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Isaich 28:16

"Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD, Behold, I lay in Zion for a foundation a stone, a tried stone, a precious corner stone, a sure foundation: he that believeth shall not make haste."

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Monthly Newsletter!

Tried Stone Ministries is intended to bring light to current events, expose darkness, and to encourage those journeying to follow in the footsteps of the Tried Stone-Gesus Christ the Rock of our Salvation.





If Thou Hast Stricken Thy Hand with a Stranger....
-Brian Nichols

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-Proverbs 6:1,2



Strikes, protests, rallies, general disparity between those that have and those that need, these tensions are growing into a loud cry all their own. Daily we are fed images of people gathering outside legislative halls demanding attention from leadership to address hardships imposed by societal stresses. All facets of life seem under the constriction of unseen forces intent on centralization of power and the reduction of basic freedoms. The sore toes of the disadvantaged, from being stepped on by those who are ever climbing the ladder of success, find themselves marching in picket lines for the improvement of their standard of living.

For many the power of organized labor seems to be the only force between the greed of the corporate entity and the working-class individual's ability to pursue happiness. There is foul treatment of employees and no doubt exploitation, but could the seeming messianic power of the union be masking a more sinister element?



New federal rule could allow millions of workers to more easily unionize at big companies

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"A new federal rule that goes into effect next month could make it easier for millions of workers to form unions at big companies like McDonald's. But it's already facing significant pushback from businesses and some members of Congress....

The rule — announced late last month by the National Labor Relations Board — sets new standards for determining when two companies should be considered "joint employers" under the National Labor Relations Act....

"It's trying to take in the realities of today's workforce, when many employers subcontract out work and say, 'Oh, we're not the employer," said Cathy Creighton, director of the Buffalo Co-Lab at Cornell University's School of Industrial and Labor Relations. "It's the employer who is really calling the shots and has the money."

The NLRB says the new rule changes a 2020 rule that made it too easy for joint employers to avoid their responsibility to negotiate with workers. The 88-year-old National Labor Relations Act guarantees the right of U.S. workers to form or join unions....

'Workers' right to collectively bargain cannot be realized if the entity that has the power to change terms and conditions of employment is absent from the bargaining table,' the AFL-CIO, the Teamsters and the Service Employees International Union wrote in a letter sent this month to members of Congress." https://www.pbs.org/newshour/economy/new-federal-rule-conlid-allow-millions-of-workers-to-more-easily-unionize-at-big-companie

The United States Senate Select Committee on Improper Activities in Labor and Management (also known as the McClellan Committee) in the late 1950's, led by Robert F. Kennedy (chief counsel) famously investigated racketing allegations of Jimmy Hoffa (Midwestern Teamster leader). The death of both men under mysterious circumstances has led to the hypothesis that each may have had the other murdered. But what is more, the investigation pulled back the outside layer of organized labor to reveal unscrupulous practices which led to a general distrust of union leadership.





This is not to say that their power at the bargaining table is not without results. This year we witnessed the unprecedented approval of the President of the US, as he joined the United Auto Workers union at the picket line. Bullhorn at the ready, President Biden voiced his support for the strike.



The UAW strike ended on a positive note since the auto manufacturers have all increased the pay of the workers. This apparent victory spurs on other victimized groups to unionize to gain leverage when bargaining for pay, benefits and retirement plans. But could this be a case of jumping from the frying pan into the fire? When is this trend heading? Could labor union membership become a requisite for all sectors of the worker's world?









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## Workers Want Unions: How States Have Strengthened Worker Power in 2023

States are taking action to strengthen workers' ability to unionize and collectively bargain as well as raise job standards.

#### Isaiah 8:9-15

9 Associate yourselves, O ye people, and ye shall be broken in pieces; and give ear, all ye of far countries: gird yourselves, and ye shall be broken in pieces; gird yourselves, and ye shall be broken in pieces.

10 Take counsel together, and it shall come to nought; speak the word, and it shall not stand: for God is with us.

11 For the LORD spake thus to me with a strong hand, and instructed me that I should not walk in the way of this people, saying,

12 Say ye not, A confederacy, to all them to whom this people shall say, A confederacy; neither fear ye their fear, nor be afraid.

13 Sanctify the LORD of hosts himself; and let him be your fear, and let him be your dread.

14 And he shall be for a sanctuary; but for a stone of stumbling and for a rock of offence to both the houses of Israel, for a gin and for a snare to the inhabitants of Jerusalem.

15 And many among them shall stumble, and fall, and be broken, and be <u>snared</u>, and be <u>taken.</u>

Why also the seemingly sudden interest of state and federal government to empower the working class? What role would labor unions play in the post CBDC world? Time will tell as we move into the uncharted territory of a digitally linked global economy. We can however, considering a biblical view and supported by inspired pen, see where the trend is heading.

"The work of the people of God is to prepare for the events of the future, which will soon come upon them with blinding force. In the world gigantic monopolies will be formed. Men will bind themselves together in unions that will wrap them in the folds of the enemy. A few men will combine to grasp all the means to be obtained in certain lines of business. Trades unions will be formed, and those who refuse to join these unions will be marked men." —Letter 26, 1903.

In Isaiah chapter 8, we are shown how the Lord sees factions. We take on the identity, cares, and culture of the group. The only unity which is lasting is the unity of individuals who lovingly choose Jesus Christ as their center. From this base we can have fellowship, not by joining groups based on social disparity. Once we enter a worldly bond, we are held to it by the vow we take.

My son, if thou be surety for thy friend, if thou hast stricken thy hand with a stranger, Thou art <u>snared</u> with the words of thy mouth, thou art <u>taken</u> with the words of thy mouth.

#### -Proverbs 6 :1,2

Notice above, the taking of a pledge, it is just as binding to a stranger as to anyone else. Look also at the words used *snared* and *taken*. These words are also used when describing joining various groups in Isaiah 8:15. These words indicate the laying of a trap. What appears on the surface to be on behalf of the underdog, may be the very enslavement of mankind into a perpetual working class with no opportunity to advance. The great work that secret societies are building is a New Order of the ages, all things will be done away with in favor of the new system. So also with the



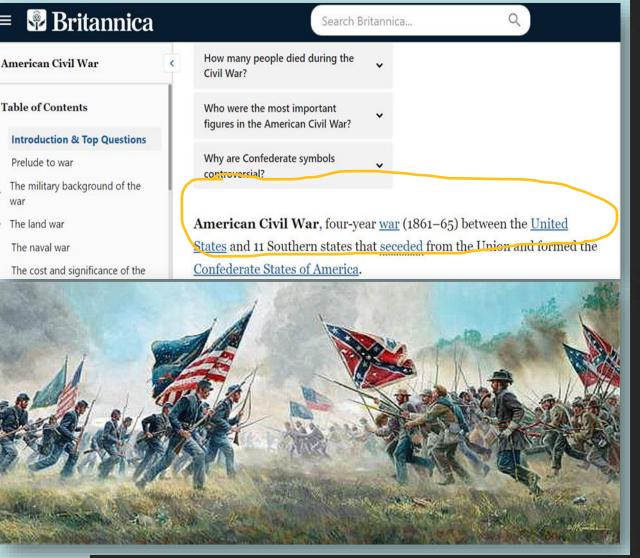
nature of "work". What does that look like? Perhaps we can find some insight in the book of Revelation.

#### **Revelation 13:16,17**

And he causeth all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond, to receive a mark in their right hand, or in their foreheads:

And that no man might buy or sell, save he that had the mark, or the name of the beast, or the number of his name.

Notice in these verses there are free, and bond, rich and poor. If the rich can afford to be free what does that make the poor? Bondmen. Never are the bondmen to have freedom, perpetual servitude will be their life course. The system to impose this division will be all encompassing. Those who receive the approval or "mark" show willing acceptance of this new order for the common good.



In India, China, Russia, and the cities of America, thousands of men and women are dying of starvation. The monied men, because they have the power, control the market. They purchase at low rates all they can obtain, and then sell at greatly increased prices. This means starvation to the poorer classes, and will result in a civil war.

—Letters and Manuscripts, Volume 14, Ms 114, 1899, August 13, 1899, God's Provision

Could the fomenting of labor unions be part of the construct to bringing about division for the sake of usuring in "big brother" type controls? Are the countries mentioned above in the headlines today?

Notice the date the letter above was written, 34 years after the end of the American Civil War.

Jesus describes these groups that are bundled together at the time of the end with this parable:

#### Matthew 13:24-30

Another parable put he forth unto them, saying, The kingdom of heaven is likened unto a man which sowed good seed in his field: But while men slept, his enemy came and sowed tares among the wheat, and went his way. But when the blade was sprung up, and brought forth fruit, then appeared the tares also. So the servants of the householder came and said unto him, Sir, didst not thou sow good seed in thy field? from whence then hath it tares? He said unto them, An enemy hath done this. The servants said unto him, Wilt thou then that we go and gather them up? But he said, Nay; lest while ye gather up the tares, ye root up also the wheat with them. Let both grow together until the harvest: and in the time of harvest I will say to the reapers, Gather ye together first the tares, and bind them in bundles to burn them; but gather the wheat into my barn.



#### **Matthew 13:36-43**

Then Jesus sent the multitude away, and went into the house; and his disciples came unto him, saying, Declare unto us the parable of the tares of the field. He answered and said unto them, He that soweth the good seed is the Son of man; The field is the world; the good seed are the children of the kingdom; but the tares are the children of the wicked one; The enemy that sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the world; and the reapers are the angels. As therefore the tares are gathered and burned in the fire; so shall it be in the end of this world. The Son of man shall send forth his angels, and they shall gather out of his kingdom all things that offend, and them which do iniquity; And shall cast them into a furnace of fire; there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth. Then shall the righteous shine forth as the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Who hath ears to hear, let him hear.

Jesus here mentions grouping together, one group to be part of the Lord's harvest, the other to be burned. This grouping together at the end of time gives an indication of the mass of humanity separating into one group or the other. Satan has the broad path while Christ shepherds His flock through a narrow way. Could one of the deceptions of Satan be that aligning with groups, then subgroups and still more subgroups to keep people polarized as well as trusting in man for remedy?

#### **Jeremiah 17:5,6**

Thus saith the LORD; Cursed be the man that trusteth in man, and maketh flesh his arm, and whose heart departeth from the LORD. For he shall be like the heath in the desert, and shall not see when good cometh; but shall inhabit the parched places in the wilderness, in a salt land and not inhabited.

Fortunately, we are not left to speculate as to the nature and direction this unionization trend is driving. The Lord has given clear light through inspired pen.

"For years I have been given special light that we are not to center our work in the cities. The turmoil and confusion that fill these cities, the conditions brought about by the labor unions and the strikes, would prove a great hindrance to our work. Men are seeking to bring those engaged in the different trades under bondage to certain unions. This is not God's planning, but the planning of a power that we should in no wise acknowledge. God's Word is fulfilling; the wicked are binding themselves up in bundles ready to be burned.

We are now to use all our entrusted capabilities in giving the last warning message to the world. In this work we are to preserve our individuality. We are not to unite with secret societies or with trades unions. We are to stand free in God, looking constantly to Christ for instruction. All our movements are to be made with a realization of the importance of the work to be accomplished for God."—Testimonies for the Church 7:84 (1902).

Is there a connection with "secret societies" as mentioned above. Let's examine a few union logos.  $continued\ on\ page\ 10...$ 

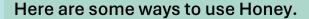




# End-Time Essentials for your Medicine Cabinet (Part Three)

#### -Elizabeth Nichols

Honey is an easily-assimilable carbohydrate compound. It generates heat, produces energy, and helps form certain tissues. It supplies your body with substances for the formation of enzymes and other biological ferments to promote oxidation. It has distinct germicidal properties, and in this respect greatly differs from milk which is an exceptionally good breeding-ground for bacteria. Honey is a most valuable food which today is not sufficiently appreciated.



#### **Internal Uses:**

- Cough remedy (recipe in last week's newsletter)
- Promotes immunity
- Energy booster
- Sleep aid

#### **External Uses:**

- Promotes wound healing
- Proven to heal burns quicker
- Absorbs the fluid in the wound (bed sores)
- Moisturizer

#### Warning:

Avoid feeding honey to children under the age of two years. It is possible for honey to sometimes contain the bacteria that causes botulism food poisoning, an often-fatal infection. It is best to simply avoid the risk.

Be careful not to purchase "fake" honey. "Drop a teaspoon of honey into a glass of water. Fake honey will immediately start to dissolve, whilst raw honey will drop to the bottom of the glass intact. Place a drop of room temperature or cooler honey on your finger, If the 'honey' spreads then it is fake honey" (simplyhoney.com.au)

A couple of months ago one of my co-workers had told me that his father-in-law had fallen and broken his hip. He asked if I knew a natural remedy that could help with bed sores. His father-in-law had been suffering much paid due to a bed sore that he got due to not being able to move. I told him that I did have a remedy, honey! I explained the following procedure that I received from our medical missionary neighbor:

"First clean the wound with saline, then pat dry. Pack the wound with honey and cover with Tegaderm or plastic wrap. Leave in all day, then repeat the same process before bedtime. Change it twice a day until healed."

I then told him to pray and that I also would pray for his father-in-law. Wonderful results were seen! The first day honey was put in the wound, he felt relief. Every time he was moved, before applying the honey, he would feel the skin breaking and the wound would grow.





After applying honey, the first time, he no longer felt the skin breaking. Today he is completely healed. What a wonderful gift from God.

John Hopkins states that "once a bedsore develops, it can take days, months, or even years to heal. It can also become infected, causing fever and chills. An infected bedsore can take a long time to clear up. As the infection spreads through your body, it can also cause mental confusion, a fast heartbeat, and generalized weakness." To treat a bedsore the common practice can include: medication for pain relief, medication for infection, and even surgery. We can see in this short testimony how God will bless our efforts when we use natural remedies and prayer!

If you would like to know how to prepare remedies for any of the above issues, please contact us via email.

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## A Note from the Editor

#### Hello Friends!

We tackle a weighty topic this month. There are deep emotions involved in joining parties, groups and associations. There must be a clear understanding that most of those who are a part of these unions are not aware of the undercurrents that shape them. It is the best visible option for many who are just seeking refuge from oppressive employers. We wish to help those to gain a deeper understanding both within and without these various organizations. A deeper dive into the systems that comprise Babylon will help pull the veil back that has been skillfully placed by the father of lies.

Please feel free to share this edition with family and friends. We pray it can begin a bible study regarding the signs of the nearness of the second coming of Jesus Christ. God bless you all and Maranatha!

Kind regards, your brother in Christ!

-Brian Nichols

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# If Thou Hast Stricken Thy Hand with a Stranger... continued from page 7 -Brian Nichols



According to Seton Hall University,

Both the symbols on the left and center contain the square and compass as found in Freemasonry. The symbol on the right shows the handshake which has ties to Mithraism. The "striking of hands" which we read is warned about in Proverbs 6:1,2. Helena Blavatsky, herself a freemason, spiritual medium and founder of Theosophy states that they "are nearly all the 'offspring' of the Son's (Jesuits) of Ignatius Loyola." -Isis Unveiled, p.390 If the unions then are under control of masonry, then that is the same as saying that the Papal power controls labor unions. So, what is the Papal stance on labor unions?



#### Catholic Teachings on the Rights of Workers

Pope John Paul II

On Human Work, #49, 1981

"Workers have the right to form associations for the purpose of defending their vital interests . . . The experience of history teaches that the organizations of this type are an indispensable element of social life, especially in modern industrialized societies."

"Catholic social teaching . . . hold that unions are . . . indeed a mouthpiece for the struggle for social justice, for the just rights of working people in accordance with their individual professions . . . It is characteristic of work that it first and foremost unites people."

"In this consists its social power: the power to build a community . . . It is clear that, even if it is because of their work needs that people unite to secure their rights, their union remains a constructive factor of social order and solidarity, and it is impossible to ignore it."

Pope John Paul II

Centesimus Annus, 1992

- "... The freedom to join trade unions and the effective action of unions... are meant to deliver work from the mere condition of 'a commodity' and to guarantee its dignity."
- "... The right of association is a natural right of the human being... Indeed, the formation of unions cannot... be prohibited by the state because the state is bound to protect natural rights..."

We may be tempted to think that the Papal position may have changed two popes later, but we find that it is as she has stated, she "never changes".



#### Pope Francis: Without unions, there are no free workers

Addressing members of the Italian General Confederation of Labour, Pope Francis calls on union members to be "sentinels" of the world of labour, building alliances rather than stirring up "sterile oppositions."

By Christopher Wells



"There is no union without workers, and there are no free workers without a union," Pope Francis said on Monday, during an audience for members of the Italian General Confederation of Labour (CGIL).

In his address, the Pope lamented that in spite of modern technological advances – "and sometimes precisely because of that perverse system called technocracy" – our

expectations for justice in labour relations fall short of the ideal.

#### Labour builds society

The Holy Father insisted that work or labour "builds society," and is a "primary form of citizenship" from which the community takes its form. He maintained that it is through the relationships between persons and their economic and political projects that "the fabric of 'democracy' is brought to life day-by-day."

He emphasized the need for unions to educate people in a "sense of work," building fraternity among workers and emphasizing that people are more important than profits.

### The line has been drawn in the sand and the views of bible believing Christians are diametrically opposed to the official Papal position. Furthermore, we are warned:

These unions are one of the signs of the last days. Men are binding up in bundles ready to be burned. They may be church members, but while they belong to these unions, they cannot possibly keep the commandments of God; for to belong to these unions means to disregard the entire Decalogue.—Letter 26, 1903.

The trades unions will be one of the agencies that will bring upon this earth a time of trouble such as has not been since the world began. —Letter 200, 1903.

Men have confederated to oppose the Lord of hosts. These confederacies will continue until Christ shall leave His place of intercession before the mercy-seat, and shall put on the garments of vengeance. Satanic agencies are in every city, busily organizing into parties those opposed to the law of God. Professed saints and avowed unbelievers take their stand with these parties. This is no time for the people of God to be weaklings. We cannot afford to be off our guard for a moment. —Testimonies for the Church 8:42 (1904).

The time is fast coming when the controlling power of the labor unions will be very oppressive. Again and again the Lord has instructed that our people are to take their families away from the cities, into the country, where they can raise their own provisions; for in the future the problem of buying and selling will be a very serious one. We should now begin to heed the instruction given us over and over again: Get out of the cities into rural districts, where the houses are not crowded closely together, and where you will be free from the interference of enemies. —Letter 5, 1904.

The ax is laid at the base of the tree, may we be found heeding the warning and warning others. Time is so short; none realize how short. I pray that we may see through this skillful deception and be found on the Lord's side. Be wary of the side that offers a solution that is not founded on Christ Jesus!