

*“Let your moderation be known unto all men. The Lord Is At Hand.”
Philippians 4:5 KJV*

Moderation means; Restraint of violent passions or indulgence of appetite and calmness of mind. In this day and age of upheaval and chaos believers should stand in stark contrast to it; like a lighthouse in a stormy sea. Our Peace from God should rule our hearts and minds through faith in His Word and its Evidence should be seen as we calmly and diligently continue in the



obedience of God’s Word in spite of all pressure to the contrary. I say chaos and upheaval, because at this present time we are experiencing simultaneously violence world-wide, while at the same time they are busily brokering peace in regions at war from Abraham’s era! We were warned of this! *“This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come. For when they shall say, ‘Peace and safety;’ then sudden destruction cometh upon them.”* Isn’t that what is being promoted as the reason for all the draconian government mandates! “This is what you must do to stay safe!” they proclaim, when all the data and evidence points to the contrary! If I read my Bible correctly, fear is the driving force of the Last Days. But what are we told? Trust God, remain calm, and proclaim the Saving Truth to a dying world!

It won’t be long til Trumpet sound,
Will call all those for Heaven bound;
O may you then in Christ be found,
And Peace and Joy in you redound! –CGP

“At Hand” is closer than near; it is close enough to grasp. The stairwell railing was at hand to prevent a fall. *“The Lord is AT HAND! Therefore be ye also ready: for in such an hour as ye think not the Son of man cometh! Watch therefore: for ye know not what hour your Lord doth come!”* mundane, every day affairs will no doubt be occupying our thoughts when the Last Trump echoes across Eternity! Will you be the Calm in the chaos? Will you be found watching and waiting with your Lamp trimmed and bright? Will God’s Peace be your Light in the darkness of evil? Your faith and obedience will be tested, now, like never before!

“Then shall the Kingdom of Heaven be likened unto ten virgins, which took their lamps, and went forth to meet the bridegroom. And five of them were wise, and five were foolish. They that were foolish took their lamps, and took no oil with them: But the wise took oil in their vessels with their lamps. While the bridegroom tarried, they all slumbered and slept. And at midnight there was a cry made, ‘Behold, the bridegroom cometh; go ye out to meet him.’ Then all those virgins arose, and trimmed their lamps. And the foolish said unto the wise, ‘Give us of your oil; for our lamps are gone out.’ But the wise answered, saying, ‘Not so; lest there be not enough for us and you: but go ye rather to them that sell, and buy for yourselves.’ And while they went to buy, the bridegroom came; and they that were ready went in with him to the marriage: and the door was shut. Afterward came also the other virgins, saying, ‘Lord, Lord, open to us.’ But he answered and said, ‘Verily I say unto you, I know you not.’ Watch therefore, for ye know neither the day nor the hour wherein the Son of man cometh.” Matthew 25:1-13 KJV