

# *These Perilous Times*

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## **“Troublesome Times Are Here”**

### **Part II**

Saints, we have become all too familiar with daily news reports inundating our minds with global catastrophes; i.e. fires burning out of control, severe droughts causing lakes and reservoirs to literally disappear. Commercial travel disasters involving planes, trains, and ships are more readily expected, and have become commonplace!

Just this past week flash-flooding devastated Historic Ellicott City right here in Maryland, causing loss of life, and millions of dollars in damage!

Random, and calculated terrorist attacks, murders increasing astronomically in our major cities, and cities around the world are no longer isolated incidents!

Abominable Sins against the God of Heaven, are now being applauded as the new, and

improved acceptable norm! “Gay Pride Parades” are as common as the churches on our cities’ street corners!!!

Politicians’ trash-talking to one another and about their opponent’s respective families, without regard for feelings, has become the soup of the day! Government corruption is escalating in all countries of the world! These world-wide conditions are Biblical signs of the times, which should call our immediate attention to Bible prophecies of the last days, and their fulfillment!!!

**What does this mean for us?**

*Obvious Signs Do Tell The Season*

**Our faith in Christ will be tested**

As a final strategy to divide and conquer, Satan’s attack on God’s remnant people will cause them to be severely sifted, and shaken to their spiritual core!

Now is the time my beloved Brothers and Sisters to get closer to Jesus! Now is the time for

self-inventory! Now is the time to get close to our neighbors, and explain to them what the fulfilling of Bible prophecy means in relation to these last days, and what is yet to come!

### **Counsel from God's inspired messenger**

“Soon God's people will be tested by fiery trials, and the great proportion of those who now appear to be genuine and true will prove to be base metal...

When the religion of Christ is held in contempt, when His law is most despised, then should our zeal be the warmest and our courage and firmness the most unflinching.

To stand in defense of truth and righteousness, {with no apologies or political correctness} when the majority forsake us, to fight battles of the Lord when champions are few-this will be our test. At this time we must gather warmth from the coldness of others, courage from their cowardice, and loyalty from their treason, “{emphasis supplied}.”<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> E. G. White. Testimonies for the Church, Vol. 5, p. 136.

**“Wherefore, my beloved, as ye have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling.”** Philippians 2:12

**“Being confident of this very thing, that He which began a good work in you will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ.”**

Philippians 1:6

My good friends during these perilous times which are now upon us we need an unshakable faith in Jesus, faith in God’s infallible word, faith in Christ’s righteousness.

**Where do we find such a faith?**

**“Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith...”** Hebrews 12:2

**“So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God.”** Romans 10:17

**Keep your eyes on Christ, and in God's Word!**

