



Is The World Falling Apart?

Or, are we just so used to peace and prosperity that a return to social chaos, economic crisis and political turmoil seems foreign and disorienting? However you answer those questions, the fact still remains that God is not surprised by recent events, nor is He shaking His head wondering what to do next.

Could you imagine waking up tomorrow and reading headlines like those in the box on the right?

They may sound preposterous, but all three have happened in the past. Consider **Deuteronomy 28** where God promised that if a nation followed Him, they would be debt free and lend to other nations.

Jonah 3 records that the wicked King of Nineveh heard Jonah's proclamation of doom and immediately fell to his knees in prayer and repentance, and called on the people to do the same.

Luke 19:8 tells how Zaccheus, a tax collector, met Jesus and promised to restore four times as much to anyone who he had defrauded.

More than any time in the past 50 years, people are looking to God for answers. They are praying more because the future seems uncertain. This a great time for Christians to rise above the temptation to hang our heads in despair, and instead offer people hope through knowing Jesus Christ.

Fed Adopts Biblical Principles - Pays Off National Debt

President Leads Nation in Fasting and Prayer - Calls on People to Stop Sinning

IRS Agent Confesses to Bilking Taxpayers - Promises to Pay Back Every Dollar Fourfold

30 Days of Radical Training

50 high school students from Addis Ababa, in Ethiopia, went out to smaller towns for 30 days. Ministry partners prayed for the students, gave them money and sent them out with great encouragement. As they went they:

- shared the gospel
 - trained other believers
 - setup student fellowships
 - visited prisoners
 - showed the "JESUS" film
 - fasted and prayed
 - helped clean six towns
- All under the theme, **Salvation for Our Soul; Sanitation for Our City.**

Townsppeople were touched by both the love and actions of the students. Churches were encouraged to *share their faith in action.*



During the 30 days, witch doctors were delivered from evil as they came to know Christ personally. Muslims committed to following Jesus, and spiritists stopped their sorcery and surrendered their lives to God.

However, these amazing results were not without some paying a heavy price.

Many of the students were beaten. In two towns, they were mocked, insulted and ordered not to speak in Jesus' name. Two believers, Gedeon and

Gutema, were severely persecuted. When they ran and hid, they were caught and beaten unconscious. One team was arrested and held for 12 hours, but during that time almost all their fellow prisoners and 16 police officers heard the gospel! Three prisoners gave their lives to Christ.

reported by Great Commission Ministry, Ethiopia

On the Road Again

In mid-July we will start our biennial migration to Fort Collins, Colorado for Campus Crusade's staff conference. The event is held only once every two years, but the continued training and development have been an invaluable part of helping Jo Anne and me stay-the-course in ministry for 25 years now.

Thanks for all your prayers and support. We appreciate you!

*In Him,
 Russ & Jo Anne*