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The Christian world today is preaching the return of Jesus Christ our Lord. Christ will return to claim His own. They are also preaching the Rapture of the Saints before the Great Tribulation. Well, that will not happen according to the words of Christ. The Christian world also says that they believe and know that Christ is their personal savior. My question is. Do we take Christ at His word, are do we believe Him for our own convenience?

Let us look at what Christ had to say about the Great Tribulation. Do you believe that we will go through the great Tribulation? These are Christ words.

Matt.24:3. "And as He sat upon the Mount of Olives, the Disciples came unto Him privately, saying, Tell us, when shall these things be? And what shall be the sign of thy coming and of the end of the World."

Matt. 24:4: "And Jesus answered and said unto them, TAKE HEED THAT NO MAN DECEIVE YOU. For many shall come in my name. saying, I am Christ; and shall deceive many."

Matt. 24: 6. "And ye shall hear of wars and rumors of wars: see

that ye be not troubled; for all these things must come to pass, but the end is not yet."

Matt: 24:21-22. "For then shall the great Tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be. And except those days should be shortened, there should be no flesh saved: but for the elect's sake those days shall be shortened."

Matt: 24:29-30: "Immediately after the tribulation of those days shall the sun be darkened, and the moon shall not give her light, and the Stars shall fall from heaven, and the powers of heaven shall be shaken. And then shall appear the sign of the son of man in heaven: and then shall all the tribes of the earth mourn, and they shall see the son of man coming in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory."

From what I understand of Christ words we will go through the tribulation if we live long enough. I don't find in the word of God where Jesus Christ our Lord will come before the tribulation. Remember

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FOREWORD

The Assured Way, the official publication of THE CHURCH OF CHRIST WITH THE ELIJAH MESSAGE inc. comes to you as an expression of hope we have in Christ.

In its pages are found the thoughts and expressions of a united people, whose only aim is to promote the cause of Christ by spreading abroad to every nation, tongue, and people, the true gospel of Christ, that through obedience to his laws we might be found worthy of eternal life.

In this publication, The Record of the Nephites is quoted many times. This book was revealed and translated by the gift and power of God: The year 1828 marked the beginning of the restoration of all things. It is a history of the people who once lived in the Americas, some who are the ancestors of the Native America Indians. Though it contains a record of two other groups of people who once lived in the Americas, it is for the most part a record of the people of Nephi.

The Messages so often mentioned in this publication are messages from the Lord, brought to earth by his chosen servant John the Baptist, who comes to earth in a glorified body to finish the work given him of God; that of restoring all things (Matthew 17:11). The angel first came in 1829 and restored the priesthood authority of the Son of God, that The Church of Christ might be established as in the days of the Apostles.

In 1927, the angel messenger again appeared, and on numerous subsequent visits, has brought to us The Word of the Lord that the Church of Christ might be set in order, that a people might be prepared to be the bride of Christ. This "The Elijah Message" so many have looked for, "The midnight cry" has been proclaimed, a warning of destruction, but to the people of the Lord, a message that Christ's coming is near at hand. Fear God and give glory to his name, for the hour of his judgment has come. Awake thou that sleep and arise from the dead, and Christ will give you light.

We hope that whosoever reads these pages might make it a matter of prayer and fasting in humility before God, that they may know for themselves, that God ahs again spoken and revealed His will from Heaven. To this end we dedicate *The Assured Way*.

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The Quorum of Twelve recognizes the teaching and wording found in the Bible (Authorized King James Version), The Record of the Nephites, and The Word of the Lord: Brought to Mankind by and Angel, as our rule and guide as the stable wording of God.

It is the agreement of The Quorum of Apostles of this church that no minister of this faith is to ordain any man into the ministry of this church until said candidate has with all his heart and soul confessed he agrees with everything written in our *Articles of Faith and Practice*. It is each elders duty to seek guidance from and to keep the apostles informed of his works in regions he is laboring.

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He is coming to claim His Bride, The Church. That means that the Bride must be ready for Him when He comes. "Praise the name of the Lord".

Matt. 24:31: "And He shall send His angels with the great sound of a trumpet and they shall gather together His elect from the four winds from one end of the earth to the other."

We are in the beginning of the tribulation. Things will continue to grow worse. We want out of the war but there is no way out. Look at the crisis this country is in. The very laws this country was built on are being changed. There is hardly any respect for our fellow man. Everyone seems to be for ones self. Now is the time we must repent and return unto the Lord our God with all our hearts.

God has established his church on this earth and he said it should never again be destroyed. He is calling his people to him. He is saying to you come this is the way the truth and the light and no man comes to the father but by me. You must follow and keep His commandments. You must obey. You see obedience is the key to salvation. He feels after the honest in heart. He said, I chose you, you didn't choose me. He felt after me to get me this far. That is why I am where I am today. That is why you are where you are today. But you must continue to follow the Lord. I don't care where you have been or where you are. Now is the time to

step forward in Christ. Now is the time to obey the commandments of God. Now is the time. Reach out, and take his hand and follow through. The directions are given in the bible, and for this church (The Church of Christ With the Elijah Message) two other witnesses: The Record of the Nephites and The Word of the Lord Brought to Mankind by an Angel. The three measures of meal.

Learn a parable of the fig tree when his branches are yet tender and put forth leaves, you know that the summer is near. We witnessed that a few months ago, of how the weather changes and how the trees and the flower started growing and blooming. You knew that summer was upon us and we know in those changes it is one day closer to the return of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

This generation that you and I live in will not pass away until all the words of god have been fulfilled brothers and sisters. We are living in great times. We are living in hard and tough times. But we are living in the greatest time of our lives, because the coming of Christ is near. We have a reason to rejoice and praise the Lord today because his coming is near. Lord help us to continue. Let our light shine that others may see you and come into your work.

Matt. 24:35-36: "Heaven and earth shall pass away but my words shall not pass away. But of

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that day and the hour knoweth no man. No not the angels of heaven but my father in heaven only." That statement throws a lot of people off. A lot of our Christian friends say no man knows. But you have to listen to what he says. He goes on to say but my father only. There is but one spirit brothers and sisters. God said he does nothing unless he reveals it to his servants the prophets. So is he going to hide anything from you? No. Can the spirit hide from the spirit? Can you hide from yourself? There is but one spirit and that is God. He is not going to surprise you. You don't know the day nor hour that your time is up on this earth. God will not come to you as a thief in the night if you keep His commandments.

Lord forgive me my sins before you today. Accept me Lord and show me your way. Matt. 24:37: "But as the days of Noah were, so shall also the coming of the son of man be." Listen carefully to what was said. Take it in and let it soak in your mind. Listen to the next verse. Matt. 24:38: "For as in the days that were before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage until the day that Noah entered the ark."

Today brothers and sisters it looks like man can do anything he wants. He is erecting the tallest buildings, he is sending men into outer space. He is even trying to create man. Man will continue to grow and do these things

just as they did in the days of Noah. When Noah was trying to tell them to repent and turn their lives over to God, because He is going to destroy all flesh. But they didn't listen. They kept right on in their own ways. They didn't know anything or want to think of anything until God closed the doors of the ark. Christ said that his coming is going to be the same way. That meant that when the doors of the ark were closed you could not get in. Mankind was destroyed. That tells me that when Christ comes, there is no second chance. When he comes the door will be closed to those that did not keep all His commandments. He said that every knee shall bow and everyone will know that he is God. But he didn't say that everyone would be with Him. If you are not walking in his stature, keeping his commandments, doing his bidding, preaching His gospel, you will not be with him. They will see him and they will know he is there but they cannot be with Him. He is coming to reign on this earth and he is coming to reign with His church and his people. If you are not ready when He comes you are lost. You have to be waiting for him, You have to have your lamps trimmed and burning with extra oil. The days of Noah the shutting of the doors of the ark is just like the five wise and the five foolish virgins the door was opened and the bridegroom came and they went in, the door was closed and you couldn't get in. It is going to be the same way when Christ comes. People are going to be caught up in their beliefs and the glories of

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this world and be lost the same as they were then. So where are you going to be? Where am I going to be? I know where I want to be and I know I am striving to be with Christ. I pray today that you are striving to be with Christ and desire to keep him in your heart and follow the directions He has given and will yet give.

You can take that and shake it any way you want and it is going to mean exactly what it says. Matt. 24:39: "And knew not until the flood came, and took them all away. So shall also the coming of the son of man be."

If you are not ready when he comes, you will be cast from His presence. Only those that are ready and waiting for him will walk with Him, will be changed in the twinkling of an eye from mortal to immortality. Matt. 24:40-43: "Then shall two be in the field the one shall be taken and the other left. Two women shall be grinding at the wheel and one shall be taken and the other left. Watch therefore for you know not what hour the Lord doeth come. But know this, that if the good man of the house had known in what watch the thief would come, he would have watched, and not have suffered his house to be broken up." If I knew the day or night that someone was going to break in, I would be sitting outside waiting for them and they wouldn't get in. When Christ comes, we must be found watching and praying being and about the Fa-

thers business. If you don't have that security which is the word of God and His spirit, your house is going to get broken up; you are going to lose. When we have Christ, we keep Him in our hearts and we follow His commandments, His teachings and we do all we can to serve Him, so it doesn't matter when He comes, you will be ready. I thank him for his blessings, for his love and his patience with me. I ask that He will continue to direct my life, that I might be able to do the things that He would have me to do, that I might be able to help those that come into my life to see Christ.

You have to be ready when he comes. Matt. 24:46: "Blessed is that servant, whom his lord when he cometh shall find so doing." Matt. 24:48-50: "But and If the evil servant says in his heart, my lord delayeth his coming: And shall begin to smite his fellow servants, and eat and drink with the drunken; The Lord of that servant shall come in a day when he looketh not for him, and in an hour that he is not aware of."

The Christian world will tell you all you have to do is believe in Christ and I say to them, you are exactly right, that's all you have to do. And if you believe in Him keep His commandments. God lays things out so plain and so simple that we sometimes fall over them. We get so caught up in the things we want and because we feel the spirit from time to time we think we are ok with

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the Lord. What we have to do is to make sure that the spirit we feel is of the Lord. God said he made us in His image. He made us like gods. So you can think and you can plan things of yourself and you can fool yourself if you are not careful. We must obey and keep the word of God.

If we are not following and keeping the commandments and doing what He has asked of us, He is going to come as a thief in the night. We will not be looking for him. It is the same as in the flood even though Noah was telling them it was going to rain 40 days and 40 nights. They didn't believe the words of Noah until it started raining. The lord of the servant shall come in a day when

he looks not for him and in an hour that he is not aware of. That sounds harsh and cruel but God has begged and pleaded with us to do his will and keep His commandments. He has been pleading since the beginning of time. He has not changed His plea to mankind nor has He changed His Word in any way. Forget about what you know and where you have been. It doesn't matter where you came from. God said in him you are neither Jew nor gentile nor bond nor free. You will either be the child of god or the child of the devil in the end. Does it matter where my mother or father came from. You have to think about your relationship with god. We owe it to ourselves to know where we stand with the Lord.

He loves us. Trust Him.

Sister Lynn being conformed



Precious Souls Come Home

By. Terry Laws

On April 26th 2008 there was great rejoicing in heaven and Rockford, Illinois as our Lord's servants welcomed seven precious souls into the Lord's church. These fine, loving, God fearing, honest of heart individuals heeded and obeyed the leading of the Lord and entered into the waters of baptism and came out children of a true and living god, brothers and sisters to the faithful the world over, holding onto the Word of God in its fullness.

When anyone comes to the Lord there is rejoicing and praises given to the Lord. To me a fuller joy is felt here in this case because the Lord led three generations of a family to his assured way, the Church of Christ with the Elijah Message. It is such a blessing when your earthly family is your heavenly family as well. Truly the Lord blessed.

On Sunday morning the 27th we met for church and part of the service included a testimony service where many thanks and praises were given to the Lord. One of the comments by Angela Golden shared how she and her husband Kwanza had visited many different churches looking for spiritual fulfillment, a place where they belonged, but were never quite satisfied in their hearts. Something was always just missing the mark. Still praying and seeking the Lord's guidance they continued to study and the Lord touched their hearts and led them into his church where the spirit of the Lord blessed them to realize that they had "come home" and their search for the Lord's church was over. Praise God. Angela expressed this so much more beautifully than I can retell. So please come to the assembly and hear her testimony for yourself.

Following services we shared a meal, then Norris, Angelina, and Norris Jr. Purifoy returned to Chicago and Larry Gosier, Chris Laws, and I headed to Kansas City where Brother Larry and I had a quorum meeting to attend. Truly this was a blessed weekend. Just as it is when anyone comes to the Lord. Whether there is one soul or 1,000, our hearts rejoice, for this is the Lord's work and he desires his children to come home to his church.

May God bless and keep you



Kwanaz, his wife Angela and their son Kwanza Jr.



Dunsy Haines gets baptized by Apostle Larry Gosier

Message 72

The Messenger of the Lord appeared to me and gave the following message at my home, 1417 South Pope Street, Independence, Missouri, U.S.A., at 2:30 a.m., May 22, 1949. The Spirit of the Lord was present and the light accompanying him filled the room.

I hope and pray that every reader will seek God in deep humility and faith believing that they may receive the testimony of the coming of the Elias, with the Elijah Message, as spoken of in Malachi and other prophecies.

1 "Behold, I come again with a message. Arise and write the words I shall give you. I am your fellow servant, a co-laborer for Christ and his Church.

2 My mission is one of love. I come from the Lord's presence. I am he to deal prudently;¹ to bring the warning of Christ's soon coming; to prepare a people to be the bride, the Church of Christ; to refine and cause mankind to become pure; to instruct the way of the Lord and I bring the Elijah Message many look for. Lo, the prophets have foretold of my coming.

3 I come to fulfill the will of the Lord. I am the Elias, the forerunner of the Christ. He has designed the way and stretched² out the earth from one end to the other.

4 I bring glad tidings to the faithful and those that love truth. I speak the truth. I bring light to the blind

in the light of time.

5 The Lord has sent me with salvation and life in the words I bring from him to those that hear and obey. Fear not, the reward is at the end. The gospel of Christ will bring you to life, and away from the valley of the shadow of death, for he is the Good Shepherd.³ His pure unbounded love shall rule when there is unity⁴ among the faithful. The greater your love the greater your joy shall be.

6 Hearken, all ye that desire to know the truth; this is the way that leadeth to eternity and to Godward. There is no turning back.

7 Heed the instructions I bring and establish justice in the gates. Let no one treat lightly the way of the Lord. They that stir contention and maketh confusion are of the evil and shall have no part in this work. Keep peace and comity in gentleness, and meekness shall make you blessed—a delightsome people.

8 Behold! the Lord knoweth all those who stir against this work and those whose hearts are full of revenge and subtlety, in evil's suavity, planning evil in the far reaching, to accomplish their envious gain. Lo, they cannot destroy the Lord's work. Their end will be sad. Their faces shall turn about with darkness. Doubt and mistrust shall overtake them.

9 Turn away from those of adulterous and evil minds. They shall not

"Teach the whole truth and let not man have his way, except it be the way of the Lord."

have part in this work. Authority and trust they deny, and it shall not be with them.

10 Choose the clean, upright and the faithful, that the sacred work will not be defiled.

11 Fear not when evil arises; act in your place and calling, and put it from your midst. For unto those who qualify is given power over unclean⁵ and unholy spirits—those whom the Lord calls and are touched with his Spirit. The hand of power and trust are his. He giveth as man-kind prepares.

12 My mission is to cause righteousness⁶ to look down from above and to speak the will of the Lord.

13 Behold! the Lord knoweth his servants, and there are those that know his will and seek to establish the word. Let his servant Fuehrer continue, that the word may be translated, for many of the Lord's are among Israel.

14 Let Otto Arthur Leers come into this work, keep holy the way of the Lord. Let him be set apart as an elder, and evangelist, to represent Christ and his Church in that of his homeland and far and near, whithersoever the Lord shall lead and guide. The Lord has preserved him for this special work and to publish peace in his homeland. Let him fully establish the the work of truth in that land. Many of the favored of the Lord shall hear this way and come to the knowl-

edge of truth. Take to them the way of life.

15 Teach baptisms, faith, and repentance towards God. Let the hands be laid on their heads for the gift, and gifts of God on men.

16 Deliverance shall come and the faithful shall stand.

17 Let those be removed that hinder or cause contention, that are not clean, and that obey not their calling, but in doubt and sin spread disbelief in the words I bring.

18 Blest are all those that see this way and the God of the living, the God of heaven and earth that stretched forth his wise design.

19 'Thus saith the Lord: I plead with mankind that he may know I have spoken. I have sent my messenger. I have not spoken in secret, I have spoken in power and given the plan. Will my Israel be delivered and come unto me, your Lord and God, moreover, the Christ, for I am he who speaketh. Lo, as the light shineth from the east unto the west, so, shall my coming be,⁷ and at an instant, suddenly shall a nation be born at once. Every heart shall cry and every tongue confess I am their Christ. So, shall the joy of the faithful be even in my glory. But Woe, Woe, Woe unto the wicked and those that count my commandments as naught. My words shall judge all men; both those that live and those that do not;

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both the righteous and the wicked; those in peace and those that are not. Yea, I have spoken and my words shall have their place. My messenger has come as I have sent him. He is my choice, and the faithful are mine election, saith your Lord.'

20 Let the message I bring be published in every land. Let it go in every language and tongue, to the ends of the earth. Peace will flow in rivers of joy unto many and tongues shall yet cry out in testimony to my coming, by the words I bring, and the ends of time.

21 The millennium is to be the Lord's reign and all men obey the Lord's will from sea to sea, from shore to shore, from north to south, from far and wide of the earth and the isles of the seas.

22 The Church of Christ shall continue on that a Church and people be fully prepared, and my duty is to bring instructions from the Lord your God to the Church and the children of men. Learn the better way at this, the closing time, the time the vineyard shall be cleansed and pruned, this, the last time, and the reign of peace breaks forth.

23 Keep sacred the trust, and holy the work, and the way of peace in your hearts and homes. I speak to all, the Church, and all who will hear.

24 I leave peace with you and on the Church. Fear not, I am John the Baptist, and I shall come again, until the work is finished. There are many yet the Lord will call and has reserved against the day, that the work may continue on. Amen."