TIME OF CRISIS

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The word CRISIS comes to me as being most appropriate to describe the time in which we live. “The decisive state of things, or the point of time when an affair has reached its height, and must soon terminate or suffer a material change; turning point.” Webster’s Dictionary.

The Greek word is “Krisis” from the root word “Krino” which means judgment, final decision. This adds somewhat to the meaning from Webster’s. It somehow shows the purpose behind every crisis: the culmination of a matter, or the final act of a pantomime, the revelation of purpose.

The CRISIS of our end time is more like the convulsions of a dying animal, wherein every part of its body is being shaken by sporadic tremors. We ask ourselves “WHY?” And God Himself has an answer from the word, since HE designed it and created us for this very hour.

Joel 3:9-14

3:9 “Proclaim ye this among the Gentiles; Prepare war, wake up the mighty men, let all the men of war draw near; let them come up:

3:10 “Beat your plowshares into swords, and your pruninghooks into spears: let the weak say, I am strong.

3:11 “Assemble yourselves, and come, all ye heathen, and gather yourselves together round about: thither cause thy mighty ones to come down, O LORD.

3:12 “Let the heathen be wakened, and come up to the VALLEY OF Jehoshaphat: for there will I sit to judge all the heathen round about.

3:13 “Put ye in the sickle, for the harvest is ripe: come, get you down; for the press is full, the fats overflow; for their wickedness is great.


Three times in the 6000 years of human history, the world has come to the brink of extinction through the evil of Satan and the wickedness of man. Twice the world had to be saved in crisis, and this the third time, it will be again saved by Divine intervention. Each time however, it has been different, and the stakes have been raised. This time it is at its highest, and the crisis is

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upon us with a finality that must settle the question of evil forever and the whole question of human existence. Let us look at these three periods of time and see if we can more accurately understand our situation.

THE FIRST WORLD CRISIS:

It was almost two thousand years since Adam, and humanity had increased greatly, mainly because of the longevity of mankind at that time, and the virility of the species to reproduce at a very old age. Adam and Eve had their third child (or set of children) a hundred years after Abel, and while they continued to have children for the next nine hundred years, their children were having children. It is also possible that children were born in pairs, since Cain had a wife it seems, before Adam had other children. Whatever the case is, in two thousand years there were many millions of people in the earth.

Cain did not only multiply in numbers, but in spirit. It was easier for man to follow his sinful nature and do evil than to do good, thus the multiplication of evil was very great. The nature of Satan (the adversary of God), and the nature of the destroyer, were bred into the human mind and heart, so that the solution of his problems consistently was based upon violence. Violence is like a cancer which multiplies itself, so the order of the world institutions was violence, and blood begets blood.

The first child Adam had after Cain killed Abel was called Seth. Seth was given to Eve instead of Abel who was killed, so with Seth began the righteous generation of the sons of God, and from the line of Seth came Enoch, and it is recorded that Enoch walked with God. Adam lived for nine hundred and thirty years; eight hundred years after Seth was born, and Enoch lived for sixty five years and begot Methuselah who was the longest living human – nine hundred and sixty nine years. Enoch never died, but was translated to heaven when he was three hundred and sixty five years old.

The righteous generation is the root from which Jesus Christ (the Messiah) came. It is evident from scripture that the stigma of Satan was against this people, and that the violence in the earth, though it seemed to have engulfed all of humanity, was chiefly directed against the people of God. The evidence of this presents itself clearly when we notice that near the end of this two thousand years only eight righteous were left. They had been multiplying equally with the unrighteous, and the knowledge of God was disseminated among them equally, yet after two thousand years of geometric increase, they had dwindled down to only eight. Truly there were defections as we read in Genesis 6, that the sons of God went in to the daughters of men and brought forth giants, but the main crisis of that time was that violence had overrun the earth and the righteous generation was facing extinction. I do believe that on the whole, men were of bigger stature than they are now, but that would make almost all men giants. The reference therefore to “giants” in

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Genesis 6 would more correctly be interpreted as “mighty men”, men of renown. Samson lifted up the gate of Gaza and carried it to the top of the hill. It must have weighed a hundred tons or more, and this was all spiritual power, as physically he was not a giant.

God, the Almighty, JHVH (Yawe), by His own laws, cannot take away man’s free will choice, BUT He can take away the life of anyone who takes away the free will choice of others. This then was the crisis of the time and God’s righteous judgment of that moment. HE OFFERED SALVATION TO THE WORLD IN DEATH rather than allow life to be destroyed from the earth by violent men.

SALVATION BY DEATH:

By the Divine providence of the Lamb of God, the waters of death became the gateway to salvation for those who could accept it. God sent a flood of waters upon the earth, putting to death all the millions of humans and animals, only saving the choicest of them – eight persons, and two of each species of animals. Humanity was brought into the Valley of Decision (and even as their lungs were being choked off with water), men, women, and children called to the Almighty (whom they had rejected) for mercy. Millions sank down into hell with hope that the God who loved them would find a way to take them out. They had come to the point of crisis, and had asked for life. Those who never heard the Gospel and those who heard it (and did not believe it) all now knew that the Son of God would come to hell one day specifically to take them out, and that their deliverance was assured. They cried with the Psalmist David:

Psalms 16:10 “For thou wilt not leave my soul in hell; neither wilt thou suffer Thine Holy One to see corruption.” (also in Acts 2:27 and Acts 13:35)

I would venture to say that millions of people from Adam to the flood to Jesus; were delivered out of hell the day Jesus rose from the dead. It was not only the thief on the cross who was delivered from Paradise (hell) that day, but every human being who had died before Christ, who could accept Him as Saviour, was saved and lifted from hell to heaven. Their crisis was over. They had waited two thousand years for deliverance, and though the Deliverer had to go to hell to save them, He did. He purchased His ticket by taking the place of the sinner, and paid for it by His death. Those therefore who died in the Flood were given a second chance of salvation and all men before Christ had to meet Him and settle the question of accepting Him or rejecting Him.

It is important to understand therefore, that Jesus Christ stands at the crossroads of humanity; those before Him had to decide whether He is Christ and Accept Him as their saviour; and those after Him must come to the same MOMENT OF CRISIS and make their decision about Christ. There is however
one difference with the two sets of people. Those before him did not have His Blood (Life) and presence with them to prevent them from going to hell, so that any man who accepts Him as Saviour will not have to go there, for now (once you get there) there is no release. This is God’s preventative medicine.

*I Peter 3:19* “By which also he went and preached unto the spirits in prison;

3:20 “Which sometime were disobedient, when once the longsuffering of God waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was a preparing, wherein few, that is, eight souls were saved by water.”

Note that eight souls were saved by water, but this passage is saying that millions were saved by fire, since He “preached to the spirits in prison.” Brother Peter found it necessary to elaborate on this in chapter four:

*I Peter 4:6* “For for this cause was the gospel preached also to them that are dead, that they might be judged according to men in the flesh, but live according to God in the spirit.”

The flood, therefore, was the first crisis of world-wide proportions which brought mankind to the brink of extinction. Genesis 6 describes the people of that time and it is the exact description of the world today with the exception that our time is many times worse:

**Genesis 6:1** “And it came to pass, when men began to multiply on the face of the earth, and daughters were born unto them,”

6:2 “That the sons of God saw the daughters of men that they were fair; and they took them wives of all which they chose.

6:3 “And the LORD said, My spirit shall not always strive with man, for that he also is flesh: yet his days shall be an hundred and twenty years.

6:4 “There were giants in the earth in those days; and also after that, when the sons of God came in unto the daughters of men, and they bare children to them, the same became mighty men which were of old, MEN OF RENOWN.

6:5 “And GOD saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually.”

There are many who believe the sons of God referred to here were fallen angels, but this notion is totally unscriptural and unacceptable for the following reasons:

(1) There is no place in scripture where God calls fallen angels His sons.

(2) The law of procreation says that “...every seed must bring forth after its kind.” (Gen. 1:11, 20,). Angels could not bring forth men, nor men angels.
(3) Angels cannot reproduce. If thy could, they would spoil the whole of human creation, because there would be some human beings alive who would be born to hell, and no matter what they did, they would be condemned to eternal darkness.

(4) Jesus Christ died for all men, and all men can be saved. If there was one man born who could not be saved, then God would have to apologize to him.

In summarizing this first CRISIS we must emphasize that the Almighty had to destroy mankind to save him from the satanic destruction of eternal hell. Man, by his violent ways, was about to change God’s plan for the earth and every time that this is about to happen, then God must intervene and arrest the progress of sin. This brings us to the second crisis.

THE SECOND CRISIS:

Another two thousand years had passed since the Flood and humanity had forgotten the judgment of God. Sin and violence had increased, as also the population of the world, far beyond that of Genesis 6. From Nimrod to the Roman Empire, the art of war and human dominion had come a far way. Evil had a firm grip upon humanity; so firm a grip, in fact, that Satan himself thought he was a winner:

Luke 4:6 “And the devil said unto Him, All this power will I give thee, and the glory of them: for that is delivered unto me; and to whomsoever I will give it.

4:7 “If thou therefore wilt worship me, all shall be thine.”

From both the carnal mind and the satanic thinking, they could not see any way how God would redeem the situation. The world was again in CRISIS and again total destruction was possible. What would God do? Je Ho Vah (Yahweh) The Almighty sent His only Begotten Son into the mess; gave Him a flesh and blood body, and the plan of God to rescue Adam’s fallen race. God (who could not be tempted nor suffer weakness) had for the first time exposed Himself to weakness, temptation, and human frailty.

With over a billion people filled with the devil, Jesus Christ took twelve men, one of whom was a devil, and gave them the word of life. The strength of the SEED was so great that it brought light into the world of darkness, totally shattering Satan’s plan of total dominion. Satan’s counter-attack came through the very instrument which God had crafted to kill him. He seduced the Church and contaminated it with false doctrines, human doctrines and sorcery. She lost the power to destroy evil, being incorporated with evil herself, BUT God always retained for Himself a REMNANT.

THE REMNANT:

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The Remnant are Sons of God who are hardy and will not bow under the
most trying circumstances. They comprise of men and women who are not
afraid to die, and love the Lord more than their lives. In Noah and his family
God found such a remnant; In Moses and his followers God found this
remnant; In Abraham God found this remnant:

Hebrews 11:32 “And what shall I more say? for the time would fail me to
tell of Gedeon, and of Barak, and of Samson, and of Jephthae; of David also,
and Samuel, and of the prophets:

11:33 “Who through faith subdued kingdoms, wrought righteousness,
obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions,

11:34 “Quenched the violence of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, out of
weakness were made strong, waxed valiant in fight, turned to flight the armies
of the aliens.

11:35 “Women received their dead raised to life again: and others were
tortured, not accepting deliverance; that they might obtain a better resurrection:”

THE THIRD CRISIS:

At this time we are again two thousand years from the last Crisis from
which the coming of Jesus Christ saved the world, only that this time again –
evil, the population, and violence are increased out of all proportion. We are at
the place now where the arsenals of the nations are so powerful that they could
destroy life from the planet. God is holding back the forces of destruction, but
very soon they will be unleashed.

THE DEATH OF THE CITIES:

The mighty cities of the world are the pride of man. Millions of people
live in metropolitan areas, stacked upon each other in tall buildings, so that all
the people of the city could not hold in the streets at the same time, neither
could all the cars fit into streets at the same time. In the event of a crisis
where people would be fleeing to get out of the cities, all the streets would be
jammed so that no one would get out, and those who try to get out on foot
would be overwhelmed by the crowds. The cities would become a death trap.
The large metropolitan areas of the world are destined to become the funeral
pyre of millions.

The deck is stacked against humanity and no treaty with Russia will
make any difference. Russia is willing now to remove the atomic weapons from
Europe and the rest of the world, and get the U.S.A. to do the same, only
because they are now obsolete, in view of new inventions of destruction. The people who live in large cities, if they believe this to be the word of God, will begin to seek ways of relocating without panic. Those who do not believe, will continue to build their roots in the cities. The time of this occurrence can be delayed, but the “...vision is certain and the interpretation thereof sure.” (Daniel 2:45-b;)

**BLOOD IS THE FOOD OF DEVILS:**

When God cast the angel Heylel out of the second heaven realm (where he dwelt before he became Satan), the Almighty cut him off from his source of food and energy. God is the source of all life, and nothing can live or move, or have being outside of God. The plight of devils, therefore was profound; they were starved and weak. Adam, in his fall, changed this situation, and provided a ready source of food for Satan. God had cursed the Devil and said to him, “Dust shall be thy meat.” (Genesis 3:14;) This dust is “Adam”, but the question is how do devils feed on humans? God breathed the breath of life into man, and the man became a living soul. The blood of man contains the breath of God, or in other words, the life of man is in his blood. When a man submits to a devil, he loses energy, and when a man’s blood is spilled, it give off life which devils feed upon. This is the reason why so many peculiar accidents occur and why they seem to occur in series. This is why there are so many murders and slayings and wars throughout the earth: Satan and his hosts are feeding upon humanity. Those who walk in the Spirit will have no problem with this, and if you do have a problem, then ask God.

**HOW CAN WE ESCAPE?**

**WE MUST HEAR FROM GOD AND OBEY.** The first thing is that we must believe that we are in a time of crisis and that this is the crisis of the end of time; that this is not a time for us to have fun and do our thing, but that we must now find out the will of God for our lives and that of our families. When we know the truth, then God is expecting us to find out what He wants us to do individually and corporately, and then to ACT. Scripture records that there was a “...cry made, behold the bridegroom is coming.” (Matthew 25:6) Those that heard the cry arose from their sleep and began to trim their lamps, then they went out to meet Him. There must be action after direction. We are guilty of receiving direction and having no appropriate action. Some are guilty of action without direction. May God help us.

The last crisis will sweep man completely off his feet. In this crisis the antichrist will take over the world in its chaotic condition and the people of the world will be too dazed to resist. In this hour, however, God will activate His
Remnant with power and the battle will increase for three and a half years until final victory is accomplished by the sons of God.

Do not say we will be in Crisis, say **WE ARE IN CRISIS**. Unfortunately some of us are still asleep, but thank God the bride is gradually awaking. May God bless this word to our hearts.