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THE DAY OF FIRE

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HARMONY AND PEACE

“Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven.” (Matt.6:10) We pray many prayers and bring our many petitions before the Lord. We intercede when we feel the call to do so, but no prayer is as important as the one that our Lord taught us to pray. The reason is that God who knows the end from the beginning, has already drawn and ratified His blueprints for the world's complete arrangements.

It is good to keep in mind that God lives in eternity, where there is neither beginning nor end. So God is always in position to see the finished product, while we who live in “time,” only see what has been accomplished thus far. So, creation is still in process, but our God through His Holy Spirit, makes known to us some of what is coming next. In time past, when the Spirit spoke through a dream or prophecy, it would take years to come to pass, but today, because we are reaching the end of an age, the Word of God comes to pass almost immediately.

We know that all creation came out of God and that there is nothing created that is not of God. God first brought forth His Son, the Word, out of Himself. *“For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers; all things were created by him and for him: and he is before all things, and by him all things consist.”* (Col.1: 16-17)

John said this, *“In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God. ALL THINGS WERE MADE BY HIM; AND WITHOUT HIM WAS NOT ANYTHING MADE THAT WAS*

MADE.” (Jn.1: 1-3) Not only were THINGS created, such as people and substances, but also LIFE was added. *“In him was life; and the life was the light of men.”* (Jn.1: 4) In the beginning of creation, everything was in harmony with God's will. However, when the “self” responded to the serpent, man developed his own thoughts and ways to shape his own destiny and rule his world.

We know the story of the two trees. So when man chose to be the ruler over himself and his world, he turned from God and took on his own will. A conflict was ignited between the will of God and the man He had created. Harmony and peace were gone and so was life eternal.

From that time on, no matter how man tries to be good and do the right thing, he cannot find lasting peace in himself or in the earth. It is only when harmony with the will of God is restored that lasting peace will return. *“Thy will be done in earth as it is in heaven.”*

AS IN THE DAYS OF NOAH

After man was cut off from hearing the voice of the Lord God, things deteriorated very quickly. By the time Noah came on the scene, the earth had become so evil and so violent that God repented of having created it. *“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. And it repented the Lord that he had made man on the earth and it grieved him at his heart. And the Lord said, I will destroy man whom I have created from the face of the earth...”* (Gen.6:5-7a)

This could well be one of the saddest verses of the Old Testament yet it conveys so much love and hope. God was grieved in His heart! This shows us that there are emotions and feelings in the Spirit as well as in the natural, and that in Christ it is normal for us to feel the joy or sadness that the Lord is feeling. As we look at the world today, we cannot help but feel immense sadness for what we see happening.

However, we are not without hope. Even though we are thoroughly appalled at what we see taking place at the hands of godless men all over the earth, we know the love of God in Jesus Christ, and we know His plan for His creation. How grateful we are that He has revealed Himself and His Son to us and in us, before the world fell into such disarray and frightful circumstances.

Jesus compares the days of Noah to the days of the coming of the Son of man. *“But as the days of Noe were, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.”* (Matt.24:37) In the days of Noah, God called on him and instructed him to build a huge ark and to bring therein all the varieties of life in order to preserve them from the complete destruction that was coming.

In our day, the ark is no longer a literal vessel of wood and pitch; it is a separated people called the Body of Christ, where the seed of life (creative Word of God) is being preserved in the earth for posterity.

The violence is the wrath of the thief and robber that has taken over the people in gross darkness. It is out to destroy the seed of life (Christ and Christians) in the earth. Without the Spirit of God, men are blinded into believing that by their own intellect and knowledge, they can bring peace again in their world. The truth of the matter is that it is by their very thoughts and actions that the earth and humanity are being destroyed.

This is why God had Noah build the ark in his day, and it is why Christ within a people has been building a place of safety for the Seed of life. This people is the Body of Christ. The Body of Christ is not

only “spirit,” it is “body.” This means that it is a visible form that is the substance of the Christ of God. It is an actual new creation of God. It is the embodiment of the Christ who is the King of kings and Lord of lords in God's kingdom on earth.

“God was grieved in his heart!” God was grieved because He knew the suffering that His creation was going to be submitted to. God was grieved in His heart when He submitted His only begotten Son to the death of the cross. God is grieved in His heart for the turmoil and violence that the earth is going through now. Yet He knows that when all is said and done, the glory of His creation will far eclipse the suffering that it had to come through.

Long ago the prophet Isaiah uttered these powerful words, *“The spirit of the Lord God is upon me because the Lord hath anointed me to preach good tidings unto the meek; he hath sent me to bind up the broken-hearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to them that are bound; To proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all that mourn. To appoint unto them that mourn in Zion, to give unto them beauty for ashes, the oil of joy for the spirit of heaviness; that they might be called trees of righteousness, the planting of the Lord, that he might be glorified.”* (Isa.61: 1-3)

Later, the Lord Jesus stood in the synagogue of his day and declared the very same words concerning Himself and His ministry on the earth. Only Jesus did not quote the entire prophecy; He stopped and closed the book after He read *“To proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord.”* (Lk.4: 18-19)

It was not because the entire prophecy would not be fulfilled in its time; it was because Jesus would not be fulfilling it while He was here on earth as the man Jesus. He would fulfill the rest of this prophecy later, as He arose in His Body of people.

THE DAY OF FIRE

To give beauty for ashes has been the Lord's plan from the beginning. However, to have ashes, there must first be fire. Peter explains, *“But the day of*

the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the which the heavens shall pass away with a great noise, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat, the earth also and the works that are therein shall be burnt up.” (IIPet.3:10) In view of these things, Peter asks, should'n't we be *“Looking for and hastening unto the coming of the day of God, wherein the heavens being on fire shall be dissolved, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat?”* (Vs.12)

The day of the Lord is now reaching the end of this age. The invisible spirits or the heavens (as Peter calls them), that have ruled the earth and the people of the earth are now feeling the fire of His presence which is increasing as the Word is made flesh in His sons. What is happening today makes the interpretation of that verse clear and sure. We are witnessing the dissolving of the systems that man has established in the world. Countries that were once the cradle of civilization, and their governments are crumbling, and the people are being scattered over the face of the earth.

There is no escaping that fire except in Christ. Christ is the Ark, the safe place from the destruction at hand. God covenanted with Noah and said that He would never again destroy the earth by flood, but Peter tells us that the intensity of the fire will indeed dissolve the heavens and the “elements” with fervent heat. The “heavens are the governing positions of the world, the elements are the orderly arrangements made by these governments. Nothing at all of man's laws and orders will be left when this fire is over.

Paul also mentions a day of fire that will reveal all the works of man in the earth. *“Every man's work shall be made manifest: for the day shall declare it, because it shall be revealed by fire; and the fire shall try every man's work of what sort it is.”* (ICor.3:13) Is this not what has been happening to the governments and arrangements of our world today? By His very presence manifesting through His Word, the Lord God who is a consuming fire is dissolving all that men have set up for themselves.

This begun to take place when the Lord sent His Holy Spirit in His disciples, and started to build His

church by revealing Himself IN her. She is built on the Rock and the Rock is the living, talking Christ IN her. As He reveals Himself by His Word, the fire of God is kindled and is spreading so that as we reach the end of this age the fire is now glowing hot with fervent heat! This is what we are witnessing in the world today. This is why men in power are getting hysterical because they have lost control of the powers to rule over the people.

HE WHO LETTETH

“For the mystery of iniquity doth already work: only he who now letteth will let, until he be taken out of the way. And then shall the Wicked be revealed, whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of his mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of his coming: even him, whose coming is after the working of Satan with all power and signs and wonders. And with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish; because they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved. And for this cause God shall send them strong delusion, that they should believe a lie.” (II Thes.2: 7-11)

These three verses hold much truth for us today. Iniquity is a mystery which means that it can only be discerned as the Spirit reveals it; and the Holy Spirit has been doing just that. First He is revealing the one who has been “letting.” The word “letteth” means to “hold down. To restrain.” So there is ONE who has held down the power of iniquity in the world. This one is slated to be taken away so that iniquity and its power can be loosed in the world.

In the days of Noah **there was no Law** and violence was so great that God was sorry He made man. Man without law is wild and self-destructive. This is why Paul said that even the Law of sin and death is good for it gives man guidelines to keep him from destroying his own seed.

In these verses, the mystery of iniquity that is revealed is the full nature of this beastly man, uncontrolled by any law. The “one” that “letteth” or restrains, is the Law who was first given by God. Law has the power to keep godless humanity from the

power of iniquity within them. Since God gave Israel the Law, all nations have adopted similar laws to restrain the murderous nature of men from destroying their own civilizations; this has been God's mercy for humanity. Nations have established laws, which were at one time actually based on God's Law, to rule over the people and keep peace among themselves.

As time went by, these laws have been shuffled, reversed and distorted to fit the desires of the lawyers and politicians out to rule by their own devices. Their collective spirit is not much different than that of the Pharisees of Jesus' day who contrived to have the Lord of truth crucified. What we see happening in our world today is the same animosity and hatred that was unleashed on the Lord of glory. It is now unleashed upon anything or anyone who dares to bring back and enforce the rule of law upon the masses.

Peter wrote about those who would rise up against the Word and Law of God, "*Knowing this first that there shall come in the last days scoffers, walking after their own lusts.*" (II Pet.3:3) Is this not what we see happening in our world today? A scoffer is one who mocks and derides. Today we see scoffers mocking the authorities that are set up to keep the peace.

We can take heart because this is exactly what has been prophesied by all of God's holy prophets and apostles for the last days. Today the world is suffering because of enraged "lawless" men, possessed by spirits of rebellion against the authority of the law, out to satiate their own lust for wealth and prestige.

In order to reveal the Wicked man of sin within humanity, God has lifted the power that the Law had over man. He has set the stage with all the right players to bring the man of sin out of his hiding behind false pretenses. Godless humanity is filled with fury and reacting as only they know, with violence. The Wicked nature in the Adam man is the enemy of the soul, the murderer who is being revealed as he has never been before. Humans without law become wild and defiant of anything or anyone that

dares to hold them back. John rightly warned the inhabitants of the earth and sea, "*...the devil is come down unto you with great wrath, because he knoweth that his time is short.*" (Rev.12:12b) Indeed the Wicked knows he is being fully exposed and soon He will be consumed by the spirit of God's mouth and the brightness of His coming. "*Therefore rejoice ye heavens! (Those who see in the Spirit)*" (12a) For what we see happening in the world today is indeed very needful and necessary.

II Thes.2: 7-11, is the unveiling of the evil in man's hearts and of what our God is doing to change them. In the days of Noah, God did it by water; in our day, it is very thoroughly done by fire; this is the "day of fire."

Peter wrote, "*For the time is come that judgment must begin at the house of God: and if it first begin at us, what shall the end be of them that obey not the gospel of God?*" (I Pet. 1:17) The Wicked that is being revealed in those who obey not the gospel of God today, is the same Wicked that we of the "house of God" have had to deal with all along.

In the two thousand years since Peter wrote this, our God has brought His house through the flood and through the fire, and now we are living in the times when the nations are being dealt with in the same way. Only this is not done on personal basis so much as in the masses. So it is seemingly more formidable. However, the Wicked, the foe or Satan that has ruled over the earth and the people, knows his time is short. The nations of the world know that they cannot survive if things continue the way they are heading now.

The Wicked has been getting his way in the affairs of man. He has been hiding and laying low, transforming himself into an angel of light, proclaiming to do good for humanity. With the promise of freedom and a good life, men of power have dominated the nations with doctrines of socialism, communism, anarchism, liberalism and even conservatism among other isms that promise freedom and good life to those who follow them. The populace is being put to sleep by discoveries of artificial intelligence. They are spending hours glued to gadgets

that are keeping them from finding what is really happening to their lives and progeny. They are totally unaware that the “life” that they now live is making puppets out of them.

But our God has prepared for such a day. Daniel saw the time of the end when “*..Many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall be increased...And they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament...*” (Dan.12: 4b, 3a) Now the book that Daniel closed has been opened. The covering has been removed and the Wicked can no longer hide.

In that position, he is faced with the “fire of God.” He is faced by the brightness of the truth and can no longer twist it and use it fraudulently. Just as the Lord revealed the wickedness in our hearts and then took us through the fire, so the Wicked in the world is going through this fire, only brimstone has been added to it in order to consume even the hardest elements.

The Wicked is the old Adam man that Jesus took to the cross. Note that the consuming fire is the brightness of the Lord Himself. He had been hid within His people and is now shining with all the brightness of His being. He is present bodily in His called out and prepared people in the earth. We are witnessing the results of the beginning of that manifestation.

THE FIRES OF THE LORD

“*For the eyes of the Lord run to and fro throughout the whole earth, to shew himself strong in the behalf of them whose heart is perfect toward him.*” (II Chron. 16: 9a) These were the words of the Lord to King Asa when, in battle, he relied on the strength of Syria and not on the Lord's.

While in the Spirit, on the isle of Patmos, John heard a voice behind him, “*And I turned to see the voice that spake with me. And being turned, I saw seven golden candlesticks; and in the midst of the seven candlesticks one like unto the Son of man, clothed with a garment down to the foot, and girt about the paps with a golden girdle. His head and his hairs were white like wool, as white as snow;*

AND HIS EYES WERE AS A FLAME OF FIRE.” (Rev.1: 12-14)

This is the same Lord whose eyes run to and fro throughout the whole earth; and they are as a flame of fire! Have we not known these fiery eyes when they go to and fro through our “earth” in search of all our evil ways? And as soon as they are exposed, they are consumed by the fire of His presence.

When Jesus comes to the church at Thyatira, He introduces Himself as “*He who hath his eyes like unto a flame of fire, and his feet are like fine brass.*” (Rev.2: 18b) Indeed His feet have walked through the law of God (brass) and through the fiery furnace in His body of earth. Indeed, our bodies of these death are the fiery furnaces where we are subjected to the fire that refines our soul and our walk.

To make a complete study of the fire of God in the Bible would take months. Acceptable sacrifices are offered by fire. At the Altar of Incense, the angel is given MUCH INCENSE for his golden censer. The incense was lit by the **fire of the Altar** to be offered with the prayers of the saints.

Then the sweet savor of the incense wafted into the Holy of Holies into the nostrils of God. Without the fire to light the incense, prayers have no sweet savor and no power. It takes the fire of God in our lives to make us effective prayer warriors. If I have suffered and overcome, I can pray effectively for those who suffer. The saints who are crying out to God from under the Altar, have suffered and God is answering their cry. They send burning incense along with their prayers.

Joel saw the day of the Lord. He writes, “*Blow ye the trumpet in Zion, and sound an alarm in my holy mountain: let all the inhabitants of the land tremble: for the day of the Lord cometh, for it is nigh at hand; A day of darkness and of gloominess, a day of clouds and of thick darkness, as the morning spread upon the mountains, a great people and a strong; there hath not been ever the like, neither shall there be any more after it, even to the years of many generations. A fire devoureth before them, and behind them a flame burneth: the land is as the garden of Eden before them, and behind them a*

desolate wilderness; yea, and nothing shall escape them.” (Joel 2: 1-3)

Joel saw what is happening in our day. As the Word of God is blowing in Zion (Body of Christ). We are truly hearing His Word loud and clear (trumpet) today. And the result of the Word that He is sending to us, is the thick darkness that is falling upon the world.

Joel is seeing in the Spirit what is really taking place. And we must see it as well by the Spirit. The Word that is being received and spread through the sons of God today is as a fire before them. It destroys all of the deep-rooted traditions that the old Adam man has established in the minds and hearts of men and in the world of nations, societies, religions and all.

We might question the Lord and ask as Gideon did when the angel appeared to him and said, *“The Lord is with thee, thou mighty man of valour.”* (Judg.6: 12b) And Gideon could not believe what was being required of him. *“Oh my Lord wherewith shall I save Israel? Behold my family is poor in Manasseh, and I am the least in my father's house.”* (Vs.15) Do we also forget that our strength is in the Lord; our strength is in the Word made flesh in us!

Soon after Jesus proclaimed “It is finished,” the fire of God descended into His chosen vessels of earth. His assembled disciples were filled with a new anointing never seen in man before. It was God's Holy Spirit and it shook them as it dropped into them like tongues of fire. From that day forward the Word they spoke was as a fire igniting all that it touched.

Today, our world is indeed in thick darkness and gloominess, but at the same time, by the Spirit, we are witnessing God's fire burning up all that cannot enter into the age to come. Just as it arose in our personal earth, a new day is now arising in the whole earth. This new day is bringing back the harmony of the Garden of Eden in the heart of every man. It is a day that *“..shall burn as an oven; and all the proud, yea, and all that do wickedly, shall be stubble; and the day that cometh (is here) shall burn*

them up, saith the Lord of hosts (of the armies) and it shall leave them neither ROOT nor branch.” “But unto you that fear my name shall the Sun of righteousness arise with healing in his wings..” (Mal.4:1,4b)

What we are seeing today is what has been prophesied at the mouth of all God's holy prophets. Jesus Christ is appearing again in the earth. He is appearing as the Word made flesh in a body of people. Peter, moved by the Holy Ghost, explained about the sufferings that Christ must suffer. Then he gives this solemn prophecy, *“And he shall send Jesus Christ, which before was preached unto you: Whom the heaven must receive until the times of restitution of all things, which God hath spoken by the mouth of all his holy prophets since the world began.”* (Acts 3: 20-21) These are the times we are living in now.

TWO DEATHS

The anointed writer to the Hebrews wrote, *“Wherefore we receiving a kingdom which cannot be moved, let us have grace, whereby we may serve God acceptably with reverence and godly fear. For our God is a consuming fire.”* (Heb.12: 28-29) God who is love is also a consuming fire. It is because He is love that He consumes all the enemies of our souls; the last enemy is death. Therefore death will also be consumed in the fire.

The Bible tells us of two deaths. In a dream, the Lord once explained to me about these two deaths. *“I was walking home to my Father's house. It was evening and soon to get dark. I was tired. I see the house up on a craggy hill. It was a huge house as large as a shopping center. I was carrying a black purse and **two black sweaters.***

I walked up the hill to one of the back doors of the house (there were two back doors). I lay my purse and two sweaters down on a stool outside the sliding door, and I lift my foot to enter when the voice of a man working inside stopped me. He said, you can't come in this way, we are still working on the floors. I went to the second door and the same thing happened. I knew I had to get back down on the road and go all around to the front door of the

building. I went down to the bottom road and resumed my walk steadily and vigorously because night was coming. I thought about calling my husband on my cell phone in my pocket, but did not even want to take time to do that. I just kept walking as quickly as I could.” End of dream. (I omitted a few details of this dream that do not pertain to the two deaths).

The dream speaks of the last lap that we, as His church are walking out at the end of the age. Our Husband is waiting for us in Father's house on Zion's hill. (Zion speaks of the overcoming company in Christ.) We know that there is no time to waste. We cannot take a short cut through the back doors. We have to finish the walk to the front door.

I pondered the meaning of the two black sweaters. I know that a sweater speaks of our flesh and blood body which Paul calls the “body of this death.” *“O wretched man that I am! Who shall deliver me from THE BODY OF THIS DEATH?”* (Rom.7: 24) My understanding is that “this death” means that there is another death too. John the revelator speaks of the “second death”; thus two black sweaters.

I was reminded of a dream I once had about a brother who was dying in the hospital. In the dream *“...this brother got up from his hospital bed and walked toward the door of the room which was closed. He was wearing a heavy gray wool sweater. He put his hand on the door knob but before the door opened, I see his sweater had dropped off to the floor in a pile.”* I knew at the time that the Lord was saying that this brother would shed his body (sweater) and walk out of his sick room. Which he did shortly thereafter as he died. The sweater represents the body of this death (SWEATER) where we eat our bread by the SWEAT of our face. *“In the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread..”*(Gen.3:19a)

From this I knew that my two black sweaters represented two manners of death. The death of the first Adam in these bodies, and the death of the inner man of the spirit. I was no longer wearing these sweaters but I had to carry them all the way to my final destination. Indeed until we are totally transformed, we still carry these deaths although we no

longer wear death in our spirits.

With this, the Spirit brought me to the book of the Revelation and the second death which is the lake of fire. *“And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death.”* (Rev.20: 14) This sounds painful and surely it is, because the Lord also says, *“Blessed and holy is he that hath part in the first resurrection: on such the **second death** hath no power..”*(Rev.20: 6a) And again, *“He that overcometh shall not be **HURT of the second death.**”* (Rev.2: 11b) So there is “hurt” in the second death.

So the two black sweaters that I was carrying speak of the two deaths that we shed at the end of our journey in Christ. The brother in my dream, shed the body of this death and went out of his sick room. We shed the death in our spirits because we have been planted in the likeness of His death. The death of Jesus was sealed when He prayed to the Father, *“Nevertheless, not my will but thine be done.”* And we die this same death every time we turn from our own way and embrace the death of the cross. This is the death that we “die daily.” It is the death of the inner man.

Through dying the death of the cross, Christ within rises daily in resurrection power, until we become the firstfruits of His resurrection. *“Therefore we are buried with him by baptism (daily dying of the self) into death: that like as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.”*

This baptism unto His death is a daily happening in our lives and by it, the power of His resurrection works into our daily walk. Thus we are assured that, as firstfruits or first resurrection people, we have no part in the lake of fire which is the second death.

The second death is for any who have not embraced the death of the cross. It is the fire that is made to consume the Adam nature that Jesus nailed to the cross. Who do we find in that hurtful place? *“And the DEVIL that deceived them was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast (bestly carnal nature) and the false prophet (Liar) are, and shall be tormented day and night for ever*

and ever.” (Rev.20: 10)

The lake of fire is the consuming power of God to put away the elements that have caused so much suffering and death among us. It will not stop until all is consumed. This lake of fire must be seen by the Spirit or it becomes a cruel distortion and misrepresentation of the love of God.

The “lake of fire” is at work in our world now. It is the place where all who resist the Truth of God are finding themselves. The light of joy, love, peace and all that the Spirit gives is being taken from them, and they are tormented day and night by the evil that works in their inner beings. It is resulting in rebellion and violence and there is no way out of the desperation day and night. This is the lake of fire.

Our God in His love and mercy has provided a place where the spirits that have been deceiving the nations are consumed so that they will no longer deceive anyone. This is the purpose of the lake of fire. The brimstone is the added element that is able to consume even the very hardest material. Nothing can resist the lake of fire. It is the destroyer of all that is evil. As someone simply put it, “It is the death of death.”

Who is in danger of the lake of fire, *“But the fearful and the unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have **their part** in the lake of fire and brimstone: which is the second death.” (Rev.21: 8)*

Ouch! All liars? And all the fearful and unbelievers? Yes. And we have had our part in it too. This is why we stand today having been cleansed from the old doctrines that the “liar” taught us. Yes, we have been on that list too. As I walked with the Lord, I have experienced times when hateful thoughts and even murderous ones have crept into my heart. It was then that I cried out to the Lord and He took hold of all these things in me and cast them in the fire and brimstone to be destroyed forever! Oh what marvelous love this is!

David cried unto the Lord, *“The sorrows of death compassed me, and the pains of hell gat hold upon*

me: I found trouble and sorrow. Then called upon the name of the Lord, and I beseech thee, deliver my soul...I was greatly afflicted: I said in my haste ALL MEN ARE LIARS. What shall I render unto the Lord for all his benefits toward me? I WILL TAKE THE CUP OF SALVATION and call upon the THE NAME OF THE LORD.” (Ps.116: 3-4 and 10b-13)

This precious Psalm of David is a true picture of the man coming to the Lord to be delivered from hell and death. This is what David was facing in himself that day. When we come to Jesus for salvation we are calling upon His power and His love to save our souls from the jaws of this “second death.”

When we look at our world today, we see extreme suffering and sorrow. We also see the violence which stems from uncontrollable wrath and frustration. The people that do terrible things are tormented people. They are possessed by restless, irresponsible, deranged spirits that will not let them be. They are gnashing their teeth trying to find a way out of their frustrations. They are out to murder anyone who does not see as they see. They are convinced that the lie they believe is the way to goodness and love. They have lost control of their world and for them this is hell; it is the lake of fire and it is the only way to their deliverance.

I was no longer wearing the sweaters but I was carrying them until I reached Father's house and had to leave them outside the door. How we praise our God who so loves His creation that He has made a way for all. *“..He is not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance.” (II Pet.3:9b)*

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