

"But of the times and the seasons, brethren, ye have no need that I write unto you. For yourselves know perfectly that the Day of the Lord so cometh as a thief in the night." 1 Thessalonians 5:1-2 KJV



When does a thief come? Unexpectedly. Jesus said, "Be ye therefore ready also: for the Son of man cometh at an hour when ye **THINK NOT**." If you expected a thief, you would not be robbed. You cannot predict the moment of the first snowfall, but you can predict the season and the event. We know that when the frost is on the pumpkin that winter is upon us. When there's ice on the window pane, snow is imminent. Many times we've awakened to

a blanket of newly fallen snow that silently covered the ground while we slept, like "a thief in the night." It is obvious that it happened and we expected that it would, but were totally unaware of its occurrence. Had we stayed awake and been watching, the silent flakes would not have fallen unnoticed. When our Lord returns for His Bride, the world will slumber on, to discover upon awakening that believers are no longer present. The world will believe the strong delusion that God will send and follow the Beast and false prophet into perdition. A few will not and will be martyred for their faith by the marked multitude of Satan's host. The leaves have fallen and frost is upon us! Warn your family and friends while there is yet light before the night of evil falls when "no man can work." We must remember that we are warring against "principalities and powers and spiritual wickedness in high places." The battleground is the hearts and minds of men, including believers. Satan will do his level best to tempt you with your friends, family, and pleasure to stray from the Path of Righteousness. He is desperate to prevent you from being a testimony to Truth. He may not be able to have your soul, but he can use your own lusts and desires to prevent you from being a believable warning! The worldliness of believers will help condemn millions to Hell-fire. Our apathy and timidity to live righteously will never convince anyone to flee "the wrath to come." Our Lord will come as surely as winter follows fall. The season approaches quickly. Are not the fields "white unto harvest?" Who will be ready to go with you?

Seeds are planted, the rain has come,
And harvest time 'twill soon be gone,
Day is ended, night swiftly comes,
The saints must work 'fore time is done. -CGP

Do you believe in our Lord's soon return? How many have you warned? Are you living a life that convinces others of your warning? Are you, like righteous Lot, living too close to Sodom? Many of his own family perished, because of his compromises and apathy. Will you lose your family due to your lukewarm faith? Will God have to wipe away your tears of regret and shame as you watch loved ones and friends who trusted you cast into outer darkness? "He that goeth forth and weepeth, bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again with rejoicing, bringing his sheaves with him." God's Word is the seed of eternal harvest. Will you weep now or later? Fall is gone and snow will fall soon! Are you and yours ready? Paul wrote centuries ago:

"And that, knowing the time (season), that now it is high time to awake out of sleep: for now is our Salvation nearer than when we believed." Romans 13:11 KJV