



### Saved from Wrath

**“For God has not destined us for wrath, but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ” (1 Thessalonians 5:9 NASB).**

There is a Day of Wrath coming upon the world—a righteous judgment against the unrighteousness of man, the wickedness of nations, and the evil that abides in man’s heart because of his sin. This wrath of God will not touch Believers, for John says, *“He who believes in the Son has eternal life; but he who does not obey the Son will not see life, but the wrath of God abides on him”* (John 3:36). This eternal life is the fulfillment of our salvation through Jesus Christ, if we accept His offer—that He would take our place (condemned to death) if we confess that we are sinners and repent, so that we can become His, if we believe in Him and put our faith and trust in Him and obey Him as our Lord. For *“God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. Much more then, having now been justified by His blood, we shall be saved from the wrath of God through Him. For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God through the death of His Son, much more, having been reconciled, we shall be saved by His life”* (Romans 5:8-10).

Without His righteousness covering us, we are destined for death and the wrath of a Holy God culminating in separation from Him, for *“because of your stubbornness and unrepentant heart you are storing up wrath for yourself in the day of wrath and revelation of the righteous judgment of God”* (Romans 2:4).

The world refuses to believe this. They are holding onto a millennia of lies, futility, and vanity in the hope that this will save them.

They look to the awe-inspiring power they have achieved through science and technology, overflowing wealth, shocking force, and outpourings of knowledge as a “prophecy” of their ultimate triumph. It is a false prophecy, for they completely ignore God’s Word which says, *“riches do not profit in the day of wrath, **But righteousness delivers from death**”* (Proverbs 11:4), and they do not understand prophecy which foretells, *“the kings of the earth and the great men and the commanders and the rich and the strong and every slave and free man hid themselves in the caves and among the rocks of the mountains; And they said to the mountains and to the rocks, ‘Fall on us and hide us from the presence of Him who sits on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb; For the great day of their wrath has come, and who is able to stand?’”* (Revelation 6:16-17) For *“neither their silver nor their gold will be able to deliver them On the day of the Lord’s wrath; And all the earth will be devoured In the fire of His jealousy, For He will make a complete end, Indeed a terrifying one, Of all the inhabitants of the earth”* (Zephaniah 1:18) and *“they will fling their silver into the streets and their gold will become an abhorrent thing; their silver and their gold will not be able to deliver them in the day of the wrath of the Lord. They cannot satisfy their appetite nor can they fill their stomachs, for their iniquity has become an occasion of stumbling”* (Ezekiel 7:19). As the writer of Hebrews says, *“It is a terrifying thing to fall into the hands of the living God”* (Hebrews 10:31) as a sinner.

This is not our destiny, for we will be delivered through belief and obedience in our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. He will take us out of a world destined for wrath, because we are not destined for wrath, but for salvation in the Household of God (Ephesians 2:19). Amen.