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Will He Rescue America Again?

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Donald J. Trump was not one of my favorite people! In fact, on his TV program “Celebrity Apprentice,” he seemed to be an arrogant, rich man that always ended the show pronouncing to one of those celebrities “You’re FIRED!” This was not exactly what I wanted to hear! Every week I wanted to hear someone say to Donald Trump, “YOU’RE fired!”

Next thing I knew, Trump was thinking about running for president. I didn’t like him at all, but I was sure nothing would come of it. After all, he was a thrice married, womanizing man with no experience in politics. Donald Trump was no hero of mine!! Besides that, there were about 3 Republicans also running in a field of a dozen or more who strongly espoused Christian values, that I liked better! Almost ANY Republican (except Geraldo!) would be better than bringing those awful Clintons back to the White House via Hillary! It surprised me that Trump actually WON the Republican nomination for president. I began to think of him differently. Then, miracle of all miracles, America was saved from almost certain destruction when Trump defeated Hillary Clinton to become President of the United States. Trump’s policies, especially his stand against abortion and his favorable attitude towards Israel, were a welcome change after the terribly WRONG attitudes and policies of Obama that we had had for 8 years!

Come to think of it, just about every opinion and policy of Trump since he took office in 2016 has been Biblical, beginning with abortion, Israel, law and order, and defense of our borders. Many in our streets today claim that we are a racist and horrible country! If this is so, then why do so many millions of black and brown people (by the caravan!) want to come here so badly?? There is protest talk about “defunding the police”—probably a slogan begun by criminals and picked up by the media to give President Trump more problems to solve!

As of June of 2020, America is in trouble, but we have been in trouble before!! Let me remind you of a few TRUE stories from our history, lest we forget who has really been in control in good times and bad!

A true story from the Bible:

Good Surrounded by Evil, But Evil . . .

2 Kings 6: 8-11, 15-17

Now the king of Aram was at war with Israel. After conferring with his officers, he said, "I will set up my camp in such and such a place." The man of God [Elisha] sent word to the king of Israel: "Beware of passing that place because the Arameans are going down there." So the king of Israel checked on the place indicated by the man of God. Time and again Elisha warned the king, so that he was on his guard in such places. This enraged the king of Aram. [His officers told him that Elisha had been warning the king of Israel. So the king of Aram sent an army by night to surround the city and capture Elisha.] When the servant of the man of God got up and went out early the next morning, an army with horses and chariots had surrounded the city. "Oh my lord, what shall we do?" the servant asked. "Don't be afraid," the prophet answered. "Those who are with us are more than those who are with them." And Elisha prayed, "O Lord, open his eyes so he may see." Then the Lord opened the servant's eyes, and he looked and saw the hills full of horses and chariots of fire all around Elisha.

To me, this is one of the most reassuring scriptures in the Bible! So often, in our own daily lives, as we try to do what is right, we find ourselves vastly outnumbered. We say to ourselves and to those around us, and we ask God, "Oh my!! What shall WE do?" We should remember what Elisha said to his servant, and what the Lord has said to us on so many occasions, "Do NOT be afraid!" Then we should pray that the Lord will open OUR eyes and reveal to us the spiritual forces that surround us. There is so much that we cannot see with our natural eyes. Indeed, the "hills are full of horses and chariots of fire!"

Remember that when Lucifer led his rebellion in heaven, he was only able to persuade one-third of the angels to go with him. This means that for each wicked

angel in rebellion against God, there are TWO good angels who remained faithful. Not that the numbers really matter! Heaven is NOT a democracy, where the majority rules!! In Heaven, God RULES, and Jesus Christ is LORD! BEWARE and don't be deceived!! A heaven without Jesus is not a heaven at all!

Two stories from the history of the United States of America:

The Battle of Long Island

August 27, 1776

(Just a month after the signing of the Declaration of Independence!)

According to documents submitted to the US Sons of the American Revolution, Dr. Gilbert Potter, my 5th great grandfather, was a practicing physician in Huntington, which is now Amityville, on Long Island, NY at the outbreak of the Revolution. He gave up his practice and joined the 1st Regiment of Suffolk County as a Lt. Colonel under Col William Floyd. He was also a refugee from Long Island to Connecticut. He acted as a spy for Washington and led the troops at Jamaica at the Battle of Long Island. According to Wikipedia, the Battle of Long Island, also known as the Battle of Brooklyn or the Battle of Brooklyn Heights, fought on August 27, 1776, was the first major battle in the American Revolutionary War after the Declaration of Independence, the largest battle of the entire conflict, and the first battle in which an army of the United States engaged, having declared itself a nation only the month before.

In this battle, Washington and the Americans were outnumbered 32,000 to 10,000 and outmaneuvered by the British with about 1000 killed or wounded with 1000 captured, compared to only about 350 of the British. Many more Americans would have been killed or captured had it not been for a miraculous escape to Manhattan under a "mysterious" fog, without a single life lost by 9000 Americans. Without this successful escape from Long Island, made possible by this miraculous fog, General Washington and the Revolutionary War would have had a different outcome.

The Burning of Washington DC

August 24, 1814

(The War of 1812, invasion of Washington D.C. by the British!)

After defeating the Americans at the Battle of Bladensburg, a British force led by Major General Robert Ross set fire to multiple buildings, including the White House (then called the Presidential Mansion), the Capitol building, as well as other facilities of the U.S. government. The Burning of Washington marks the only time since the American Revolutionary War that a foreign power has captured and occupied the United States capital. President James Madison, military officials, and his government fled the city in the wake of the British victory at the Battle of Bladensburg. They eventually found refuge for the night in Brookeville, a small town in Montgomery County, Maryland, which is known today as the "United States Capital for a Day."

Less than a day after the attack began, a sudden, very heavy thunderstorm—possibly a hurricane—put out the fires. It also spun off a tornado that passed through the center of the capital, setting down on Constitution Avenue and lifting two cannons before dropping them several yards away, killing British troops and American civilians alike. Following the storm, the British returned to their ships, many of which were badly damaged. The occupation of Washington lasted only about 26 hours and the British plans are still a subject of debate.

(From Wikipedia)

In summary, today, forces of darkness have been summoned to destroy America. Prayer and Bible reading have been removed from schools. Abortion has become the "law of the land." The definitions of marriage and sexuality have been destroyed. Nevertheless, God still loves America, His experiment in democratic government of the people, by the people, and for the people. I believe God is giving us ONE more chance, through President Donald J. Trump, to revive and restore America. This is our last chance! We are one election away from losing it all! Wake up America! The choices in this election could not be more clear!

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