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AT THE TABLE OF THE LORD

“A PSALM OF DAVID”

There are 150 Psalms, requiring 81 days of reading. A Psalm is a poem set to music, a pruned song, expressing David’s mind, written carefully to give praise unto God. Of our 79 hymns and anthems, 44 (56%) are taken from the Psalms.

Recently we have read Psalm 37, titled “A Psalm of David.” It is also Hymn 14, revealing David’s mind and heart:

“Fret not thyself because of evildoers, neither be thou envious against the workers of iniquity. For they shall soon be cut down like the grass, and wither as the green herb.”

Psalm 37:1-2.

To fret is to be angry, to burn or grieve, to express or kindle wrath, revealing works of the flesh, based on envy of those who seem to prosper in iniquity. Such a situation began in the beginning, when Cain brought a sacrifice that was not pleasing to God, whereas Abel’s sacrifice was acceptable. Cain was very wroth (Genesis 4:5), fretting, because his sacrifice was displeasing His wrath grew until he:

“... talked with Abel his brother: and it came to pass, when they were in the field, that Cain rose up against Abel his brother, and slew him”

Genesis 4:8.

From the beginning of God’s creation there has been enmity between those who please God and those who serve the flesh.

David suffered the iniquity of those who sought to harm or even kill him; but he did not fret, putting his trust in God, as he wrote how one can be helped by the Almighty:

“Trust in the LORD, and do good; so shalt thou dwell in the land, and verily thou shalt be fed.” Psalm 37:3.

To trust is to seek for refuge, to be confident, to be secure, to hope. God alone we can surely trust, who never fails. David turned to God against the lion and the bear He conquered Goliath who caused fretting and fear in Saul's army. David spoke to Saul:

"... The LORD that delivered me out of the paw of the lion, and out of the paw of the bear, he will deliver me out of the hand of this Philistine..." I Samuel 17:37.

Saul offered David his armor, but David did not use it, for he had not "proved" it - and went against Goliath, saying:

"This day will the LORD deliver thee into mine hand; and I will smite thee, and take thine head from thee ... that all the earth may know that there is a God in Israel. And all this assembly shall know that the LORD saveth not with sword and spear: for the battle is the LORD'S, and he will give you into our hands." I Samuel 17:46-47.

David slew Goliath, trusting in God's hand, while all Saul's army fretted and feared!

David further wrote regarding fretting:

"Delight thyself also in the LORD; and he shall give thee the desires of thine heart."

Psalm 37:4.

David was a man of whom God said:

"... I have found David ... a man after mine own heart, which shall fulfil all my will." Acts 13:22.

David delighted in God as he lived in obedience to His word. To delight is to rejoice, to please, to be glad, not fretting. How can one direct his heart's delight to God? David made it very clear:

"Commit thy way unto the LORD; trust also in him; and he shall bring it to pass.

And he shall bring forth thy righteousness as the light, and thy judgment as the noonday.”

Psalm 37:5-6.

The Hebrew word for commit is Galal: to commit, to roll away, to trust. When Israel under Joshua was about to enter the promised land, the LORD required that the children of Israel be circumcised, for they had not been circumcised in the 40 years of their wilderness journey:

“And the LORD said unto Joshua, This day have I rolled away the reproach of Egypt from off you. Wherefore the name of the place is called Gilgal unto this day.”

Joshua 5:9.

God directed Joshua and Israel to be committed to His way by circumcision, a rolling away of the flesh, before they entered the land promised to Abraham, when God had required:

“... ye shall circumcise the flesh of your foreskin; and it shall be a token of the covenant betwixt me and you.”

Genesis 17:11.

The covenant of possessing the land was accomplished as Israel rolled away, committed their way to God, before entering the land.

David further spoke:

“Rest in the LORD, and wait patiently for him: fret not thyself because of him who prospereth in his way, because of the man who bringeth wicked devices to pass.”

Psalm 37:7.

To rest is not to relax, but rather to forbear, hold peace, quiet self, tarry, wait. There are times to wait, to quiet self, patiently waiting upon God, rather than quickly beginning to fret.

When David was made king over Israel:

“The Philistines also came and spread themselves in the valley of Rephaim. And David enquired of the LORD, saying, Shall I go up to the Philistines? wilt thou deliver them into mine hand?

And the LORD said unto David, Go up; for I will doubtless deliver the Philistines into thine hand.”

I Samuel 5:18-19.

David did go up, and defeated the Philistines. However, again they came up against Israel:

“... when David enquired of the LORD, he (God) said, Thou shalt not go up; but fetch a compass behind them, and come upon them over against the mulberry trees. And let it be, when thou hearest the sound of a going in the tops of the mulberry trees, that then thou shalt bestir thyself: for then shall the LORD go out before thee, to smite the Philistines.”

I Samuel 5:23-24.

David could have fretted. He could have thought - God conquered the Philistines once; it is all right for me to go up again. But he waited on the LORD without fretting. Rather, he rested on the LORD, patiently waiting for God’s word.

Again David helps us not to fret:

“Cease from anger, and forsake wrath; fret not thyself in any wise to do evil. For evildoers shall be cut off: but those that wait upon the LORD, they shall inherit the earth.

For yet a little while, and the wicked shall not be; yea, thou shalt diligently consider his place, and it shall not be.”

Psalms 37:8-10.

Cease from anger! When anger continues, it can end as it did when Cain slew Abel!

David further reminds us:

“... the meeek shall inherit the earth; and shall delight themselves in the abundance of peace.” Psalm 37:11.

Those who are meek in spirit are humble, lowly, poor - submitting to God, keeping His commandments - not fretting. When David became king, reigning over Israel, he desired to build a temple to sanctify God. But the Almighty denied David's desire, and told him:

“... when thy days be fulfilled, and thou shalt sleep with thy fathers, I will set up thy seed after thee, which shall proceed out of thy bowels, and I will establish his kingdom.

And thine house and thy kingdom shall be established for ever before thee:

thy throne shall be established for ever.”

II Samuel 7:12,16.

David accepted God's denial without fretting, and rejoiced in the promise that there would be a temple, a kingdom which should be for ever. David responded to God's promise:

“Then went king David in, and sat before the LORD, and he said, Who am I, O LORD God? and what is my house, that thou hast brought me hitherto?” II Samuel 7:18.

David, although king of Israel, humbly asked the Almighty: “Who am I?” He exhibited that meek spirit so pleasing to God, as he delighted in knowing:

“.. the meek shall inherit the earth, and shall delight themselves in the abundance of peace.” Psalm 37:11.

As we read David's words in this 37th Psalm, and sing them in one of our hymns, does it not help us to trust, to delight, to commit to His ways, resting upon Him, ceasing from anger; while striving to walk in His ways, which brings such “abundance of peace”? As we strive to grow in these ways, let

us delight in our Father's promises, hoping and waiting for the coming of the Lord Jesus to establish this unending "abundance of peace" for those at His right hand. We pray to be there, and to be able to thank David for his help to "fret not."

J.A.DeF.

A BIBLE CLASS

“As the fining pot for silver, and the furnace for gold;
so is a man to his praise.”
Proverbs 27:21

The Proverbs are the conclusions of Solomon, based upon God-given spiritual wisdom - a wisdom which cuts directly to the heart of a matter, clearly discerning between those spiritual attributes that are pleasing to the Almighty and the baser fleshly characteristics of the carnal man. Our verse under consideration offers the Spirit's instruction for our help:

“As the fining pot for silver, and the furnace for gold,
so is a man to his praise.” Proverbs 27:21.

Silver and gold are both known as noble metals. When pure, they are soft and malleable, able to be beaten so fine they can be used as gold leaf edging on the pages of our Bibles, However, to achieve this purity, silver must be heated so that the dross or impurities can be drawn off, leaving the pure metal behind in the refining pot. The same process applies to the heating of gold in a furnace, driving off through heat, the less noble elements in order to obtain pure gold.

The candlestick of the tabernacle for example, was to be made from pure gold as the Almighty gave specific instructions through Moses:

“And thou shalt make a candlestick of pure gold: of beaten work shall the candlestick be made: his shaft, and his branches, his bowls, his knops, and his flowers shall be of the same.” Exodus 25:31.

Reading the details for the candlestick's construction it can be readily seen how intricate and beautiful was its pattern, with three branches on either side of a central shaft, with bowls made to look like almonds with knops and flowers, and all to be made from one piece of pure gold; “it shall be one beaten work of pure gold” (verse 36). Only pure gold would lend itself to these complexities of design in the craftsmen's hands.

This thought of removing impurities through the application of heat, leaving behind a pure noble product, is used as an allegory by the Spirit to teach of man and self-praise. Self-praise is impure, being prejudiced by the flesh's bias. However, using the fire of the Spirit to control the tendencies of the flesh, it can be purged. There are numerous places in the Scriptures that speak of praise and it may be helpful to review one of these:

“For he is not a Jew, which is one outwardly; neither is that circumcision, which is outward in the flesh:

But he is a Jew, which is one inwardly; and circumcision is that of the heart, in the spirit, and not in the letter; whose praise is not of men, but of God.” Romans 2:28-29.

The outward appearance is not always a true reflection of the heart. Man can be fooled by the outward demeanor, but not God, for He can see within the heart and know whether a man's praise is directed to self or sincerely towards Him. The Almighty as the Refiner, knows when there are fleshly impurities present, and will bring to bear the fire of adversity and affliction to see if those baser elements will be driven off through humility and subjection to Him in time of trial.

Gold plating is another process known to the refiner and craftsman, whereby a thin coating of gold is applied to a baser metal. The object on the surface looks like pure gold, but once the outer layer of softer gold wears away, the common metal is exposed for what it is - something neither attractive nor precious in value. Some people are like this - they possess a thin veneer of spirituality that under duress wears away, leaving the baser carnal element exposed. This is why God, as the Refiner, tries those who are His in the Spirit's fire, giving an opportunity to drive away the flesh's baser characteristics, that they may be replaced with the pure gold-like qualities of the Spirit, so pleasing to Him.

God spoke to Ezekiel of His people, who because of become as dross:

“Son of man, the house of Israel is to me become dross: all they are brass, and tin, and iron, and lead, in the midst of the furnace; they are even the dross of silver. As they gather silver, and brass, and iron, and lead and tin, into the midst

of the furnace, to blow the fire upon it, to melt it; so will I gather you in mine anger and in my fury, and I will leave you there, and melt you.” Ezekiel 22:18,20.

Speaking through the prophet Zechariah regarding the time of the end, the Almighty has said:

“And it shall come to pass, that in all the land, saith the LORD, two parts therein shall be cut off and die; but the third shall be left therein.

And I will bring the third part through the fire, and will refine them as silver is refined, and will try them as gold is tried: they shall call on my name, and I will hear them; I will say, it is my people: and they shall say, The LORD is my God.” Zechariah 13:8-9.

By going through that fire of the Spirit, the “tried” remnant will be found as a praise unto Him.

How do we apply this help from our consideration to ourselves today? Only as that fire of the Spirit works to remove those impurities within our nature, can we hope to become a praise to the Almighty. If we endure the trials and tests of adversity that are sent, and emerge with a greater understanding of our own frailty and with a desire to draw closer to the Father, subjecting every facet of our living to His approval, then can we be seen as having burned off the dross of our inherent nature.

The perfection of Christ’s overcoming was seen in figure throughout the Most Holy Place of the Tabernacle, where the purity of those precious metals glowed with beauty. From the vessels of gold, gold threads woven into the fabric, pure gold applied to furnishings as well as instruments made of pure gold, all spoke of our Lord Jesus, whose faith came victoriously through the fire of affliction, as does pure gold, thereby finding approval in His Father’s eyes.

Let us endeavor Brethren and Sisters, to become such vessels, meet for the Master’s use, having grown spiritually through trials and adversity in hopes of becoming a praise unto Him.

M.C.S.

“MANY SHALL RUN TO AND FRO - - -”

Daniel 12:4

The prophet was told:-

“O Daniel, shut up the words and seal the book, even to the time of the end: many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall be increased.” Daniel 12:4.

Oh! how meaningful are these words of the past which are speaking to us in these last times. And as there is now such knowledge, and mans' ability now, for such swift travel increases, so approaches a great and wonderful event of which Daniel so impressively declares:—

“- - - there shall be a time of trouble such as never was since there was a nation even to that same time; and at that time thy people shall be delivered, every one that shall be found written in the book.

And many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life and some to shame and everlasting contempt.

And they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament - - -.” Daniel 12:1-3.

But consider this running of “many to and fro”. The convenience of swift travel brings some drawbacks. Think of all the waste gasses that are expelled from all the vehicles in operation. Consider just Britain alone. Apart from all the motor vehicles that are dashing about the roads, think of the air-travel that takes place. The following has been given recently in the media;

“More than 500,000 passengers a day fly in and out of Britain on around 5,500 flights.”

Some voices have been raised, amongst the world's leaders and experts about all this emanation from all these vehicles into the atmosphere. There has been, even the comment, - - - “is this dissipation of waste gas into the atmosphere bringing about a change in the state of the weather?” This of course, has brought about some discussion, that such a result is one of the adverse factors, following the great result of the increased ability to travel.

We will herewith quote some media comments on this subject:-

“Billions of pounds is being spent on climate change - - - but cutting carbon dioxide emissions in the West will not reduce them globally because of the expansion of China, India, and Africa.

(An Australian scientist said) computer models used by United Nations to forecast change are ‘wrong’ - - - A director of the energy Intensive Users Group (said) that a unilateral move ‘would damage the European economy’ - A British official however declared that, Britain has to fight climate change - - - another official, a British Specialist on weather subjects said, ‘We all know that climate modelling is difficult but we have strong confidence in the key result such as that the warming in the last half of the twentieth century is very likely due to man’s activities’.”

But this modern day outcome, as the result of mens’ bringing significant development to his way of life, was known of long ago by the Spirit, and as we look at what is taking place, and what has taken place, we can make the assuring comment. It is the time of the coming of RESURRECTION by THE MOST HIGH, and the final recovering, brought by the Father in Heaven, to this suffering world from the evil.

“... THE SPIRIT IS BROKEN”
Proverbs 15:13

The heart is the source of our thoughts. It can be a glad heart or a sorrowful one; a circumcised heart with the desires of the flesh removed, or one that is motivated by the lusts of the flesh.

Our verse under consideration reads:

“A merry heart maketh a cheerful countenance: but by sorrow of the heart the spirit is broken.” Proverbs 15:13.

The appearance of one’s countenance reveals what comes from the heart. The cheerful countenance reveals a heart that is governed by the word of God - thereby being cheerful, bright, glad, and rejoicing in response to God’s kindness and mercy, under the shadow of His wings. The sorrowful countenance reveals a spirit that is broken, ruled by fleshly thoughts, having no hope of God’s mercy. It brings a lifetime of sorrow.

The sorrow of heart goes back to the time of Adam and Eve in the garden of Eden. They disobeyed God’s command to not eat of the tree in the midst of the garden, lest they should die. Eve listened to the serpent: “Ye shall not surely die” - and was sentenced by God.

“... I will greatly multiply thy sorrow and thy conception; in sorrow thou shalt bring forth children....” Genesis 3:16.

To Adam God said:

“... Because thou hast hearkened unto the voice of thy wife, and hast eaten of the tree, of which I commanded thee, saying, Thou shalt not eat of it: cursed is the ground for thy sake; in sorrow shalt thou eat of it all the days of thy life.”
Genesis 3:17.

Adam and Eve did not obey God’s only command, and so became dying creatures; all those born since are dying creatures. The Almighty in His mercy and grace promised a means of

redemption through His Son, who would not be of a broken spirit. He is the only One who never sinned, and who gave His life in all righteousness to His Father. He, Jesus, never had this sorrow of heart, but rejoiced as He died on the cross, crying out in victory over His flesh:

“... It is finished: and he bowed his head, and gave up the spirit.”
John 19:30.

He rejoiced. He accomplished His Father’s purpose. His three and one-half years of trial were in obedience to His Father’s will, with His countenance reflecting the joy set before Him; He did not break His determination of spirit.

Paul wrote concerning the Lord Jesus’ victory, and so helps us to be of a merry heart, not broken in spirit:

“Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us, Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith; who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame (disgrace), and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God.

For consider him that endured such contradiction of sinners against himself, lest ye be wearied and faint in your minds. Ye have not yet resisted unto blood, striving against sin.”
Hebrews 12:1-4.

We are striving against sin; we have not resisted unto blood, as Jesus did, by dying on the cross.

Let us look into our hearts with this spirit:

“A merry heart doeth good like a medicine: but a broken spirit drieth the bones.”
Proverbs 17;22.

There is no life in dried bones; while there is hope of eternal life for those who have a heart that is merry, not sorrowing as a broken spirit.

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VAIN IS THE HELP OF MAN
(Psalm 108:12)

We are once again permitted to study the pruned words of David. These are the expressions of his heart and mind as he endeavored to walk in obedience and subjection, applying God's word in his living. Through his many experiences he learned to trust solely on the Almighty for help and deliverance, as his words in Psalm 108 explain:

"Give us help from trouble: for vain is the help of man."

Psalm 108:12.

We know from the scriptures that he did at times take matters into his own hands, but learned through hard lessons that, "vain is the help of man". Through the help of the Spirit, these words have been preserved that we too may take heed and value this important precept.

David begins this 108th Psalm giving praise for God's mercy and grace:

"O GOD, my heart is fixed; I will sing and give praise, even with my glory.
Awake, psaltery and harp: I myself will awake early. I will praise thee, O LORD, among the people: and I will sing praises unto thee among the nations. For thy mercy is great above the heavens: and thy truth reacheth unto the clouds."

Psalm 108:1-4.

Left to our own devices, we could not come to the hope He has promised of eternal life, for all flesh is deservedly under the sentence of death. Without His mercy, which is seen in the mediation and intervention of Christ, who now sits at His Father's right hand, we would have no hope.

"That thy beloved may be delivered: save with thy right hand and answer me."

Psalm 108:6.

Trusting in the saving power of God was a hallmark of David's life. This same thought is found in Psalm 57, the title of which tells us this was written while he fled in fear for his life, from Saul:

“Be merciful unto me, O God, be merciful unto me: for my soul trusteth in thee: yea, in the shadow of thy wings will I make my refuge, until these calamities be overpast. I will cry unto God most high; unto God that performeth all things for me. He shall send from heaven, and save me from the reproach of him that would swallow me up. Selah. God shall send forth his mercy and his truth.”

Psalm 57:1-3.

David spent many years hiding from the anger of Saul - a man anointed to be king over Israel, but who veered away from his spiritual responsibilities, giving free rein instead to his fleshly feelings of jealousy and rage towards David. There were others who also fled Saul's persecution and these joined with David in exile:

“David therefore departed thence, and escaped to the cave Adullam: and when his brethren and all his father's house heard it, they went down thither to him. And every one that was in distress, and every one that was in debt, and every one that was discontented, gathered themselves unto him; and he became a captain over them: and there were with him about four hundred men.”

I Samuel 22:1-2.

Four hundred men sought David's leadership - many of the same mind and spirit, who perhaps had known either persecution or suffered oppression under the reign of Saul. When Saul heard of David's escape to the wilderness, his vindictive and heavy handedness became evident by the number of men he took with him in pursuit;

“And it came to pass, when Saul was returned from following the Philistines, that it was told him, saying, Behold, David is in the wilderness of Engedi.

Then Saul took three thousand chosen men out of all Israel, and went to seek David and his men upon the rocks of the wild goats."

I Samuel 24:1.

Not a small contingent from his household, but "three thousand chosen men out of all Israel". Men specially selected from throughout the land - perhaps men known for their valor and fighting skills in battle. Three thousand seasoned men of war to capture one single man! We can see from this evidence how deep was Saul's jealousy and hatred for David. It is no wonder that David was fearful of what Saul might do to him, especially with the powerful resources he had under his control as King of Israel. This was indeed a test of his faith and reliance on the Almighty to protect one of his little ones.

While searching the wilderness for David, the hand of God guided Saul to the very cave wherein David and his men hid:

"And he (Saul) came to the sheepcotes by the way, where was a cave; and Saul went in to cover his feet: and David and his men remained in the sides of the cave. And the men of David said unto him, Behold the day of which the LORD said unto thee, Behold, I will deliver thine enemy into thine hand, that thou mayest do to him as it shall seem good unto thee."

I Samuel 24:3-4.

David's companions urged him to seize this opportunity - to take advantage of Saul and kill him while he slept unaware of their presence. They reasoned he had been brought to them by God that David might be delivered from Saul's persecution. Here was an example of the "help of man". Their counsel was given from fleshly reasoning - not guided by the Spirit's wisdom. David, from the word of God, knew it was wrong to take his own vengeance and slay the Lord's anointed, wicked though he was. He trusted in God to deliver him in His own time, believing this trial of his faith would be lifted when God knew best.

Our own circumstances today are much more mundane than David's, yet we too face daily struggles that urge us to take

advantage for ourselves over another, or take difficult matters into our own hands rather than wait upon God's deliverance. David's example in similar circumstances was to appeal unto the Almighty for help:

"But do thou for me, O GOD the Lord, for thy name's sake: because thy mercy is good, deliver thou me. I became also a reproach unto them: when they looked upon me they shook their heads.

Help me, O LORD my God: O save me according to thy mercy.

That they may know that this is thy hand; that thou, LORD hast done it."

Psalm 109:21,25-27.

This might well have been David's mind after the incident with Saul in the cave - endeavoring to put his natural inclinations behind him, resisting the fleshly advice to end Saul's persecution by his own hand. His companions in the cave may have been among those that, "shook their heads", astonished that he had not used this opportunity to end his problems with Saul. However, David's was a different spirit - endeavoring to be subject to God, he resisted the untoward advice - the "help of man", preferring to wait upon the Almighty for deliverance, knowing these trials and persecutions were to shape him more perfectly into a man after God's own heart.

God did eventually deliver David from the wrath of Saul, establishing him as the king over Israel and granting him a son to rule after him - a foreshadowing of the Greater Son of David, the Lord Jesus, who will one day rule the Kingdom of God on earth in righteousness and peace.

Let us take heart from these pruned songs of David, when circumstances seem to overwhelm us, remembering where help and deliverance can be found, and believing that, "vain is the help of man" for only through trust in God is true deliverance and hope.

M.C.S.

SIGNS OF HIS COMING

The "Merchants of Tarshish." Ezekiel 38:11

Ezekiel speaking of Israel, referred to it of "the latter days". He said concerning the restored nation which we see at the present time, they are to suffer the hostility of an adversary of nations:-

"Persia, Ethiopia, and Libya, - - - Togarmah of the north quarters - - - in the latter years thou shalt come into the land that is brought back from the sword, and is gathered out of many people, against the mountains of Israel, which have been always waste: but it is brought forth of the nations. - - -"
Ezekiel 38:5-8.

However, at such a time there will be other nations who are to challenge what is taking place, they are described figuratively as:-

"- - - the merchants of Tarshish, with all the young lions thereof - - -"
Ezekiel 38:13.

These are to say:-

"Art thou come to take a spoil?"

Nations however, with interests south of Israel, we are shown by Ezekiel will not deal with this calamity. Ezekiel speaking specifically of the Almighty's purpose, reveals how the Jews will have deliverance:-

"Thus saith the Lord God; Art thou he of whom I have spoken in old time by my servants the prophets of Israel, which prophesied in those days many years that I would bring thee against them? - - - that my fury shall come up in my face - - -. Surely in that day there shall be a great shaking in the land of Israel - - - I will rain upon him, and upon his bands, and upon the many people that are with him, an overflowing rain, and - - - fire and brimstone - - - and they shall know that I am the LORD."

Ezekiel 38:17—23

This impressive declaration reveals a promise that the Jew is most certainly to be saved from their enemies. But as we read Ezekiel's prophecy, we significantly see forecast what is now so evident.

At this last time there are certain national political combinations and one of these is the merchant countries, with a connection to a "lion power", from which they have emanated. So recently we have seen certain nations occupying a specific place in world affairs. Therefore though the European Union has moved closer one to another, the United Kingdom is still not completely absorbed into it. We will quote some comments about the European Common Market in the media:-

"Britain is not in the eurozone (though) we have the same deep-seated economic problems as the EU - - - (concerning the European common currency). - - - individual nations nor the euro itself can be allowed to fail. But that ignores the fundamental - - - Either the EU follows the logic of the single currency and creates a new political entity, the United States of Europe, or - - - the member states reverting to their national currencies - - - if the euro fails then Europe fails. - - -"

What is significant with these details however is this. The United Kingdom keeps its own currency, even to this time. This fact keeps Britain out of being absorbed into the European Common Market, and so the United Kingdom continues to be particularly close to the U.S.A. And this close entity of these two countries means there will be "the merchants of Tarshish", to challenge that northern confederacy against their going against the Nation of Israel, which will bring about such powerful Heavenly intervention.

NEWS FROM THE ECCLESIAS FOR AUGUST 2010

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M.C.S.

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The spiritual provision which comes to us as these months go by in God's wonderful grace, comes to each one of us. Oh! how much we have to thank Him for.

The light of the Gospel of Christ excels all the wisdom of this World. Great is the mercy of the Creator that we should know what the Heavenly purpose is; for all that we see will ultimately come to all which we see around us. That each of us are allowed to participate in the work of preparing for what is coming is a great honour.

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