What is Happening in America

God condemns, exposes sin, gives correction, then He always offers repentance

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Greetings, everyone! Welcome to Sabbath services.

Today the election is over and the counting is still going on. The lies, the cheating, and the fakes are still going on. So, what is eventually going to happen?

Let's come to Matt. 24, and let's look at a couple of things here and then we'll look at some other Scriptures so we can understand that the days ahead are going to be a combination of a few good days and many not-so-good days and probably a lot of very bad days. Here in Matt. 24 Jesus gave the prophecies of the events in the end-time. What one event is there that tells us the time is very short, maybe within a seven-year span?

Matthew 24:15—Jesus says: "Therefore, when you see the abomination of desolation, which was spoken of by Daniel the prophet, standing in the Holy place..." *The Holy place is only in the temple!*

The temple was destroyed, so it didn't happen during the destruction of the temple in 70_{AD} . In canonizing the Bible John added this parenthetical statement, because he knew that since Jesus said the abomination of desolation would take place, it had to be rebuilt.

John says, "...(<u>the one who reads, let him</u> <u>understand</u>)" (v 15). That's the key. How far down the road that is... because remember that God always honors repentance.

When the Great Tribulation starts, v 21-Jesus continues: "For then shall there be great tribulation, such as has not been from *the* beginning of *the* world until this time, nor ever shall be *again*. And if those days were not limited, there would no flesh be saved; but for the elect's sake those days shall be limited" (vs 21-22).

The time ahead is going to get progressively more difficult and fulfill the prophecies that God said would be. In the middle of that, think of this: Luke 18 is about the widow who kept asking, 'Avenge me.' Finally the judge avenged her.

Luke 18:7: "And shall not God execute vengeance for His elect..." *The Bible that it talks about those who are God's*:

- the *called*
- the *chosen*
- the *faithful*

Chosen means *elect*, selected by God, and there are so few. Look at the world. Look at how many really

think they understand about God, but they create gods in their own image.

"...His elect who cry out to Him day and night, and patiently watch over them? I tell you that He will execute vengeance for them speedily.... [you find that in the book of Revelation] ... Nevertheless, when the Son of man comes, shall He find the *true* faith on the earth?" (vs 7-8). So few. Why? *Because few repent and few really believe God!*

Let's look at another thing that we have covered, Jer. 18. We've gone to this area before, but this gives us another view as to what is happening in the world and what is happening in this nation. Jeremiah was the prophet to proclaim God's judgment against Judah and the Jews for their sins before He destroyed the city and temple in 586_{sc} . We're going to learn a principle here that God is always working!

Jeremiah 18:1: "The Word which came to Jeremiah from the LORD, saying, 'Arise and go down to the potter's house, and there I will cause you to hear My words.' Then I went down to the potter's house, and, behold, he was working at his wheel. And the vessel that he made of clay was ruined in the hand of the potter; so he made it again into another vessel, as seemed good to the potter to make *it*." (vs 1-4).

What are we made of? *Dust or clay!* This is kind of a prophecy of the plan of God. You live, but you die, *and He makes you new*, right there in that verse. But there's more to it.

Verse 5: "Then the Word of the LORD came to me, saying, 'O house of Israel, can I not do with you *even* as this potter?' says the LORD. 'Behold, as the clay is in the potter's hands, *so are* you in My hand, O house of Israel. If at any time... [any time down through time: past, present, future] ...I shall speak concerning a nation, and concerning a kingdom... [this is God's overview of the world] ... to pluck it up and to pull it down, and to destroy *it*; if that nation, against whom I have spoken, will turn from their evil, I will repent of the evil that I thought to do to them" (vs 5-8). *So, God offers a space of repentance!*

In our current situation in the world today, we have the same thing. People are out there, everyone doing their own thing. In this nation we have more about God than any nation on earth, but how many, even the religious leaders, are willing to truly follow God? *Very few*! Verse 9: "And if at any time I shall speak concerning a nation, and concerning a kingdom, to build it and to plant *it*; if it does evil in My sight, that it not obey My voice, then I will repent of the good with which I said I would do them good" (vs 9-10). *That's how God is looking at it!*

- How does God view this nation? *Take a look at the world! Look at the problems in Europe!*
- Why is all of that happening? God said of the descendants of Israel, the stranger would rise up high above them!

It's happening there; it's happening here. Trump is planning to repel the convoys coming here. Let's see how that works. There are many different things. As God looks at the world: What does He see?

I'll have to do a Church at Home (**churchathome.org**) on this: Did you know that there is an organization of witches who say that you can be Christian and be a witch? *The Bible says you are not to!*

2-Timothy 3:5: "Having an outward appearance of Godliness, but denying the power of *true* Godliness. But *as for you*, turn away from *all* these." Let's see what else he adds on top of that:

1-Timothy 4:1: "Now, the Spirit tells *us* explicitly that in *the* latter times some shall apostatize from the faith..." *It's more than the some*, *it's the majority of the people!*

If you watch *Church at Home* (**churchathome.org**), I have done six on how the Catholic Church became corrupt. I did four on the Catholic pedophilia. You can watch those and see. But that's exactly what men have done under the guise of serving God, but they're serving Satan.

- Catholicism—How Did It Become So Corrupt?
- Catholic Church Pedophilia

"...and shall follow deceiving spirits and doctrines of demons; speaking lies in hypocrisy... [perfect description of the fake news] ...their consciences having been cauterized with a hot iron" (vs 1-2).

2-Peter 2:1: "But there were also false prophets among the people, as indeed there will be false teachers among you..."

How did Christianity go from the teachings of Christ to where it is today? *Even though they use the name of Jesus, most of what they teach is against Christ!* You can begin with Sunday-keeping.

"...who will stealthily introduce destructive heresies, personally denying *the* Lord who bought

them, and bringing swift destruction upon themselves. And many people will follow *as authoritative* their destructive ways; *and* because of them, <u>the way of the Truth will be blasphemed</u>" (vs 1-2).

- Isn't that so?
- What do they say about God's Sabbath Day, when He says, remember the Sabbath Day to keep it Holy? *No, you don't need to do that!*
- How far down have they sunk? *Watch TBN a little bit!*
- What is the most popular show on TBN now? *Mike Huckabee!*

He's a preacher, but he doesn't do any preaching! It's mostly good talk, music and politics.

2-Peter 3:1: "Now, beloved, I am writing this second epistle to you; in *both*, I am stirring up your pure minds by causing *you* to *in order* for you to be mindful of the words that were spoken before by the Holy prophets, and of the commandment of the Lord and Savior, *spoken* by us, the apostles; knowing this first, that in the last days *there* will come mockers, walking according to their own personal lusts" (vs 1-3).

That's what is making all of these things transpire and come to pass, exactly as prophesied. There are many people out there you can ask— 'Christians'—why is this happening? Some who study the Bible may be able to give you a reasonably decent answer saying that there's more evil than good, which is true! But they won't be able to tell you the truth concerning it!

Another thing that the world has lost, which is: Who is America in prophecy? as well as Britain? We have a book on that *America and Britain* in prophecy {*America & Britain*—*Their Biblical Origins & Prophetic Destiny* by Philip Neal}.We are originally the end-time children of Israel. So, the prophecies that were given to Israel when they were in the Holy Land, there's a first fulfillment and there's a second fulfillment. The second fulfillment applies as we read here:

Isaiah 1:1: "The vision of Isaiah the son of Amoz, which he saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem ... [that's a type of *all* Israel] ...in the days of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, *and* Hezekiah, kings of Judah. Hear, O heavens, and give ear, O earth; for the LORD has spoken, 'I have reared and brought up children, <u>but they have rebelled against Me</u>. The ox knows his owner, and the donkey his master's crib; *but* Israel does not know *Me*; <u>My people do</u> <u>not understand'</u>" (vs 1-3).

What happens? I've done this many times. The laws of God act all the time, everywhere, just like the law of gravity. Here are my keys, if I let go, they fall. It's the same way with human conduct. God made us to:

- receive Him
- receive His laws
- receive His Truth

So that we can, in this life, develop the character! And at the time of the resurrection, after we die, then we will become the sons and daughters of God.

God made mankind to receive His laws, His Spirit and His Truth! But He has given us independent free moral agency (IFMA). We have to choose! Every human being out there has to choose!

Verse 4: "Ah, sinful nation..." If you were kind of up in the air in a spacecraft and you could see everything that was going on:

- how many murders
- how many thefts
- how many drugs
- how many adultery
- how many lying and cheating

All of this going on, it would be a horrible thing to watch, even in a good little town like Hollister.

"...a people burdened *with* iniquity, a seed of evildoers, children who deal corruptly! They have forsaken the LORD..." (v 4). *That's true!*

There are more witches than there are Presbyterians. There are more and more atheists and more and more of those who follow what they call Christianity, become further and further removed from God unless they go by the Word of God.

"...they have provoked the Holy One of Israel to anger; they have gone away backward.... [that's why we have all the troubles] ... Why should you be stricken any more? You will revolt more and more; the whole head is sick, and the whole heart faint... [the *whole* nation] ...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..." (vs 4-7).

Look at California; it's quickly becoming it. How many more thousands of acres fire have we had?

"...your cities *are* burned with fire. Strangers devour your land right in your *very* presence... [think about how many strangers own great swaths of land and property in America] ...and *it is* wasted, as overthrown by strangers" (v 7). *That's the ultimate result, and it will!* Along that line I wrote in the November letter about this very thing. I said, the election is over. It looks like that things will kind of go along fairly good. The best part about the election is that Donald Trump still has the majority in the Senate. So, he's going to appoint more judges who will rule by the written Constitution. That may make things a little better for a while.

- What's going to happen after that?
- What is the pattern in the Bible?
- When a new generation comes along, what do they do? *They overthrow it!*

What do you think the Democrats are going to do when President Trump is not there? and they have their own president there? A lot of these prophecies are going to come kaleidoscoping right down on top of us.

Now very interesting, Trump attributed his being in office to God but why the election wasn't the way it should be. He should have said, other people need to depend on God too and maybe it would be different. I don't know how Sarah Huckabee Sanders is able to handle all of that every day. I couldn't do it.

Verse 8: "And the daughter of Zion is left as a booth in a vineyard, like a hut in a garden of cucumbers, like a besieged city. Except the LORD of hosts had left us a very small remnant, we would have been as Sodom; we would have become like Gomorrah" (vs 8-9).

So, there is a small remnant, *that's the Church!* There are many Churches of God today. Yet, even at that, let's see what God says here:

Verse 16: "'Wash yourselves, make yourselves clean... [that's by repentance, looking to God] ... put away the evil of your doings from before My eyes; cease to do evil; learn to do good; seek judgment, reprove the oppressor. Judge the orphan; plead for the widow. Come now, and let us reason together,' says the LORD. 'Though your sins are as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall be like wool. If you are willing and obedient, you shall eat the good of the land; but <u>if</u> you refuse and rebel, you shall be devoured with the sword'; for the mouth of the LORD has spoken *it*" (vs 16-20). That happened to Israel and that happened to Judah.

Look what happens to every nation that rises up and brings evil and havoc. What does God do? *He raises up another nation to put them down!* If they go bad, then He raises up another nation to come against them.

Look at America and what happened in WWII and Nazi Germany. Everything we

condemned them for *we are doing now*. All the troubles you see are because people have left God and God's judgment is the result of sin, the catastrophe that comes along. The key of understanding what on earth is happening is answering the question:

- Who are <u>we</u> in the Bible?
- Where do <u>we</u> come from?

That's why you need the book *America and Britain*. That'll help you understand it. There's a reason that America and Britain have ruled the world for 500 years.

Hosea 4:1: "Hear the Word of the LORD, children of Israel... [first thing people need to do is get back to the Word of God] ...for the LORD *has* a controversy with the inhabitants of the land. <u>"There</u> is no truth, nor mercy, nor knowledge of God in the land."

If you would go out and you would do a *Watters' World* and ask people:

- Why are we here?
- Why were you born?
- Do you know God?
- What do you think about God?

What if you came up and asked an atheist? *He might smash you in the face!*

Just like dropping the keys, v 2: "By swearing... [that's falsely] ...and lying, and killing, and stealing, and the committing of adultery they break out; and blood touches blood. Therefore shall the land mourn..." (vs 2-3) *Automatically affects the land!*

You've heard of climate change. Climate change is not because of the mechanical things we use, *but the sins that are committed!*

"...and everyone who dwells in it shall languish, with the beasts of the field and with the birds of the heavens. Yes, the fish of the sea shall also be taken away. Yet, let no man strive, nor reprove another, for your people *are* as those who strive with the priest" (vs 3-4).

Verse 6: "My people are destroyed <u>for lack</u> <u>of knowledge</u>…"

- the knowledge of God
- obeying God
- keeping His commandments
- keeping His Sabbath
- keeping His Holy Days

Automatically brings these things upon them. They don't come all at once. They come a little bit and

will they change? *No!* Come a little bit more, will they change? *No!*

Just follow the situation with those who are drug addicts. Every time they're given a chance to quit, but sooner or later it gets so much, they may even be ready to die, and if they quit and change their way, God will be merciful and let them live. God is no respecter of persons. But these things happen automatically.

"...Because you have rejected knowledge... [the knowledge of God] ...I will also reject you from being a priest to Me...." (v 6).

That's another whole story. The whole tribe of Israel were to be the nation of God to bring the knowledge of God to the world, to act as a whole as a priest, but they didn't do that.

So, He says, "...Since you have forgotten the Law of your God, I will also forget your children" (v 6).

- Isn't that true?
- Hasn't that happened?
- How are the children forgotten? In school and at home!

The big women's movement today is going to end up women ruling over us. That's going to increase difficulties. One of the big things that's really necessary are mothers to be at home with the children. If they do, then the children will be blessed. If they are not, they are left to their own devices, and who knows what will happen. *That's how they're forgotten!*

God gave the fifth commandment—honor your father and mother—so that the children could be taught of God by their parents. So that when they grow up they can have more success to their lives. But that's not done today. The closest you come to it is home-schooling. The mothers stay home, school the children, help them, and that's a great thing. Likewise we have Church at Home.

Verse 7: "As they were increased, so they sinned against Me. I will change their glory into shame." *That tells you exactly how all of these things have come about!*

James 4:1: "What is the cause of quarrels and fightings among you?.... [sin and independent free moral agency and rebellion] ... Is it not mainly from your own lusts that are warring within your members?" Choosing to live a life of sin! When that happens and two people get together, clashes begin.

Verse 2: "You lust, and have not; you kill, and are jealous, and are not able to obtain; you fight and quarrel, but still you do not have, because you do not ask.... [then they say, all right I'll ask] ...*Then* you ask, and you do not receive, because you ask with evil motives, that you may consume *it* on your own lusts. *You* adulterers and adulteresses, don't you know that the friendship of the world is enmity *with* God? Therefore, **whoever desires to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God**" (vs 3-4). *Those are quite some Scriptures!*

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Here's a pattern in the Bible, always. Where there is condemnation and correction, exposing of sin, then God always offers repentance. That's the purpose of it.

James 4:5: "Or do you think that the Scripture says in vain, 'The spirit that dwells in us lusts with envy'?"

That's the spirit of man with the nature of sin and death and that is fighting against God. That's what's called *carnal nature*. This is why people fight and argue and war.

Verse 6: "But He gives greater grace...." In other words, *the forgiveness of God and the mercy of God and what God gives is greater than our weaknesses and our lust*, because then if we rely on God, then He will help us to live our lives the way that we should. When we have the Spirit of God and are faithful to the end, then the resurrection is a fantastic thing that's going to be. There's so much in the Bible it's amazing!

"...This is the reason it says, 'God sets Himself against *the* proud, but He gives grace to *the* humble" (v 6).

Anyone who says, 'Oh Lord, I want to walk in your way,' He gives grace. Anyone who says, 'I don't believe in God; the Bible is filled full of a bunch of lies,' he sets himself against God and God sets himself against the person. But if they come to a point that they repent, God will forgive them <u>*IF*</u> they are sincere in it.

Then he shows what we need to do, v 7: "Therefore, submit yourselves to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you." *The devil is active!*

Rev. 13 is the state of the world right now. Not quite 100%, but way high in the 90%. This talks about the beast that is coming:

Revelation 13:1: "And I stood on the sand of the sea; and I saw a beast rising up out of the sea, having seven heads and ten horns, and on his horns ten crowns, and upon his heads *the* name of blasphemy." *This is a depiction of Satan and his demonic spiritual organization!*

Verse 2: "And the beast that I saw was like a leopard, and his feet like *the feet* of a bear, and his mouth like *the* mouth of a lion; and the dragon...

[Satan the devil (Rev. 12:9)] ...gave him his power, and his throne and great authority."

Stop and think for a minute. Remember the temptation of Jesus Christ. What did Satan offer Jesus? 'If You worship me, I'll give You all the kingdoms of the world, because it has been delivered to me, and to whom I will, I give it.' So, Satan is telling Jesus, 'You can have Your reward right now. You don't have to go through all of this.'

But here's the thing, v 4: "And they worshiped the dragon..."

Revelation 12:9: "And the great dragon was cast out, the ancient serpent who is called the Devil and Satan, who is deceiving the whole world..."

That's why the world is in the mess it is in today. I need to bring a sermon on *the mark of the beast* because it's coming. It's going to be, 'Oh, what a wonderful perfect plan.'

Revelation 13:4: "And they worshiped the dragon, who gave *his* authority to the beast. And they worshiped the beast, saying, 'Who *is* like the beast? Who has the power to make war against him?""

Stop and think: How do we worship the true God? With God's Truth and God's way! Anyone who doesn't do that is doing it his own way, and sooner or later he ends up worshiping Satan. There are a lot of people out there that Satan is not actively involved in their lives, but if they go along with his ways, then that's fine. He raises up different leaders to take people into different aspects of what Satan wants to do with his deception. That's a lot of what's going on. A lot of these shootings that are taking place:

- Satan
- drugs
- weapons

The weapons don't kill by themselves, but *the demonic ones who have the weapons do the killing!*

James 4:7: "Therefore, submit yourselves to God.... [first thing] ...Resist the devil... [because he wants you to do things his way] ...and he will flee from you. Draw near to God, and He will draw near to you. Cleanse *your* hands, you sinners, and purify *your* hearts, you double-minded! Be grieved and mourn and weep; let your laughter be turned into grieving, and *your* joy into mourning. **Humble yourselves before the Lord,** and He will exalt you" (vs 7-10). Quite a thing! Quite amazing.

Micah 6:1: "Hear now what the LORD says, 'Arise, contend with the mountains and let the hills hear your voice. O mountains, hear the LORD'S controversy; and you, strong foundations of the earth, for the LORD has a controversy with His people, and He will plead His case with Israel'" (vs 1-2). **How does God do that?**

- 1. the affects of sin are automatic
- 2. He raises up enemies

People will say, 'What's going on? What's happening?' *If they start searching for God*, *He will hear them!*

Verse 3: "O My people, what have I done to you?...."

- What did God do? Just look at this nation here!
- How did we start out? Fantastic! Wonderful land! Tremendous!
- Down through time, what has happened? God gave us all kinds of blessings, helped us win wars, etc.!

"...And in what way have I made you weary? Testify against Me!" (v 3).

- Anyone be against God
- Testify against Him?

Verse 9: "Hearken!.... [hear, listen and obey] ... The LORD cries unto the city, and it is wisdom to have regard for Your name. 'Hear the rod and *Him* who has appointed it. Are there yet treasures of wickedness in the house of the wicked, and the scant measure that is abominable? Shall I count pure those with wicked balances, and those with a bag of deceitful weights?'" (vs 9-11).

Like unto their business practices. Look at all of the con jobs that go on with these. So you see how thorough the Bible is.

Micah 7:1: "Woe is me! For I am like the gatherings of summer fruits, like the grape gleanings of the vintage. There is no cluster to eat; *but* my soul desires the first-ripe fruit. The good man has perished from the earth..." (vs 1-2).

When it comes to the time there are few good men... Now this is not talking about that they absolutely know God and they absolutely know Christ. They are good because they're following the precepts of God, whether they know they're the precepts of God or not. Those are the good people in the world.

"...and there is none upright among men... [that's how bad it's going to get] ...for they all lie in wait for blood; each one hunts his brother *with* a net. They use both hands diligently to do evil...." (vs 2-3).

Sidebar: Have you ever watched *NatGeo* when they do their program about drugs? They go to drug dealers and they let the drug dealers conceal who they are and the drug dealers tell them all about their activity, what they do, and who they sell the drugs to. They tell them that they get them and it comes from many places: on ships, trains, cars, by person and they sell them. It's amazing how many people are on drugs, absolutely mind-boggling.

I remember the one they did in England. There's this drug dealer who sells drugs and marijuana. Then there are these two young ladies who when they get off at work, they come home and smoke a weed. They say, 'We're good.' What will happen when that doesn't work for them? Then here comes cocaine; here comes meth. It's pervasive. I was absolutely floored at watching those.

Verse 3: "They use both hands diligently to do evil. The ruler asks for a bribe..." That's why the Democrats are upset because they're not getting their bribes.

"...and the judge for a reward; and the great man speaks the evil desire of his soul. Thus they weave it together. The best of them *is* like a briar; the most upright *is sharper* than a hedge of thorns. The day of your watchmen *and* your punishment comes; now they shall be confused. Put no trust in a friend; put no hope in a guide; keep the door of your mouth from her who lies *in* your bosom.... [that's how bad it gets] ...For the son dishonors the father; the daughter rises up against her mother, the daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law. A man's enemies are the men of his own household" (vs 3-6).

The comment was made that the drug dealers and users are liars and back-biters and will do anything for their own fulfillment, rather than help someone else. *Amazing thing!*

Verse 7: "Therefore I will look to the LORD..." *This is what we need to do!*

In all of this, the question is: <u>Where is the</u> <u>Truth, the whole Truth, and nothing but the</u> <u>Truth?</u> That's why I say on Church at Home, 'We have no traditions of men, no teachings of men. It is the Word of God and the Truth of God. You're not going to find it anyplace, except in your own home.' That's for people to start. Then they can come to some of our fellowship groups if they're close enough for some of those.

Verse 7: "Therefore, I will look to the LORD; I will wait for the God of my salvation. My God will hear me! Rejoice not against me, O my enemy; for *if* I fall, I shall arise; for *if* I sit in darkness, the LORD shall be a light to me" (vs 7-8). *That's what we need to do, look to God that way!*

- How is the government going to change this? *They can change very little!*
- What should the religious leaders who profess Christianity really do?:
 - \checkmark they need to return to God
 - \checkmark they need to repent of their sins
 - they need to be preaching the Word of God and helping people come out of their sins

That's what they need to do! Here's what <u>we</u> need to do:

Hosea 10:12: "Sow to yourselves in righteousness, reap in mercy; break up your fallow ground, for *it is* time to seek the LORD, until He comes and rains righteousness on you." *Repentance!* Notice, that's right in the middle of the problems and difficulties that are going on.

Verse 13: "You have plowed wickedness; you have reaped iniquity... [that's what's happening in the world] ...you have eaten the fruit of lies because you trusted in your way, in the multitude of your mighty men. Therefore, a tumult shall arise among your people..." (vs 13-14).

Don't we have that, tumults everywhere? *Quite a thing!* How many people in the world would even think that the very description of what they're seeing today has actually been prophesied about thousands of years ago?

Hosea 13:6: "When they were fed, they became full. They were filled and their heart was exalted. Therefore, they have forgotten Me."

Isn't that what happens? Here we are in the most affluent time of the history of mankind and that's exactly what's taking place!

Verse 7: "Therefore, I will be as a lion to them; as a leopard by the way I will watch. I will meet them like a bear that is bereaved of her cubs, and will tear open their chests. And there I will devour them like a lion—as the wild beast would tear them. O Israel, you have destroyed yourself; but in Me *is* your help. Where *is* your king now, that he may save you in all your cities; and your judges of whom you said, "Give me a king and princes"? I gave you a king in My anger, and took *him* away in My wrath. The iniquity of Ephraim is bound up; his sin *is* hidden" (vs 7-12). *Then how it goes through that area!*

This is what needs to happen. Hosea 14:1: "O Israel, return to the LORD your God, for you have fallen because of your iniquity." *Think of that!*

I forget how long ago I did it, but on Church at Home. I did one where I talked about the town of Perfectville, because everyone wants it nice. Even ask people who are suffering: Do you want things to be good? *Oh*, *yes*, *yes*.

I said, let's start with the Ten Commandments. Let's start with number five: Honor your father and mother. Wouldn't it be nice if we had all children happy, taught by mom and dad, and everything was good? Children doing what they should?

- no juvenile delinquency
- no drugs!
- no murders
- no adultery—everyone faithful and loyal to husband and wife

What a fantastic thing that would be!

• no stealing—don't have to have any locks on your doors

The policeman, he's just kind of a constable, walking around helping people. He wouldn't have to worry about crime.

- no false witnessing
- no lying
- no stealing
- no coveting

Everything is safe!

Then here comes the hook, the first four commandments.

- you have to have the true God
- no idols

Who takes the name of God in vain-number three-more than anyone else as a category of people? All the preachers that claim to be Christian, and yet, keep Sunday and say, 'This is the Lord's day!'

Then fourth commandment: *keep the Sabbath*! That's the way you would have Perfectville. But how many will do that?

Psalm 100:1: "Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth." That's what it's going to be, 'Perfectville' over the whole earth when God is reigning.

"...Serve the LORD with gladness; come before His presence with singing. Know that the LORD, He is God. He has made us, and <u>we are His</u>..." (vs 1-3).

That's the whole purpose in life. That's why we have the book, *From the Speck of Dust to a Son* of God: Why Were You Born?

"...we are His people and the sheep of His pasture. Enter into His gates with thanksgiving and into His courts with praise; give thanks unto Him and bless His name, for the LORD is good; His steadfast love is everlasting; and His faithfulness... [which includes everything about God] ...endures to <u>all</u> generations" (vs 3-5).

This is how we can keep our focus in the world the way that it is, and serve God and love Him and keep His commandments! Scriptural References:

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