

THE UPWARD CALL

*Brethren, I do not regard myself as having laid hold of it yet;
but one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and reaching forward to what lies ahead,
**I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God
IN CHRIST JESUS.***

(Philippians 3:13-14 NASB)

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A Day of Deception: They Believe What is False

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In issue #02-08136, October 31, 2008, *A Supernatural Working of Deception*, I shared on some things that I had seen and heard, specifically some dreams, as well as some indications from the Lord regarding the times and what was coming upon the earth. I make no pretense that I am the only one seeing or hearing such things, for surely, the Lord is speaking to all who have ears to hear and are seeking for the eyes of their hearts to be enlightened to the truth.

The fact of the matter is that there are many out there today who are warning of the dire things coming upon the earth in the near future (2-3 years). However, I believe that the future is upon us now, and we don't have to look for great change several years out. It is upon us today!

In this 2008 issue, I stated: The powers of darkness will be unleashed into the world as a flood of uncleanness that will grow into a huge wave that will crash across the globe and deceive and mislead many people, if possible even the elect. Jesus has warned us in advance that this will occur. It is a day to be accompanied with false christs and false prophets that will show great signs and wonders (Matthew 24.24). Even Paul warned of such a day as he prophesied of the coming of **the activity of Satan, with all power and signs and false wonders, and with all the deception of wickedness for those who perish, because they did not receive the love of the truth so as to be saved.** But notice who is in control: **And for this reason God will send to them a supernatural working of deception, for them to believe the lie, so that they shall be judged, all the ones not having believed the truth, but the ones having delighted in unrighteousness** (2 Thessalonians 2.9-12 ALT). Perhaps, **a flood of supernatural deception or falsehood** is going to inundate the globe like a mighty wave.

I believe that this flood began in earnest on October 31, 2008, and that we are seeing its waves rising in tumult in our day. A flood of deception and falsehood has been moving across the globe. It is so powerful that the things people, especially leaders, are saying and doing defy logic. People aren't even making sense anymore, as if they have shut their minds to any critical thinking. By using the word *critical*, I mean they are not looking for facts and truth anymore. Actually, many seem to be going out of their way to ignore or distort the facts. **Ideology that is antichrist and lawless is trying to overtake the world. It is the kingdom of darkness.**

As an example, the Greeks are faced with a total collapse of their economy, and the EU and the IMF, seemingly, have worked out a one-trillion dollar bailout. What is the response from the Greeks? Riots, protests, and now threats to sue American banks as the source of their woes! To add insult to injury, through its 17% contribution to the IMF, the US is indirectly helping to bail out a foreign country as it faces its own potential financial collapse. Optically, without going into who is right and wrong in the whole sordid affair, it is craziness, as if people have lost all sense of reason. By the way, part of this is related to what is called *moral hazard*. See issue #02-08158, December 16, 2008, *Moral Hazard*. People want to shift the blame and responsibility for their own irresponsible actions onto others.

As another example, consider the controversy over the Arizona illegal immigration law that mirrors Federal law. It was painful to see the president of Mexico standing in the pulpit of the chamber of the US House and bashing the Arizona law, which to me is bashing America, as the Democrats gave him a standing ovation. Have they lost their minds? Who has bewitched them? In an interview, this same leader admitted that Mexican law was more stringent than American law or the Arizona law, and that Mexico has the right under its laws to do the very things that he falsely accused the Arizona law of allowing, which it does not. It is either deception or lying or, perhaps, both.

Sadly, the president of the United States and his administration, some of whom admit they have not read the law, have been making the same assertions against the Arizona law, supporting a foreign government instead of one of the 50 states that they are sworn to protect and defend. Today, it was reported that the Feds might release any illegal alien arrested under the Arizona law. This is lawlessness! It is falsehood! See issue #04-1026, March 10, 2010, *They Speak Falsehood*.

When the Democrats in the House stood in ovation in raucous agreement with the Mexican president as he bashed part of America, I saw a divided house and thought of Jesus' words: **"Any kingdom divided against itself is laid waste; and any city or house divided against itself will not stand"** (Matthew 12:25 NASB). We cannot continue as a nation for very long with such overt division.

A deception has come upon these leaders, and they themselves have become deceivers. It seems that those of us who are seekers of the truth, seeking first His kingdom and His righteousness, more and more, are truly living in a parallel universe. See issue #03-0917, March 20, 2009, *Parallel Universe*. All around us today is a universe of falsehood that portrays itself as truth.

Do you feel like Habakkuk: **How long, O Lord, will I call for help, and you will not hear? Strife exists and contention arises. Therefore the law is ignored and justice is never upheld. For the wicked surround the righteous; therefore justice comes out perverted** (Habakkuk 1:2a, 3b, 4)? I do!

(11) For this reason God will send upon them a deluding influence so that they will believe what is false, (12) in order that they all may be judged who did not believe the truth, but took pleasure in wickedness. (2 Thessalonians 2:11-12 NASB)

Why the deluding influence? Because they do not believe the truth! In other words, the truth does not matter, and they take pleasure in lying. Mystery Babylon is built on lies, and no one who practices lying will become part of New Jerusalem (Revelation 21:27). We all have a choice to make!

As a reminder, especially for those who have not read much of my material, I believe that, on February 10, 2009, the Lord gave me a word for America: **"Thus saith the Lord, 'I have lifted up a hammer over the United States and I am about to strike at the very heart of the nation.'"**

Please, I beg of you not to take this as a word for physical violence. It is nothing of the sort. **Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God** (Matthew 5:9). When Peter took up his sword to protect the Lord, Jesus said to him: **"Put your sword back into its place; for all those who take up the sword shall perish by the sword"** (Matthew 26:52 NASB). Paul reminds us: **(12) For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the powers, against the world forces of this darkness, against the spiritual forces of wickedness in the heavenly places. ... (17) And take THE HELMET OF SALVATION, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God** (Ephesians 6:12, 17 NASB).

The hammer is the word of the Lord, based on Jeremiah 23:29: **"Is not My word like fire?" declares the LORD, "and like a hammer which shatters a rock?"** In other words, the Lord has spoken a word of judgment over the United States, specifically the political system that drives the Federal government based in Washington, DC.

Time will tell how and in what manner His word will be manifested, but I strongly believe that it will be soon. Watch June-September. For more on the word given to me, please see issues #03-0947 through #03-0953, March-April 2009, *A Hammer Which Shatters a Rock*. Also, please see issues #02-08125, September 30, 2008, *The Cords of Falsehood*, and #02-08132, October 23, 2008, *The Cord of Corruption is Cut*.

Well, these are just some thoughts about some of the events of our day. We are living in exciting times. We need to be holding to the truth as we look for the coming of the love of our life, our Lord Jesus. Let us speak the truth in love. See issue #04-1027, *We Speak the Truth in Love*, March 11, 2010.

Sorry for referring you back to so many past issues, but they are like building blocks to what I see and write. You have a lot to choose from; 442 issues have been written since 2007.