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TOMORROW

"So do not worry or be anxious about tomorrow, for tomorrow will have worry and anxieties of its own. Sufficient for each day is its own trouble." Matthew 6:34 AMP

The year 2011 has been a roller coaster for many of the people around the world. In many ways we have seen a glimpse of the writings in Matthew 24:6-7 which states, "And you will hear of wars and rumors of wars. See that you are not troubled; for all these things must come to pass, but the end is not yet. For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. And there will be famines, pestilences, and earthquakes in various places." (NKJV) The increase of greed due to the love of money has caused our country to face financial calamity. And it is happening abroad as well. Job loss, home loss, family loss, mental loss, finance loss seems to have been the theme of the year. Worst of all is many who once believed in the gospel have lost their hope in the word and turned away from God. Soul loss has been high within the body this year. How does one prepare to see the close of one year and the beginning of another? For so many people the coming of the New Year presents nothing more than a continuation of this year. For many when December 31, 2011 ends they will face another tomorrow holding its same issues. Hal Borland says, "Year's end is neither an end nor a beginning but a going on, with all the wisdom that experience can instill in us."

It's a sobering thought what Matthew writes about tomorrow. Moreover, it is the greatest truth we all should embrace in these challenging times. The Message bible says it another way, which I believe provides a clear and more hopeful perspective, "Give your entire attention to what God is doing right now, and don't get worked up about what may or may not happen tomorrow. God will help you deal with whatever hard things come up when the time comes." The words to a song come to mind as we move into the year 2012, "I don't feel no ways tired. Come too far from where He brought me from. Nobody told me that the road would be easy. I don't believe He brought me this far to leave me."

We all must give God the glory and honor due Him for sustaining us through 2011. Just as He's bringing us through this year, He will bring us through 2012 no matter what it brings. Don't sell your birthright for a pot of beans. Soon we will be leaving for our rendezvous with Jesus!!!

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