



Greetings Family & Friends,

None of us could wait for the new year because 2020 was a bear and we were ready to be done with it. But already, just two weeks into 2021, it seems like we have jumped from the frying pan into the fire!

You shalt not be afraid for the terror by night; *nor* for the arrow *that* flieth by day; *Nor* for the pestilence *that* walketh in darkness; *nor* for the destruction that wasteth at noonday. Psalms 91:5-6

In this month's newsletter Suzan shares her thoughts titled "A New Beginning". We trust that it will inspire and bless you.

God Bless you!

Your friends,

Mickey & Suzan

A New Beginning

Wow! Just when we thought things would get better, they took a sudden turn for the worst! Of course, all of you know that I am talking about the stunning events that took place on January 6. What just happened, and where do we go from here?

2020 was definitely a year of challenges and all of us

were ready to be done with it. But, as I recall, before last year ever began, God said this is going to be a great year because the church is going to come to the end of itself and I think that this was exactly what happened on January 6.

What provoked the people to do what they did when they stormed the White

House? Their conservative values as Christians were being challenged and their right to the freedom that they had fought for was at stake!

They simply got caught up in the energy of the moment and they reacted to the provoking thought that was screaming in their ears.

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We have to do something because if we don't, we will lose it all! It was all part of a devious plan designed specifically by the enemy to destroy our Christian credibility and the consequences for that reaction will probably be swift, and severe!

God tells us to be anxious for nothing; to wait on Him and to be of good courage. The enemy always waits for an opportune time to tempt us to take matters into our own hands because he knows it always results in disaster!

Romans 8:5-6 For they that are after the flesh do mind the things of the flesh; but they that are after the Spirit the things of the Spirit. For to be carnally minded *is* death; but to be spiritually minded *is* life and peace.

God never intended for Christians to muscle their

way through life. The flesh profits nothing. We have been destined by God to play a crucial role in the days to come. We are the salt and light that the world is looking for. God's plan is to reveal himself to the world through us, but we are going to have to be led by the Spirit in order for that to happen. We have come to a cross roads where the church will not be able to exist without depending totally on God and I think that this is exactly what God was waiting for.

Matthew 5:9-11 Blessed *are* the peacemakers: for they shall be called the children of God. Blessed *are* they which are persecuted for righteousness' sake: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are ye, when *men* shall revile you, and persecute *you*, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely, for my sake.

Matthew 5:16 Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven.

Things may look dark but I believe that the best is yet to come! Is it going to be easy? Probably not, but I believe that the church is going to play a vital role in a powerful move of the Holy Spirit that will light up the dark!

We will see God move in ways beyond our imagination, and the world that once shunned God will run to the light of his presence.

John 17:23 I in them, and thou in me, that they may be made perfect in one; and that the world may know that thou hast sent me, and hast loved them, as thou hast loved me.

God Bless You!

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