**These Perilous Times**

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**“Faith for the Last Days”**

 Most Christians associate the book of Hebrews with champions of faith. Of course, there is a good explanation for their rationale. Because, Hebrews does highlight true champions of faith, i.e., Abel, Enoch, Noah, Abraham, Sarah, Jacob, and Moses to name a few! Why was there faith so strong?

Answer: They loved, and wanted to please God! They believed in God wholeheartedly, and trusted His Word! They lived what they professed!

**What does this mean for us?**

**Obvious Signs Do Tell The Season**

**The words of Paul to the church at Thessalonica**

“Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. We are bound to thank God always for you, brethern, as it is fitting ***because your faith grows exceedingly***, and the love of every one of you abounds toward each other, so that we ourselves boast among the churches of God ***for your patience and faith*** in all persecutions and tribulations that you endure…”

II Thessalonians 1:2-4 NKJV (Emphasis supplied)

Question: If Paul were alive today would he be speaking these same words of commendation to the church of Glen Burnie-Living Word?

**Counsel from God’s inspired messenger**

**(The Faith That Will Stand the Test)**

 “The time is fully come when darkness is called light, and light is called darkness. We are living in an age when sham is liberally exalted; when those who scatter falsehood, false doctrines, and soul-destroying heresies are received and *exalted by society*, and the most terrible deeds of iniquity are glossed over and excused on the plea of charity… Theattacks of the enemy must be met with the Truth of His Word. Falsehood must be unmasked, its true character must be revealed, and the light of the law of Jehovah must shine forth into the moral darkness of the world. We are to present the claims of His Word… *Every warning for this time must be* ***faithfully******delivered***; but ‘the servant of the Lord must not strive; but be *gentle unto all men*, apt to teach, patient; in meekness, instructing those who oppose themselves.’ We must cherish carefully the Words of our God, lest we be contaminated *by the deceptive workings of those who have left the faith*. We are to resist their spirit and influence with the same weapon our Master used when assailed by the prince of darkness - “It Is Written [[1]](#footnote-1) (Emphasis supplied).

**Please remember this!**

“But *without faith it is impossible to please Him*; for he that comes to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek him. Hebrews 11:6 NKJV (Italics supplied)



1. E. G. White. Advent & Sabbath Herald, Vol. 65, No. 2, Battle Creek, Mich.,

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