Chapter 14A+B

Great Tribulation: Mark of the Beast!

- Corrie ten Boom:How can we Prepare?
- Important Pointers

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14A. Corrie ten Boom: How Can We Prepare?

 Corrie ten Boom warned Christians to prepare for the Tribulation:

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 Following slides are copied from Corrie ten Boom's Video!

Corrie ten Boom: How Can We Prepare?



In 1974, Corrie wrote a letter urging Christians to prepare for the coming tribulation.

"There are some among us teaching there will be no tribulation, that the Christians will be able to escape all this.

These are the false teachers that Jesus was warning us to expect in the latter days."

In China, the Christians were told, "Don't worry, before the tribulation comes you will be translated – raptured."

Then came a terrible persecution.

Millions of Christians were tortured to death.

Later I heard a Bishop from China say, sadly,

"We have failed. We should have made the people strong for persecution, rather than telling them Jesus would come first.

Tell the people how to be strong in times of persecution, how to stand when the tribulation comes, – to stand and not faint."

I feel I have a divine mandate to go and tell the people of this world that it is possible to be strong in the Lord Jesus Christ.

We are in training for the tribulation, but more than sixty percent of the Body of Christ across the world has already entered into the tribulation.

There is no way to escape it. We are next.

When I was in the concentration camp...a Bible verse that I had committed to memory gave me great hope and joy. I found myself saying, "Hallelujah! Because I am suffering, Jesus is glorified!"

"If ye be reproached for the name of Christ, happy are ye; for the spirit of glory and of God resteth upon you; on their part evil is spoken of, but on your part He is glorified."

I Peter 3:14

Now every time I read a good Bible text I think, "Hey, I can use that in the time of tribulation."

Then I write it down and learn it by heart.

How can we get ready for the persecution?







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- Following are some suggested Bible verses as food for thought in the context of the 3 recommendations given by Corrie ten Boom.
- Of course, feel free to choose your own Scriptures to memorize or contemplate on.

#1: Memorize Scripture!

Matthew 10:28; Acts 5:29

"And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. But rather fear Him who is able to destroy both soul and body in hell."

"But Peter and the *other* apostles answered and said: "We ought to obey God rather than men."

• These are powerful Bible verses.

#1: Memorize Scripture! Romans 8:35-36

"Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? *Shall* tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?

As it is written: "For Your sake we are killed all day long; we are accounted as sheep for the slaughter."

#1: Memorize Scripture! Romans 8:37-39

"Yet in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us.

For I am persuaded that neither death nor life, nor angels nor principalities nor powers, nor things present nor things to come,

nor height nor depth, nor any other created thing, shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord."

#2: Develop a Personal Relationship with Jesus! Matthew 13:8,21

"But others fell on good ground and yielded a crop: some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty ... yet he has no root in himself, but endures only for a while. For when tribulation or persecution arises because of the word, immediately he stumbles."

• Without our Silent Time in the Presence of our Savior and Lord, we have no root!

#3: Be Filled with the Holy Ghost! Galatians 5:22-23

"But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control.

Against such there is no law."

- A. Seek for, repent, abide, walk and live in His Presence, always praying and listening to His voice!
 - This is the most important of all!
 - Seeking and living in intimate fellowship in the Holy Presence of our heavenly Father, our Lord Jesus and our Holy Spirit!
 - Confessing and breaking with sin as soon as our conscience has alerted us of any barrier between us and God!

- B. Study the Scriptures to understand what the Holy Spirit is saying, so we can do His will!
- C. Be filled with Holy Spirit's fruit of His character: walk in love and compassion serving others!
- D. Thank God for His spirit of discernment to discern the enemy's deception(s) and be watchful!
- E. Fast regularly to strengthen our spirit!
- F. Yeshua's perfect agape love casts out all fear [I John 4:18]!

- G. Memorize and meditate on the Scriptures!
- H. Know that our body is the temple of the Holy Ghost [1 Corinthians 6:19], therefore live holy knowing that our old self is crucified and buried with Christ and now risen to a new and holy life!
- I. Know God is faithful and true to grant us His grace to persevere each and every moment!

- Corrie ten Boom once explained:
- Just like our earthly father would only give his little child the ticket when entering the train, so rest assured once that crucial moment arrives, our heavenly Father is more than willing and will most certainly grant us His grace, courage and strength to persevere at the moment of decision!
- But, don't forget to thank Him in faith for His grace!

Isaiah 53:6-7

 Fasting is another very important discipline in our Christian life to experience His Holy Presence and obtain breakthroughs!

"Is this not the fast that I have chosen: to loosen the bonds of wickedness, to undo the heavy burdens, to let the oppressed go free, and that you break every yoke? Is it not to share your bread with the hungry, and that you bring to your house the poor who are cast out; when you see the naked, that you cover him, and not hide yourself from your own flesh?"

Isaiah 53:8-10

"Then your light shall break forth like the morning, your healing shall spring forth speedily, and your righteousness shall go before you; the glory of the Lord shall be your rear guard. Then you shall call, and the Lord will answer; you shall cry, and He will say, 'Here I am.'

If you take away the yoke from your midst, the pointing of the finger, and speaking wickedness, if you extend your soul to the hungry and satisfy the afflicted soul, then your light shall dawn in the darkness, and your darkness shall be as the noonday."

Important Pointers! In The End Nothing Else Matters But

- Although salvation of souls, healing miracles, deliverance and creative miracles are beautiful, we must realize that THE most important thing is and will always be to have, keep and enjoy the Holy Presence of our Heavenly Father, our Lord Jesus and our Holy Spirit!
- In the end nothing else matters but loving God and having His Presence in our lives!

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