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EVANGELIZING THE HEART OF THE BELIEVER

Letters of Faith

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**“...There is none righteous, not even one;
There is none who understands, there is none who seeks for God;
All have turned aside, together they have become useless;
There is none who does good, there is not even one.”
“Their throat is an open grave, with their tongues they keep deceiving,”
“The poison of asps is under their lips;”
“Whose mouth is full of cursing and bitterness;”
“Their feet are swift to shed blood, destruction and misery are in their paths,
And the path of peace they have not known.”
“There is no fear of god before their eyes.”**

Romans 3:10-18 NASB

Dearly Beloved,

During a recent evening news broadcast, the above screed by the Apostle Paul popped into mind. Paul was making a point about life as described in some of the more desperate Psalms and one of Isaiah's prophetic declarations of judgment under the Law, instead of life in Christ Jesus as Paul knew it.

The word CHAOS came to my mind. I had always connected the word “chaos” with the Scriptural description of the beginning: **“The earth was formless and void, and darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the Spirit of God was moving over the surface of the waters.”** (Gen. 1:2) I decided to do a quick word study on “chaos,” which is not a word normally on the tip of my tongue, because I was determined to not let experiencing a most unexpected possible “rhema” from God through a nightly news program go to waste. I was shocked to find that there was only one verse in my New American Standard Bible where “chaos” appeared — and it wasn't in the first chapter of Genesis.

“Chaos” appears only in Isaiah 24:10: **“The city of chaos is broken down; every house is shut up so that none may enter.”** Determined to pursue this word further I decided to see what other words were used instead of “chaos” in different major translations of Isaiah 24:10. The Amplified uses “emptiness and confusion.” The New King James also uses “confusion.” Other words appearing in this verse are “ruined,” “wasted,” “broken down,” and “solitude.” When you put all those descriptive terms together with the Scriptures Paul chose in Romans 3, you get a pretty good connotation for the word “chaos.” I have to admit that “chaos” seems to be a very good word to use in describing social conditions in much of the world today as presented on our nightly news.

Since we have all read the end of The Book, however, we know Who wins the war between chaos and peace—it is the Prince of Peace Himself.

We are privileged to have a part in chaos-crushing because we are the feet of the Body of Christ here on earth while He is seated in Heaven: **“I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened, so that you will know what is the hope of His calling, what are the riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints, and what is the surpassing greatness of His power toward us who believe. These are in accordance with the working of the strength of His might which He brought about in Christ, when He raised Him from the dead and seated Him at His right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the one to come. And He put all things in subjection under His feet, and gave Him as head over all things to the church, which is His body, the fullness of Him who fills all in all.”** (Ephesians 1:18-23)

Arthur Burk and Sylvia Gunter co-authored a book called *Blessing Your Spirit* (available from Sapphire Leadership Group, TheSLG.com, (714) 224-0126) that has a chapter designed to strengthen our human spirits and to teach us how to crush chaos under our feet of peace. We recommend you get this book, read it, and put it into practice. What follows is a combination of some of the declarations in this excellent book and expressions Gretel and I learned to minister to each other during some of our more exciting chaos-crushing adventures with Jesus.

One paragraph in particular is worth presenting in total because it summarizes what we have presented above and then directs us to do something about it:

All around you in your culture, there is so much iniquity, brokenness, and rejection of God. So many people with no peace within themselves are wounding other people. When someone has no peace within, they tend to take away the peace of others around them. People who have no peace need someone to tell them about the salvation of Jesus Christ and that they are designed by God to do beautiful, holy, wonderful things with the power of God working through them. (Page 72)

Beloved, when Jesus first appeared to His disciples after His resurrection as they were huddled together from the chaos and the trauma of the previous few days, He overcame their chaos with His peace! **“So when it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and when the doors were shut where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in their midst and said to them, ‘Peace be with you.’ And when He had said this, He showed them both His hands and His side. The disciples then rejoiced when they saw the Lord. So Jesus said to them again, ‘Peace be with you; as the Father has sent Me, I also send you.’ And when He had said this, He breathed on them and said to them, ‘Receive the Holy Spirit.’”** (John 20:19-22)

Satan is attempting to push the whole world into chaos. The *only* power and authority that can stop him is the Body of Christ—the Holy Spirit-activated Church! So following Jesus’ pattern of blessing His disciples with words of peace in the power and strength of the Holy Spirit, we bless and commission you to crush chaos at every opportunity with your God-anointed power of His peace.

Beloved, we bless you with being anointed and sent to people who lack peace, and to take the peace that is within you and share it with them. We bless you with an anointing of faith to minister your anointing of peace.

We bless you so that whether you are speaking one-on-one or publicly to hundreds, faith for peace in their lives will be imparted through your life to the spirit of the listener. May they have faith to believe the almost incomprehensible story of the gospel of Jesus' death and resurrection providing the chaos-crushing peace of reconciliation with God for all mankind.

We bless you with the beautiful feet of one who brings good news to a wounded, broken generation that has not truly known Christ who is peace and Who brings chaos-crushing peace. We bless you with the profound understanding of the reconciliation with God that equips and leads you to share your peace with others.

We bless you with opportunities to minister the peace with God that you have received. We bless you with peace that so emanates from you that people seek you out and ask you for the hope and peace that is within you. We bless you with having the beautiful feet of one who brings good news in such a way that people hear, understand, believe, and receive the peace and reconciliation Jesus purchased with His own blood.

We bless you with being a mighty reconciler who brings people into peace with God. Beloved, digest these words from *Blessing Your Spirit*, and minister them:

Peace destroys the authority that establishes chaos. The enemy creates chaos through division and alienation. He fractures relationships, subtly or overtly, between man and God, between people in every facet of society, even in man's relationship with nature. We must war against the enemy who creates chaos and destroy his authority to establish chaos. To have authority against the demonic structure that establishes chaos, we must live a lifestyle of being peacemakers, of knowing how to bring the peace of God to bear on the fragmentation of our culture. Jesus modeled this. At times He was assertive; at times He was compassionate. At times He forgave the most overt sinner, and at times He confronted the seemingly "righteous" religious structure. Jesus used different tools to destroy the authority structures that bring chaos. (Page 74)

We bless you with being a peacemaker who has high spiritual authority to demolish the strongholds of chaos in your family, your church, and your community.

We bless you with being one of the "sons of God," in the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, the Prince of Peace.

Peace-filled hugs,

