

The Left Hand of the Beast

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Barack Obama with His Left Hand on Rick Warren's Shoulder

I have heard from a number of people who have stated that they look forward to each new blog posting. They have encouraged me to continue to send them out, and some have commented that they appreciate the details I share concerning my own preparations for days ahead, and those of others with whom I am familiar. Knowing what others are hearing from the Father, and the actions they are led to take, is affirming to many. The trials and experiences some are encountering, along with an explanation of what the Father is doing in them, is helpful to many who are seeking to discern the hour they live in and the things they are also experiencing.

I do appreciate the encouragement to continue to post words of instruction, revelation and exhortation to the saints of God. There are days when I experience some discouragement, particularly as I observe the near total lack of understanding of the hour we live in among the vast majority of Christians. Many who say they see, walk as though they do not see. Many say they hear, but they respond to what is being spoken by the Spirit of Christ as if they were deaf.

Isaiah 42:19-20

Who is blind but My servant, or so deaf as My messenger whom I send? Who is so blind as he that is at peace with Me, or so blind as the servant of Yahweh? You have seen many things, but you do not observe them; Your ears are open, but none hears.

There are very few exceptions to this state of blindness and deafness. Where are the people of God who discern the hour and are standing in readiness? Ask yourself what you are doing that could be cited as evidence that you have seen and heard what Yahweh is declaring in this hour. Are you at ease? Are you living any differently from those who say they do not believe America is about to fall; who do not believe that the four horsemen of the apocalypse are being loosed among the nations? Are you warning others? Are you standing before the Lord daily to know what He would have you to do to prepare for the preservation of yourself and others?

This state of slumber is to be anticipated, yet it is grievous to behold. Christ and His apostles would not have warned the people of God so often about the danger of sleeping when the day of the Lord approaches if they did not foresee that this would be a common condition among Christians.

I Thessalonians 5:3-6

While they are saying, "Peace and safety!" then destruction will come upon them suddenly like birth pangs upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape. But you, brethren, are not in darkness, that the day should overtake you like a thief; for you are all sons of light and sons of day. We are not of night nor of darkness; so then let us not sleep as others do, but let us be alert and sober.

People of God, there are things that are coming that will shake the nations. These things will arrive with great suddenness, but they are not unannounced and they should not be unexpected. The Spirit has been testifying of these things, and His warnings have increased as the hour has grown closer. The Spirit is speaking to His people that they might get their hearts right before God. He is calling the materialistic to depart from their love of the world and all that is in it. He is calling the impure to separate themselves from the sins that defile them. He is calling those who are at ease to stir themselves up, to

seek to know the will of the Father that they might do it, for the night is coming when no man can work.

Yesterday I received a link to an article posted by Time Magazine. It tells the story of a journalist who went to Saddleback Church, the largest church in America, where Rick Warren serves as pastor. The content of the article is alarming. It reveals the absolute deafness and blindness of a church that has fallen into a deep sleep. This “purpose driven” church has departed from all submission to the Spirit of Christ. They are “driven” by the reasoning of their own souls. In their search for social relevance they have become completely irrelevant to the kingdom of God.

<http://www.time.com/time/magazine/article/0,9171,1910981,00.html>

I encourage you to read the article and to watch the video at the end of it. Then consider how the things the churches are doing are the exact opposite of the apostolic admonition to “be alert and sober.” Judgment is at the door and multitudes of Christians will be swept away. A great many will abandon all pretense of faith in Christ, for they have been dying spiritually by degrees until there is little life left in them. In a time of adversity they will fall away.

Matthew 13:18-21

"Hear then the parable of the sower... the one on whom seed was sown on the rocky places, this is the man who hears the word, and immediately receives it with joy; yet he has no firm root in himself, but is only temporary, and when affliction or persecution arises because of the word, immediately he falls away."

The churches are filled with fair weather, happy, fun loving confessors of Christ. Thousands of churches have created an atmosphere where they attract such followers, as they seek to entertain them, to fill their lives with singing and dancing and sports and endless activities and amusements. Rick Warren, and a multitude of ministers like him, will be judged severely by God for failing to prepare the saints to stand in a day of trouble. Like Fred Winters, they will be struck down as they proclaim a message of “Come On, Get Happy.”

<http://parablesblog.blogspot.com/2009/03/no-more-peace.html>

Rick Warren's church is similar in character to that of Fred Winters', who was shot dead in the pulpit after 22 years of ministry at this religious amusement center which is called a church. Following the same pattern, Saddleback Church has ball fields, indoor theater rooms, and their website reveals that they offer the following to keep the saints occupied: Basketball, Golf, Road Cycling, Bird Watching, Hiking, Running, Bowling, Horseback Riding, Ski & Snowboarding, Bridge, Men's Soccer, Softball, Classic Cars, Motorcycling, Surfing, Coed Soccer, Mountain Biking, Volleyball, Flag Football, Pilates, Walk & Worship, Racquetball, etc.. And the list of amusements goes on and on.

Do you wonder why, in this sensual age where the church has departed from holiness, obedience, and a Spirit led life in favor of all that is pleasing to the flesh that a church like Saddleback has attracted such large numbers? It sits in the heart of California, in Orange County, which is identified with every form of sensuality and lustful living. Would one expect to build a megachurch in Sodom and fill it with devoted, selfless, cross bearing disciples of Christ? No wonder that the message of the disciple's cross, of self-control, of coming out of the world, is absent among them.

People of God, I hesitate to even point out the state of things at America's megachurches, and the myriads of smaller congregations that emulate them. My fear is that those reading may say, "Well, at least I am not as bad as all that. Surely I am not deaf and blind and slumbering, for I can point my finger at Saddleback and say, 'Shame on you.'"

In what way is your own life significantly different? Maybe you don't run to the church and their organized activities for endless hours of amusement. Are you acting as if your life is not your own? Are you demonstrating by your life that doing the will of the Father is your utmost aim every day? Or are you at ease in Zion?

Perhaps you will say that you are not at ease, for you are working from sunup to sundown. But what are you laboring for? Are you laboring for the things that perish, or are you laboring for the kingdom of God? The people of Sodom and Gomorrah were busy on the day that the fire of God fell from heaven and

consumed them all. They were planting, they were building, they were buying, they were selling, right up until the moment that their lives were lost.

The church has placed her *saddle* on the *back* of this world, and she is riding it for all it is worth. The hour is coming when God will give the world leave to turn upon the Christians who are occupied with worldly vanities, that they might consume their flesh.

Revelation 17:16-17

"And the ten horns which you saw, and the beast, these will hate the harlot and will make her desolate and naked, and will eat her flesh and will burn her up with fire. For God has put it in their hearts to execute His purpose..."

The hour of this judgment is at the very door. This Scripture is soon to be fulfilled. The beast is arising. Barack Obama rides in an armored vehicle the Secret Service has dubbed "The Beast." He gave his acceptance speech on the day the Illinois lottery came up with the numbers 6-6-6.

There are many signs of a sinister power arising. This power will be given authority and power to persecute worldly Christians, "for God has put it into their hearts to execute His purpose." We are seeing the players who will accomplish the will of God being set in place and clearly identified.

Barack Obama is left handed.



The left hand signifies that which is sinister, evil, cunning, and diabolical. In

a previous post I commented on this association. In checking just now I found that the post is no longer on the Parables Blog. I do not know what happened to it. However, I will cite a portion of it here.

The website Wikipedia relates the following information on societal associations to left-handedness.

*In more technical contexts, 'sinistral' may be used in place of 'left-handed' and 'sinistrality' in place of 'left-handedness'. Both of these technical terms derive from *sinistra*, a Latin word meaning 'left'. Left hand shakes are a sign of disrespect. In Hebrew, as well as in other ancient Semitic and Mesopotamian languages, the term "hand" was a symbol of power or custody. The left hand symbolized the power to shame society, and was used as a metaphor for misfortune, natural evil, or punishment from the gods...*

*Meanwhile, the English word *sinister* comes from the Latin word *sinistra*, which originally meant "left" but took on meanings of "evil" or "unlucky" by the Classical Latin era... The contemporary Italian word *sinistra* has both meanings of *sinister* and *left*. The Spanish *siniestra* has both, too, although the 'left' meaning is less common and is usually expressed by *izquierda*, a Basque word that made its way into Portuguese too. In Portuguese, the most common word for left-handed person, *canhoto*, was once used to identify the devil...*

[Source: <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Left-handed>]

On Monday June 8th Supreme Court Justice nominee Sonia Sotomayor fell at LaGuardia airport in New York as she was rushing to get to her plane to keep a busy set of appointments with lawmakers in Washington, D.C.. Her stumble resulted in a fractured right ankle, but she continued on to the White House before going to a doctor to have the ankle examined and put in a cast.



On Wednesday, June 17th Hillary Clinton slipped and fell in the State Department garage as she was on her way to the White House. The fall resulted in a fractured right elbow that required surgery to repair.



This past week, Pope Benedict XVI, while vacationing, slipped in the bathtub and fractured his right wrist. As a result of the ensuing surgery, swelling, and the temporal inability to use his right hand, the Pope was forced to move his Papal signet ring to his left hand. This is the ring that supplicants kiss when they greet the Pope.



Each one of these world rulers of political and religious Babylon fractured a joint on the right side of their body. This has caused them to lean more heavily on the left. Surely the Lord is signifying something of importance in this, but a deaf, blind and slumbering body of Christians will observe nothing.

The political and religious beast are being marked out as the instruments of God to accomplish His purpose. He is placing power in their left side, the sinister side, to make all those in the harlot church system desolate and naked and to consume her flesh. The hour is fast approaching. It is far past time to come out of the harlot, to go outside the camp and bear the reproaches of Christ.

If you commit to following Christ unreservedly, to go where He says go, to do what He says do, to spend your money and your time as He directs, you will find that the world and a worldly church will stand against you. You will suffer persecution at the hands of man. Yet those who refuse to follow Christ in all things will find that the hand of almighty God is against them.

Is it not better to endure persecution by man, for great grace and reward will flow from the Father's hands? His eye is ever upon those who cast their lives wholly over into His care. Yahweh will strongly support those who strive towards obedience. Nothing will ever be able to separate such disciples from the love of Christ.

People of God, every day there are new signs of the lateness of the hour. The government and religious systems are becoming increasingly intolerant of those who take a stand for righteousness and truth. Abominations are being celebrated, while holiness is trampled in the streets.

Soon we will see the Supreme Court, the President, Congress, and religious leaders openly acting to silence all who stand for Christ in Spirit and in Truth. Multitudes of Christians with no depth of root will fall away in an hour of persecution. Woe to those shepherds who have failed to lead the flock of Christ in the way of righteousness and truth. Woe to those sheep who have followed after shepherds who led them astray, for they should have known the voice of the Great Shepherd and followed Him.