The World Today Answers to Questions V

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Greetings, everyone! Welcome to Sabbath services!

Today we're looking at what's going on in world events. There are many things circling around bringing us closer to the end.

I want to read to you part of my March/April letter as an introduction to my message today. We will see how much we can do in the first half and then the last half we will take Bible answers and won't do anymore answering of Bible questions until after Unleavened Bread.

From monthly (Mar./Apr) letter:

The Russian war against Ukraine: The world stands on the brink of a wider war, perhaps WWIII.

That's what they're trying to avoid and Putin is trying to hurry and finish it before it gets into anything else! But I'm sure that he figured that it would be over by now.

The nations of Europe and NATO have been startled into the reality that they must really unite and be able to defend themselves without leaning on the United states as the major member of war power to defend them.

Also, with what Putin is doing in the Ukraine, this brings flashback memories to all of Europe about WWII.

This is especially obvious because Biden is totally inept, mentally and physically a weak president. Moreover, those in his administration are also weak-minded and appear to only be determined to destroy America.

If anyone had sense, they would open up that pipeline and finish it, but they don't want to do it because it's a hatred of Donald Trump, but it's more than that! *The leaders in Washington D.C. are evil-minded people set on destroying America!* I don't know how we can last three more years. So, we'll just have to wait and see.

Why I this happening, and so swiftly to this nation?

It's happening quickly! Look at all the things converging together; all tied to inflation. That affects everything that there is. The lack of oil affects

everything that we do and many of the products that we make. They all come from petroleum.

They are so fixated on destroying Trump and not admitting that he was right that they will even negotiate with the Iranians to buy oil from them and also Venezuela.

Not only are they weak-minded, they're just categorically stupid liars in the whole administration. We can all be thankful that they do not have enough votes to do everything that they wanted to do.

Why I this happening, and so swiftly to this nation? *Because...*

People don't look for the cause! Why have we ended up from a people that have been—in the letter of the Law—reasonably righteous people to now perverted wretches?

...establishment Christianity—Protestant and Catholic—have only taught parts of the Bible and neglected using the whole Word of God to be used as a way of life. This process has happened slowly over 200 years.

What does that remind you of? A little leaven leavens the whole lump! And you don't do it all at once. Here is the process:

1. They never repented of Sunday-keeping, holiday observance, to keep the Sabbath and Holy Days of God.

That's the #1 prime thing! If you're not in true contact with the true God His way, you're not in contact with God!

2. Then they neglected God and the rest of the Ten Commandments.

Look what we have today!

3. They changed the meaning of the Bible with false interpretations and terrible translations, claiming the law has been done away...

Isn't that an amazing thing? That right in the Bible that they have... Think about this, they claim to teach out of the Bible, but they don't except for certain things they agree with. Now they are so locked in with loggerheads with their doctrines that they refuse—not only just neglect—adamantly refuse!

I just did a series on Church At Home {churchathome.org} on Judaism! (7 segments). You are going to be amazed. Why have I done this, because those of the world—particularly the Catholics—say that if you keep the commandments of God you are Judaizing! That is the same exact thing that they used in the first century.

The Jews add fuel to that fire, because they don't want them keeping the commandments. They want them to do what they are doing so they say that the commandments, the Law, and Old Testament is *Jewish!* They never tell the people that all of Israel consists of 12 tribes. They never look at the prophecies of what God says in the latter days. So, they are *willfully* blinded, and that's exactly where Satan wants them to be!

Matthew 5:17—it's this way in every single Bible: "**Do not think**..."

- What does that mean?
- What does "Do not think" mean?

Simple, because everybody thinks! God says:

Verse 17: "<u>Do not think</u> that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; <u>I did not come to abolish</u>, <u>but to fulfill</u>."

They say that means to do away with when you fulfill. <u>NO!</u> That means to complete it! The Greek means there to complete, and the prophecy in Isaiah was that He would come and magnify the Law!

Here's the test; v 18: "For truly I say to you, until the heaven and the earth shall pass away, <u>one</u> jot or one tittle shall in no way pass from the Law until everything has been fulfilled."

Is heaven and earth here? Can't deny it; you're on the earth! It's still here, so that means that **nothing has been abolished!**

Has everything been fulfilled? They look to the temple ritual, but God destroyed the temple because it was absolutely necessary because of the sins of the Jews, and for the furtherance of the Churches of God and Christianity!

Watch those segments that I've done on Church at Home; it is going to be amazing. Some of it is so ludicrous that maybe you're going to really laugh about what they actually do! *Most people don't have a clue as to what the Jews really do!*

(continuing letter): ...claiming the law has been done away with preaching a false grace and a false Jesus.

See the progress of leavening coming along with this!

4. After that, the teaching of men more than the correct teachings of God.

Isn't that true?

- 5. They fight against God and reject Him!
- 6. After rejecting God the entire society becomes morally perverted and bankrupt at every level.
 - religion
 - education
 - government
 - business
 - entertainment
 - personal lives

Finally, Satan comes in many deceitful guises and permeates lies and deceits in everyone's life.

Think about that! Think about where you were and what you were doing before God called you. Times that about ten and you have what we have today.

No one knows what the Truth is! The final step is that Satan is openly excepted as a viable religion under the Constitution's Freedom of Religion clause.

They have idols of Satan in Detroit and two other places, and Satan professes to give them freedom!

Is Satan in everything that you look at in the world today? Look at this thing that they just did in Florida! They passed a law that they do not teach gender identification in elementary school, grades K-3. Walt Disney's corporation came out and said that it was discriminatory against so-called 'gays.'

The purveyor of things for children is completely in Satan's hands!

If you watch any advertisements on television, you will see that everything that is coming out of Disneyland is *occultism!* **Everything!**

The only two things holding back is the Churches of God and preaching the Gospel. I can tell you that at the present time it's difficult to understand how there's going to be a major preaching of the Gospel by any of the Churches of God in their current configuration.

We need to pray about it! Ask God to intervene and lead all of us. Whatever is wrong in all the Churches of God, they can repent, and they need to repent. And that God would give us the resources and the physical strength to do the things we need to do.

When Jesus was tempted by Satan the devil, what was His first answer? *Man shall not by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds out of God* (Luke 4:4; Matt. 4:4; Deut. 8:3). Since we're

speaking about he descendants of Israel, this applies. Think about why God chose America as the place for the Gospel to be preached.

- couldn't do it in Europe; Catholic Church rules the roost
- couldn't do it in England; the Crown is the head of the church

The only place it could be done is in America!

We had two great defenses: *vast, thousands* of miles wide ocean on each side of the country! Compare that to Europe; couldn't do it there.

Deuteronomy 4:1: "And now, O Israel, hearken to the statutes and to the judgments, which I teach you, in order to do them... [this is Moses' farewell message] ...so that you may live..."

They never read this in the Protestant churches. But all of them want to live. Does God want you to live? Yes!

"...and go in and possess the land, which the LORD God of your fathers gives *to* you.... [notice the first thing Moses says]: ... **You shall not**..." (vs 1-2).

What does that mean? *Most people don't understand that!* They take that as *you will do!*

"...**add to the word**, which I command you..." (v 2).

Why? Because God is God! He is perfect and we are not! The great sin of all establishment Christianity today is all the <u>teachings of men</u> that have been added!

"... neither shall you take away from it ... " (v 2).

Oh, the Law has been done away, we don't even need the Old Testament.

Really? Why don't you take your car and cut it in half, right down the middle, and decide which half you want. Then get in it and see if you can drive it away and have anything viable as transportation. You don't!

"...so that you may keep the commandments of the LORD your God, which I command you. Your eyes have seen what the LORD did because of Baal Peor. For the LORD your God has destroyed from among you all the men that followed Baal Peor. And you who held fast to the LORD your God *are* alive, every one of you, this day" (vs 2-4).

He's saying that God has given them a chance, so let's look at it that way for ourselves today. *God has given us a chance!*

- God has called us
- God is offering eternal life
- God wants us to be in His Kingdom

We know that we have a great task ahead of us, which is to help restore the world under Christ! What a great thing that is! Can you think of anything greater that you can do? Plus, *He's going to give you eternal life to do it!* That's an amazing thing!

Verse 6: "And you shall keep and do *them*, for this is your wisdom and your understanding in the sight of the nations, which shall hear all these statutes and say, 'Surely this great nation *is* a wise and understanding people." *Not anymore! We're stupid and irrelevant!*

Verse 9: "Only <u>take heed to yourself</u>..."

That's a key!

God makes each one of us responsible for what we do. We can't pull the trick that all human nature down through all history have done, which we see in the White House today: he did it, not me; she did it, not me! You "...take heed to yourself..." means that:

- you control your thoughts
- you control your actions
- you control your decisions

To make the right ones based upon the Word of God!

"...and diligently keep yourself..." (v 9).

- Do you still have a carnal mind you're fighting against?
- What's the solution to that?

When we get to Unleavened Bread I point out that the solution to that is to bring every thought into obedience unto Jesus Christ! In other words, we, each one of us individually:

- must control our own mind
- must control our own emotions
- must look to God
 - ✓ pray to Him everyday
 - ✓ study His Word everyday
 - ✓ fast whenever we need to

So we can stay close to God!

Let me tell you right now: <u>God wants you to stay close to Him!</u> That's what all of this is about! Here's why He wants that. You can't have it like the Protestants, half-hour on Sunday and let's go play golf.

Remember the minister in Pasadena that did that? Yep! He bragged, 'I play golf on the Sabbath and talk with God while I'm playing golf.'

Do you think God is listening? *No!* God will listen if you love Him and keep His commandments, and you pray on your knees.

"...lest you forget the things, which your eyes have seen... [they saw a lot of fantastic things] ...and lest they depart from your heart all the days of your life..." (v 9).

Think about that! All life long! He's given us a lifelong project of overcoming and living God's way!

These next verses applies to us today, and think about this verse in relationship to the number of people who use to be in the Churches of God, who are no longer here, who are out there

- in the world
- agreeing with the world
- living like the world
- going against God

because they didn't do this:

Verse 23: "<u>Take heed to yourselves</u>..." God is showing that each one of us are responsible for ourselves before God!

"...<u>lest you forget the covenant of the LORD your God...</u>" (v 23).

The New Covenant is multiply times more important!

"...which He made with you, and make you a graven image, a likeness of anything which the LORD your God has forbidden you, for <u>the LORD</u> your God is a consuming fire, a jealous God" (vs 23-24).

Paul wrote that everyone is going to come before the Throne of Christ and give an account of him or her self! What is that going to be? That's all within our jurisdiction to control!

The way that the world is going right now, we can expect a lot of doctrinal attacks to try and take you away from God! They're going to come thick and heavy!

- Do you know the doctrines?
- Do you elders out there really, really know the doctrines so you can teach them?

Those are great questions, because we're living in difficult times!

Verse 26: "I call heaven and earth... [just read that in Matt. 5] ...to witness against you this day that you shall soon utterly perish from off the land, which you are crossing over Jordan to possess. You shall not prolong *your* days upon it, but shall utterly be destroyed." That is *if* you do evil in the

sight of God!

There's a lot in Jeremiah that applies to us today. That's why God had it preserved. Here's how bad it is—Jer. 5—and we've read this before, but we'll read it again and think about it. Remember that *God holds each one of us responsible!* God keeps surveying everything all the time. All of us who have the Spirit of God in us, God the Father and Jesus Christ have put Their presence in our minds!

It's not up to them to stay there if we don't love and obey! That's why it's important that we love and obey God, so that dwelling presence of the Holy Spirit from God the Father and Jesus Christ will help us, guide us and lead us!

Look how bad it is in society! Here it is today, stop and think about it:

Jeremiah 5:1: "Run to and fro through the streets of Jerusalem..." [run all over the United States] ...and see now, and know, and seek in her open places, if you can find a man, **if there is one**... [just one] ...who does justice..."

Remember what Abraham bargained with God about Sodom and Gomorrah? *Ten!* Now He's down to *one!*

"... who seeks the Truth; and I will pardon her" (v 1). In other words, He'd hold it back for a time! But they didn't do it!

Verse 7: "How shall I pardon you for this? Your children have forsaken Me, and have sworn by them that are not gods...."

Think about what children are taught today; nothing by occultism and satanism! Very little about God. With the pandemic and everybody shutdown, Satan has been able to close down a vast number of Protestants for what little good that they did. That's the punishment against them for not preaching the Truth.

"...When I had fed them to the full, then they committed adultery, and gathered themselves by troops in a harlot's house. They were *like* lusty, well-fed stallions in the morning; every one neighing after his neighbor's wife" (vs 7-8)—and all the perverted sex practices today! This tells us what's happening today.

- Why is coming so hard?
- Why is it coming so fast?

Go back and look at what happened to the Weimar Republic in Germany. If you don't think inflation can get out of hand...! What are we going to do when a loaf of bread cost \$10? Or in the case of Germany, that it took a wheelbarrow of marks to buy a loaf of bread. What are you going do?

Verse 9: "Shall I not punish for these things?' says the LORD...." That's what's happening!

I'm going to tell all of you: go out and buy a decent supply of things for tough times ahead, because you're going to need it. You're going to need beans and rice, because that's about all you'll be able to have to eat. Don't think that I'm exaggerating! Just look at what has happened in the world!

Verse 11: "For the house of Israel and the house of Judah have dealt very deceitfully against Me,' says the LORD. They have lied against the LORD and said, 'It is not He..."

Oh no, these things are just natural results! It's not God!

"...neither shall evil come on us..." (v 12).

What was it, Feb. 8th down in Florida there was a big revival thing? Did it change anything? *No!* while there may have been some sorrow and some tears. Did we hear a proclamation of getting rid of Sunday and keep the Sabbath? *No! Didn't hear any of that!*

Verse 13: "And the prophets shall become as wind, for the word is not in them; thus it shall be done to them.' Therefore, thus says the LORD God of hosts, 'Because you have spoken this word, behold, I will make My words in your mouth fire... [The LORD is speaking to Jeremiah] ...and this people wood, and it shall devour them. Lo, <u>I will bring a nation upon you from afar</u>, O house of Israel,' says the LORD. 'It is a mighty nation, it is an ancient nation, a nation whose language you do not know, nor understand what they say" (vs 13-15).

- Anybody here know Chinese?
- Are they fierce?
- Are they determined?

YES!

 Have they virtually conquered America by stealth? Coming pretty close to it!

They don't want to bomb us and destroy the land and the buildings because they want all of our food to feed their nearly 2-billion people. *Think about that!* Think about feeding your family, but think about nearly 2-billion people! They must eat every day. They're going to come; God says that they are!

Let's look at some things concerning *deceit!* I have many Scriptures here, but what I've said will be enough *IF* we take heed!

Prov. 12 has a lot of comparison between lies and truth. What we need is *the truth!*

Proverbs 12:1: "Whoever loves instruction loves knowledge, but he who hates correction *is* stupid."

That's pretty direct! We need correction so that we don't go wrong! What's the easiest correction in the world? Prayer, confessing your sins and study so the Word of God can correct you! That's called taking heed to yourself!

Verse 2: "The good *man* receives grace from the LORD, but He will condemn a man of wicked devices. A man shall not be established by wickedness..." (vs 2-3).

- President Biden ought to read that
- all of you preachers and ministers out there *ought* to read that
- all you Catholic priests—whatever level you are in—you ought to read that
- all you atheists out there who don't believe in God *ought to read that*

"...but... [this ought to be us] ...<u>the root of the righteous shall not be moved</u>" (v 4). *That's amazing!*

Verse 5: "The thoughts of the righteous are right; the counsels of the wicked are deceit." That's spewed out every day out of Washington, D.C.! Out of every television channel!

Verse 6: "The words of the wicked *are* to lie in wait for blood, but the mouth of the upright shall deliver them. The wicked are overthrown and *are* gone... [that's the ultimate thing that's going to happen to them] ...but the house of the righteous shall stand" (vs 6-7).

Verse 10: "A righteous *man* regards the life of his animal, but the tender mercies of the wicked *are* cruel."

That applies in every way! Let me just add right here—I'll read the report later—guess what they're doing in Biden's home state? <u>They are debating a law, and will probably pass it that will make letting born alive babies be left to die for the first 28 days of their life!</u>

- Where do you think that's going to lead us as a nation?
- How wicked can it be?

What is God going to do? If you want to know, all you have to do is look at Baltimore! One of the worst cities in America!

They will say to these narrow-minded idiot women who don't want to take care of their children, just leave it out to die and nothing will happen!

Shall not God judge for that?

Now you know why all of this is coming so fast, *because there's no repentance!* We can pray, *but they have to repent!* We can't repent for them.

Then the other thing that is coming is China is succeeding in gradually eliminating the lives of young people through having Mexico send in cocaine laced with fentanyl! It takes two grains of fentanyl to kill you! Parents have been waking up to get their children to go to school and they open the door to their bedroom and they're dead!

Those are the things! There are many other prophecies. That's why:

- we need to stay close to God
- we need to help the brethren
- we need to stay true to the teachings of the Scriptures
- we need to understand all the doctrines
- we need to yield ourselves to God

As never before!

(break 43:48)

Reports/Articles:

Maryland State Senate Bill 669 Legalizes Infanticide Up To 28 Days After Birth by Suzanne Hammer, March 9, 2022

{https://thewashingtonstandard.com/maryland-senate-bill-669-legalizes-infanticide-up-to-28-days-after-birth/}

Pfizer and the FDA Drop Data Bombshell on Covid Vaccine Consumers by Globe Newswire, March 3, 2022

{https://www.benzinga.com/pressreleases/22/03/g2597626 3/chd-says-pfizer-and-fda-dropped-data-bombshell-on-covid-vaccine-consumers}

There's a 55,000 page document listing all the reactions that they've had from the Covid vaccine. This was not supposed to be released fro 75 years, but they were sued and made them release it.

Answers to Question V

Q—<u>Prophecy refers to 10 nations in Europe at</u> the end-time.

That is what has been assumed, but how many nations are NATO right now? 28! If two more join them, that will be 30. The answer is that the economic world has setup <u>10 economic zones</u> around the world. One rule: whenever your sitting around discussing the Bible, get out the Bible and look at it.

There is an article out discussing Malachi Martin who has written a lot of things concerning the Vatican and the political people in Europe. Klaus Schwab the leader of the Word Economic Forum despises the Catholic Church. But in the meetings that they have had, they've all agreed.

They have secret meetings with 12 leading people. They have an empty chair with a folder on it. That empty chair is for the 'great spirit'; I'll leave you to figure out who that is!

But they all agreed, even though 'we hate and despise the Catholic Church, we need them in order to complete our plan.' So, their plan is to get a pope in there that's friendly toward what they want to do economically. When it comes around, and the Beast Power is finally organized as a viable alliance of nations, and the beast is personified in one person, and the false prophet is with the beast—the two of them together!

With miracles, think about how they're going to be able to deceived everyone into accepting it, because they didn't receive the love of the Truth, God will give them over to a powerful delusion (2-Thess. 2), and they will believe it.

Revelation 17:12: "And the ten horns that you saw are ten kings, who have not yet received a kingdom..."

In other words, there will be a leader for each of these ten economic areas of the world. They're not kings or rulers, but they will be made that.

"...but shall receive authority as kings <u>for</u> one hour with the beast" (v 12). That will be to fight Christ!

The thing with ten nations in the past won't happen that way. A lot of things that we assume are taken for granted and have believed don't work out the way that a lot of people think.

Q—Matthew 27:52-53: "So that the tombs were opened. And many bodies of the saints who had died, were resurrected after His resurrection; and they came out of the tombs. Then they entered into the Holy City, and appeared to many.

That's when there was the earthquake when Jesus died, it split open the graves. After Jesus' resurrection they came back to life and went into Jerusalem.

Imagine if you were one of the relatives of those who had died; these are those who had recently died. No one would recognize someone who had died a hundred years ago.

If it was one of your relatives who had died within the last month... then, I imagine that they will end up being in the Church and probably will be in the first resurrection.

How long did they live? Were some of them among the 120 on Pentecost?

Could very well have been! We don't know; we can account for how many?

- 11 disciples
- 70 elders
- Mary and Jesus' 3 brothers
- Martha, Mary Magdalene and Lazarus

So, we can come up with a good number and maybe some of those who were raised at that time as listed in Matt. 27 would be among the 120.

Q—Christ and the 12 at Passover: I've always been curious to know why Christ had the Passover with the 12 and not with their families? Some people use this scenario to justify their erroneous thinking that the original Passover in Egypt was in the afternoon of the 14th.

I don't know where you got that; we'll cover that next week.

Christ had the authority to change the time.

But He didn't! You need the book: The Christian Passover When should it be observed? 14th or 15th

The reason that there has to be so much about the Passover is because that is the heart and core of what everything we do is all about! *That puts us in a covenant relationship with God!* That's why there is so much difficulty and controversy concerning the Passover, *because Satan wants to confuse, destroy, besmirch and get rid of the Passover!*

That's why the book is 500 pages, and why it's a mammoth stable source of doctrine examining all the false interpretations of people. We send it out with a 44 year-old paper written by Grabbe and Kuhn to try and bring into the Worldwide Church of God a Jewish 15th Passover. *They couldn't do it!*

So, they convinced Garner Ted Armstrong to believe that the Passover was always on the 15th and what Jesus did was a 'special supper or pre-Passover,' and that it's okay to call it 'The Lord's Supper.' In spite of the fact that Paul said that you are 'not to eat the Lord's Supper; if anyone is hungry eat at home and then come to the Passover' (1-Cor. 11).

If you don't have the book, you need *The Christian Passover* {**truthofGod.org**} It will amaze you! It tells you everything you need to know about the Passover. This did not come about without a lot of study, a lot of research. It's amazing what God opened to our understanding during that time.

Q—Which of the nations of Northern Europe are the tribes of Israel?

We don't know exactly how they are, but:

- Ruben is France
- Belgium is Asher
- Norway is Benjamin
- Sweden is Naphtali
- Finland is Issachar
- Denmark is half Jewish and half Dan
- Zebulun is Holland
- Britain is Ephraim
- Scotland is Jewish
- America is Manasseh
- Ireland is Dan

So that pretty well takes care of it. Get the book: America and Britain: Two Nations that Changed the World by Philip Neal {truthofGod.org}

Q—How do people come up with 6,000 years for man?

- 1. it's not in the Bible
- 2. that is just a supposition based upon 2-Pet. 3:8 and make a projection from it

2-Peter 3:8: "Now, beloved, do not let this one fact be hidden from you: that with *the* Lord, one day *is* as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day."

They extrapolate from this that since we have the Sabbath Day and that also pictures the Millennium, therefore, man's number is six, so God has given mankind 6,000 years. Well, we've passed the 6,000 years sometime ago! If it were 6,000 years, how does God figure it? God hasn't told us!

Q—I was inspired to write to a minister who said that we would not need time to be taught after the resurrection. He believes in a Trumpets resurrection.

Of course we're going to have to be taught! You're going inherit a body that is immortal; how does that work? We're going to be given a new language—all of us at the same time—because we're going to have to be able to communicate with each other and Christ with us. So, when we come back to the earth we will know what we're doing.

- Can you imagine that if you have a resurrection and we're not give one language at that time?
- Can God do that? *Certainly!*
- Did He not do it when He created Adam and Eve? Put a language right in their brain!

Q-No man can know the hour or time!

That's correct! We can know the season, Jesus told us we could.

Q—1-Corinthians 15:52: "In an instant, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet; for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed."

And 'He shall send His angels out with a great sound of a trumpet and shall gather together from the four winds' (Matt. 24).

He goes on to analyzed everything that's going to take place on the Sea of Glass. He mentions some of them:

- wedding in heaven (Rev. 19:1-7)
- marriage supper in heaven (Rev. 19:9)
- the seven last plagues that we watch while we're on the Sea of Glass

Please understand that heaven is in the clouds, in the atmosphere above the earth. Not heaven where God's Throne may be, wherever that is.

• then we'll all come down with Christ

Q—Isn't possible that the mystery that Paul is talking about in Eph. 3...?

The mystery is how we are going become the sons and daughters of God. That's through the resurrection. Another mystery is *Christ in us the hope of glory!*

Colossians 1:27: "To whom God did will to make known..."

Isn't that something? What you know, <u>God</u> willed to make it known to you! That's why every elder needs to study and study to know the Word of God the way that it should be! We elders are the ones to teach the brethren so that they will know.

"...what *are* the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles; which is Christ in you, the hope of glory" (v 1).

The mystery is the Holy Spirit! That's part of it. It's also the mystery of the Kingdom of God and how it's coming.

Q—<u>If our spirit returns to God at death is it</u> necessary to have a grave burial?

It's preferable to have a burial, but cremation is your question, which is just a fast disintegration of the body to dust.

Q—<u>Psalm 27:8[transcriber's correction]: "When You said, 'Seek My face,' my heart said to You, 'Your face,</u>

O LORD, will I seek." How do we seek the face of God?

We have to be at the resurrection to do that! That means we do everything to attain the resurrection. 'We will see Him face to face' (Rev. 22).

Q—1-Thessalonians 5:17: "Pray unceasingly."

Let me tell you this, the longer you have the Holy Spirit of God, the more that you're faithful in prayer, the more that you will find yourself continually praying throughout the day, even in the various tasks that you do. That's what means; so that you're in contact with God all the time.

Q—Concerning the 42 months, 3-1/2 years, 1260 days, and all of that.

The 42 months and 1,260 days are not equal. They don't begin or end at the same time. We did have a couple of things to correct on the big chart and will have it back this coming week. If you want the chart, you will see that everything having to do with the saints all ends on Pentecost, because the resurrection occurs on Pentecost.

From the time of Pentecost to Trumpets we'll be on the Sea of Glass in the clouds, then we will come back to earth with Christ on Trumpets. We will all be fully instructed on what we are to do. Get the chart and you will see it.

Q—Since I lost a friend, will we be able to see our loved ones again?

Yes, we will!

You have also said that when we are in the resurrection we'll have a new name and be a spirit being. How will we know one another?

The only way I can answer that is be there and you'll find out! We don't know.

Q—Who initiated the Doctrinal Committee? This is not really a Bible question but more about Church history. You touched on it in the past briefly. It would be very interesting to know more details for the record. I'm hoping you can recount the details of the Doctrinal Committee that was formed in Worldwide Church of God.

That's very interesting. It sounds like that would be a good thing. We do need to have doctrine. But that happened at the time when there was a lot of turmoil. That was set up *not* to find the Truth of the Bible, but to get all the political infiltrators on that committee to change the doctrines!

You don't realize it, but in Worldwide Church God there were a lot of infiltrators. How many of them knew each other, I do not know. But they did know each other. I had arguments with them; arguments about the Passover. I had to fight them to publish the first edition of *A Harmony of the Gospels*. I had to fight all the evangelists from Ted Armstrong down. *They all lost!*

I was making it doctrinally correct, and I wasn't breaking any Law of God, and I wasn't breaking any law of the land. To make a long story short, after it was published, the brethren got it and they were happy to get it.

Mrs. Stiles, Herbert Armstrong's personal secretary, got a copy of it, looked at it and made an appointment with Herbert Armstrong for me to come up and give him an autographed copy. That was interesting.

I have four pictures on the way. So, if you the *Harmony* or the *Bible*—because I put them in there—we had the hand-drawn pictures of the temple. That was done by Jay Vance who was an architectural renderer. It was his job to draw those with a Rapidograph Pen. I had those made in 12x18 with a little black frame around it and took those with me when I went to see Herbert Armstrong.

We had spent time before at various times—I won't get into that—and they were all good. So, when I got up there and showed him the book, we talked about it, and I said, 'Mr. Armstrong, I have something here for you.'

This was right after the Auditorium was finished. I had all the pictures of the temple 12x18. All framed and nice glass on the front. I said, 'Mr. Armstrong, I want to give these to you.'

He looked at them and he got so excited he almost became unglued. He was so thrilled to get them. He went to his desk and pushed the button and told Mrs. Stiles, 'You call Bob Smith, the interior decorator, and come in and get these pictures because I want them hung in the auditorium.' There was a alcove between the two classrooms in the lower first level of the Auditorium, and he had them hung right there.

The moral of this story is this: Regardless of what persecution or opposition that you have, you stick to the Truth! You do not back down!

I'll tell you one thing: Even one of my friends, whom I won't name, was a real disappointment. Before the book was published—backing up in time—he was asked by Ted Armstrong to take me out to dinner and to get me to not publish A Harmony of the Gospels!

I didn't find that out until after dinner, and we're standing in the parking lot right where the Administration Building was, and he brought it up to me. I looked at him and pointed my finger right in his face and said,

I have a message for Ted Armstrong. You tell him that when this book is published, and it will be published, if I'm disfellowshipped, he's going to have a hard time telling the brethren why he disfellowshipped someone for making the Truth available in a book.

I walked away and never spoke to him after that again!

Back to this Doctrinal Committee timeframe: It was when the infiltrators knew they had the upper hand. That's when they began to change everything. Dr. Dorothy was excluded. As a matter of fact, he was relieved of his Greek class. The politician—Lester Grabbe—was put in charge of it.

When I wanted to learn Greek I got hold of Dr. Dorothy and the *Harmony* was already published so I had some money from that, it sold for \$6.95, and had 10,000 printed. That also sold out within a year.

I wanted to learn Greek because I knew that I had to. So, I came to Dr. Dorothy and said, 'I'd like to learn Greek and would like you to be the teacher.' They had relieved him of it, just took it from him, with what you call promoting him sideways into nothingness.

I said, 'I'll pay you \$1500 a semester' and he said okay. So, he contacted others that wanted him to teach the Greek, and we needed a place to meet. Guess where we met? Those of you who know where the library was, Herbert Armstrong had his office up on the third level. But when the Administration Building was built, he moved his office over there.

Here's this office that was empty; a beautiful rosewood office. Right there in Herbert Armstrong's office we had the Greek class. Another lesson: *God always works things out!*

We started out with ten and after four weeks everybody but Carl Franklin and I dropped out, and Carl lasted another four weeks. So, from that time on, I kept my bargain with Dr. Dorothy and had private tutoring and we got in two years of Greek in one year. That's how I got my Greek education!

The thing that's important is that I did learn it. I've been learning and studying it, learning more, ever since.

But if anyone wanted to find out how did Fred Coulter learn Greek, where can you prove that you learned it? *I can't!* Dr. Dorothy is no longer here. But that gave me the knowledge and information, and with God's help and inspiration to when the time came to begin translating... Dr. Dorothy through the early part of the 1990s kept telling me to translate. So, I finally did.

At that time we had a small group of seven and we went through the whole book of John, took about three years. Ended up with 26 cassette tapes (1.5 hours each at that time) and ended up with subtitles of Grace, Justification and all of that.

When we got done with that I asked the brethren what they wanted to do. They said that they wanted to study more like we did with John. I said okay and 'How about if we do the General Epistles' and I would make a study translation.

I didn't sit down and say, 'Now, Fred Coulter, why don't you do the New Testament?' I started with James and we got the study and the book: *The Seven General Epistles*.

Then 1st & 2nd Peter, 1st 2nd 3rd John, and Jude. Then about that time the 2nd edition of the *Harmony* was just about sold out, so that meant I had to translate Matthew, Mark, Luke and John.

None of this was thought in my mind at that time to do the New Testament, until I got the *gender neuter homosexual* New Testament—*The Revised Standard Version* sent to me from England. I was reading in the front of it and they were telling how they did their translating and trying to eliminate any gender identification.

I came to the place where they explained about God the Father. They said His name was a metaphor. A name is not a metaphor! He's the Father! There's no 'metaphoring' anything! So, they translated it 'father/mother.' Do you realize how absolutely egregious that is in God's sight? To have the audacity to take the name of the Father—which is Holy—the Sovereign Ruler of the universe and make it 'father/mother' to please the homosexual community!

I stood there in my office right in front of my library reading that, and I was astonished! I said to myself and prayed right at that time: If we let this stand without an answer, God is going to judge us!

That's the time that I decided to do the New Testament. Yes, those things get a little difficult, but we have to do them.

Brethren, we're heading into really, really difficult times! We need to pray for each other,

pray for all the brethren, pray for all the elders, pray for those that God is going to send.

<u>It's going to get worse than you have ever imagined!</u>

- What are you going to do with \$10/gal. for gasoline?
- What are you going to do when a loaf of bread costs \$10?

We better be wise and store up some food. I'm telling you, because it's going to get difficult. At the same time we're going to be attacked with those with false doctrine.

Now is the time that we get right with God and ask for strength in the days that we're living in!

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