Daybreak Gathering 9/28/23

Sanctuary Series Part Two Assignment <u>Tribulation Saints: Unborn-Again Sheep</u> – Rapture Ready article by Lisa

Questions

A Little Help

We tell; most won't listen. Helplessness is what we often feel as believers who see the rapture drawing ever closer and what's coming for those who will be left behind.

- 1) When our warnings of the tribulation are ignored, we often feel a sense of helplessness. Does it "help" you to know you can reach beyond the daylight we now know into the nightfall that's coming for the left behind?
- 2) Do you ever find yourself giving up on the people you've warned?
 - If so, how can you refocus your attention to a time when they may be open to "listen" (read) what you want to share with them about Jesus?

Us Doers

I'm a doer, a put-something-in-my-hand kind of girl. I have the heart of Mary and the hands of Martha.

- 1) Can you relate to the above statement; are you a doer?
- 2) Do you wait best when busy, when your mind is occupied with productive work?
- 3) Have you ever considered the tribulation-dwelling lost as a mission field for you now?

Mission Field

It's not easy allowing ourselves to see them as anything other than nameless, faceless people who refused Jesus before the rapture. If we can lump them into a broad category like that, "the left behind," then our hearts are a little safer.

- 1) Do you ever protect your heart by not allowing your mind to dwell for long on what will become of the left behind?
- 2) Or are you so close to a lost loved one that tuning out the images of what's to come is impossible?
- 3) Do you feel more compassion or anger toward deceived people who ignore or are in agreement with the distressing changes in our world?

- Are you willing to allow their fate to soften your heart toward them?

Unborn-Again

They, those who call upon Jesus for salvation, will be His sheep someday. They're just currently unborn-again, not born-again as of yet.

- 1) Read Revelation 7:17. Have you ever considered that your current Shepherd will also be the Shepherd of brand-new baby lambs during the time of the tribulation?
- 2) We see people as lost or found. Since God sees time and space differently than we do, can we consider that maybe the to-be-born-again saints are, to Him, His already?
- 3) How might John 21:15-17 speak to us regarding the unborn-again sheep?
- 4) Wouldn't it make sense that He is now preparing to feed His future lambs through those of us who see what's coming?

Regrets

I grieve for them, our future family, who will be saved during the seven-year tribulation and become tribulation saints. I can't imagine the regret they will experience over having not heeded our warning in time.

- 1) Those who have been warned at some point prior to the rapture will likely remember our warnings. Can you even imagine the regret they will feel when they hear that millions and millions of people have disappeared? Discuss.
- 2) Desperate times call for desperate measures. Out of desperation and during a time of massive chaos, good and decent people will enter your home to find provisions. If that were to happen today, what would they find that might help them survive:
 - a. Physically?
 - b. Spiritually?
- 3) And what about those who never heard rapture warnings? How might our welcome and anticipation of their arrival set the stage to open their hearts to Jesus?

Last-Minute Missionaries

Maybe the nourishment, both physical and spiritual, that they find in our homes-turned-sanctuaries will give them the strength to endure just long enough to lead others to Jesus.

1) How might our provisions help in spreading the gospel beyond our homes?

- 2) Based on the teaching you have heard about the two witnesses in Revelation 11, who will the two witnesses be and why do you think so? (We can't know with certainty the answer to this, so just enjoy discussing the possibilities.)
- 3) Who are the sealed 144,000 in Revelation 7, and what is their purpose?
 - Is it possible that some of these will stumble upon our provisions?
- 4) What is the mission of the angel spoken of in Revelation 14:6-7 who flies across the globe?
- 5) Is it likely that tribulation saints will also share the gospel with the lost they encounter, thus making them missionaries?
- 6) What if your provisions now are you casting light forward into the darkness? Is time spent preparing worth that possibility?

Gratitude and Grace

- 1) Place yourself in their shoes. How might a left-behind home invader react when they find a letter assuring them that through your hands, Jesus had prepared for them ahead of time physically and spiritually?
- 2) How might gratitude open their hearts to grace?
- 3) Out of your own gratitude of being scheduled for the soon-coming rescue, how might you extend grace by sharing your own story of believing in Jesus?

If you haven't already, get started on a personal letter you can leave behind. You can make copies and add them to Bibles in your home. Imagine how connected with you–and ultimately with Jesus–a lost and desperate soul might become due to your words of encouragement.