

“Today Is The Day Of Reckoning” James 1:2-3

As disciples of Jesus Christ and students of His Word, we are fully aware of the origin of divine institution attacks and it's not from any human source as the devil himself is dead set on destroying man's free choice, marriage, family and the nation as a sovereign entity. Beware of human viewpoint public opinion which is only an incentive for good when it's related to God's established laws for believer and unbeliever alike, the Gospel for the unbeliever and biblical truth for believers. The only protection we have against the onslaught of evil philosophy in this world is a consistent positive response to the truth of God's Word. As goes the church of Jesus Christ, so goes the nation and therefore, so goes the amount of truth expressed in the public opinion of that nation. A weak, unstable church means public opinion will become a powerful evil weapon against the citizens of a nation but a strong church made up of solid mature believers ensures that public opinion is going to be influenced positively by God's truth. Solutions are best understood when problems are defined, so it's not until we can understand our problems that we can apply any solutions to them. Lack of concentration causes a distraction which leads to disorganized chaotic thinking. Arrogance is the greatest distractor in life and it's also the greatest cause of self-induced misery. Only when we share God's joy do we have the ability to handle adversity or prosperity, living or dying and all of the problems associated with unfairness and injustice in the devil's world. There never has been a problem in all of human history for which God did not have the solution. And the greatest problem in life is that of having no relationship with God, no salvation and therefore, no eternal life. Jesus Christ came to earth for the purpose of being the only solution to the problem of man's spiritual death and as it is with everything else, there's no other solution except God's solution. We now can cross the line where the barrier once stood by grace through faith in Christ! In our post-salvation experience, we will have many problems and James is encouraging us to consider what we've just learned so that we can count it all pure joy when we face any size trial in life! So, if you wish to remain joyous in the midst of adversity, remember that God willingly and happily does all the work in problem-solving. This living-grace support which comes from the integrity of God without compromising His justice, explains why even loser believers are blessed. Jesus promised that 'In the world, you will have tribulation' but the evangelist all too often today says that when you become a Christian all your troubles will end and life will be wonderful and completely peaceful. We are to evaluate our adversity and to consider it to have the end result of joy. Jesus despised the shame of the Cross but at the same time He focused on the future joy that it would surely bring to all who believed. Bad times are designed to produce something good in our lives and when we believe this, the end result will be a new sense of endurance. And endurance is absolutely necessary for our spiritual growth. But the problem is that too many believers tragically seem to never want to grow up.