

# The Final Countdown – One World Religion

## Part 4

Well folks, I don't know if you know this or not, but Jon Gibson's New Years Resolution was apparently to start pumping more iron, you know what I'm saying, working out at the gym, right Ruth? Just roll with me, I need all the help I can get here, trust me.

“One day Jon walks into the juice bar at the gym and he heads straight for the counter and sits on one of the stools there. And while he's deciding on what he's going to order, he decides to have a little fun, you know being Jon and all, and so leans over to a woman next to him and says, ‘Hey, lady. Do you wanna hear a funny blonde joke?’

Well, immediately the lady gives Jon this horrible look and replies, ‘Well, before you tell that joke mister, you should know something. I'm a blonde, and six feet tall, 210 lbs. and I'm a professional triathlete and bodybuilder.

Not to mention the blonde woman sitting next to me is 6'2” and 220 lbs. and she's an ex-professional wrestler.

And if you'll notice, that waitress over there she's also a blonde who's 6'5”, weighs 250 lbs. and she's a professional kickboxer.

You see buddy, we're three big, bad blondes! Now, Mr. funny guy, do you still want to tell that blonde joke?’

And so Jon blinks and swallows and says, ‘No way man! Not if I'm going to have to explain it three times.’”

Yes, my wife is a blonde, and yes, I need a ride home! Can somebody help me out? But seriously folks, how many of you guys would say Jon's response there was totally justified, you know what I'm saying? It's

frustrating to have to explain yourself over and over again, isn't it? Well that's right folks, believe it or not, did you know one day that's going to happen with God? You see, He too has been warning us over and over and over again about the 7-year Tribulation, but we still don't listen! So guess what? One day the whole planet is headed for some serious trouble and that all begins at the rapture of the Church. And the reason why it's going to be such a **horrible time** is because for those who refuse to accept Jesus Christ as their Personal Lord and Savior, they will be catapulted into the 7-year Tribulation, and it's not a joke! It's an outpouring of God's wrath on a wicked and rebellious planet. In fact Jesus said in **Matthew 24** it's going to be a "time of greater horror than anything the world has ever seen or will ever see again. And that "unless that time of calamity is shortened, the entire human race will be destroyed." But praise God, God's not only a God of wrath, He's a God of love as well. And **because He loves you and I**, He's given us many warning signs to show us when the Tribulation was near and when Jesus Christ's 2<sup>nd</sup> Coming was rapidly approaching.

Therefore, in order to keep you and I here at Sunrise from experiencing the ultimate bad day of being left behind, even worse believe it or not, of having to listen to that Blonde joke, we're going to continue in our series **The Final Countdown**. And so far we've already seen how the **#10**

sign on **The Final Countdown** was **The Jewish People**. The #9 sign was **Modern Technology**. The #8 sign was **Worldwide Upheaval**. The #7 sign was **The Rise of Falsehood**, the #6 sign was **The Rise of Wickedness**. The #5 sign was **The Rise of Apostasy**. And the last three times we saw how the #4 sign was the Rise of **A One World Religion**. And what we saw there was that God lovingly foretold you and I that when we see **all the world's religions** on the planet coming together as one, which is happening right now today all over the world, thanks in part to the Lie of the **Interfaithism** and the last two times with the lie of **Ecumenicalism**, which is a Watering Down God's Truth by saying **We Just Need to Love, We Just Need to Tolerate, and We Just Need to Rethink, We Just Need to Blend, and We Just Need to Submit**. Why? Because haven't you heard? If we create this **One World Religion** on the planet we'll bring peace to the earth and everything will be just fine. Really? That's what the Bible calls the false peace of the Antichrist and you don't want to have any part of that!

But that's still not all. The 3<sup>rd</sup> way we know we're really headed for **A One World Religion** is due to a **Worldwide Assault on Christians**. That's right folks, I'm talking about the rise of **Christian Persecution**. And once again, put yourself in the Antichrist's shoes to understand this. If you're going to deceive the world into creating **A One World Religion** then you

**not only** have to get rid of any one religion being superior over another, and any source of truth being more right than another, but you must certainly get rid of people who don't go along with your program, right? Of course! And so guess what? That's exactly what the Bible said is going to happen specifically to God's people in the Last Days! But don't take my word for it.

Let's listen to God's.

**Matthew 24:3-9** "As Jesus was sitting on the Mount of Olives, the disciples came to Him privately. "Tell us," they said, "when will this happen, and what will be the sign of Your coming and of the end of the age?" Jesus answered: "Watch out that no one deceives you. For many will come in My Name, claiming, 'I am the Christ,' and will deceive many. You will hear of wars and rumors of wars, but see to it that you are not alarmed. Such things must happen, but the end is still to come. Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be famines and earthquakes in various places. All these are the beginning of birth pains. Then you will be handed over to be persecuted and put to death, and you will be hated by all nations because of Me."

Now folks, maybe it's just me, but it appears that the events during the 7-year tribulation are not going to be pleasant ones for God's people, how many of you can figure that out without any help? Yeah slightly, wars, famines, earthquakes, false prophets, deceit, and what? There's actually going to come a time when **the whole world, Christian, is going to hate you** just for being a follower of Jesus, right? Even to the pint where they're going to want to kill you!

And for those of you wondering, the context here is **during** the 7-year Tribulation so the people he's talking about here, being hunted down and killed, are the Jewish remnant who follow Christ after their temporary blindness is removed. And **two**, those who get saved after the rapture during the 7-year Tribulation, because people can still get saved during the 7-year Tribulation, because the Gospel still goes forth from multiple sources. The Two Witnesses, the 144,000 male Jewish Witnesses, the Angel of God who proclaims the Eternal Gospel and anything you and I might leave behind. But the point is this. The lesson is, you should've gotten saved **before** the hammer came down. But now you're going to pay with it for a price, your life. During that time, people are going to hate you, and actually seek to kill you, just for being a follower of Jesus.

And so here's the point for you and I here today. Do we see any signs of any rise of Christian **persecution** and **hatred** towards us around the world even to the point where people actually want to kill us? Uh, yeah! In fact, it's already here, all over the world! In fact, pretty soon, believe it or not, you might have one of these encounters, even right here in America. Let's take a look.

### Big Brother Interrogation

Interrogator: Thanks again for coming down Mr. Wilson. I know you're a busy man so we'll try and keep this short. Come on and have a seat.

So, for the record, your name is John Francis Wilson and you live at 15 Clear Heights Drive

John Wilson: <shakes head in agreement>

Interrogator: I'm sorry, could you clearly reply yes or no to my questions.

John Wilson: Yes I am John Wilson. Is this being recorded?

Interrogator: Are you a member of the Church of God on Springer Avenue?

John Wilson: Yes.

Interrogator: Have you taken part in their pro-life meetings and marches?

John Wilson: Uh yes, but what does that have to do with..<Interrogator interrupts>

Interrogator: Plan on attending this evenings meetings with this group?

John Wilson: Yes. <looks puzzled>

Interrogator <writes something down> Mr. Wilson are you aware that it is legal in this country to have an abortion.

John Wilson: Well yes but it hasn't always been that way.

Interrogator: Are you aware that some health care providers have been attacked and murdered by members of groups like yours?

John Wilson: Hold on. We have nothing to do with those groups. We are peaceful people that are <gets interrupted again>

Interrogator: Are you aware some health care providers have been attacked, Mr. Wilson?

Mr. Wilson: We believe in preserving life and not taking it!

Interrogator: Are you aware, Mr. Wilson, yes or no.

Mr. Wilson: <sighs>

Interrogator: You are a member of three different Right To Life groups. You are a member of a number of evangelical Christian organizations. You've donated money to Christian research and the Salvation Army. You receive daily emails from radical organizations that encourage prayer for our government on matters of policy. You've signed a number of petitions supporting the traditional definition of marriage. You frequently visit websites that are pro-Israeli and others that believe in an immanent cataclysmic event. Your wife and children are also enrolled in or talking to many other radical anti-social organizations and people, Mr. Wilson. There's a lot more here. Are these the actions of a peaceful man and his family?"

Now folks, for those of you thinking that this could never happen here in America, I'm telling you, it's right around the corner. Why? Because we the Church in America have been asleep at the wheel for so stinking long, and because we have become so complacent and in love with the things of the world instead of God Who made this world, and because we continue to beat each other up and defeat the purpose of God, we are now paying a horrible price. The noose has slowly been put around our necks, while we're literally being entertained to death. And now, a global hatred of Christianity, is just around the corner.

And the **1<sup>st</sup> way** we know we're headed for this **Global Persecution** of Christianity is that **The Propaganda is Already Here**. Take a lesson from Hitler. Folks, as incredible as this may sound, it's already open season on Christians, here in America. For instance, correct me if I'm wrong, our

society now says we are being **judgmental** because we say that our society is not good enough for God. But in reality, it's not us, it's the Bible. The Bible says that "no one is righteous, no not one." (Romans 3) They say that we're being **arrogant** because we think we've found the only way to eternal life. But I didn't say that, Jesus did. "He is the way, the truth, and the life, and that nobody comes to the Father except through Him." (John 14:6) Then they say that we're being **narrow-minded** because if we practiced what we preach, we would see all people worthy of salvation. No! The Bible says that "no one is worthy, no not one." (Romans 3) Then they say we're being **ignorant** because we ignore other paths to enlightenment for truth. But that's not what Jesus said. He said He was the ultimate source of Truth not one of many. (John 14:6) Then they say that we're being **old-fashioned** because we cling to obsolete myths. But people, the Bible says that it is the truth we are to cling to, not a bunch of feel-good made up stories to create a One World Religion. (2 Timothy 4)

And just to make sure that we sound really bad in the public arena, we are now being labeled, listen to the propaganda, with such terms as, "psycho groups," "harmful and dangerous sects," "Obstructionist right-wing fanatics who embrace a message of hate and fear (quote from Bill Clinton)," "mongers of hate who preach their anger (quote from Texas Governor Ann



Richards),” “Intolerant, using subterranean tactics (quote from Congressman Vic Fazio),” “unchristian religious right who are selling our children out in the name of religion (quote from U.S. Surgeon General Joycelyn Elders),” “A greater threat than the old threat of communism (New York Times writer),” “fire-breathing radicals,” “merchants of hate,” “fanatics,” and even “militants and bigots,” and of course “right wing fundamental extremists.”

Hey, wait a second. That’s the same terminology they’re using for the Muslim terrorists that everybody says we need to get rid of? Uh huh! People I’m telling you, you better wake up! We’ve been asleep at the wheel too long! They’re already using the same propaganda on us and so that means we’re next! Don’t believe me? Check out this alleged quote from Janet Reno who gives us her **definition of a cultist**:

“A cultist is one who has a strong belief in the Bible and the Second Coming of Christ; who frequently attends Bible studies; who has a high level of financial giving to a Christian cause; who home schools their children; who has accumulated survival foods and has a strong belief in the Second Amendment; and who distrusts big government.

Any of these may qualify [a person as a cultist] but certainly more than one [of these] would cause us to look at this person as a threat, and his family as being in a risk situation that qualified for government interference.”

In other words, they’ll come and take away your kids, as we already saw before. But it appears to me there’s **a serious spiritual battle going on right here in America**, amen? And folks, I’m telling you, this is just the tip

of the iceberg of what's coming down the pike. Let's take a look at even more examples of the negative propaganda on you and I the Christian, and you tell me if we better not get motivated.

Richard Dawkins in his TV special, "*The root of all evil?*" said, "The scriptural roots of the Judeo-Christian moral edifice are cruel and brutish. When we look closely at the Bible, you find a system of morals which any civilized person today should surely find poisonous." He said about a "Church service" it reminds him of "a Nuremberg Nazi rally, that Nazi leader and propagandist Dr. Goebbels would have been proud." He later goes on to say that, "Fundamentalist American Christianity is attacking science. But what is it offering instead? A mirror image of Islamic extremism. An American Taliban." And the next scene on that program showed the burning towers of the World Trade Center in New York City on 9/11."

Oh, but he's not the only one who thinks Christians are the new terrorists. So does Rosie O'Donnell. Check this out.

ABC's The View

Elisabeth Hasselbeck: Those attacks. Okay. That is widespread and if you take radical Islam and you want to talk about what's going on there. You have to...

Rosie O'Donnell: <interrupts> Just one second. Radical Christianity is just as threatening as Radical Islam. In a country like America

<audience claps>

Rosie: Where we have a separation of church and state. We're a democracy.

Elisabeth: We're not bombing ourselves.<referring to Christianity>

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Fox and Friends

Steve Doocy: Her exact quote was, Rosie O'Donnell of...what was it about 2

months ago she said, "Radical Christianity is just as threatening as radical Islam." And in the last hour we received an email from somebody who said, "You seem to forget that in the land of radical Islam, Rosie, the woman, the lesbian, would either be hung or stoned to death and in the world of radical Islam there would be no The View, no show with independent opinionated women."

But she's not the only one. Texas Democrat Al Green said during a Homeland Security hearing that we need to, "Expand its hearings on radical Islam to include a hearing on the radicalization of Christians."

And he's not the only one. A University professor in Australia stated that "Incompetent design, as I call it, is an anti-intellectual post-modernist mechanism for snaring the ill-educated into Protestant fundamentalism. In front bars they're talking about archbishops and politicians 'running scared' and not condemning this 'Christian Wahabbism' the same way that moderate Muslim leaders don't condemn Islamic terrorists."

And apparently that's why US Representative Sheila Jackson warned about how, "Christian militants might try to bring down the country and that such groups need to be investigated." And she's not the only one. Again, it's open season on Christians today! Let's take a look.

Erroll Southers: Obama's Nominee to head the Transportation Safety Administration

Southers: "Most of the domestic groups that we pay attention to here are white supremacist groups. They're anti-government, in most cases anti-abortion, they are usually survivalist type in nature, identity oriented."

"Those groups are groups that claim to be extremely anti-government and Christian identity oriented"

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The Huff Post Live:

Josh Zepps: The separation of church and state is fundamental for American life but what about the separation of church and military. In a new report by national security experts says that fundamentalist Christianity rampant in the U.S. Armed forced and that military leaders overtly promote evangelical Christianity.

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Jim Parco: Professor of Economics at Colorado College:

You actually have a system that actually is creating religious fundamentalists and that's what's concerning to me.

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Huff Post Live: Email

Sara Primrose: The only question that needs to be asked is "Do these fundamentalist beliefs and associated behavior compromise our missions abroad?" If yes, we must discourage or ban the encouragement of the spread of this brand of Christianity in the military.

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Rachael Maddow Show: MSNBC

Maddow: What we are learning about the religious beliefs of this militia group, makes them seem a little bit like a cult, like a stand alone religious oddity. But some of the things they are obsessed with: fighting the antichrist, avoiding the mark of the beast, the pre-tribulation rapture-all this stuff-this isn't a set of beliefs that is specific to this one cult. These beliefs are actually characteristic of a broader movement, aren't they?

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Fox News Radio

Andrei Codrescu, a commentator for the program, All Things Considered, mocked a Christian pamphlet about the doctrine of the rapture, the ascension into heaven, "The evaporation of four million people who believe in this crap would leave the world a better place."

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Townhall.com

Woman: The young man, in Times Square who tried to blow innocent people that he doesn't even know up. These guys are acting on conviction. Somehow the idea got into their minds, that to kill other people is a great thing to do and that they would be rewarded in the hereafter.

Interviewer: But Christians do that every single day. In this country.

Woman: Do they blow people up?

Interviewer: Yes they do. Christians? Everyday.

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<scenes from Dancing With Wolves>

Pagan practices of American Indians are treated with loving respect

<scene from Little Buddha-Miramax Films>

Where Eastern religions bask in the warm fuzzies of spiritual awe.

<scene from Out On A Limb>

And where even the occult is given the benefit of the doubt

Shirley MacLaine: "He said the divine force is what the soul is made of"

<scene from The Handmaid's Tale>

Where the Christian faith of untold millions is portrayed as a potential breeding ground for neo-nazis. Public executions and a religion induced madness that could lead to everything from mob violence...

<scene from The Rapture>

to a mother's willingness to kill her child for God.

Mom holding gun: Do you love God?

Little girl: Yes.

Mom: Tell him that. Don't be afraid baby.

Little girl: on her knees praying

Far too often this is the gospel according to Hollywood.

<sound of mother pulling the trigger>

That's sick! And yet, do you see the propaganda? We're dangerous. We're cultists. We're terrorists and we'll even kill our kids. Hitler must be proud of our media.

And apparently that's why Obama's faith advisor "Eboo Patel" also compared "Christian totalitarians," those who believe in only one correct interpretation of their religion," as dangerous as, "Al-Qaida."

In fact, the hatred towards Christianity has gotten so bad that they are now offering "Fundamentalist Workshops" where former Christians can come and be "rescued" from their religion. It's called, "Release and Reclaim." It's being headed up by a Berkeley psychologist named Marlene Winell who wrote a book called "Leaving the Fold" and she says, "Their God was a capricious, vindictive, punishing figure. Now they need help trusting themselves." And she goes on to say that, "Fundamentalism shares a belief in original sin, a final judgment day, and a reliance on the Bible as the literal word of God. That's a damaging belief." And she is now calling on, "The help of professions to study and treat the recovering adherents as they do other traumas and addictions."

You know, like in a virus or some bad habit like drugs or smoking or something. And that's why Richard Dawkins calls it just that. "I think of religion as a dangerous virus. It's a virus, which is transmitted partly through teachers and clergy, but also down the generations from parent to child to grandchild. Children are especially vulnerable to infection by the virus of religion." And of course, Christianity.

So gee, what's next? A "vaccination" from "religion" and other so-called "addictive behaviors"? Well, believe it or not folks, it may not be that far away, as these reports show.

**Vaccinating against Drugs & Fundamentalism:**

Dr. Graham Phillips: When it comes to drug addiction, science still doesn't fully understand why some people become hooked and others don't. But for most who are addicted to drugs, giving them up or just cutting them back can be an almost impossible task. Well, scientists are developing vaccines against drug addiction. They work by vaccinating against the pleasurable effects of the drugs, hopefully making it easier for users to give up. In fact,

one day, they may even vaccinate people before they've been near a drug. To catch them before they can become addicted.

But what about a "vaccination" for "dangerous religions"?

Department of Defense lecture on the VMAT2 gene (God Gene) Expression In Religion VS Non-Religious Individuals:

Lecturer: Excuse me. On the left over here, <points to screen> we have individuals who are religious fundamentalist/religious fanatics and this is the expression in RTPCR-Real Time PCR- expression of the VMAT2 gene. Over here..<gets interrupted>

Man: Doctor,-there are holes in your theory but <gets interrupted>

Lecturer: Let me complete. So over here we have ah, individuals who are not particularly fundamentalists, not particularly religious and you can see there's a much reduced expression of this particular gene-the VMAT2 gene, another evidence that supports our hypothesis for the development of this approach.

Buy hey, just in case the new "vaccine" doesn't work to keep you from being a Christian, maybe they'll just get rid of you period. The United States Department of Homeland Security issued its "Rightwing Extremism: Current Economic and Political Climate Fueling Resurgence in Radicalization and Recruitment" Report. This report alleges that a violent "rightwing extremist" movement is trying to take over the nation. According to the definitions in these reports, Bible believing Christians are now being labeled as "rightwing extremists." And their strategies are reminiscent of Adolph Hitler's "Enabling Powers" which the Third Reich used after the Parliament building was burned down by "terrorists." These "Enabling Powers" gave Hitler the legal power to profile and arrest anyone who was even suspected of being critical of the Nazi Party and it enabled Hitler to grab control of Germany in just a matter months killing millions of Jewish people and Christians.

And if you're wondering if you'll ever be qualified as a terrorist, listen to this. According to our own current government, any one of the following beliefs could classify an individual or groups as a terrorist:

- Pro-life
- Critical of the United Nations
- Critical of the New World Order
- Critical of the Federal Reserve
- Homosexual marriage
- Oppose the North American Union (which they say officially does not exist)
- Critical of the income tax
- Oppose illegal immigration
- Fear foreign powers such as Communist China, Iran, Russia and India
- Critical of any of President Obama's policies (abortion, homosexual marriage. etc.)
- Concerned about RFID chips
- Belief in Bible prophecy or "End Time Prophecies"

As one man stares, "What is interesting about the above list is that a great deal of it has to do with things that have nothing to do with the individual nation. The only possible reason any national government would be concerned about its citizen's objecting to things like the New World Order, world government, the United Nations, homosexual marriage, a regional global government like the North American Union, abortion, RFID chips and belief in end times prophecies is because this is what they are planning to promote in the near future. Otherwise why be bothered about it?" And he says this, "I would suggest to you that Bible prophecy is being fulfilled far faster than most of us realize and that is why governments around the world are concerned about these things."

And I would agree. But folks, again, maybe it's just me, but it appears we better stop fighting each other, and we better start working together and getting united and getting motivated or we're going to be in a heap of trouble, how about you? Uh huh! We don't have the liberty to play games anymore. That's long gone folks! We better start covering each other's back, instead of putting a knives in our back! We need each other! **Why?** Because



Jesus said this is what's going to happen in the Last Days. People are going to hate you, even to the point where they will want to kill you, just for being a Christian.

But that's not all. And the **2<sup>nd</sup> way** we know we're headed for a **Global Persecution** of Christians is that **The Persecution is Already Here**. Folks, this behavior is not just being talked about, it's already being done! Christian persecution folks, has skyrocketed in recent years. And how ironic it is that everybody knows that Hitler killed 6 millions Jews. But how many realize that he murdered about 7 million Christians? And it's being repeated today! **Right now**, there are over 250 million Christians worldwide under the threat of persecution. **Right now**, all over the world, our fellow brothers and sisters in Christ are being beaten, tortured, imprisoned, and murdered. Why? Because they refuse to compromise the truth, unlike the ecumenical movement who's promoting this One World Religion! In fact, in 1988 alone, there were some 310,000 Christians slaughtered and more Christians have died for their faith in this last century alone than in the previous nineteen centuries combined. And it's getting worse. Let's take a look at even more facts on persecution.

75% of all religious persecution around the world is now directed against Christians, which is why Christianity is now the world's most persecuted religion. Researchers are now saying, "Christianity isn't dying, it's being eradicated." In fact, recently even a Jewish Rabbi is admitted that,

“Christians have become the new Jews.” And just like Jesus said would happen, they are calling for our extinction.

This is an actual quote that I received from a “fellow American” on YouTube. “Christians are going to start dying in mass numbers, when America ends. I will be the first one to lead the charge. Christians are starving the poor, and driving nice cars and Christians always need money. We have to come together and kill them. When the dollar collapses, and there are riots, and there are no more rights and law enforcement, just start killing Christians as fast and as many as you can before they implement slavery, and the same government that got us here in the first place.”

And gee, that would also explain why we have the new t-shirts out there that say, “Exterminate Christians One Bullet at a Time.”

And folks, this is why one Christian commentary predicted, “The real Christian church in America is going to be forced to do as the early Christians did – go underground. The mainline Christian churches have slipped away from the foundation of Scripture to adopt secular tenants and leftist politically correct philosophies until they have become only a shadow of the true followers of Christ. Our mainline denominations have become nothing more than social clubs and their pastors ‘preach’ feel good ‘sermonettes’ about the environment, and things like ‘social justice. They are fearful of preaching the Scriptures and of pointing out main’s failings lest they be accused of slander or sued for libel.”

And that’s why the founder of the Gospel for Asia says he believes this persecution will soon impact believers in America and that he is fearful that many are not ready. “The great falling-away from faith could be worst here in America because people are absolutely not prepared to face suffering or persecution because we cannot imagine a gospel with the cross and the suffering in it.”

He said we have focused on “prosperity” and “material possessions” instead of surrendering all to Christ. And the result, he says, is that the American Church has become “very naïve in thinking that real persecution will never come their way. “These are warning signs,” he exclaims. “God is telling us that we need to prepare our lives.” Or as one Pastor puts it, “The time for excuses is over.”

Folks, I don't know about you, but I'd say it's time we stop beating each other up and start getting along, and get motivated, how about you? Looks to me like the persecution that Jesus said would come in the Last Days is already here! Turn to somebody and say, "I need you man!"

People, what more does God have to do? This is not a game! This is real! But praise God, God loves us. He doesn't want us going into the 7-year Tribulation! And He certainly doesn't want us to go into HELL! And so that's why, out of love, He's given us these signs of a **One World Religion** and now with **Global Persecution** of the Church to show us that the Tribulation is near, Christ's 2<sup>nd</sup> Coming is rapidly approaching. And that's why Jesus Himself said:

**Luke 21:28** "When these things begin to take place, stand up and lift up your heads, because your redemption is drawing near."

People, like it or not, we are headed for **The Final Countdown**. And so the point is this. If you're here today and you're not a Christian, then I beg you, please, heed the signs...heed the warnings...give your life to Jesus now...because tomorrow may be too late. Yes, you might have to suffer for being a Christian in this world, but it's nothing compared to **suffering forever in hell!** Take the way out through Jesus Christ and get saved today!

But if you're here today and you are a Christian, then would you please stop sinning against God! Would you please stop being apathetic,

would you please stop being distracted, and for goodness sakes please stop hurting your fellow brother and sister in Christ while the noose is tightening around our necks! We need each other! It's time to stop fighting and start uniting. We need each other **now**! Why? Because whether you realize it or not, our fellow brothers and sisters in Christ around the world are paying a deadly price for our disobedience, like this video shows. Stop sinning. We'll close in prayer after this.

"Church buildings are being burned down. Christians homes are being destroyed. <showed the destroyed church> Survivors: "A mob of Hindus came at midnight. They burned our homes and destroyed our Church. We had to hide in the jungle to survive"

Believers of a home church that was attacked and the Pastor beaten. "I should have been dead if it were not for the grace of Jesus Christ. Pastor Simon prayed for me and I am a witness today of the healing power of God. so will you stand firmly for Jesus Christ in any situation? Even if they kill me I am not going to leave Jesus"

House of Prayer-Pastor Walter Masih. <clip showing a gang of men inside the church beating with a bat and 2x4's and kicking the pastor>

Another persecuted Christian "As Jesus had told us we have to practice to show the other cheek. I have forgiven them, let them be blessed. They are ignorant"

In Aug. 2008 in Orissa, India, an uproar of anti-Christian violence swept through 300 villages. Over 50 Christians were beaten to death cut to pieces or burned. <clip of two Christians on the ground being kicked, head being stomped on, and hit many times with a wooden 2 x 4's>

There are more than 26 million documented cases of martyrdom in the 20th Century alone. More than 250 million Christians in over 80 nations are

currently living under the threat of persecution. 60% are children. Stop tolerating sin.

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To find the way to God, to understand the *truth* of God's Word, and to received the gift of eternal *life*, begin by repentance and faith through a prayer like this:

“Dear God, I understand that I have broken Your Law and sinned against You. Please forgive my sins. Thank You that Jesus suffered on the cross in my place. I now place my trust in Him as My Savior and Lord. In Jesus' name I pray. Amen.”

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