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WIN THE BATTLE FOR SOULS AND SOCIETIES

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A CITY SET ON A HILL CANNOT BE HIDDEN!”  
(MATTHEW 5:14 NASB)





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# PREFACE

Is the harvest really great, or has Jesus's promise expired? Can we expect to successfully disciple nations today, or must the church fail its God-given mission? These questions serve as the crux of the book you hold in your hands; the fulcrum upon which every page turns. If the church must fail its mission, then there's no use seeking biblical and historical keys to missionary success. If, however, "the harvest is plentiful but the workers are few" (Matthew 9:37), then it's our solemn responsibility to scour the Bible and history for the most powerful strategies for harvest, and, more importantly, to thrust ourselves as laborers into God's great harvest, applying those strategies by the strength God works in us. In this book, we take that positive view of Christian ministry, and seek to convey some of the Bible's clearest strategies for victory.

Before you mine out these principles for yourself, we want to give a few notes about how to read this book. First, we recommend you read with one eye ever toward the Word of God. In these pages, we've sought to convey some of the most compelling ministry lessons we've learned through years of prayer, Bible study, reading, and experience in ministry and mission work. We've done our best to remain faithful to God's Word; yet, we recognize we are fallible men with potential for error. Therefore, we plead with every reader to study with the mind of the Bereans, who "searched the Scriptures daily to find out whether these things were so" (Acts 17:11 NKJV). We don't see our book as the last work on ministry you should ever read; rather, we hope it serves a useful role in the vast conversation about Christian life and witness today. For you, the reader, we pray that that this book might convey even a handful of truths which will bring fresh and radical fruit into your life and ministry.

Second, we suggest you read with full intention of application. We learned these practical ministry principles in the Word, but have tried and proven most of them by experience (sometimes more faithfully, and other times less so). We must always remember that lived-out wisdom is all that counts for a theme as practical as missional living. Never be an armchair theologian; take what you learn and try to apply it as soon as possible. In that way, God will grant you practical wisdom far beyond what we've had space to convey in this book.

Third, we urge you to read the endnotes, where we often add important details, caveats, and qualifications that wouldn't have fit the main text of the book. If you find yourself questioning an idea, we may very well have foreseen the confusion and written an endnote to resolve it.

Finally, we suggest you read most of the book in a corporate voice. In much of the book, our words flow together like two strands of a rope. Even many sentences end with an interjection from the other author. Therefore, think little of who is writing where, except where explicitly stated. As father and son, we've happily shared a 'pulpit' worldwide, and here we happily share the page.

May God use this book to enlighten your eyes, ignite your faith, strengthen your resolve, and stamp your heart with His eternal purposes. Onward—into the world's darkest corners! It's time to invade with light!

**Brian and JJ Weller, January 2022**

## **Part 1.**

*An Invasion of Darkness;*  
*An Invasion of Light*



# CHAPTER ONE

## TWO KINGDOMS CLASH

**Y**ou are living in one of the greatest spiritual collisions in history. As we speak, Hell's hordes are fighting tooth and nail to shipwreck the church, sabotage the lost, isolate the unreached, and destroy society as we know it. And you know what? Only we, Christ's ambassadors, can stem the tide.

That sentence may shock you. You may see it as hyper-spiritual, self-important, or man-centered—but both scripture and history confirm it with undeniable clarity. Whenever society has sunk to new lows, only Jesus's disciples have been able to turn the tide for righteousness. We *alone* have received Christ's special anointing "to proclaim liberty to the captives," "trample on snakes and scorpions," and "overcome all the power of the enemy" (Luke 4:18 NKJV, Luke 10:19 NIV). As Paul declared, "We are . . . Christ's ambassadors, as though God were making His appeal through us" (2 Corinthians 5:20). And today, the world needs our influence more than ever because Satan has invaded culture with worse darkness than we've known in centuries.

Have you considered the decay of our society lately? Take a moment to think about it. How would you feel if you had fallen into a coma in the early 1950s and awoke to today's morning news?<sup>1</sup> Wouldn't you feel terrified by the ways culture has fallen? Might you wonder if you had entered a dystopian movie? You might have fallen asleep in a fairly stable world (though unstable enough)—but this era you woke up in is the most sexualized, depressed, violent, polarized, and confused time in modern history. It seems impossible the world could have changed this much in a single generation. To be honest, it even seems impossible the world could have changed this much in a decade. But it has—and legions of demons lurk behind the decline.



In the shadow of such awful darkness, many modern believers have lifted their arms and accepted defeat. Look at the average American Christian, and what do you see? Most are discouraged. Many lazily await the Rapture, hoping it will save them from the madness. Plenty hide behind the protective bubble of Christian company, rarely stretching out a helping hand to the victims of the dark invasion. Most of us live shackled by fear and timidity. We'd never say it aloud, but our spiritual inaction shouts our true conviction: "The Kingdom of Darkness has won—retreat!" Yes, more than ever, the church of Jesus Christ desperately needs to hear the call to victory in spiritual battle. In this book, we want to announce that call.

Fellow disciple, it's no time to retreat—it's time to go to spiritual war for God's kingdom. It may seem to you that God's cause has lost in the world, but that's mere satanic sleight of hand. We may feel like underdogs, but Satan has already been defeated! We must stop groveling, remember Jesus's victory, and enlist in God's mission with joy! Have we forgotten that Jesus has already won?

### HOW JESUS DEFEATED THE DARKNESS

Colossians 2:15 declares Jesus's blowout win over Satan and his soldiers of evil: "Having disarmed the powers and authorities, [Jesus] made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross." As soon as Jesus died on the cross, the temple veil tore from top to bottom (Matthew 27:51). In one sacrificial act, God removed the separation between Himself and mankind. A mediator had now come between God and man—Jesus Christ (1 Timothy 2:5). Jesus declared His victory as king: "It is finished!" (John 19:30). At that moment, Satan was already vanquished, God's spiritual kingdom established, and our salvation secured.

The work of redemption completed, Jesus descended into Hell and took the "keys of Hell and of death" (Revelation 1:18 KJV). Then He rose from the dead and sat at the right hand of God the Father where He reigns as the Lord of Lords and King of Kings. Now, as Charles Spurgeon declared, "Nothing in Heaven, or Earth, or in places under the Earth, is left to itself to engender anarchy. Everywhere, serene above the floods, the Lord sitteth King for ever and ever."<sup>2</sup>

And while it may seem hard to believe, Jesus's ultimate, final victory is on its way, too. At the end of this age, Jesus will return in power and glory—not as a baby in a manger, nor as a gentle carpenter, but as a king on a white horse to execute judgment and set everything right again. At that moment, King Jesus will at last utterly destroy the Kingdom of Darkness, casting Satan and every agent of evil "into the lake of burning sulfur [where] they will be tormented day and night for ever and ever" (Revelation 20:10). In a moment, all their plans will fall to the ground, God's plans will win the day, and Jesus will establish a new Heaven and new Earth without any sin, separation, or sadness. Bottom line, Jesus wins. If you're on His team, you're going to win with Him.

These truths may leave you a bit bewildered. If Jesus has already won, why does it look like Satan is winning? In a word: Satan is the sorest loser in the Universe. Simply put, Satan is like a prisoner in his cell furiously awaiting execution

day. His sentence has been given. He knows his time is short. He knows execution day is coming. He knows Jesus will soon undo all he has worked for—and he’s hot with rage. He’s absolutely blistered about the coming kingdom, and he doesn’t want us to carry Jesus’s message of liberation and salvation to the rest of the world—so he’s working overtime to steal, kill, and destroy everything in his path with the little time he has left. It’s time to ask ourselves: “Am I just going to let him kill without a fight?”

Listen. It’s time for us to stop fearing that deranged prisoner. Jesus is the victorious king, and we’re on *His* team. Now, until He returns, we need to believe His ultimate victory and work to see His kingdom transform our world. No smaller goal is appropriate to our glorious Savior, for Jesus taught us to pray, “Your kingdom come, your will be done, on Earth as it is in Heaven” (Matthew 6:10). Let us live to spread the influence of His reign, knowing His “light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it!” (John 1:5).

### ADVANCING UNTIL HE RETURNS

Now, don’t get us wrong—we understand Jesus *could* come back in our generation. If He does, much darker times lie ahead—still, we anticipate His return just like you. We don’t believe we can change the day of His appearing, and we *never* want to hamper your eager expectation for it (see 2 Peter 3:12). Instead, we want to call you to *hope and prepare* as if Jesus will return in this generation, but to *pray, minister, and strategize* as if He’ll give us centuries more to advance His kingdom. No longer can we use Jesus’s return as an excuse for our powerless Christianity! No longer can we afford to assume God is done moving in the world! The fact is, no one truly knows when the Lord will come back (Matthew 25:13)—so we have no biblical right to abandon the harvest, crying, “It’s all downhill from here!”

Besides, Jesus explicitly commanded us to disciple entire nations until *the very end of the age* (Matthew 28:19-20). He likens the last days to a harvest (Matthew 13:39)—and reveals that heavenly fruit and satanic apostasy will “grow together until” He returns (Matthew 13:30; see also 13:24-29, 36-43). In simpler words: no matter what age we’re in—and no matter how dark it gets—we can trust Jesus for a great harvest of souls (Matthew 9:37)! He desires that His spiritual kingdom would begin breaking in *now*, radically impacting societies—person by person, soul by soul.<sup>3</sup> Yes, Jesus commands us to trim our lamps and advance His restoration project, bearing exponential fruit until His glorious appearing (see Matthew 25:1-30)! “Blessed is that servant whom his master will find so doing when He comes!” (Matthew 24:46 ESV).

### HOW GOD HEALS THE WORLD

That leads to the vital question this book sets out to answer—one of utmost importance to every follower of Jesus. How can Jesus bring healing in our broken world? What method has He chosen to put the broken pieces of humanity back together? How can He redeem your mission field, your home country, your family, your friends, your workplace, and your school? The answer is simple but startling: God

wants to transform the world through you and me, Christ's ambassadors. God's kingdom restores lives when we stand up, step out, and invade our world with Jesus's light through godly words, actions, and prayers. As Paul declared: "We are therefore Christ's ambassadors, as though God were making His appeal through us. We implore you on Christ's behalf: Be reconciled to God!" (2 Corinthians 5:20).

This ambassadorial call is a high one; perhaps much higher than you ever dreamed for yourself. But if you submit to this lofty call, God can change you from an idle bystander into a weapon of mass salvation. With time, you won't even believe the miracles He'll perform through you (we say this from surprised experience). The most amazing things come to pass wherever God's kingdom visits Earth through Heaven's ambassadors.

### WHEN GOD'S KINGDOM VISITS EARTH

Yes, when God's kingdom visits Earth, sinners see the light of the gospel, repent, and receive forgiveness. The weight of guilt is removed. Addictions are broken. Evil is conquered. The sick are healed. The demonized are delivered. Fears are vanquished. God's heavenly love comes to live in our hearts. The fruit of the Spirit flourish. Nominal Christians experience the King's glory, becoming radical disciples. Churches are revived. Zeal for God's mission is ignited. God is glorified!

And there's no reason that transformation can't happen on a massive scale today. After all, Jesus appointed us as "a light for the [nations], that [we] may bring salvation to the ends of the earth" (Acts 13:47). God could very well still reshape whole societies if we live out our calling!<sup>4</sup> But much of that good invasion must take place through everyday ambassadors in everyday situations.

Think about it: if every Bible-believing Christian won one person to the Lord, countless millions would surge into the Kingdom. *That alone* would turn the tide in a society (and, let us add, that alone *can* turn the tide). And with darkness lurking in the open, it may be more apt to happen now than before. As the darkness gets uglier, the light will seem more wonderful when the Holy Spirit draws hearts. If we speak up, God's Word can have a genuine effect in countless souls to convict of sin, reveal Jesus, and draw to repentance.

You see, to live as Heaven's ambassador, you don't need a famous ministry. Nor do you need a mass evangelism plan. You just need to ask, "God, where do I begin? Who can I reach? How can I engage in Your mission?" To invade with light, the only ability you need is *availability*.

### AN INVASION OF LIGHT: A FLOOD OF KINGDOM LIFE

The message of this book is simple. When Jesus died on the cross, the prison doors opened wide. His resurrection declared the captives can now run free. Now, we must go into all the world and proclaim the gospel of liberation. We must lift our voices and say: "The enemy has been defeated. The good King is enthroned. Step out of dark captivity into God's marvelous light of salvation!"

The invasion of light will never succeed until we do. If we refuse to stand up for Jesus, the lost masses can only continue racing toward the fiery judgment of God. But if we humble ourselves, call on His name, and faithfully live and preach the gospel, God will unleash the Kingdom's restoring power upon many in our world. The Kingdom will come—not only to revive Christians, but to flow like a river of light into dark societies. His river of light will flood the darkest parts of the world, giving hope through Jesus Christ—the King who remains the same yesterday, today, and forever. As Ezekiel 47:9 promises, “Wherever the river flows, everything will flourish” (BSB). The only question is—will you join the counter-invasion?

If you answer “yes” to that question, we want to help prepare you to “fight the good fight of faith” (1 Timothy 6:12). In the following chapters, you'll rediscover

- the kingdom you serve,
- the enemy you face,
- the character you'll need,
- the message you must preach,
- the spiritual weapons at your disposal,
- the example you must follow (Jesus Himself),
- how to find your place in God's kingdom,
- and much, much more.

Are you up for the challenge? If so, read on, ambassador of Heaven. Together, let's start the invasion of light.



# CHAPTER TWO

## THE CASE FOR HOLY REVOLUTION IN THE LAST DAYS

If you're like most Christians, you're probably asking one crucial question right now. "Is an invasion of light even possible in such dark times?"

We get it. Our world is in such dire condition. In many ways, it's morally unrecognizable even compared to the 1950s—and honestly, culture didn't look so pretty back then either (if you don't believe us, read *Why Revival Tarries*, Leonard Ravenhill's famous repentance manifesto from 1959). Sure, Western society has advanced in some ways. But apart from those scarce gleams of hope, our world looks severely bleak.<sup>1</sup> In fact, many Christians see our entire modern world as *beyond redemption*.

In this chapter, we want to challenge that view and inspire you to fight for the advancement of God's spiritual kingdom in the world.<sup>2</sup> Unknown to many Christians, the world has passed through even worse days than these. Only when Heaven's ambassadors stood up and fulfilled their heavenly calling did society improve. Therefore, our world's only hope for positive change lies in *our willingness to invade with God's light*—person by person, soul by soul.



## EXCUSING OURSELVES IN THE LAST DAYS?

Jesus's message was revolutionary. The apostles' message was revolutionary too. Everywhere they went, they called the world to glorify God by living utterly counter-cultural lives. Then why do we in the modern church often seem so tepid—even timid? Why do today's Christians so rarely fight for the world's redemption? One famous scriptural excuse lies behind much of our last days laziness. When faced with the calling to invade with light, many professing Christians retort with the Apostle Paul's warning to Timothy:

But mark this: There will be terrible times in the last days. People will be lovers of themselves, lovers of money, boastful, proud, abusive, disobedient to their parents, ungrateful, unholy, without love, unforgiving, slanderous, without self-control, brutal, not lovers of the good, treacherous, rash, conceited, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God—having a form of godliness but denying its power. (2 Timothy 3:1-5)

Well, I guess you can put this book down then, right? Here, Paul promises terrible times will come in the last days, and you can't do anything about it. When those last days come, people will act like . . . well, like they do now. When this sign is fulfilled, we'll know for sure that Jesus will rapture the church out at any moment, and all attempts for positive change will prove utterly futile. Therefore, drop your long-term mission plan, pack your bags, and get rapture ready—flight 777 is on the way any moment . . . right?

Well, not quite. That interpretation assumes Paul meant only to predict a terrible hour of future turmoil—particularly one that wouldn't occur for two thousand years. But if you read the whole passage, you'll see Paul didn't necessarily mean to talk about the distant future at all. Instead, he intended to warn Timothy about a darkness that had *already begun to spread* in his own lifetime (though it has certainly continued spreading today).<sup>3</sup> That's why he immediately warned Timothy: "Have nothing to do with such people. . . . But they will not get very far because, as in the case of those men, their folly will be clear to everyone" (2 Timothy 3:5,9). (Even if Paul did mean only to speak of today, shouldn't we work overtime to win as many to Jesus as possible?)

You may feel even more surprised by Paul's evangelistic boldness despite the growing apostasy around him. Many modern Christians have used "the last days" as an excuse for retreat—but did Paul encourage the same? No way. Instead, Paul saw the reality of the last days as a motivation for holy revolution. In the same letter, he boldly commanded Timothy:

In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who will judge the living and the dead, and in view of His appearing and His kingdom, I give you this charge: Preach the word; be prepared in season and out of season; correct, rebuke and encourage—with great patience and careful instruction. For the time will come when people will not put up with sound doctrine. . . .

But you, keep your head in all situations, endure hardship, do the work of an evangelist, discharge all the duties of your ministry. (2 Timothy 4:1-3, 5)

The biblical truth is crystal clear. Paul and Timothy lived in the last days like us—but that didn't weaken their will to preach the gospel and invade the world with Jesus's light. Instead, they ran full force into the public square to declare Jesus's truth to all who would hear.

Paul and Timothy's radical boldness leads us to a profoundly different concept of *last days ministry* than many hold today. Many twenty-first century Christians believe the last-days church has little or no hope for victory in the world, and therefore they work little for the invasion of light. But Paul and Timothy saw themselves as part of the last days church, and they didn't share our defeatist attitude, nor did they face defeat in the gospel battle. Let's admit it—together with the early church, they "turned the world upside down" (Acts 17:6 NKJV). And the invasion of light didn't stop with the earliest church—as we'll see in the next chapter, Christ's ambassadors continued turning the world upside down for almost two millennia. How did this advancement occur in *the last days*? Very few know the secret. According to the Bible, the last days are not *purely* times of evil.

### THE LAST DAYS: A CLASH OF EVIL AND OUTPOURING

Almost every evangelical Christian rightly sees "the last days" as a season of great turmoil. Unfortunately, most of us have missed another crucial part of the story. You see, God didn't only warn that the last days would bring tribulation, persecution, and apostasy. He also promised the last days would bring tremendous spiritual outpouring and awakening. In Acts 2, Peter reminded the crowd of God's end-time promise through the prophet Joel: "In the last days, God says, I will pour out My Spirit on all people" (Acts 2:17). The promise continues:

Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your young men will see visions, your old men will dream dreams. Even on My servants, both men and women, I will pour out My Spirit in those days, and they will prophesy. I will show wonders in the heavens above and signs on the Earth below, blood and fire and billows of smoke. The sun will be turned to darkness and the moon to blood before the coming of the great and glorious day of the Lord. And everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved. (Acts 2:17-21)

Perhaps these verses make you scratch your head. "Wait a second, Peter—you're saying we'll see *spiritual outpouring in the last days*? Did you flunk out of seminary? Everyone knows the last days will be times of apostasy and sin!" Yes, Jesus promised lawlessness would abound in the last days—but He also promised other last days realities that many modern Christians have forgotten. Remember, Jesus also promised the Holy Spirit would move in supernatural power in the last days, turning Christians into powerful witnesses (Acts 1:8), convicting the world of sin (John 16:8), revealing the beauty of the gospel (John 15:26), healing the sick



(Mark 16:18), raising the dead (Matthew 10:8), casting out demons (Mark 16:17), drawing masses of lost souls to Jesus (John 12:32), gathering a church from every tribe and tongue (Revelation 7:9), and training those newborn converts into obedient disciples (Titus 2:14). If you ask us, that's called *awakening*.

And this great last days outpouring isn't coming at some later date—it's available to every Christian *now*! When Peter declared this promise of last days awakening, he boldly announced God had begun to pour it out that very day (see Acts 2:16, 33). By citing Joel's prophecy, Peter declared: "The last days are here—the New Covenant revival has begun! Soon Jesus will return to judge every rebel—but meanwhile, God will powerfully pour out His Spirit on every hungry heart! Run to King Jesus and receive His mercy while you can—the long-awaited times of refreshing have begun breaking in!"

Whether Peter knew it or not, God was using him to forge an unstoppable invasion of light that momentous Pentecost Sunday. The drastic spiritual shift that began that day would eventually sweep millions of hungry souls into Jesus's kingdom of righteousness. And these God-stricken Christian ambassadors wouldn't live idly in spiritual defeat. Rather, they would gradually transform society from top to bottom, invading with light and destroying Satan's works wherever they went. Their motto was, "Thanks be to God, who always leads us as captives in Christ's triumphal procession and uses us to spread the aroma of the knowledge of Him everywhere!" (2 Corinthians 2:14). And nothing could stop them, for "neither death nor life . . . nor anything else in all creation, [could] separate [them] from the love of God" which compelled them to service (Romans 8:38-39).

### HOLY FIRE FORGOTTEN AND FORFEITED

Tragically, at some point much of the Christian church lost this victorious, all-or-nothing approach to Christian ministry. We forgot about Jesus's victory over evil and neglected the call to become His agents of reconciliation and world transformation. Think about it—do you *really* think of the church as a force for cultural change? Have you believed it enough to act on it? Most probably don't—but we want to rouse you back to action. Let's recover the story of the victorious church, recounting crucial checkpoints in the church's historical invasion of light.

As you read the next chapter, we challenge you to place yourself in the apostolic story. We often look at "the greats" of Christian history with a false sense of separation. We think to ourselves, "God might have used them like that, but He'll never use me that way." Not so fast! All of Christianity's "heroes" were really only weak believers totally dependent on a powerful Savior. Furthermore, keep in mind that God's will and promises have not changed. "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever" (Hebrews 13:8). What He willed for the earliest church, He wills for the latest church. What He did through them, He wills to do through us! The only question is—will we receive God's power, proclaim Jesus's gospel, and invade our dark world with the light of God's kingdom? The choice is ours.

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## A WORD FROM BRIAN AND JJ ABOUT MESSAGE MINISTRIES & MISSIONS

Hello! Thank you so much for reading *Invasion of Light*. We want to take a moment to share the wonderful opportunities God has given us to spread the gospel of Jesus Christ worldwide through our missions organization, *Message Ministries & Missions*.

### WHO WE ARE

Message Ministries & Missions is an evangelical non-profit missions organization based out of St. Petersburg, Florida. MM exists to proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ and His saving power and grace throughout the world. We accomplish this by preaching the gospel, making obedient disciples, providing practical needs, and creating materials for evangelism and discipleship.

### WHERE WE WORK

Our core vision is to send the gospel of Jesus Christ to the whole world—and especially to those who have never heard. For this reason, we mostly focus our efforts on the unreached in the 10/40 Window. We currently support ministry partners in Burma/Myanmar, Cambodia, China, India, Thailand, Vietnam, Laos, and Peru.

### HOW WE WORK

We believe the best way to fulfill the Great Commission is to lift the arms of native ministers around the world. For this reason, we've asked for God's guidance and partnered with the most exceptional indigenous ministries, missionaries, pastors, evangelists, and church planters we could find. These leaders live near the communities they evangelize and know the language, people, culture, and customs—so they can more effectively reach the lost, plant churches, make disciples, and meet the people's desperate needs. Our partners provide regular reports to us and remain accountable to local leaders.

### HOW YOU CAN JOIN US

We would love you to partner with us in God's Great Commission! If you're interested, here are four ways you can join arms with us:

- 1. Request a free Ambassador's Packet.** Just for your interest, we'd love to send you a gift packet to better introduce you to our mission. Order yours now at [bit.ly/mmpacket](http://bit.ly/mmpacket) (all lowercase). (Offer only valid in the United States).
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# NOTES

## CHAPTER 1. TWO KINGDOMS CLASH

1. For an interesting narrative about this idea, see Chapter 1 of *Saving a Sick America* by Dr. Michael L. Brown.
2. Spurgeon, Charles H. “Christ with the Keys of Death and Hell.” The Spurgeon Center, October 3, 1869. <https://www.spurgeon.org/resource-library/sermons/christ-with-the-keys-of-death-and-hell>.
3. After all, society just means people together! <https://www.lexico.com/en/definition/society>.

Also, we want to emphasize that Jesus’s kingdom is breaking in spiritually now, not yet physically. We’re calling for a harvest of souls, not an overthrow of human governments. Still, Christians should use whatever political influence God gives them to encourage righteousness and discourage wickedness. As Paul says, human government is both “God’s servant for your good” and “God’s servants, agents of wrath to bring punishment on the wrongdoer” (Romans 13:4).

4. This goal seems less difficult when we think beyond the West. Remember, almost half of the world’s population has still never clearly heard the gospel message. Even if the West continues its decline, we believe God will fundamentally transform unreached societies as the church introduces them to the message of salvation in Jesus. That said, Jesus has transformed the West several times before, and He can easily do it again if we take His call seriously.

## CHAPTER 2. THE CASE FOR HOLY REVOLUTION IN THE LAST DAYS

1. For our detailed analysis of the darkness in the modern world, please read appendices one and two.
2. A clarification: we are *not* calling for a physical fight against human beings and governments, but a hearty spiritual battle against Satan through prayer, preaching, spiritual warfare, and holy living.
3. We see a similar pattern in Jude 1:3-23 and 1 Timothy 4:1-9. The ultimate key is that, as Jesus said, “The harvest is the end of the age” (Matthew 13:39). From Jesus’s resurrection until His return, we will see a mixture of wheat and weeds—astounding heavenly fruit and shocking satanic apostasy (see Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43).

## CHAPTER 3: THE FORGOTTEN INVASION OF LIGHT

1. Strong’s Greek: 2660. κατανύσσω (:) – to prick violently. Biblehub. <https://biblehub.com/greek/2660.htm>.
2. Just as promised in John 15:26: “When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father—the Spirit of truth who goes out from the Father—He will testify about Me.”
3. Schmidt, Alvin. *How Christianity Changed the World: Formerly Titled Under the Influence*. Grand Rapids, Michigan: Zondervan, p. 49, 2009. Kindle.
4. Schmidt, *How Christianity Changed the World*, 154.

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