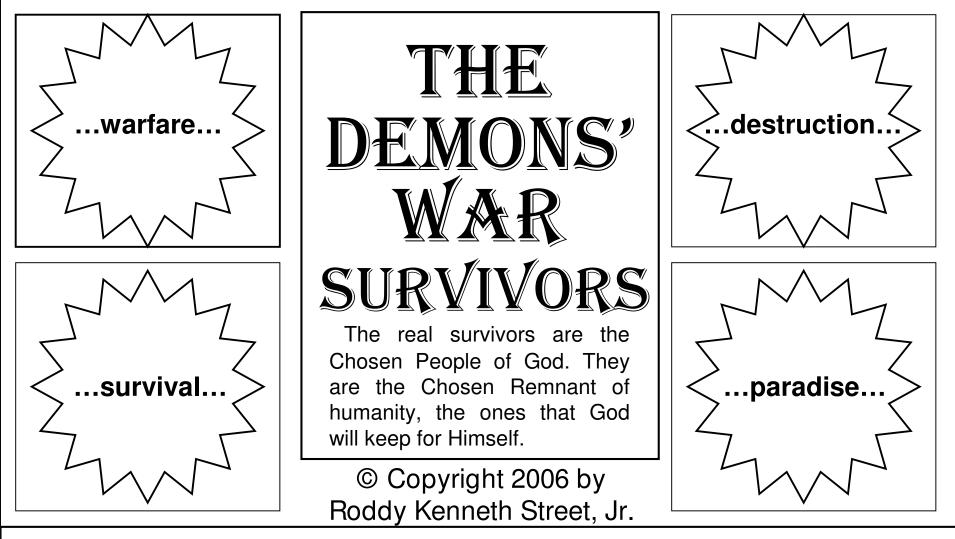
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What is God's purpose for a world of ceaseless warfare and violence? Is there a reason for it all? Yes, there is a long-range plan, and by it God will transform and re-populate the planet Earth.

It's a vision of vast scope and mind-boggling predictions...!

God's developmental plan for our planet is an astounding program of transformations!

1. A theme of **WARFARE** runs through the many books of the Bible, from Genesis to Revelation.

We there see evidence of angelic warfare, and of historic military warfare between God's chosen people and the ungodly nations.

There are predictions of further warfare between the elect of Christ and the anti-Christian forces, and of a final great battle of Armageddon.

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God and Satan are at war, and the besieged planet Earth is their bloody battleground. Legions of angels and demons, in a number that is beyond counting, are also involved in this worldwide warfare.

THE DEMONS' WAR devastates this planet until Christ's Kingdom comes! But God's righteous angels are watching and are gathering the survivors.

The Earth is being devastated by the Universal War that the demons have begun, and it is being greatly shaken by a struggle of vast scope and vast significance. The war is between the Children of Light and the Children of Darkness.

The treasure sought by each army is the same. Each side seeks to gain the allegiance of the human population of our Earth.

One side seeks to win the soul of every human being on Earth, while the other side seeks to capture the soul of every human being on Earth.

One side wins souls for Christ, while the other side captures them for Satan.

2. A theme of **APOCALYPTIC DESTRUCTION** and **RE-CREATION** runs through the books of the Bible, from Genesis to Revelation.

We see this in the Genesis record of Noah and the Great Flood, and in the predictions of the Old Testament prophets.

Jesus Himself speaks of this in great detail as He is quoted in Mat. 24, Luke 17:24-37, and other places in the gospels. There are many such references in the epistles, and the final book, *John's Revelation of Jesus Christ,* is devoted almost exclusively to this subject.

In the Bible, Jesus says that at the time of His Return (often called the Second Coming of Christ), the conditions on Earth will be terrible and evil— and He says those days will be just like the days of Noah. In Noah's time, the humans on Earth had become so perverted, immoral, and wicked that God destroyed the entire world with a great Flood. Only Noah and his family survived, and they were told by God that they must re-populate the cleansed Earth. A wicked population was first removed from the Earth!

3. A theme of the **SURVIVAL OF A REMNANT** who are loyal to God runs through the many books of the Bible, from Genesis to Revelation.

The Universal War is vastly destructive, but there are survivors. The true winners, in the midst of all this angelic and human warfare, are the Chosen People of God, the ones who are loyal to Him. They are the only real survivors of the earthly battleground.

These few are a minority— they are the loyal ones, the Chosen Remnant of humanity, the blessed ones that God will keep for Himself. They are the ones who have seen God the Father in the face of His Son Jesus Christ, and they have given Him their allegiance. **4.** Rather than the Darwinian concept of "natural selection" and "survival of the fittest" (*meaning the strongest*) in a scheme of evolution, God's system of development is quite different!

God's plan is that there will be "DIVINE ELECTION" of all those who have chosen to accept His system of grace and mercy through Jesus Christ, and His plan calls for a "SURVIVAL OF THE LOYAL" instead.

Jesus is the Light of the World, and the beloved Son of God. . . the Holy One, in Whom the Father God is well-pleased. But the enemies of God are headed only for "the Outer Darkness."

5. In this scheme which God Himself has formulated, it is *not* the STRONGEST who survive, but rather the SUBMISSIVE!

(In this regard, it is certainly true that God can make the weak person become strong. But a person who is too strong and egotistical God may choose to crush, in order that he— or she— will be humbled and will become submissive to the will of God!)

The enemies of God (like Satan, whom the Bible calls the Adversary of God) are destined only for what Jesus calls "the Outer Darkness." That's another name for Hell. It's a place of utter darkness that totally lacks the Light of God, and it lacks even the light-reflecting presence of God's followers! It's a fitting end for the Prince of Darkness, his demons, and all the Soldiers of Darkness.

6. God is continuously harvesting the Earth as His ever-progressing plan of **DIVINE SELECTION** goes forward, through a wise and millennia-long program of evaluation— through the interminable *testing* of people all over the globe. . . and a very lengthy developmental process of *SELECTING* and *REJECTING*.

The Enemy of God (Satan) captures souls for Hell, the only kingdom that he can really dominate. In the sin of his pride and arrogance, the angel Lucifer rebelled against God, becoming Satan. The Devil would rather "rule" in Hell than serve in Heaven, as Milton said in his poem called *Paradise Lost*, so maybe he thinks that he can have his own way in Hell. His reasoning is neither healthy nor sane.

Satan is "the Prince of Darkness" and "the ruler of this world," but he is not the king of our Earth. The King of Kings is Jesus Christ alone! Jesus is the rightful ruler of the Earth... the soon-coming King!

7. Thus, a theme of *DIVINE SELECTION* through a *LONG-RANGE, millennia-spanning DEVELOPMENTAL PROGRAM* becomes quite evident.

This is the Biblical scheme of Earth's history and direction. We live on a damaged Earth, in a Fallen World, and it is not the place that God intended for humanity. God's garden has become full of weeds, deaths, diseases, and poisons. His Enemy has done this. Yet God plans to fix the world. He has a salvage plan for the Earth, and He has a salvation plan for humanity. It's all done by Jesus Christ.

God plans to fix the world, to make everything right again. But this will happen only when Christ returns and creates the New Earth for us. It is a blessing that will go only to the loyal followers of God.

God has a goal for humanity, and He has a Plan of Salvation that includes a New Earth for all the believers... for all those who are His loyal servants... the true followers of His Son Jesus Christ.

8. This calls for a **MAJOR SHIFT IN THE WORLD-VIEW** that is held by any individual.

It truly requires a **COPERNICAN REVOLUTION IN THE MIND-SET** of a human being.

A world-shaking transformation happens inside a human being when the Light of Jesus Christ first enters his or her mind!

It's as if you've been sitting in a dark room for years, in some prison of Satan's making... a room with no doors or windows. Then suddenly the shutters on the windows are thrown open, and the prison door is swung wide! You suddenly have the Light of Christ inside you and a new-found freedom to see the world as it truly is! You have become a New Creature in Christ! **9.** You must comprehend with an entirely new way of looking at the Universe— for to be among the redeemed, to be among the survivors who are granted eternal life with God, you must place JESUS CHRIST AT THE CENTER OF YOUR UNIVERSE, in the very place where once YOUR OWN EGO had ruled supreme!

You need to put the Sun of Heaven inside your heart! Once He is there, He will illuminate your mind and all areas of the Universe with the bright Light of His Presence. His Light will be radiant in your face, in your life, and in your actions. Just as Moses' face was radiant after he was in the Presence of God, the follower of Jesus reflects the brilliant Light of the Lord Christ! His Holy Spirit will be inside you forevermore, making you aware of His Lordship and His Truth... giving you eternal access to His Divine Wisdom.

10.

You gain an Eternal Life with God when you put the Sun of Heaven in your heart. You can do this by placing Jesus Christ, Who in the Trinity of God created our Universe, upon a throne at the center of your heart! He deserves that position and that kind of respect. He was first God The Son, but when born in human flesh He became the only sinless and righteous person who ever lived. Yet He sacrificed Himself on a cross for your sake, taking all guilt and sins upon Himself-for that whoever wishes for salvation might be rescued from the due punishment of sins.

11. If you will do this, you will gain a new contentment and peace as you accept God's organizational plan for the Universe. . . because you'll be letting God be the Ruler of All Things in this world. . . and in your own life.

The Sun of Heaven will then reign in your life as the supreme Power that governs all things. The Bible calls Jesus Christ both "the Sun of Heaven" and "the Sun of Righteousness." When you place Christ in your heart, He will lead you to a new life of righteousness. His Holy Spirit will start to rebuild you in the image of God, making you more like Jesus. You'll become a brother (or sister) to Jesus Christ!

With this empowerment and faith in Christ, you will be able to endure all the difficulties and demons of this world, and you will still emerge victorious in the struggle. Be strong in the Lord, trusting Him and enduring all things that come upon you until you reach the end of your trials. Keep your faith in Christ and endure to the end, and you will be saved. Whether you are greatly blessed or greatly troubled in your life on Earth, you must always maintain your faith in Christ, keeping Him always in your heart.

Someday Jesus is coming back to raise up all those who believe in Him, and when you see that glorious day of His Return (or even if you should die first), you will be kept safely with Him and will be held dear in the arms of your Creator. You will then be elevated to a higher status as you enter into the new Kingdom of God. Satan and all his demons will never again have a chance to drag you down to Hell.

When you accept salvation in Jesus Christ, you will at once be appointed by God as one of the Demons' War survivors! You will receive the gift of His Holy Spirit. You will be rescued from sin, death, and Hell. You will be saved indeed!

12. All it really takes is a simple but sincere little prayer— one that you should make up in your own words. The prayer for deliverance and for God's leadership should come from your own heart!

Some important elements that you should include are:

1) your desire to turn away from the wrongness or evil of your past life, and your remorse over the sins of your previous life,

2) your desire for God's forgiveness and mercy through the act of sacrifice of His Only Begotten Son (Jesus Christ),

3) your desire to know God's leadership in your life,

- 4) your desire to learn more of God's truth through Bible study,
- 5) your desire to find fellowship with genuine believers.

This Sunday, don't sin by worshiping the sun, like the followers of Baal... like the Greek and Roman polytheists... like many pagans in all nations of the Earth. Don't worship the Earth or the things of Earth. You shouldn't worship nature, as the pantheists and the animists do. The *supernatural* does exist, because God's Spirit is *above* and *behind* the natural world... and *superior* to it. So don't worship the sun and the stars like all the naturalistic science advocates, the humanists, the evolutionists, and many of our modern-day science-fiction fans!

Don't go out to worship the sun and stars this Sunday, nor Earth, nor Man. Instead, go out to a good Bible-believing church and worship the Holy One Who is the Sun of Heaven— Jesus Christ, Who is both the Son of God and God The Son. Honor Him, and you will please His proud Father in Heaven by your actions. You greatly err if you exalt Man (Humanism) or Science (Scientism), or anything else at all.

Jesus Christ is the Sunrise from Heaven, and He is the Light of the World!

Jesus said of the people of God that "The kingdom of heaven is like a net that God has cast into the sea, and it gathers of every kind: When it is full, it will be pulled up on the shore, where they will sit down to sort the catch, and they will collect the good fish in baskets, but the bad things will be thrown away. This is the way it will be at the end of the world: The angels shall come forth, and they will separate the unrighteous persons from among those justified by God . . ."

Excerpt from the book of Matthew, who was a constant companion of Jesus and his devoted disciple [13:47-50].

Jesus spoke of the people of God as being like a seed that is growing secretly, saying, "As for the kingdom of God, it is as if a person should cast seed into the ground; and then he sleeps, and he rises up night and day to see that the seed is springing forth and always growing up, although he knows not exactly how. The Earth is bringing forth fruit from itself; first the blade, then the ears of corn, and after that the fullness of the ears of corn. And when all the **fruit of the Earth** has come forth, immediately God will use the sickle to reap the fields, because the harvest-time has come."

Excerpt from the book of Mark [4:26-29].

It's also important for all of us to remember this:

1) WE SPEAK TO GOD by our prayers.

2) **GOD SPEAKS TO US** by the words of Holy Scripture.

So we must try to read His words and His Book just as often as we possibly can!!

God wants to bless you for all your long efforts to understand this very confusing and difficult Universe in which we live— so let Him reward your search with the grace of His forgiveness and enlightenment!

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