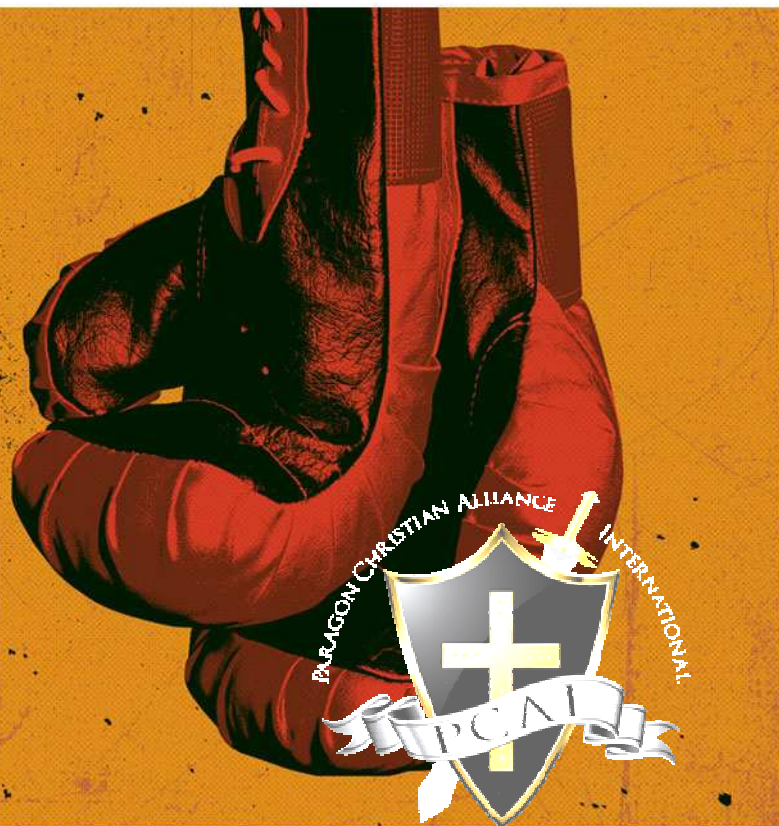


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A KEY IN SEASON

By Dr. Henry A. Harbuck/ PCAI Int'l President & General Overseer

There are many keys to a successful Christian life in every season. Therefore, I feel this month is very important and that we focus on one particular key: **“Fear Not!”**

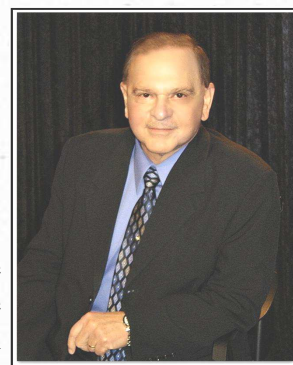
Many people are **worried and fearful** due to the current economic uncertainty in America and the Corona virus, as well as concern regarding government decisions and elections. Yet down through the ages, men and women of God have faced even greater challenges than those we confront today. This is not a time to let fear and worry control our lives and ministries. Instead, we must **stand firm in the faith** and know that God is still on His throne. In times like these, we must remember that God is not shaken, and *the fate of any nation rests on the people of God.*

Will we as Christians go through hard times? Yes. Will we suffer trials and tribulations? Yes. Will God be there to carry us through these times in our lives? YES! Will the government or the next president solve our problems? NO! As we face one of the most

difficult economic crisis in the history of America and the most important presidential election in history, we must not

let fear grip our hearts. I truly believe that for those who have been faithful, *God will sustain you in times like these!*

My prayer is that everyone should seriously focus on this special Key: “Fear Not and remember WHO we are and to WHOM we belong.” As president of PCAI—this great fellowship, I pray for you and covet your prayers as well. Remember that together we are a mighty army marching to a heavenly drum-beat and heralding Jesus’ soon return. ♥♥♥



Psalm 91:9-10 (ESV)

*“Because you have made
the Lord your dwelling place—
the Most High, who is my refuge—
no evil shall be allowed to befall you,
no plague come near your tent.”*

From the Heart of an Evangelist

By Dr. David Copeland/ Director, Revival Now Int'l



Romans 1:16
“For I am not ashamed of the Gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believes; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek.”

ourselves petitioning God again and again, never taking the time to listen to what the Spirit is saying in response to our cries.

While reading one day, I sensed [the] Holy Spirit whisper into my inner man and say, “what kind of a believer are you? Consider these four kinds of believers:

1. A Bail Out Believer. This kind of a believer only comes to Jesus when they need to be bailed out of a problem. They only call on Him when they are jammed up, in trouble or need a miracle. This kind of a believer has the intercessors or the pastors on speed dial; but they never want to have

anything to do with God or with the church when their lives are running smoothly.

This kind of a believer will get very angry if you call attention to any sin in their lives. They hate the message of repentance and will complain all day long that the church is full of hypocrites and lack love. They will accuse you of being judgmental and bigoted if you ever talk to them about where they stand with God.

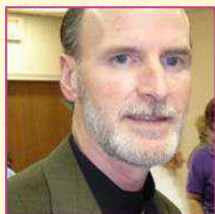
I will be the first to admit there are some really mean people who call themselves “Christians”; but true Christians are known by the love they have for ALL

humanity, and they love people enough to be concerned about their relationship with Jesus. A true believer is willing to confront you and not sugar coat the Gospel just to keep you as a friend.

Please listen to me: not everyone who challenges you is out to destroy you. A true friend will challenge you because they believe in you and want to see you accomplish all the Kingdom of God desires to do through you on this earth. God is calling us from a bail-out

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During this COVID-19 shutdown I have been able to spend a lot of time in the Word, meditation, reading, writing, and just listening for God to speak. Often, we find



Taylor: During these perilous times, faith in God wins over fear

By Rev. Mike Taylor / Religion Columnist

This new era, this new decade is clearly an epoch moment in history. I can remember as a young child in the 1950s getting under my desk at school. We would have air raid drills to practice getting ready in the event that Russia would attack us with a nuclear bomb. I remember the riots, Vietnam War, protests and the Cold War with Russia in the 1960s. I can recall the Middle East Wars, drug addiction, AIDS and many other diseases of the '70s, '80s and '90s. I have been through 9/11, terrorism and the great recession.

However, even after all I have been through and experienced over the last almost 70 years, I don't remember anything that compares to the coronavirus scare.

I talked to a friend of mine, a woman who is 95 years young. I asked her if what she went through during World War II and the Great Depression compared to the coronavirus. She said there was no comparison. She said the virus is far worse than anything she went through even during the Great Depression.

I say all this to make the point that this is a very unique and unusual worldwide event. I cannot remember a single event in recent history that has impacted the entire world. It is as though every nation and every person on planet Earth has been impacted and probably will be forever changed. Some for good. Some not for good.

What does the Bible say about all of this? In 2 Timothy chapter 3, the Bible says, “In the last days, perilous times will come.” Aren't we living in perilous times? In addition to the Covid19 virus we have wars, diseases, strong storms, earthquakes, floods, civil unrest, etc. Let's face it: “This is a dangerous world.” Further, the Bible says that during the last days (times), “People will be lovers of themselves, lovers of money, proud, blasphemers, slanderers, haughty, lovers of pleasure, rather than lovers of God.”

Friends, we are there. All the signs are in place. When Jesus was asked by His disciples what will be the sign of your coming and the end of the age, He told them several things to look for. He

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What You Need To Know About Live Streaming

From Christian Law Association Newsletter

More and more churches are realizing the immense benefits of an Internet presence particularly with younger generations who use it on a constant basis. A popular option for many churches, and one getting easier to do every year, is live streaming their services online. This can often bring in thousands of online viewers.

HOWEVER, be careful – while live streaming preaching is wonderful, many ministries can unknowingly violate copyright law by streaming the congregational singing and special music. While copyright law has a decently broad exemption for the use of copyrighted materials in religious services, this exemption does not apply to services streamed over the Internet. Our attorneys have been receiving a growing number of calls from ministries receiving large fines for improper use of copyrighted material. If your ministry wishes to live stream there are a variety of ministry-focused companies that can help provide you the needed licenses. If you have any questions please feel free to call our attorneys. 888-252-1969. □

Federal Judges Rules Against University Religious Discrimination

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mindset because He wants us to have a living relationship with His Son Jesus!

2. A Stimulus Believer.

A stimulus believer will live from service to service; from revival to revival or conference to conference. They are always looking for an emotional touch. Looking for a new revelation but they have not done anything with the last revelation God gave them. Oftentimes this kind of believer will never be connected to a local church to become grounded in his/her faith because he/she is living with unchecked emotions. When they begin to “feel” something is wrong in this church, they will jump-up and run somewhere else. Sadly this kind has never matured in his/her faith to discern the difference between being led by [the] Holy Spirit and being controlled by emotion.

A Stimulus believer is one who loves only one style of music or one style of teaching or preaching. They have never learned to embrace anyone outside the stream of ministry or the church denomination they are a part of.

One of the greatest truths my spiritual father taught me was: “son you have to learn to eat the meat and spit out the bones.”

3. Searching believer.

A searching believer is one that knows in his/her heart that Jesus is Lord, but never made a public declaration of [trusting] faith in Him. This kind says “I love Jesus,” but He is basically on his/her “to do list” and thus never get to the point of making a full commitment to Jesus to be his/her Lord and Master of everything in his/her life.

4. All in son or daughter of God.

The “ALL IN” phrase actually originated in poker when one of the players bets all his money on a single hand of cards. It has become the rally cry of many sports teams, telling their fans and each other “We are totally committed, sold out, holding nothing back, we are in this to win it all!”

This should really be the normal attitude for a [true] believer in Jesus Christ. But since some have digested this junk, they settle for a watered-down religious life. So, when this kind meets others who are “ALL IN” they consider them goofy, weird, radical, and perhaps too overboard about Jesus.

There is one major thing this pandemic has done for me. It has reminded me that the government can’t save anyone, medical science can’t save anyone, the sports and entertainment gods can’t save anyone; even the church can’t save (or protect) anyone from a pandemic. Only [a true and unwavering faith in] Jesus can save, heal, deliver and set someone free.

As for me, “I’m determined to live the rest of my days ALL IN.”

What We Know: Tax Payments and Filings for Churches/Ministries and Individuals

Excerpt from www.churchlawandtax.com

The Treasury Department has pushed back the deadline for Americans to file their income tax returns in response to the COVID-19 (coronavirus) outbreak.

All taxpayers and businesses now have [through July 15, 2020](#), to file their returns—and the IRS will waive all interest and penalties. As a result, the extension now applies to all taxpayers that have a filing or payment deadline falling on or after April 1, 2020, and before July 15, 2020.

Separately, in Notice 2020-23, the IRS expanded this relief to include quarterly estimated tax payments (Form 1040-ES) that would have been due before July 15, 2020, including the first two estimated tax payments due on April 15 and June 15 of 2020. This means that any individual who has a quarterly esti-

mated tax payment due on or after April 1, 2020, and before July 15, 2020, can wait until July 15 to make that payment, without penalty.

Church reporting requirements

Separately, in Notice 2020-23, the IRS said its deadline extensions also apply to tax-exempt organizations required to file an annual Form 990, Form 990-N, and/or Form 990-T; Form 4720; or other commonly required reports used under certain circumstances. Section 6033 of the Internal Revenue Code exempts churches from filing annual Form 990s or Form 990-Ns, however, if a church generates \$1,000 or more annually in unrelated business income from a church-run business or the renting of its space to outside groups, it is required to file a Form 990-T.



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said that many will come in His name and will deceive many. He said you will hear of wars and rumors of wars. He said “Nation will rise against nation and kingdom against kingdom. Also, He said many other things will be taking place at the same time. There will be famines, diseases, earthquakes, many false prophets, and lawlessness.” Let’s face it: “This is happening today.”

Although no one knows the day or the hour of the Lord’s return, we are to heed biblical predictions to know the season and the time of His return. The good news is whether the Lord returns tomorrow or 100 years from now we have nothing to fear. Jesus told the disciples, see that you are not troubled for these things must come to pass.

We must not fear. The Bible says that God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of love, power, and a sound mind. God is in control. I believe we are living in the end times. I believe we are on the verge of the third great spiritual awakening. I

pray that many will come out of this experience drawing closer to the Lord Jesus Christ.

This too shall pass. There will be life after death. We will get through this.

In my view this is the most exciting time to be alive in all of human history. Perilous yes, dangerous yes, scary yes, but somehow through it all God by His Holy Spirit will lead us through. The Bible says we will make it if we faint not. Let’s agree to take it one day at a time. This is the day the Lord has made I will rejoice and be glad in it.

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