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What On Earth Is Happening?

Introduction

Whether one watches the news or hears about the happenings across the world, many are asking, “What is happening?” With little or no warning rivers become massive floods; earthquakes are happening where they have not happened before; governmentally the world is in a political nightmare; riots in many cities, corrupt politicians who line their pockets with money obtained from deeds that would be illegal for the common individual. Deception is rampant ecclesiastically, nationally and financially. Billionaires boast of having the biggest yacht, the most magnificent mansions, cars worth millions but there is no security in business, finance or anything else. At the moment of death there is no life insurance against its prevention whither one is a billionaire, a sheik, a royal or a President. Having visited many cemeteries, I have never seen one with the inscription, “He/she was a top class business person, a shrewd politician” etc. After death they all will either be cremated, have their body frozen cryogenically or will have an 8 x 3 piece of ground, and there the body will lie and decompose.

What is the meaning of life? or another question, “What is life?” Is it nothing other than a duration of days when one eats, works, and sleeps with endless monotony? If one awakens in Majorca today and Cannes tomorrow etc., at the end of the day they will sleep in bed like thousands of others. What is life?

Life is, according to evolution, just a combination of molecules accidentally joined in perfect sequence which when death occurs the body follows the second law of thermodynamics and decomposes. Is life’s purpose to be like Jane Goodall, an authority on apes, to be like Joe Biden, a president, or to be a multi-millionaire like Bill Gates? Is life nothing more than living in this world of pain and sorrow with no future?

For the child of God, we know what is happening and it is along several venues:

- a) Satan is blinding humanity. What they call liberty is enslavement and humanity is on a downward slope to a one world government with one man dominating. A world where there is a loss of liberty and man will worship a wicked evil man. It is not an accident that tattoos are becoming common as the sign of the beast will be a mark on the hand or forehead (Rev. 14:9). Tattoos are simply preparing for the inevitable. Riots happen all over the world as man is accepting the teaching he is god and therefore everyone else must submit to his determination. Man is unhappy and ever seeking for satisfaction as Satan keeps him being short sighted by holding temporary dreams for now.
- b) At the same time the Spirit of God is slowly releasing His control in a controlled release to allow man to do as He wants and reap the consequences (Gal. 6:7). God is also reminding man of the brevity of life and the insignificance of himself.

- c) God is reminding humanity that there is a hereafter, and they have a choice as to where they will be. It is Heaven or Hell.

In the twenty-fourth chapter of Matthew's gospel he records the Lord speaking of things in the last days. That which we see happening is the setting up and shadows of things to come. The Lord spoke of false Christs, of deception, wars and rumours of wars. To put it plainly, the world is going to be a politically and militarily unstable sphere. With it will come a shortage of food and death. Paul wrote of disobedience to parents and as we look on the world of riots and rebellion against authority, it is to a great extent due to a child not being taught their place in society. Sadly, this is not the worst. Things are going to get worse when man loses his freedom to worship and almost no one will be able to go anywhere without the government seeing what one watches, how they spend their money, and where they go. Liberty will be a distant dream, even as it is now in some countries of the world today.

Wisdom demands, consider your ways

A wise person looks ahead and considers their pathway, a path that not only leads to anguish in this world, but also in the world to come. The Lord promises to take His own to be with Himself and that could happen any day (Lk. 12:18-20). We stand every moment of every day on the edge of eternity, not only by death, but the coming of the Lord (Rev. 3:11). There is not a single prophecy left to be fulfilled. Reality is, as I write this paper this morning, I could be in Heaven by midday. The wise will consider where their eternal dwelling will be? So often one sees on a head stone, "RIP" (Rest in Peace), but the spirit of that individual may not be resting in peace but languishing in the pit of eternal darkness as the unceasing, undiminishing judgment of Almighty God is experienced by them. Wise is the individual who, even as the storm clouds gather, turns from their own ways and depend on nothing else but the sacrifice of Christ for salvation.

Thank God there is only one way, and unless the Lord told lies, He is the only way for salvation. He said, "I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me" (Jn. 14:6). This is exclusiveness to the utmost. It is an absolute, no compromise, no discussion, that is it. If anyone wants to approach God, the only way is through the Lord Jesus Christ. On the cross at Calvary God judged the Lord as the one responsible and guilty for the sins I committed and punished Him accordingly. I deserved to be banished from God for all eternity, but in wondrous love the Lord endured the punishment I deserved, and now offers a way of escape from the damnation of Hell. The decision is the individuals, it is Heaven or Hell for all eternity.

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