the earth He owns. Everything—all men, all animals, the whole earth—belongs to God. He gave it to us. What did we do when we forgot God? We got lifted up, just like it is!

Let’s see what Israel did then and what we’re doing now. The very fact that these words are so powerful to us today is because we’re the descendants of the children of Israel.

History runs in cycles, just like in the book of Judges. They sinned against the Lord, then they repented and God was with them. They came back to God for a while, while the judge was in charge who was righteous, then they had an evil judge and they sinned and went their own way. Then they got oppressed by Moab for 18 years. They cried out to God, ‘Oh, God, save us.’ And God saved them.

God has a complaint against us, Isaiah 1:2: “Hear, O heavens…” Remember the heaven and earth is a witness against all of us that God’s laws have not been done away. The heavens and earth also tell us that God would always have Israel before Him.

“Hear, O heavens, and give ear, O earth; for the nations whom the LORD destroys before your face, so you shall perish because you would not obey the voice of the LORD your God” (vs 19-20).

“Hear, O heavens, and give ear, O earth; for the LORD has spoken, ‘I have reared and brought up children, but they have rebelled against Me.’” Would you say we’re rebelling against God?

- kicking Him out of government
• kicking Him out of education
• kicking Him out of our private lives

He says even the dumb ox is smarter than you are, and the donkey.

Verse 3: “‘The ox knows his owner, and the donkey his master’s crib; but Israel does not know Me; My people do not understand.’ Ah, sinful nation... [very much so] ...a people burdened with iniquity, a seed of evildoers, children who deal corruptly! They have forsaken the LORD; they have provoked the Holy One of Israel to anger; they have gone away backward” (vs 3-4).

God says, ‘All right, how many times do I need to correct you?’ How many times are you going to come back to God? He’s looking down here at this nation. Think about what’s happening in America, Britain and Europe. It’s not happening this way in China, India or Russia. Look what’s happening here:

Verse 5: “Why should you be stricken any more? You will revolt more and more; the whole head is sick, and the whole heart faint.” Everybody complains about the government, but it stays the way that it is. Everyone complains about the government spending too much money and borrowing too much money, but ‘please send me my Social Security and please give me my retirement, but everybody else can go you-know-where.’

Verse 6: “From the sole of the foot even to the top of the head there is no soundness in it; only wounds and bruises and putrefying sores; they have not been closed, nor bound up, nor soothed with ointment. Your country is a desolation…”

Gradually getting more and more and more. If you don’t believe the result of sin, go to the San Joaquin Sacramento Valley and see what has happened because of the drought. It’s going to go back to desert. Look at it other places in America.

“...your cities are burned with fire. Strangers devour your land right in your very presence and it is wasted, as overthrown by strangers” (v 7).

There’s a little hope here. Remember whenever God gives some condemnation and gives some correction, He says that it’s almost not worth having:

Verse 9: “Except the LORD of hosts had left us a very small remnant... [the Church] ...we would have been as Sodom; we would have become like Gomorrah.”

Then He points out all their sins. Yet, you’re still ‘religious’ and even the atheists are religious; they have atheist churches. Human beings are ‘religious’ one way or the other. Even the person that says he doesn’t believe in God, he’s ‘religious’ because he’s got his rabbit foot or his rosary hanging right on his rear-view mirror in the car. Why do you come before God with all of this? He says, ‘I can’t stand your ‘holy days’ and your Sabbaths.’ That’s what we have.

He tells them, ‘You can repent. You can come to Me. You can have your sins forgiven, if... A wonderful little word, 1700 times in the Bible. The conditions are all upon us!

Verse 19: “If you are willing and obedient...” Think about what that would require, starting in the pulpits in America and synagogues.

“...you shall eat the good of the land; but if you refuse and rebel, you shall be devoured with the sword'; for the mouth of the LORD has spoken it” (vs 19-20).

Didn’t we see something like that already with what’s happened with the Muslims in America and in Europe? Think about Europe. Europe is scared to death because there are enough Muslims in all of the countries of Israel: France, Belgium, Luxemburg, Denmark, Holland, Germany, Switzerland. All the Muslims could rise up and take over just like that. Yes, indeed!

You haven’t been told that the State Department, in the kindness of its heart and American goodness, is bringing over in the next five years 75,000 Syrians because of what has happened to their country. Nice more ‘good’ Muslims to increase the Muslim population here. Think about it! Think about what they have done. We’re going to talk about something here in just a minute.

Verse 21: “How has the faithful city become a harlot? It was full of judgment; righteousness lodged in it—but now murderers. Your silver has become dross, your wine mixed with water; your rulers are rebellious, and companions of thieves; everyone loves a bribe... [It’s called ‘Would you donate to my campaign, please?’] ...they do not judge the orphan, nor does the cause of the widow come before them. And the Lord, the LORD of Hosts, the Mighty One of Israel says, ‘Alas! I Myself will vent My wrath upon My foes, and avenge Myself of My enemies. And I will turn back My hand upon you, and purge away your dross as with lye, and take away all your tin alloy’” (vs 21-25).

Let’s stop and think about money for a little bit here. God required just balance, weights and measures. You look at the system that we have today. Remember the video we did on how the money markets and everything are and how they create money. Well, guess what is happening?
Everybody looks at the stock market now and they think, ‘Good, the stock market’s going up. Everyone says everything’s going to be fine and wonderful.’ Have you ever read what they said in 1928-29? ‘Oh, the stock market’s going up. We’ll never have another depression.’ They said it just ten days before the collapse.

Here’s quite an article, so we need to figure out where we are. In bringing these things up, you need to analyze: How can I survive for 60 days when everything collapses? Because it will, just like that!

When they thought everything was going great in 1929, October 1, they thought, ‘Wonderful. The market has hit new highs.’ BOOM! Now, we’ve had some ups and some downs.

Birth Pangs Of The Coming Great Depression
By Michael Snyder, on January 29, 2015
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You might go online and see if you can find some movies or newsreels about what it was like in the Midwest, especially Oklahoma. See how they lived. Everything dried up, all the soil became sand, dust storms, wind, no money, no crops, no nothing! People were wondering how did that happen, because they are doing the same thing they are doing now.

The signs of the times are everywhere—all you have to do is open up your eyes and look at them. When a pregnant woman first goes into labor, the birth pains are usually fairly moderate and are not that close together. But as the time for delivery approaches, they become much more frequent and much more intense. Economically, what we are experiencing right now are birth pains of the coming Great Depression. As we get closer to the crisis that is looming on the horizon, they will become even more powerful.…..

I’ve been preaching since 1995 to get out of debt, set aside some money. If you can put some—a little bit or much—into gold or silver, put it in there. They’ve driven the price of gold down to scare everybody out of it so they could make them sell and they could get the gold so they could hopefully rescue themselves. But if you held onto it, just wait, gold and silver are going to absolutely explode when this happens.

The volatility of the markets is a big way of understanding it’s coming. This is precisely how markets act just before they crash. At the same time, almost every major global currency is imploding….

You can see it in groceries more than anything else. Some things over the past two years have doubled—ordinary food.

Why is it imploding? In 2008, after the drop in Oct, 2007, the stock market nearly crashed! Then they had to have emergency thing to save the banks. Do you think they learned their lesson? No! They’re right back at it ten times worse. At that time the U.S. government debt was officially $9-trillion. What is it now? $18-trillion, going on $19-trillion, going on $20-trillion!

So, they called the G-20; that’s the first time I heard of it, but I didn’t know that they formed that in 1999. What is the G-20? I gave a sermon on it and you can go look it up. I don’t know exactly what day I gave it on, but it was in January, 2008, I think.

What did I say? President Bush called for that just before he had to leave office! That is the 20 leading nations in the world. Their central banks all got together so that they could reform the whole worldwide economic system so this would not happen again.

I said at that time, ‘No, that’s so they can all be on the same page, same regulations, and when it collapses again every nation is going to collapse.’ At the same time almost every major global currency is imploding. Why? The way they create money is not to have more wealth through goods and services, they create it now by printing! There is no backing to it at all.

Even if you had it backed by gold and silver, there’s not enough gold and silver to give any substantiation to the fact that the dollar or any currency is worth anything. There is not enough gold and silver in the world to have a reasonable backing for all of the currency that there is, like I pointed out the last time I talked on this concerning the gold standard.

When they run out of room to create more money, because there are more people, you need more money. So the experts in gold said, ‘We’ll do it this way. We won’t print money, but what we will do, we’ll have an official board to declare that we will raise the value of gold. We’ll raise it from $8,000 an ounce to $10,000 an ounce.’

Pray tell, how is that different from printing money? Except it looks official. Except it looks like it’s gold-backed. Collapse of the euro is at hand. The end is at hand. The dollar is at hand.

…and this time there will be nothing left to catch the falling knife before it hits the American economy right in the heart…. How are they doing that? China is trading more and more with their yuan with other nations. The dollar
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is being shunned. They don’t want it. Yet, the Fed is printing more and more, and it’s getting more and more desperate. Then there’s the $70-trillion in derivatives. It’s going to come.

Other articles:

How China is taking over the world. But at the same time China has to print money. This G-20 set it all up for the whole collapse of the whole world system, so that first there would be a world currency and then the mark of the beast.

This number one explains how China is taking over the world
(washingtonpost.com/blogs/wonkblog/wp/2013/12/03/this-one-number-explains-how-china-is-taking-over-the-world/)

The BRICS—Brazil, Russia, India, China and South Africa—set up a development bank:

BRICS set up bank to counter Western hold on global finances
By Alonso Soto and Anthony Boadle, July 16, 2014
(Reuters.com/article/2014/07/16/us-brics-summit-bank-idUSKBN0FK08V20140716)

Erick Sprott is a billionaire who knows about all the financing that’s going on. The headline on this is:

Billionaire Eric Sprott – Entities Wiped Out Overnight As Western Central Banks Near Total Surrender
(kingworldnews.com/billionaire-eric-sprott-entities-wiped-overnight-western-central-banks-near-total-surrender/)

Recalling what happened recently, if you didn’t hear it in the news, the Swiss franc is backed by gold. They promised that they would redeem or pay in Swiss francs the euro at 120, a 120 euros for a Swiss franc. They took it off; they will not guarantee that amount. Everyone would want Swiss francs. They didn’t hear it in the news, the Swiss franc is backed by gold. They promised that they would redeem or pay in Swiss francs the euro at 120, a 120 euros for a Swiss franc. They took it off; they will not guarantee that amount. Everyone would want Swiss francs. They took it off; they will not guarantee that amount. Everyone would want Swiss francs.

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God says, Isaiah 8:9: “‘Make an uproar, O people, and be shattered in pieces! And give ear, all of you from the far countries of the earth. Gird yourselves and be broken. Gird yourselves and be broken! Take counsel together, and it shall be frustrated. Speak a word, and it shall not stand; for God is with us.’ For thus the LORD spoke to me with a strong hand, and warned me against walking in the way of this people…” (vs 9-11). It’s going to come upon them.

Isaiah 9:12: “The Syrians from the east and the Philistines from the west… [that is against Israel at that time] …and they shall devour Israel with an open mouth. For all this His anger is not turned away, but His hand is stretched out still. For the people do not turn to Him Who strikes them, nor do they seek the LORD of hosts. And the LORD will cut off from Israel head and tail, branch and rush, in one day” (vs 12-14).

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• who knows if the water is going to run
• who knows how the electricity is going to be
• who knows how it’s going to be with the other things that we have

We’re all dependent upon electricity. We will instantly, suddenly—with no way to recover in the near term—be like the children of Israel in the desert: no water, no food, no clothing. That’s a hard thing to say. You look around and you think of all the prosperity that is here. It is all hollow prosperity, a false illusion, all by debt! It’s going to come upon everyone.

Some people say, ‘That’s kind of a hard message.’ What would you like me to say? Tell you how sweet everything is? Then all of this happens and then you come to me and say, ‘Why didn’t you tell me?’ This is the way people want it.

God told Isaiah, Isaiah 30:8: “Now go, write it before them in a tablet, and note it in a book, so that it may be for the time to come forever and ever... [words for us today]...that this is a rebellious people, lying children...” (vs 8-9). They’re all like I said. What would happen if everyone for one day kept the Ten Commandments? You couldn’t get them to do it!

“...They are children who will not hear the Law of the LORD; who say to the seers, ‘See not,’ and to the prophets, ‘Do not prophesy to us right things, speak to us smooth things, prophesy illusions’” (vs 9-10).

If we had more time, they’re going to have virtual reality hats that you put on and you can be right in the middle of this virtual reality, totally cut off from anything that is real. We’re already at that point, just watch the television. Very few will tell you what’s true.

Here’s what they say, v 11: “Go out of the way, turn aside out of the path, cause the Holy One of Israel to cease from before us.” Don’t want to hear it. ‘Tell us good news. Oh, you’re harsh.’ Jesus was harsh! Isaiah was! Jeremiah was! Somebody’s got to say it—isn’t it true? I hope every minister in the Church of God would do this, tell all their brethren. The mark of the beast is coming so you need to understand. First is going to come the world currency and then the mark of the beast. You have to have the world currency to get the whole system set up first. Then the mark of the beast!

What are you going to do when all of your ministers, even in the Churches of God, have said that the mark of the beast is Sunday-keeping? Then everyone in the world is told—just like Caesar did when they had to have the censor and the tax; that’s how Jesus was born in Bethlehem because Joseph and Mary had to go there to register—they have to go down and register. There will be no more money. If you’re caught trading with gold and silver or bartering, ‘we’re going to get you and you are going to pay a penalty.’ None of the merchants will honor anything other than the mark of the beast. They cannot do cash, they cannot barter lest they go out of business. If you don’t get it, you’re not going to eat; you’re not going to drink. You are going to die, you and your children. That’s what it’s going to come to. So, we’re going to have to make those choices.

How far down the road it is, we don’t know. If you did this:

• cut up all your money
• cut up all your credit cards
• throw away your driver’s license
• forsake your car
• turn off all your electricity
• turn off your water

How long are you going to live? That’s what it’s going to come to!

• how it will be, we don’t know
• how soon, we don’t know

Remember that all of these events were prophesied how long ago? How long ago was the mark of the beast prophesied? Nearly 2,000 years ago! I imagine down through time people wondered how can that be? Today we say, ‘When will it be?’ Entirely different! So, we don’t know exactly what’s going to happen.

If you bought gold and silver, it won’t do you any good. It will do you good for the first wave. When it comes down time for the world currency—remember they have to have the world currency first to get everyone with a world currency and develop the whole system. They have to have that first. They can’t bring in the mark of the beast right away. They may have a version of it that that’s voluntary in a very short time, but where it is enforced is a separate time.

If people have some gold and some silver, for the first wave that comes along, the crash of the dollar and the new internal dollar to be used in America, that will save your hide. But when it comes to the mark of the beast it isn’t going to do any good.

Psalm 91—this is the temptation that is coming upon the whole world! We’re going to have to face this with faith. Like some people have said, ‘I’ve got a gun and if someone comes at me I’m going to shoot them.’ Remember if you do God says, ‘He who lives by the sword will die by the sword.’

So someone asks, ‘Can I have a shotgun?’ I said, ‘You could have a shotgun.’ Can I use it? ‘If you’re going to kill someone, you need to think
about that because says you shall not murder. If you have rock salt in it and you can get rid of them with that, that’s okay, because you’re not taking their life.’ If you rely on your protection, without relying on God, will it not fail? Just something to think about. How are we different than the children of Israel in the wilderness? God provided for them!

1. we’re not in the wilderness
2. the Proverb says, ‘Go to the ant, sluggard’

It stores for the future. You can do that in faith so that you won’t have to expose yourself to the world while there are all kinds of things going on: riots at the markets, thievery of people, roadblocks by thieves, etc. You can hunker down in your home.

I’m talking about what’s going to come first. The collapse of the dollar and then another economic revaluation of the dollar and the other currencies. Gold and silver is going to help you there. If you have gold and silver at that time, and they say, ‘All right, gold now is worth $5,000 an ounce, you’ll get $5,000 of the new dollars. Whereas, if you have a dollar, you need 50 of those dollars to get one new dollar. That’s the difference with it. But you’re going to have the time where you can get along. I don’t know how everybody is going to do it. You need to evaluate it.

For those who live out in the country, have their own farms, have their own food, their own root cellars, their own chickens, their own cattle, and so forth—what are you going to do when the banditos are roving all around and coming and killing your chickens and killing your cattle and all of this sort of thing? Where are they going to go? A hungry man is going to do anything! Are they going to be wild and vicious like those in ISIS? You know they will be! All you have to do is just look at what happened in Ferguson with the riots.

This will give you an opportunity to hunker down at home. But here is what we need to do, Psa. 91. Remember, the end result will be—and this is very harsh and this is not very pleasant—there will be a martyrdom of saints. They always blame someone—don’t they?

Here’s how we have to handle it, Psalm 91:1: “He who dwells in the secret place of the Most High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty… [God’s Spirit and God’s protection] …I will say of the LORD, ‘He is my refuge and my fortress, my God, in Whom I will trust.’ Surely He will deliver you from the fowler’s trap and from the destroying pestilence. He shall cover you with His feathers, and under His wings you shall take refuge. His Truth shall be your shield and buckler” (vs 1-4). That’s what’s going to give you the strength.

Verse 5: “You shall not be afraid of the terror by night, nor for the arrow that flies by day, nor for the plague that walks in darkness, nor for the destruction laying waste at noonday. A thousand may fall at your side and ten thousand at your right hand; it shall not come near you… [may be a close miss] …Only with your eyes you shall behold and see the recompense of the wicked” (vs 5-8). Of course, we won’t see that until the resurrection, but nevertheless we have to have God with us.

Verse 9: “Because you have made the LORD, Who is my refuge… [this is David talking to other people] …even the Most High, your habitation, No evil shall befall you, nor shall any plague come near your dwelling, for He shall give His angels charge over you to keep you in all your ways. They shall bear you up in their hands, lest you dash your foot against a stone. You shall tread upon the lion and the asp; the young lion and the jackal shall trample underfoot” (vs 9-13). This is over every evil thing in the world. Some of these things will not be accomplished until the resurrection.

Verse 14: “Because he has set his love upon Me… [God has set His love upon you] …therefore, I will deliver him; I will set him on high because he has known My name. He shall call upon Me, and I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble; I will deliver him, and honor him. With long life I will satisfy him, and show him My salvation” (vs 14-16). That has to be the resurrection.

Psa. 20 is very important for us to understand. Notice all the mays concerning may the Lord. That means that it is conditional based upon your faith and trust in God.

Psalm 20:1: “May the Lord answer you in the day of trouble… [we’re going to need that; there may be many days] …the name of the God of Jacob set you on high, may He send you help from the sanctuary… [His angels] …and strengthen you out of Zion” (vs 1-2). Give you the endurance, give you the patience, give you the understanding.

Verse 3: “May He remember all your offerings and accept your burnt sacrifice. Selah.” In other words all that you have done for God down through the years.

Verse 4: “May He grant you according to your own heart and fulfill all your plans. We will shout for joy in your victory, and in the name of our God we will set up banners. May the Lord fulfill all your prayers” (vs 4-5). Quite a thing that God wants us to do, and He will. What is the prayer? To be in the Kingdom of God!

Verse 6: “Now I know that the LORD saves His anointed…” Have we received the Holy Spirit? Yes! We are anointed with the Holy Spirit.
“…He will answer him from His Holy heaven with the saving strength of His right hand. Some trust in chariots and some in horses, but we will remember the name of the LORD our God. They are brought down and fallen, but we have risen and stand upright. Save, O LORD; let the King hear us when we call” (vs 6-9). Quite a thing!

Very interesting, the way that events are coming about. Watch the market—it’ll go up, it’ll go down, it’ll go up, it’ll go down. Watch how things are happening economically. Just watch what is happening with China and the banking system in the world and that will give you a good gauge to watch and see how things are progressing.

It’s always good that we cover these things long before the events transpire. It’s better to have something at home so when trouble comes, you won’t have to go down to the riot, to the supermarket that has empty shelves.

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