We're Already Living in the Millennium – Are You Kidding Me!

"Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils;" 1Timothy 4:1

The Bible says that "the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine...", "and they shall turn away their ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables" (2 Timothy 4:3a -4). Recently, on a Christian TV program called "Christ in Prophecy", the nost of the show, Dr. David Reagan, was discussing the many false doctrines that are floating around out there today. One of the craziest doctrines that he mentioned was that we are already living in the Millennium! Are you kidding me? Does it look like the millennium, or the 1,000 year reign of peace, is taking place right now? We haven't even seen the anti-christ yet! (2 Thessalonians 2:7-9, 1 John 2:18). And if we are in the millennium, then where is Jesus? Did he forget to come down here or what?

These people who are spewing these false doctrines are crazy, just plain crazy, and totally devoid of the Holy Spirit. Does not the Bible say that the Holy Spirit will guide you into all truth (John 16:13)? Look around, do you see any peace and tranquility on the earth? Have the nations beat their swords into plowshares and their spears into pruning hooks (Isaiah 2:4)? Or is it just the other way around (Joel 3:10)?

The Bible says 'I did not give you the spirit of fear, but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind" (2 Timothy 1:7). If the Lord has to give us a sound mind, then that means we're all unsound until we get saved. And these people are about as unsound and unsaved as you can get! It's a downright dirty shame that a Bible study such as this has to be written in order to refute these crazy and unsaved people.

Please review the following scriptures. Once you do, you will realize how false and unsound these people really are. These false teachers who cause divisions and offenses contrary to sound doctrine, need to be exposed and avoided at all costs (Romans 16:17). "For many walk, of whom I have told you often, and now tell you even weeping, that they are the enemies of the cross of Christ:" (Philippines 3:18).

1. At the present time, Israel is about the size of New Jersey. But Genesis 15:18 says "In the same day the LORD made a covenant with Abram, saying, Unto thy seed have I given this land, from the river of Egypt (Nile) unto the great river, the river Euphrates:"

Is this scripture being fulfilled right now? NO!

2. Presently, anti-Semitism is exploding around the world and hatred of the Jewish people is at an all-time high, but Zechariah 8:23 says: "Thus saith the LORD of hosts; In those days it shall come to pass, that ten men shall take hold out of all languages of the nations, even shall take hold of the skirt of him that is a Jew, saying, We will go with you: for we have heard that God is with you."

Is this scripture being fulfilled right now? NO!

- 3. Almost every day the Israeli people are under attack in one way or another, but Isaiah 60:18 says: "Violence shall no more be heard in thy land, wasting nor destruction within thy borders; but thou shalt call thy walls Salvation, and thy gates Praise." Is this scripture being fulfilled right now? NO!
- 4. A dispute between the Arabs and the Jews over who owns Jerusalem is raging every day, but Isaiah 33:20 says: "Look upon Zion, the city of our solemnities: thine eyes shall see Jerusalem a quiet habitation, a tabernacle that shall not be taken down; not one of the stakes thereof shall ever be removed, neither shall any of the cords thereof be broken."

 Is this scripture being fulfilled right now? NO!
- 5. Even though Israel is now a nation again, the majority of all the Jews still live in other countries, but Ezekiel 39:28 says: "Then shall they know that I am the LORD their God, which caused them to be led into captivity among the heathen: but I have gathered them unto their own land, and have left none of them any more there." Is this scripture being fulfilled right now? NO!
- 6. There is no temple in Jerusalem, and there hasn't been since the Romans destroyed it in 70AD, but Psalm 68:29 says: "Because of thy temple at Jerusalem shall kings bring presents unto thee."

 Is this scripture being fulfilled right now? NO!

7. At this present time, Tel Aviv is the most 'gay friendly' city in the world, but Isaiah 4:4 says: "When the Lord shall have washed away the filth of the daughters of Zion, and shall have purged the blood of Jerusalem from the midst thereof by the spirit of judgment, and by the spirit of burning."

Is this scripture being fulfilled right now? NO!

8. Presently, the Dead Sea is devoid of all life, and has been for thousands of years, but Ezekiel 47:1a, 9-10 says: "Afterward he brought me again unto the door of the house (Temple); and, behold, waters issued out from under the threshold of the house eastward: And it shall come to pass, that everything that liveth, which moveth, whithersoever the rivers shall come, shall live: and there shall be a very great multitude of fish, because these waters shall come thither: for they shall be healed; and every thing shall live whither the river cometh. And it shall come to pass, that the fishers shall stand upon it from Engedi even unto Eneglaim; they shall be a place to spread forth nets; their fish shall be according to their kinds, as the fish of the great sea (Mediterranean), exceeding many."

Are these scriptures being fulfilled right now? NO!

9. At this present time all the nations of the world, including Israel, are in rebellion against the Lord, but Psalm 22:27 says:

"All the ends of the world shall remember and turn unto the LORD: and all the kindreds of the nations shall worship before thee."

Is this scripture being fulfilled right now? NO!

10. Because the devil is controlling this world at the present time, evil is spiraling out of control, but Revelation 20:1-3 says: "And I saw an angel come down from heaven, having the key of the bottomless pit and a great chain in his hand. And he laid hold on the dragon, that old serpent, which is the Devil, and Satan, and bound him a thousand years, And cast him into the bottomless pit, and shut him up, and set a seal upon him, that he should deceive the nations no more, till the thousand years should be fulfilled: and after that he must be loosed a little season."

Are these scriptures being fulfilled right now? NO!

- 11. Wars and rumors of wars are prevalent in today's society, but Psalm 46:9 says: "He maketh wars to cease unto the end of the earth; he breaketh the bow, and cutteth the spear in sunder; he burneth the chariot in the fire."

 Is this scripture being fulfilled right now? NO!
- 12. Every day the Lord's name is disrespected, mocked, and blasphemed, but Psalm 66:4 says: "All the earth shall worship thee, and shall sing unto thee; they shall sing to thy name. Selah."

 Is this scripture being fulfilled right now? NO!
- 13. The righteous are being persecuted and killed around the world, but Psalm 72:7 says: "In his days shall the righteous flourish; and abundance of peace so long as the moon endureth."

 Is this scripture being fulfilled right now? NO!
- 14. The poor and needy are being devoured from off the earth, but Psalm 72:13 says: "He shall spare the poor and needy, and shall save the souls of the needy".

Is this scripture being fulfilled right now? NO!

- 15. Are the people of the earth being judged righteously at this present time? No! Psalm 67:4 says: "O let the nations be glad and sing for joy: for thou shalt judge the people righteously, and govern the nations upon earth. Selah."

 Is this scripture being fulfilled right now? NO!
- 16. Today, the sinners of the world reign supreme, but Psalm 104:35 says: "Let the sinners be consumed out of the earth, and let the wicked be no more. Bless thou the LORD, O my soul. Praise ye the LORD."

Is this scripture being fulfilled right now? NO!

17. At the present time Christians around the world, not the devils, are being killed for their faith at the behest of satan, the god of this world (2 Corinthians 4:3-4), but Luke 19:27 says: "But those mine enemies, which would not that I should reign over them, bring hither, and slay them before me."

Is this scripture being fulfilled right now? NO!

18. People around the world are dying every day from life threatening diseases, but Isaiah 33:24 says: "And the inhabitant shall not say, I am sick: the people that dwell therein shall be forgiven their iniquity."

Is this scripture being fulfilled right now? NO!

19. Every day in the world, children die of starvation and sickness, but Isaiah 65:20 says: "There shall be no more thence an infant of days, nor an old man that hath not filled his days: for the child shall die an hundred years old; but the sinner being an hundred years old shall be accursed."

Is this scripture being fulfilled right now? NO!

- 20. At the present time the world is filled with blind, deaf, dumb, and crippled people, but Isaiah 35:5-6 says: "Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf shall be unstopped. Then shall the lame man leap as an hart, and the tongue of the dumb sing: for in the wilderness shall waters break out, and streams in the desert."

 Are these scriptures being fulfilled right now? NO!
- 21. If the wolf and the lamb laid down together today, the lamb would end up in the wolf's stomach, but Isaiah 11:6 says:

 "The wolf also shall dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the kid; and the calf and the young lion and the fatling together; and a little child shall lead them."

Is this scripture being fulfilled right now? NO!

- 22. Have all the nations of the world been gathered by the Lord to be separated into sheep and goat (good or evil) nations yet? But Matthew 25:32-33 says: "And before him shall be gathered all nations: and he shall separate them one from another, as a shepherd divideth his sheep from the goats: And he shall set the sheep on his right hand, but the goats on the left."

 Are these scriptures being fulfilled right now? NO!
- 23. Every day, the sun rises and sets and the moon at night gives her light, but Isaiah 60:19-20 says: "The sun shall be no more thy light by day; neither for brightness shall the moon give light unto thee: but the LORD shall be unto thee an everlasting light, and thy God thy glory. Thy sun shall no more go down; neither shall thy moon withdraw itself: for the LORD shall be thine everlasting light, and the days of thy mourning shall be ended."

Are these scriptures being fulfilled right now? NO!

Yes, we are definitely <u>not</u> living in the Millennial Kingdom yet, as all of these scriptures clearly show. However, we do have that to look forward to. But, first things first! The Lord has to return to the earth a second time to end all of the death and destruction that is taking place on this demonic and sin filled world. Jesus himself said, "And except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved..." (Matthew 24:22a).

What a contrast between the first and second comings. The first time the Lord came, He came as a sacrificial lamb to be offered up for the sins of the entire world (John 1:29). He preached, he taught, he rebuked, and he exposed the hearts of men (Matthew 23). He was accepted by some, but rejected by most (Luke 17:25). Eventually He was crucified, He died, was buried and three days later He rose from the dead and is alive for ever more (1 Corinthians 15:3-4). Forty days later, He was received up into Heaven (Acts 1:3) and is sitting at the right hand of the Father awaiting His second coming back to the earth (Acts 1:11, Zechariah 14:4a). And that coming is sooner than anyone thinks.

There are two phases to the second coming. In the first phase, the Lord comes in the clouds to remove His church from off the earth. This is called the Rapture (1 Thessalonians 4:16-18) or the Blessed Hope (Titus 2:13) and only the true Born Again Christians will partake of this one-time glorious event.

The second phase sees the Lord coming with all of His angels (Matthew 25:31) and all of His saints (1 Thessalonians 3:13) to end the carnage that is taking place all over the earth, and especially at the battle of Armageddon in Israel (Revelation 16:16, 19:19). After that occurs, the Lord restores the earth back to its original beauty, judges the nations and then begins His reign of 1,000 years on the earth.

Are you truly Born Again? Have you confessed all of your sins (1 John1:9) and repented to God for them (Acts 17:30, 20:21)? Only by doing this and then asking Jesus to come into your heart and receiving Him as Lord and Saviour of your Life do you become a new creature in Christ (2 Corinthians 5:17) – you become Born Again (John3:3)! And the time for that repentance is NOW while there is still time (2 Corinthians 6:2)!

Yes, the millennial kingdom hasn't come yet, but it was promised and it will come. What an exciting future we Christians have in store for us! Consider the Lord's prayer: "Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come..." (Matthew 6:9-10a)

Amen