

Discerning the End Times - 1

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Future – End of This World Order (Spiritual Rulers)

Realizing the Times We Are Now

Jesus did not come back on May 21

- **Mt.16:3** – Recognizing the signs of the times

The International Scene a Sign of Change in Principalities

- **Widespread unrest** –
 - **Not democracy but result extremists instigation**
 - **Christian are burned alive in some countries (Nobody talks about that)**
 - **It is not politically correct to expose homosexuality, the atrocities committed in Moslem countries against Christians (Asia, Egypt, Ivory Coast)**
 - **Is this not a manifestation of the Spirit of the ANTI-CHRIST? Same spirit of the Bolshevik revolution – Hate & Murder**
- **Some of the position Obama is taking make me question his intentions**
 - **Prayed over the Qur'an when he was elected, Refused to Acknowledge the Day of Prayer, Mocks the Bible but speaks of the Holy Qur'an,**
 - **Starting war in Libya**
 - **Killing of Osama Bin Laden – is not going to help war on terror**
 - **His position concerning Israel**
- **Experiencing a change in World Order (Ruling Spirit)**
- **Read about the MOSLEM BROTHERHOOD – Not in the English Web Sites, but the Arabic (you can get a translation)**
 - **Their goal: Establish a united Caliphate – One rule under a religious leader/ruler – Imam or Caliph - IT SOUNDS LIKE THE ANTI-CHRIST**
 - **From Isaacs comes the Christ – From Ishmael the anti-Christ**

Today Jesus Calls a Warning to the Church

- **Rev.2:3-4** – Go back to the **FIRST LOVE**
 - **Don't need new things**
 - **Go back to what you had when you started =**
 - **A personal loving relationship with Jesus – 1Jn.1:6-10**
- **Rev.3:14-22** – Don't be **LUKEWARM**
 - **The message of freedom from legalism, does not mean you can do what you want**
 - **Be zealous**
 - **You should do more, not out of compulsion, but out of love and gratitude a loving God**
 - **Typical manifestations**
 - **Not being regular in going to church and having fellowship with other believers**
 - ✦ **If you love God you love going to church – Jn.15:12, 1Pet.1:22**
 - ✦ **You have more in common wit other believers than anybody else (they are your true family) -**
 - **Not tithing at least 10%**
 - ✦ **If you love God you want to give because He has given you so much**
 - **Not obeying His commandments**
 - ✦ **Jn.14:15 – If you love me, keep my commandments – 1Jn.1:3, 2Jn.1:6**
 - **Not Fellowship and communion with God = Praying, reading the Bible, meditating**
 - ✦ **How do you think you can overcome? – You are on your own strength**
 - **How much time do you dedicate to serving God's purposes?**

Questions to Consider

1. No one knows the date of Jesus second coming. Why is this?

2. What is the spiritual meaning of today political unrest?
3. Why it is important to maintain our first love for the Lord?
4. Why at time we loose the first love?
5. How can we determine the level of our love for the Lord?
6. What can we do to rekindle our first love?