

Pell Mell to Hell

Almighty God our heavenly Father, we present ourselves to you on this Sabbath day of rest and restoration to fellowship with you and give you thanks and to hear and study your word. Help us to grow spiritually into the spiritual likeness and power of Jesus Christ our Savior so that we will manifest love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control—temperance in all things. Strengthen us in this wicked and perverse generation that our lives will be a shining light to others exemplifying your truth and sharing your plan of salvation. Help us to endure to the end and serve you with our whole heart, body, mind, soul and spirit and strength. With gratitude, thanksgiving and joy, we and ask and pray in Yeshua's holy name these things. Amen.

Brethren, this is the day that the Lord has made and we are to appear before him and to rejoice, and be glad and serve him—to be called into his presence and appear before him with joy running over. Next week, here in Omak, we have the annual Stampede and Rodeo which is famous for the *Suicide Race*. This horse race, promoted as the **World Famous Suicide Race**, is held every year during the second week of August, in Omak, as a part of the Omak Stampede and Rodeo which is a five-day rodeo extravaganza. Held for more than 70 years, the race is known for the portion of the race where about 40 horses and riders run down Suicide Hill, a 62-degree slope that runs for 225 feet to the Okanogan River, and cross the river to the other side.

The race can be dangerous, so in case of accidents medics and rescue teams in river boats are stationed in strategic locations. Indian riders make up most of the contestants in the race. Other activities include a carnival, kids activities, Indian encampment, food vendors, Western & Native Art Show, and Rodeo Dances. Though the race was inspired by Indian endurance races, the actual Omak race was the 1935 brainchild of a local Omak business owner. Typically, the Omak Stampede event draws 25,000 to 30,000 people into the Omak area, a town of approximately 4,848. Next month will be the county fair, a family affair which individuals of all ages display their exhibits of animal husbandry, gardening, crafts, canning, flowers and accomplishments of agricultural and farm life from this farming community.

God has allowed us to enjoy the fruit of the ground. We have gained more gardening experience since arriving in Omak raising veggies, flowers and a few fruit trees, raspberries and a blackberry plant which has yielded a bowl of fresh sweet berries which I enjoyed this morning. This is just the second year the almond trees have born fruit. But we harvested the almonds before they fully matured because the squirrels were making good headway in harvesting them. We hope to enjoy the almonds which are now drying in the sun well-aerated on three home-made wire-frame trays. The walnut tree has been taken over by the squirrels shortly after it started bearing. Chickens are Cappy's project and she is having a lot of fun raising five Golden Comet chicks that are now four months

old. This increased our small flock to eight hens: two Araucana known for their blue eggs, and one Rhode Island Red for brown eggs. We are still learning how to farm productively in preparation for the days ahead. This year our land has been enjoying its Sabbatical rest. The grass clippings, leaves and kitchen trimmings are composted for use the coming year.

When our children were preteens in California, we were given a goat to help our daughter who was allergic to cow's milk. However, we found out that she has a very sensitive nose and did not like goat milk. No matter how quickly refrigerated, cold and fresh the milk was or from what container, she could tell it was goat's milk and would not drink it. Friends began calling me "a gentleman farmer" since I put in a large garden, built a house for the goat and raised several other ones, then added a variety of chickens, ducks, and a pair of geese who loved to be regularly marched to the swimming pool and then back to their pen by our son. We designated a part of our lot for training our son's Scout troop in learning how to garden. I am sharing these things, because we all need be encouraged to get prepared as much as possible for hard times ahead.

Were you one of the 24 million interested people watching the ten men interviewed for the Republican 2016 Presidential nomination hosted by Fox News TV on Thursday night (8.6.15) by moderators Chris Wallace, Bret Bair, and Megan Kelly? I did tune in to that debate. As soon as it started, it was apparent that Fox News had stacked the deck. This was not an honest attempt, but a deliberate attempt to besmirch the character of Donald Trump right from the *get-go* before the formal debate even began. The first thing that Bret Bair did was to ask all the candidates will all of you be willing to state that you will *"be willing to support whoever the Republican nominee will be for president regardless of who it is, and if you are not willing, raise your hand."* Only one raised his hand, Donald Trump. Then they zeroed in on him with accusations of being unreliable, unfaithful and not a good Republican and even persuading some in the audience to boo. It was a dirty play by Fox News. Donald Trump said he reserved the right to wait and see who the candidate was before he was going to pledge allegiance. From there the moderators picked on Trump throughout the debate, not the other candidates. Ohio Mayor John Kasich said Trump has touched a nerve on his comments about illegal immigration. At one point, Rand Paul started accusing Trump when Trump was speaking and Trump told Paul, "You are just having a bad night tonight." Paul was having a bad night. The thing that bothered me about this televised debate was the moderators were gunning for Trump most of all.

Fox News has commentators O'Reiley, Kelly and Hannity. because I like to hear the conservative view and Republican side, not just the daily brow-beating by the Democrats and their progressive liberal agenda. Well, I came to see from Thursday night's performance that Fox News who claims to be fair and balanced are neither fair nor balanced—but desperately unfair and unbalanced. Judging by the way the three moderators from Fox conducted that debate, I would not trust them, because they are in the pockets of the Republican "bigwigs" in charge of the money purse. The ones who fund the Republican Party, had an agenda at the debate to crucify Trump. However, they did not succeed in destroying his candidacy, as Trump clearly spoke his mind.

Theodore Roosevelt once ran on an independent party ticket against Woodrow Wilson and Howard Taft in 1912. Basically, Roosevelt was thrown out of the Republican Party that decided to go with Taft even though Roosevelt was much more popular with the people. The politicians did not want him, so Roosevelt started the Bull Moose Party and was making good progress to becoming president until someone decided to assassinate him. He was shot during his delivery of a campaign speech at one of the whistle stops during the campaign for president. That put him out of commission for about a month, or so until he recovered. Even though he never gained his momentum, he still came in second to Wilson and beat Taft. If the Republicans had not been so mean spirited, they could have won the election. The Party blamed Roosevelt for splitting the vote, but they were the ones who went against the will of the people and thus split the vote. The Republicans of that day were just as corrupt as Republicans are today. This Republican Party today is utterly corrupt. The Bushes, McCain and the others are corrupt and have been wheeling and dealing with the Democrats and the White House, playing cat and mouse, rather than standing up to President Obama's agenda. Because of that, America is headed well on the way to a dictatorship and *pell mell to hell*.

What does *pell mell to hell* mean? When in high school many years ago, I wrote a report for English about George Orwell's *Animal Farm*, a satire on equality. This book became a classic used by all American high schools and it was really a metaphor of human political life. All the animals on the farm got upset because they did not like being subjugated under the authority of human beings. The pigs led the rebellion of all the other animals and became the new rulers with seven principles called Animalism, where all the barnyard animals live free from their human masters' tyranny. At first, *Animal Farm* prospers. As years passed, the Seven principles become reduced to a single principle: "all animals are equal, but some animals are more equal than others." The pigs become more and more like human beings—walking upright, carrying whips, and wearing clothes enslaving all the other animals. The animals could no longer tell the difference between the pigs and the humans. I used the words, pell-mell in my report, but the teacher thought I had not used it quite right, even though I thought I had and liked its slightly alliterative sound.

Today, I looked up the definition of *pell-mell* in the *American College Dictionary* on my computer and found the following definition: *in a jumbled and confused manner; frantic, disorderly haste*. In *Colliers English Dictionary*—*pell-mell: in a confused rush; in a disorderly manner*. This is where we are today in this out of control world in terms of Bible prophecy—headed for hell "pell mell". We need to call on God to give us the right wisdom to know what to do and do not go off the edge with the blind who just go along with the flow. God says the wise, those who keep his commandments, will understand and be given deliverance. The expression of pell-mell is listed in the *Thesaurus* (a dictionary of synonyms and Antonyms) as:

Adverb: in a confused, rushed, or disorderly manner.

helter-skelter, headlong, (at) full tilt, hotfoot, posthaste, hurriedly, hastily, recklessly, precipitately-- are synonyms

Adjective recklessly hasty or disorganized; headlong; chaotic.

Noun a state of affairs or collection of things characterized by haste or confusion.

Thus, I use the description pell-mell, because the world is making foolish decisions which are going to have a boomerang effect and the people are facing hell.

Matthew 24:21—“For then there will be great tribulation, such as has not been since the beginning of the world until this time, no, nor ever shall be. And unless those days were shortened, no flesh would be saved; but for the elect’s sake those days will be shortened. **Daniel 12:1-9** (Moffit) —“And now Daniel, keep all this a close secret and keep the book shut as a secret, till the crisis at the end; then many shall give way and trouble shall be multiplied on earth. There will be a time of distress such as has not happened from the beginning of nations until then. But at that time your people—everyone whose name is found written in the book—will be delivered. Those who are wise will shine like the brightness of the heavens, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars for ever and ever. But you, Daniel, roll up and seal the words of the scroll until the time of the end. Many will go here and there (run to and fro) to increase knowledge (KJV).” People today are traveling the world nation to nation running to and fro in airplanes and ships, and through the computer internet and knowledge is increasing in all areas exponentially. **Daniel 12:10**—“**Many shall be purified, made white (righteous), and refined (in character), but the wicked shall do wickedly (continue to do wickedly); and none of the wicked shall understand, but the wise shall understand.**”

Understanding wisdom brings to mind a children’s story about a marionette called *Pinocchio*, and a woodcarver named Geppetto. After making the wooden puppet, he really wished the marionette was a real boy. His wish was granted to the point that the marionette could walk and talk. Pinocchio was given one instruction: he was to always be a good, brave and a selfless boy. He was sent to school like a real boy with instructions to come back soon. Even though Pinocchio could distinguish right from wrong, he decided not go to school but visited a music and dance con artist who promised to make him famous, but then imprisoned him in a cage. When rescued from the cage, Pinocchio lied about why he did not go to school, so his nose began to grow very long. Only when he told the truth did his nose return to normal. Persuaded by some troublesome schoolboys, he hopped a train with them to Toyland for a summer fair, where the kids could do whatever they wanted. But he soon discovered when he began to spring two long ears and long tail, that in Toyland the lazy and rude kids were turned into donkeys. In great fright, he races home, only to find Geppetto has been swallowed by a whale. Pinocchio rescues Geppetto successfully by greatly endangering himself and then collapses, but revives. Because of choice of truth and selflessness he becomes a real boy.

People today think that they are headed for a free, great big glorious "summer fair" life going whichever way they desire and they are really headed into slavery, servitude and bondage. God says that the wicked are going to continue to do wickedly and they are

going to be trapped in this evil day, but the wise will stand. The wise are those who have vision; those who will obey and keep God's commandments. **Proverbs 29:18**—"Where there is no vision, the people perish." The men and women of God will have prophetic vision because they understand and follow the word of God. When they read the warning of Jesus Christ our Savior and the prophets of the Bible, they take them to heart. When they look around watching and waiting, seeing the end times things described in the Bible that are happening today, they take heed. The crisis at the close is now. Only the wise will understand. Are you wise? Do you understand?

Jonathan Cahn, the Rabbi from New Jersey is author of Mystery of the Shemita and The Harbinger. Cahn says that barring the word of God right now the die has been cast in America and that the entire world is undergoing a tectonic shift morally speaking as well as geologically. The tectonic shift is occurring largely as a result of the June 26 decision of the American Supreme Court to legalize same sex marriage in all 50 states of America. This, says Cahn, is the formal end of Christian America. America, *as a nation*, has finally broken the bond and severed the relationship with Almighty God and his word. The Obama Administration has officially recognized the Supreme Court decision and celebrated that decision by flood-lighting the White House with rainbow colors which is now the adopted insignia used by the LGBT sexual revolution.

Cahn continues, "Even some Christians are beginning to adopt gay marriages." Christian colleges have become afraid if they refuse to go along with this edict on same sex marriages, which God absolutely condemns in no uncertain terms, they will lose their tax exempt status. The word of God is very clear on the matter. But the world and America have thumbed their nose at God and his law, therefore they are headed for the greatest time of catastrophe that has ever struck this planet, because of the sexual perversion. That is just one of the spiritual plates that is shifting. The great apostasy is one of the signs of the end of this age.

2 Thessalonians 2:3—"Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition." The Greek word used here is *apostacia* which literally means *departure from the truth, or departure into error*. The world is increasingly becoming like it was in the days of the Roman Empire when it persecuted the Christian Church and Christians were made to fight wild animals in the Coliseum and were slain by gladiators while Roman spectators cheered from the stands. Today ISIS has arisen and is beheading Christians in mass in the Middle East. Because of their belief in Christ, Christians are suffering persecution and torture in India, Pakistan, Indonesia Africa, and Muslim countries of the world. Their homes and churches have been burned, heavy fines imposed on them or annihilation. Even in America, Christian beliefs and practices are being virtually outlawed and fines brought to bear for refusing to go along with the gay agenda.

In the book of Acts, the early church is noted for its faithfulness to God. It was dynamic and revolutionary. God did miracles at the hands of the apostles. Even the shadow of the apostle Peter passing over sick and afflicted people caused them to be healed. God did amazing miracles. I believe he is going to do amazing miracles once again at the end of

this age through his servants (those who worship and obey him by keeping his commandments faithfully). In his view, Johathan Cahn says, “in the last days Christianity is going to continue to break into two parts. One part will be the apostate part that goes back into the world and compromises with the legions of hell and Satan the devil. The other part will remain true to the gospel (truth of the word of God) with a Biblical world view. One part will engage with homosexuality and compromise. The other part will stand back and stand firm with the word of God keeping his commandments as he defines them.” This is a period that we are entering now, of total lawlessness and deep apostasy.

The world's changing view of marriage is bringing about God's judgment on the nation. The Bible does not have many examples of total judgment by God, but one of the biggest examples, is the flood of Noah's time. Christ said in **Matthew 24:38**—“For as in the days that were before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noah entered into the ark, As it was in the days of Noah, so shall it be in the days of the coming of the son of man. They knew not until the flood came, and took them all away; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.” It is going to be the same in our age today.

Genesis 6:5—“God saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually.” Another example of God's judgment is the total destruction of Sodom and Gomorrah with fire and brimstone, but Lot and his two daughters were delivered. He would have delivered Lot's wife, because the angels took them all by the hand and led them out of Sodom because they were righteous. **Genesis 19: 26**--“But his wife looked back from behind him (longingly looked) and she became a pillar of salt.” The holocaust consumed her and she became a pillar of salt. **Luke 17:27**—Christ said, “Remember Lot's wife.” The world has gone right back into the sins of the generation of the flood, and rushing right back into the sins of Sodom and Gomorrah.

This Shemita year ends on Elul 29 (September 13) which is the end of the civil Hebrew year—a little over a month and a half away. The next day is Tishri 1 and the *Feast of Trumpets* (the blowing of trumpets) also called Yom Teruah. It is a day of shouting and crying out to the people to repent and return to God before it is too late. This year being a Shemita year, and God's commanded year of release of debts and letting the land rest is significant. An economic crash of the stock market (Wall Street) has occurred at the end of the Shemita years of 2001 and 2008. Seven years later, 2015 is a Shemita year and America has been building up to the biggest stock market crash ever. **1Thessalonians 5:3**—“For when they shall say, Peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child.”

God clearly and vividly spells out the conditions of his covenant (agreement) in **Leviticus 26**. If God's people obey his law, keep the commandments and serve only Him, he will send bountiful blessings. If they stray and disobey, terrible punishments will befall them. **Deuteronomy 28:1-2, 15**—“And it shall come to pass, if thou shalt hearken diligently unto the voice of the Lord thy God, to observe and to do all his commandments which I command thee this day, that the Lord thy God will set thee on high above all

nations of the earth. And all these blessings shall come on thee, and overtake thee, if thou shalt hearken unto the voice of the Lord thy God.” **Verse 15**—“But it shall come to pass, if thou wilt not hearken unto the voice of the Lord thy God, to observe to do all his commandments and his statutes which I command thee this day; that all these curses shall come upon thee, and overtake thee.”

Jeremiah and Christ said the same thing. **Jeremiah 30:7**—“Alas! for that day is great, so that none is like it: it is even the time of Jacob's trouble, but he shall be saved out of it.” **Daniel 12:1(NKJV)**—“And at that time shall Michael stand up, the great prince who stands watch over the children of your people: and there shall be **a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation even to that time:** and at that time your people shall be delivered, every one that shall be found written in the book of life.” Michael is another name for Yeshua ha Meshiach, Jesus the Christ the son of God. Michael means as God, **el** like God, son of God.

Christ makes this very plain in **Matthew 24:21**—“For then there will be **great tribulation**, such as has not been since the beginning of the world until this time, no, nor ever shall be. And unless those days were shortened, no flesh would be saved; but *for the elect's sake those days will be shortened.*”

How will they be cut short? By the intervention of Almighty God and the coming of Jesus Christ to punish the wicked, to exercise judgment and save his people. This is how God handled it in Hezekiah's reign in Judah.

2 Kings 19:17—The kings of Assyria had utterly destroyed all the surrounding nations and their lands. Sennacherib then threatens to wipe out the remnant of Judah. Verses 19, 34-35—God heard and answered Hezekiah's prayer. “O Lord our God, I pray, save us from Sennacherib that the kingdoms of the earth may know that you are the Lord God, you alone.” That night the angel of the Lord went out and put to death a hundred and eighty-five thousand in the Assyrian camp. Sennacherib returned to Ninevah and stayed there.

The Great Tribulation may begin in another month or two by Tishri 1 and the warning goes out, repent or perish. **Luke 13:1 (NIV)**—“Now there were some present at that time who told Jesus about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mixed with their sacrifices. Jesus answered, ‘Do you think that these Galileans were worse sinners than all the other Galileans because they suffered this way? I tell you, no! But unless you repent, you too will all perish. Or those eighteen who died when the tower in Siloam fell on them—do you think they were more guilty than all the others living in Jerusalem? I tell you, no! But **unless you repent, you too will all perish (in the coming day of judgment).**’ ” Bethren, the time has come for universal repentance and there is not much time left.

Luke 13:6-9—“Then, Christ spoke this parable: A certain man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard, and he came seeking fruit on it and found none. Then he said to the keeper of his vineyard, ‘Look, for three years I have come seeking fruit on this fig tree and find none. Cut it down; why does it use up the ground?’ But he answered and said to him, ‘Sir, let it alone this year also, until I dig around it and fertilize it, and if it bears fruit, well. But if not, after that you can cut it down.’ ”

The fig tree is a type of Israel and a type of America. We are to bear good fruit. That is why God planted us. The owner (God) came seeking fruit in America for three years and

found none. For example, from the time Obama was re-elected 2012 to 2015, we have had three years to produce good fruit and there isn't any. All there is is wickedness and evil abominations, so God is seeing no good fruit from America and says cut it down. Why should it use up the ground? Then the man asks for a year to cultivate and feed it and then if it did not bear fruit, then cut it down. The caregiver asks for more time to work for Christ with those still in the field of harvest who are hearing the truth and may repent and turn to God and obey him. Does that mean that we have one more year during the upcoming year 2016 to change and turn to God or perish?

Many years ago Cappy's mom had a flock of hens that were not laying. So she went out and gave the hens a good talk, and told the rooster he better do his duty and better pray for them to start laying so they would not go on the chopping block. Later, in the day she found the hens gathered in a circle around the rooster and all their heads were bowed. I think the rooster was praying, and the hens praying with him. Whatever transpired, it worked and the hens began laying again.

Forty is the number of God's judgment. Forty years Israel wandered in the wilderness. **Jonah 3:1-10**—"Forty days Jonah preached to Nineveh, saying, "Yet forty days, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!" So the people of Nineveh and their king believed God and the king decreed a fast of man and beast—no man or animal was to eat or drink anything. "But let man and beast be covered with sackcloth, and cry mightily to God; yes, let every one turn from his evil way and from the violence that is in his hands. Who can tell if God will turn and relent, and turn away from His fierce anger, so that we may not perish?" He caused it to be proclaimed and published throughout Nineveh. "Then God saw their works, that they turned from their evil way; and God relented from the disaster that He had said He would bring upon them, and He did not do it."

Elul is a month of repentance and of preparation to prepare your hearts before the Lord. Prepare for the days of Yom Teruah and the Days of Awe, the Day of Atonement and the day of Deliverance that you may escape his wrath and that America does not have to perish." Repentance leads to pardon. Is the Supreme Court going to repent?

2 Chronicles 7:1-8—When Solomon had finished praying and dedicating the temple to God in front of all the people "fire came down from heaven and consumed the burnt offering and the sacrifices; and the glory of the Lord filled the temple. And the priests could not enter the house of the Lord, because the glory of the LORD had filled the Lord's house. When all the children of Israel saw how the fire came down, and the glory of the Lord on the temple, they bowed their faces to the ground on the pavement, and worshiped and praised the Lord saying: 'For He is good, For His mercy endures forever.' "

Solomon kept the feast seven days, and all Israel with him. **Verses 12-16**—"Then the Lord appeared to Solomon by night, and said to him: "I have heard your prayer, and have chosen this place for myself as a house of sacrifice. When I shut up heaven and there is no rain, or command the locusts to devour the land, or send pestilence among my people, if my people who are called by my name will humble themselves, and pray and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin and heal their land. Now my eyes will be open and my ears attentive to prayer made in this place. For now I have chosen and sanctified this house, that my name may

be there forever; and my eyes and my heart will be there perpetually.”

Verses 17-19—“As for you, if you walk before me as your father David walked, and do according to all that I have commanded you, and if you keep my statutes and my judgments, then I will establish the throne of your kingdom, as I covenanted with David your father, saying, ‘You shall not fail to have a man as ruler in Israel.’ But if you turn away and forsake my statutes and my commandments which I have set before you, and go and serve other gods, and worship them, then I will uproot them from my land which I have given them; and this house which I have sanctified for my name I will cast out of my sight, and will make it a proverb and a byword among all peoples.” This is a warning especially to our people (the end time generation today).

Joel 1:14-20—“Consecrate a fast. Call a sacred assembly. Gather the elders and all the inhabitants of the land into the house of the Lord your God, and cry out to the Lord. Alas for the day! For the day of the Lord is at hand. It shall come as destruction from the Almighty. Is not the food cut off before our eyes, joy and gladness from the house of our God? The seed shrivels under the clods, storehouses are in shambles. Barns are broken down, for the grain has withered. How the animals groan! The herds of cattle are restless, because they have no pasture. Even the flocks of sheep suffer punishment. O Lord, to you I cry out; for fire has devoured the open pastures, and a flame has burned all the trees of the field. The beasts of the field also cry out to you, for the water brooks are dried up, and fire has devoured the open pastures.”

Joel 2:1-2—“Blow the trumpet in Zion. Let all the inhabitants of the land tremble, for the day of the Lord is coming, for it is at hand: a day of darkness and gloominess, a day of clouds and thick darkness like the morning clouds spread over the mountains. A people come, great and strong, the like of whom has never been; nor will there ever be any such after them, even for many successive generations.” The chapter continues on about the day of judgment. God is calling his people to repentance. **Verses 12-14**—“**Turn to me with all your heart, with fasting, with weeping, and with mourning.** Rend your heart, and not your garments. Return to the Lord your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness; and he relents from doing harm. Who knows if he will turn and relent, and leave a blessing behind Him?”

We are told to return to God with fasting, weeping and with mourning and to blow the trumpet in Zion (Washington, DC, New York City and throughout the land). **Verses 15-17**—“Consecrate a fast, call a sacred assembly. Gather the people, sanctify the congregation, assemble the elders. Let the priests, who minister to the Lord weep between the porch and the altar. Let them say, *Spare Your people, O Lord*, and do not give your heritage to reproach, that the nations should rule over them. Why should they say among the peoples, ‘Where is their God?’ ” **Verses 28-32**—God says he will pour out his Spirit on his servants and there shall be deliverance among the remnant whom the Lord calls and it will come to pass, whoever calls ;on the name of the Lord shall be saved.

The politicians and leaders today walk according to the course of this world, and have sold themselves to this world's prince, "the prince of the power of the air (Satan the devil) the spirit who now works in the sons of disobedience" (Ephesians 2:2). Already Donald Trump's life has been threatened by Joaquin El Chapo Guzman of the Sinaloa Cartel. The point is, we cannot put our faith in men. We are to put our trust in the Lord, the one true God, not in human princes in whom there is no help. **Psalm 27:1, 14**—"The Lord is my light and my salvation. Whom shall I fear? The Lord is the strength of my life. Of whom shall I be afraid?" "Wait on the Lord be of good courage, and He shall strengthen your heart. Wait, I say, on the Lord!"

Recessional

God of our fathers, known of old,
Lord of our far-flung battle-line,
Beneath whose awful Hand we hold
Dominion over palm and pine—
Lord God of Hosts, be with us yet,
Lest we forget—lest we forget!

The tumult and the shouting dies;
The Captains and the Kings depart:
Still stands Thine ancient sacrifice,
An humble and a contrite heart.
Lord God of Hosts, be with us yet,
Lest we forget—lest we forget!

Far-called, our navies melt away;
On dune and headland sinks the fire:
Lo, all our pomp of yesterday
Is one with Nineveh and Tyre!
Judge of the Nations, spare us yet,
Lest we forget—lest we forget!

If, drunk with sight of power, we loose
Wild tongues that have not Thee in awe,
Such boastings as the Gentiles use,
Or lesser breeds without the Law—
Lord God of Hosts, be with us yet,
Lest we forget—lest we forget!

For heathen heart that puts her trust
In reeking tube and iron shard,
All valiant dust that builds on dust,
And guarding, calls not Thee to guard,
For frantic boast and foolish word—
Thy mercy on Thy People, Lord!

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