*THOUGHTS*

*Our lives have changed dramatically over the past three or four months in ways we could not have imagined.*

*A pandemic has wreaked havoc and death over our entire planet and the world has gone on lockdown. We have witnessed things that have never happened in our country before. Things that we thought would never occur in our beloved country.*

*Dennis Prager said, “This is our dress rehearsal for a police state” on how Americans’ liberty is jeopardized more today than at any time since the nation’s founding.*

*This quote was made before George Floyd was killed while handcuffed by a policeman and before the riots broke out all over our country.*

*The things that have been happening are nearly unbelievable. People confined to their homes and fined or even arrested for trying to work so they can provide for their family.*

*New York has looked like a ghost town until the riots there. Americans were told where they allowed to go to a very few places if absolutely necessary but nowhere else. They are allowed to sell and buy marijuana, alcohol, and get an abortion; but they cannot buy seeds, carpet, plants, or paint, and if they go to the beach, they can walk on wet sand but not dry sand.*

*It’s hard to believe that for the first time in our history, we were ordered to stay away from our churches and if we disobeyed we would be fined and possibly arrested.*

*A man playing with his son in his front yard without a mask was arrested but out of control mobs who loot, attack police, set cars on fire and burn down a number of buildings are not arrested.*

*In Minneapolis, the police were ordered to abandon their headquarters to the roaming bands of jackals who vandalized it and tried to burn it to the ground. The city’s leaders also ordered the police to abandon the people and their property to violent barbarism and mayhem which is their sworn duty to prevent.*

*More people are dying in California from suicides than from the virus. One third of the small business in our country are already lost. Hospitals across the nation are shutting down and going out of business.*

*Around 39 million Americans are unemployed and it was reported that three thousand people were in bread lines in NYC.*

*There are still mega-maniacal Governors who are drunk with power who continue to abuse the people by dictating unconstitutional orders and unfortunately, most law officers are willing to execute them because they are more interested in keeping their job than keeping their oath to the Constitution, to God, and to the people.*

*Most people are shocked at this turn of events but they shouldn’t be. Why? Because people in every country in the entire world thought that they could ignore God and His Word and get by with it. They thought they could consistently defy Him and there would be no consequences. Well, they are learning now that they are not in control after all and they are also learning to whom they are accountable.*

***Psalm 2:1-12 Why are the nations in an uproar, And the peoples devising a vain thing? 2) The kings of the earth take their stand, And the rulers take counsel together Against the LORD and against His Anointed: 3) "Let us tear their fetters apart, And cast away their cords from us!" 4) He who sits in the heavens laughs, The Lord scoffs at them. 5) Then He will speak to them in His anger And terrify them in His fury: 6) "But as for Me, I have installed My King Upon Zion, My holy mountain." 7) "I will surely tell of the decree of the LORD: He said to Me, 'Thou art My Son, Today I have begotten Thee. 8) 'Ask of Me, and I will surely give the nations as Thine inheritance, And the very ends of the earth as Thy possession. 9) 'Thou shalt break them with a rod of iron, Thou shalt shatter them like earthenware.'" 10) Now therefore, O kings, show discernment; Take warning, O judges of the earth. 11) Worship the LORD with reverence, and rejoice with trembling. 12) Do homage to the Son, lest He become angry, and you perish in the way, For His wrath may soon be kindled. How blessed are all who take refuge in Him!***

*Christians should rejoice that our God is omnipotent, just, and righteous and He will not tolerate disobedience and depravity. He never has and He never will.*

*Even so, He remains gracious to those who humble themselves before Him.*

***James 4:6 – He is opposed*** (makes war against) ***the proud but gives grace to the humble.***

***2 Chronicles 7:13-14 If I shut up the heavens so that there is no rain, or if I command the locust to devour the land, or if I send pestilence among My people, 14) and My people who are called by My name humble themselves and pray, and seek My face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, will forgive their sin, and will heal their land.***

*It can be bewildering when so many changes occurs so rapidly but believers shouldn’t be disconcerted because our Lord does not change. He is immutable, so we can be secure, stable, and have peace of God that passes all understanding because we can trust Him in all things.*