Our Future Revealed

The father of our country, George Washington, was a man of prayer. We have all read of how he went to the thickets many times to pray during the winter his army was at Valley Forge. However, little publicity has been given to the vision and prophecy he received at that time.

The account of this vision was given in 1859 by an old soldier. He gave it to a worker, Wesley Bradshaw, who published it. In the vision God revealed to George Washington that three great perils would come upon the Republic. He was given to know that America was going through the first peril at that time. The old soldier who told the story of the vision said that the nation would soon see the account verified by the second peril descending upon the land.

We make this publishing of the vision because we believe the third, and greatest peril prophesied is about to strike America. We will all do well to take heed and make all necessary preparation.

We give the account here as it was reprinted in the U.S. war veterans’ paper The National Tribune, in December 1880. The National Tribune, is now The Stars and Stripes. This article was reprinted in The Stars and Stripes December 21, 1950. Here is the report of this phenomenal, and most important heavenly message for us at this hour. Wesley Bradshaw wrote:

The last time I ever saw Anthony Sherman was on the fourth of July, 1859, in Independence Square. He was then ninety-nine years old, and becoming very feeble. But though so old, his dimming eyes rekindled as he gazed upon Independence Hall, which he came to visit once more.

Withheld Message Disclosed

“Let us go into the hall,” he said, “I want to tell you of an incident of Washington’s life—one which no one alive knows of except myself; and if you live, you will before long see it verified. Mark the prediction you will see it verified.

“From the opening of the Revolution we experienced all phases of fortune, now good and now ill, one time victorious and another conquered. The darkest period we had, I think, was when Washing- ton, after several retreats from Fort Lee, where he resolved to pass the winter of 1777. Ah! I have often seen the tears coursing down our dear commander’s careworn cheeks, as he would be conversing with a confidential officer about the condition of his poor soldiers. You have doubtless heard the story of Washington’s going to the thicket to pray. He was so filled with earnestness that he was wont to pray in secret for aid and comfort. And God brought us safely through the darkest days of tribulation.

“One day, I remember it well, the chilly winds whistled through the leafless trees, though the sky was clear and the sun alone brightly shone. He remained in his quarters nearly all the afternoon, alone. When he came out I noticed that his face was a shade paler than usual, and there seemed to be something on his mind of more than ordinary importance. Returning from the thicket, he gathered an orderly to the quarters of an officer, who was present in attendance. After a preliminary conversation of about half an hour, Washington, gazing upon his companion with that strange look of dignity which he alone could command, said to the latter:

An Uninvited Guest

“I do not know whether it is owing to the anxiety of my mind, or what, but this afternoon, as I was sitting at this table engaged in preparing a dispatch, something in the apartment seemed to disturb me. Looking up, I beheld standing opposite me a singularly beautiful being. So astonishing was I, for I had given strict orders not to be disturbed that it was some moments before I found language to inquire the cause of the visit. A second, a third, and even a fourth time did I repeat my question, but received no answer from my mysterious visitor except a slight raising of the eyes.

“By this time I felt strange sensations spreading through me. I would have risen but the riveted gaze of the being before me rendered volition impossible. I assayed to turn my eyes to the side, but my tongue had become useless, as if paralyzed. A new influence, mysterious, potent, irresistible, took possession of me. All I could do was to gaze steadily, vacantly at my unknown visitor.

“Gradually the surrounding atmosphere seemed to fill with sensations, and grew luminous. Everything about me seemed to be rarefied, the mysterious visitor also becoming more airy and yet more distinct to my sight than before. I began to feel as one dying, or rather to experience the sensations which I have sometimes experienced accompany death. I did not think, I did not reason, I did not move. All were alike impossible. I was only conscious of gazing fixedly, vacantly at my companion.

The Revelation

“Presently I heard a voice saying, ‘Son of the Republic, look and learn,’ while at the same time my visitor extended an arm eastward. I now beheld a heavy white vapor at some distance rising fold upon fold. This gradually dissipated, and I looked upon a strange scene. Before me lay, spread out in one vast plain, all the countries of the world—Europe, Asia, Africa and America. I saw rolling and tossing between Europe and America the billows of the Atlantic, and between Asia and America lay the Pacific. ‘Son of the Republic,’ said the same mysterious voice as before, ‘look and learn.’

“At that moment I beheld a dark, shadowy being, like an angel, standing, or rather floating in mid-air, between Europe and America. Dipping water out of the ocean in the hollow of each hand, he sprinkled some upon America with his right hand, while with his left he cast some over Europe. Immediately a cloud arose from these countries, and joined in mid-ocean. For awhile it remained stationary, and then it moved slowly westward, until it enveloped America in its murky folds. Sharp flashes of lightening gleamed through it at intervals, and I heard the snarling growls and cries of the American people. (This may be interpreted to have been the Revolutionary War then in progress.)

A Great Victory

“A second time the angel dipped water from the ocean and sprinkled it out as before. The dark cloud was then drawn back to the ocean, in whose heaving billows it sank from view.

“A third time I heard the mysterious voice saying, ‘Son of the Republic, look and learn.’ I cast my eyes upon America and beheld villages and towns and cities springing up one after another until the whole land from the Atlantic to the Pacific was dotted with them. Again, I heard the mysterious voice say, ‘Son of the Republic, the end of the century cometh, look and learn.’

“And this time the dark shadowy angel turned his face southwest. From Africa I saw an ill-omened spectre approach our land. It flitted slowly and heavily over every town and city of the latter. The inhabitants presently set themselves in battle array against each other. As I continued looking I saw a bright angel on whose brow rested a crown of light, on which was traced the word ‘Union.’ He was bearing the
“Then once more, I beheld the villages, towns and cities springing up where I had seen them before, while the bright angel, planting the azure standard he had brought in the midst of them, cried with a loud voice: ‘While the stars remain, and the heavens send down dew upon the earth, so long shall the Union last.’ And to the east he raised his hand; and upon which blazoned the word ‘Union’ he placed it upon the Standard while the people, kneeling down said, ‘Amen.’

The Future

“The scene instantly began to fade and dissolve, and I, at last saw nothing but the rising, curling vapor I at first beheld. This also disappeared, and I found myself once more gazing upon the mysterious visitor, who, in the same voice I had heard before, said, ‘Son of the Republic, what you have seen is thus interpreted: You shall come upon the Republic. The most fearful for her is the third. But the whole world united shall not prevail against her. Let every child of the Republic learn to live for his God, his land and Union.’ With these words the vision vanished, and I started from my seat and felt that I had seen a vision which had been shown me the birth, the progress, and destiny of the United States.”

“Such, my friends,” the venerable narrator concluded, “were the words I heard from Washington’s own lips, and America will do well to profit by them.”

Heaven Intervenes

“Instantly a light as of a thousand suns shone down from above, and pierced and broke into fragments the dark cloud which enveloped America. At the same moment the angel upon whose head still shone the word Union, and who bore our national flag in one hand and the sword of another, descend ed from the heavens attended by legions of white spirits. These immediately joined the inhabitants of America, who I perceived were well-nigh overcome, but who immediately taking courage again, closed up their broken ranks and led the battle forward.”

“Again, amid the fearful noise of the conflict I heard the mysterious voice saying, ‘Son of the Republic, look and learn.’ As the voice ceased, the shadowy angel for the last time dipped water from the ocean and sprinkled it upon America. Instantly the dark cloud rolled back, together with the armies it had brought, leaving the inhabitants of the land victorious.”

“While in spite of this warning we are almost daily hearing of new concessions and surrenders America is making to the Communists. At this writing we are not sure what will positively come to pass. It is not improbable that the course must be changed if the prophecy given George Washington is to come true. And we believe this will soon happen. However, it is evident that when we do not surrender the enemy will attack. This will mean death to millions in America before it’s over.

The Bible clearly predicts that Jesus Christ will return to this earth and rule as King of Kings and Lord of Lords for one thousand years. However, before that time begins to come, the Bible prophesies that there will be a time of tribulation and bloodshed such as this world has never seen.”

Where Is Your Future?

The main issue is, where will you personally be when it all over? Whether you die because of war or by other means is immaterial. The great and awful issue which confronts every one of us is … ‘It is appointed unto men once to die, but the judgment.’” Hebrews 9:27. We will all surely die by one means or another, and it may be sooner than you think. Are you ready to be judged by God? Are you sure?

The Bible says, “All have sinned and come short of the glory of God.” It also states, “The wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.” We have all rebelled against our God and gone our own ways. But God has sent His Son, Jesus Christ, to become His sin-offering for us, dying in our place, that God in righteousness might forgive those who call upon Him.

We quote from the Apostle Peter at the beginning of this article, from the second chapter of the book of Acts in the New Testament. Notice what Peter says in continuation. He states that God declares, “And I will shew wonders in heaven above, and signs upon the earth beneath: blood and fire, and vapour of smoke. The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before that great and notable day of the Lord come. And it shall come to pass, that whosoever shall call on the name of the Lord shall be saved.” God has given His warning, and the day is upon us. Acts 2:20-21.

Through Peter’s pen God promises that all who sincerely call upon Him for forgiveness will be saved. Peter also stated, “Seeing then that all these things shall be dissolved, consider the kind of lives you ought to live, how you ought to serve God!” You may be living now to obtain wealth, pleasure and ease, but all these things shall be burned up and destroyed! Then when will you have, and where will you be? Jesus said, “Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal. But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven in which neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal: For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.” Matthew 6:19-21.

Surrender your heart to God while He gives you life and opportunity to do so. Tomorrow may be forever too late!

We Have Today

“Prepare to meet thy God!” The Bible is God’s message to man. READ IT! Start reading with the Book of Luke in the New Testament, and when you have finished the volume then read the first two books Matthew and Mark.

We live in the greatest time this world has ever known. Let us each make sure we also live to enjoy God’s great kingdom forever. This is your chance to really live! Don’t miss it! Destruction, and hell, await those who refuse to repent and surrender to God. But life to those who make up as we have never known it before awaits those who accept Jesus Christ as their Saviour and their Lord. “...behold, now is the day of salvation.” 2 Corinthians 6:2.


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