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This past weekend has been hurricane prep or frenzy. The weather prophets have spotted a 'storm system' and issued dire warnings for a category 4 hurricane. Having lived through these storms in the recent past, all of us pay attention and get ready; supplies, food, candles, lights, clearing movable objects, fill gas tanks. Then we wait...wait it out and pray.

This all brings to mind another storm. Only then the warning came 970 years before it happened as told to us in Gen. 5,6,7. The prophet Enoch warned the people of a devastating storm of judgment on the wicked generation. He even named his son Methusaleh meaning "when he dies the flood will come." Think about this: Methuselah live 969 years! 969 years of warning that God would flood the earth to kill all living things that had breath. Enoch lived 300 years after his son was born all the while walking with God and warning the people to leave their wickedness. The only person who believed Enoch was his grandson Noah, born 4 years after Enoch died. Noah is said to be a just man and perfect in his generations, and Noah walked with God. Gen 6:9 Only Enoch and Noah are said to have 'walked with God', meaning to walk up and down talking. Adam did only before the fall. Perhaps Abel did before he was murdered.

Nevertheless, no one heeded Enoch and Noah's warning. Peter called Noah a 'preacher of righteousness' in 2 Peter 2:5. Only Noah was righteous and God mercifully included his family to help repopulate after the flood. Peter warns us: For as in the days that were before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noah entered into the ark, and knew not until the flood came, and took them all away; 1 Peter 3:20-21 Which sometime were disobedient, when once the longsuffering of God waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was a preparing, wherein few, that is, eight souls were saved by water. The like figure whereunto even baptism doth also now save us (not the putting away of the filth of the flesh, but the answer of a good conscience toward God,) by the resurrection of Jesus Christ: 2 Pe 3:20

Now Jesus gave us clear warning of the last days and that was almost 2000 years ago before He died. As the years role by fewer and fewer listen and believe. Wickedness grows in the earth by leaps and bounds. Jesus warned us what these days would look like. They asked: and what shall be the sign of thy coming, and of the end of the world? And Jesus answered and said unto them, Take heed that no man deceive you. For many shall come in my name, saying, I am Christ; and shall deceive many. And ye shall hear of wars and rumors of wars: see that ye be not troubled: for all these things must come to pass, but the end is not yet. For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom: and there shall be famines, and pestilences, and earthquakes, in divers places. All these are the beginning of sorrows. Then shall they deliver you up to be afflicted, and shall kill you: and ye shall be hated of all nations for my name's sake. And then shall many be offended, and shall betray one another, and shall hate one another. And many false prophets shall rise, and shall deceive many. And because iniquity shall abound, the love of many shall wax cold. But he that shall endure unto the end, the same shall be saved. And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come. When ye therefore shall see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, stand in the holy place, (whoso reads, let him understand:) Then let them which be in Judaea flee into the mountains: Let him which is on the housetop not come down to take any thing out of his house: Neither let him which is in the field return back to take his clothes. Continued on Page 4



Dear Little Lambs Ministry,

Hello there! I surely hope that all of you and your families are doing marvelous in very way. I'm wanting to gain much knowledge of both Jesus and God's Word. Will you please help me do so by sending me a correspondence course? I would also appreciate it if you would <u>pray for my younger brother</u>. Ya see years ago I copied parts

of my Bible and sent it to him. When I called him, he told me that if I ever send him anything with the Word of God on it he would stop talking with me on the phone, stop coming to visit me, and will even stop putting money into my account. I told him that he is feeling the way Satan wanted him to feel. Then I told him that he needed to pray about it. Then he asked me if I wanted him to hang up? I said no. then he told me to shut up then. Then I told him that I'll pray for him. He said ok, but not on the phone. I said ok. I prayed for him already but ever since then I would pray even more for him. I'm sorry, I need to go as dinner is being passed out I need to get to the door or they will pass by with the food! My name is below. Thank you all so much. Don. *Please pray for Don's brother*.

Greetings, I just received my Study Bible in the mail! Thank you so much for your kind gift. It means so much to us in here when someone shows us kindness. We don't see much of that and often-times picked on just for being a Christian. So again , thank you!

I really enjoyed your bible study and I'm sad it's over with in a way. Thank you for sticking to scripture and for letting the bible speak for itself. So many bible studies are ruined by "I feels" and "I thinks." Also thank you for keying it to the KJV as I feel it's head and shoulders above all other versions. I will keep you all in my prayers. Val

Graduate 4-4: Thank you so much for facilitating this study for me, grading and helping me with my knowledge of God's Word! Of all the studies I have done <u>this has been my absolute favorite</u>. It is well organized and includes <u>so much scripture</u> to fill in which plants the Word in my heart. <u>God bless your ministry!</u> Patrick Tn

Dear Little Lambs, I received My Graduation certificate along with my beautiful Study Bible. Thank you so much for the time and effort put forth in helping me study God's Word. Not only did your study help me learn about God, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit, along with how to live a Christian life, it helped me become more confident moving through the Bible and seeing all the connections different scriptures have to each other. I did enjoy the study. Thank you and thank you for the Bible! John, Tx

Dear John and Eileen Sala, this is Danny. I just wanted to let you know I received the Study Bible in the mail tonight with my graduation certificate. Thank you so very much. From the very beginning of your bible study I wanted to give the Bible to someone who needed it. Tonight the Lord blessed me with the wisdom to bless someone with that Bible. This blessing was only through the Lord and trusting in Him. I want to say thank you for your kind words and the time and money you spend to touch the life of another. When I got into prison I was given your Bible Study. Yours was the first and I enjoyed it the most of my Bible Studies. I have learned a lot for it. I have been growing in my walk with the Lord. I know I missed a couple of your questions but I put in my full effort. I wanted to have a perfect score but I realize its not so much about the perfect score or winning or losing. It is abut the effort and where the heart is. Thank you for your prayers and your hearts. I love you as well. Your Christian friend, Dan. Ar.

I ask if your would pray for my health. I've been dealing with HIV and AIDS since 1996. God has been so good to me and my health is a blessing. I truly believe In Jesus. Yes, at times I feel all alone and cry. I'll say again thank you for pulling me through this pain of hurt. I also thank you for helping me through this sexual assault that happened to me. I forgave this administration. I must move on with my life. This Bible and Little Lambs have truly helped my spirit and health to be strong and keep my faith in God. Please share my testimony with whomever you want to. I pray if Jesus did it for me, He'll do it for them. Jason, Ar

Dear Ms. Sala, Greetings from Miamil I pray that this letter finds you in good health and at peace in Him. Thank you for the letter and picture that you sent. It took me back to a good time and I really enjoyed sitting under John's teaching and yours. The graduation picture was from the Overcomers class which was a pivotal point in my life and my Christian walk. During the course of the class, I got to Step Four where we are asked to take a "fearless moral inventory" of ourselves. I was ok up to this point, but the inventory took me into areas of my life and personality where I did not want to go and I came very close to closing the Overcomers book and quitting the class. But I knew that if I wanted to grow and move forward in my recovery, I had to push through this step and face what I found there. I'm glad that I did. The silversmith cannot remove the impurities from the silver unless he heats the silver to bring the impurities up to the surface where they can be skimmed off. The way that the silversmith knows that the silver is ready is when he can see his reflection in the molten metal. God will continually refine us with the goal of getting us to the point where He can see His Son's reflection in us. This is a life-long and perhaps eternal, process. I liked the class so much and got so much out of it that I took it twice. John even created an "advanced" certificate to allow me to take the class again. If at all possible, please continue with that class; there may another soul out there who need the class the way that I needed it.

Thank you for joining me in giving God praise for what He is doing in my life. I had the hearing where they said that they were going to send me to Everglades Correctional to take the Lifer's Program and I thought I'd go in a few weeks. Six days later I was on the bus heading south. Since I have been here, God has shown me in-

credible favor and the program here is incredible. My next hearing will be in January of 2022 and if it God's will, I will be out in early 2022. October of this year will make 31 years that I've been in; it is time to go. I may exit to Tampa and move back to Polk/Highlands county area but I'd like to go back into Avon Park CI as a Kairos volunteer. There will always be someone in there who can be encouraged by your testimony. Perhaps, somewhere down the line you'll be looking for another volunteer to facilitate



Overcomers. I would be open to doing that. Right now, though, I am focused on getting out and I know God will make path clear when the time comes.

I want you to know, Ms. Sala, that I've always admired and appreciated your perseverance and dedication to the men of Avon Park C.I. What you bring in the Family & Marriage class has changed many lives, including mine, and given the guys tools and understanding that are rooted in Christ. Perhaps this is how you are able to push through having to contend with Chicken Night for all of these years. Actually, I know that it is your commitment to Christ that keeps you doing what you do.

I'll close for now and get this into the mail to you. May our Lord continue to empower you and Little Lambs to continue to reach lives and win souls for Him. In Christ, Paul. Paul is a lifer going into prison as a young man. He served as our chief chapel clerk for a number of years. Now having 31 years with an excellent record, he has qualified for a new program for such lifers to released early. The program is actually to be a re-entry education and to un-institutionalize inmates for joining society. Please keep Paul in your prayers. Chicken night is a private joke in prison because all the inmates eat on this one night a week with real meat. That makes the mealtime run longer and usually late to class.

Dear Little Lambs Ministry.

Just a note to let you know how much I do appreciate the Little Lamb Bible Study. I have taken a few Bible studies in my time as a Christian. But most bible studies they want you to write like John 3:16 and in a little line like this ______ to write it. In your notes and letters, you do care about us. Most bible studies will not write you back, where your write them. And some bible studies give you a student number. All you are to them is a number. A lot of us are older Christians and some have very bad vision. Yours is the first and I mean the first bible study that has BIG PRINT and very nice looong lines to write the verses. You also explain the verses to us. May the Lord bless you. Justin Continued from Page 1...And woe unto them that are with child, and to them that give suck in those days! But pray ye that your flight be not in the winter, neither on the sabbath day: For then shall be great tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be. And except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved: but for the elect's sake those days shall be shortened. Matt 24:3-22

But as the days of Noah were, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be. For as in the days that were before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noah entered into the ark, And knew not until the flood came, and took them all away; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be. Matt 24:37-39

Beloved, as we can see fear and uncertainty in many people today because of this monster storm, it is nothing compared to the storm coming at the end of the age. Jesus' warning may seem stale or ridiculous to some-until the rain came or until the man of sin is revealed. Oh, Beloved, seeing that we have so great a salfation what manner of men and women ought we to be.

Enoch even prophesied and warned us, perhaps the last generation of the coming of the Lord in June 14-16: And Enoch also, the 7th from Adam, prophesied of these saying, Behold the Lord comes with ten thousands of his saints to execute judgment upon all and to convince all that are ungodly of all their ungodly eeds which they have ungodly committed and of all their <u>hard speeches</u> which ungodly sinners have spoken against him. These are murmurers, complainers, walking after their own lusts; and their mouth speaketh great swelling words, having men's persons in admiration because of advantage.

I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you come behind in no gift, and he may establish your hearts unblameable in holiness before God, even our Father, at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ with all his saints. For what is our hope, or joy, or crown of rejoicing? Are not even ye in the presence of our Lord Jesus Christ at his coming?

And I pray also for the safety of all the prisons in the path of the storm. Even though the storm rages we are safe in the arms of Jesus. The prison is on lockdown until Thursday at least and so is the jail. Here at Little Lambs we are very grateful to be on the grid with the jail and sheriff and our power us usually quickly restored. We are equipped this time with lots of inflatable beds for our volunteers who will work here while their power is restored once we are online again. The amazing thing was during Irma, our Publix store had a whole store generator and opened immediately after the storm and stayed open throughout the aftermath. What a huge blessing that was for everyone! For the future, our volunteers, Ruth and Phil, have donated a new generator this week and we will have it up an running for the

SCHEDULE SEPTEMBER 2019

Mon...Highlands Co. Jail, Women Bible Study

Mon...<u>Graduation: Marriage & Family/</u> Anger Management APCI Main U.

Tues...Avon Park Prison Bible Study

- Wed... Overcomers Bible Fellowship Church @ 6 pm
- Thurs.. Hogar Resa Sebring Bible Study
- Thurs..Graduation: Marriage & Family/
- Anger Management APCI Work C.
- Thurs..Released to Love, Women Codependent recovery @ 6:30 pm@ Little Lambs Counseling by Appointment 863-273-7388

next storm. Thank you so much!

We are set to graduate all our Marriage and Family folks, around 33 of them at both the Main Unit and the Work Camp. It has been an unusually long session due to lots of changes at the prison. One of my really encouraging things is to see the growth of a young man, an unbeliever, a Hispanic who speaks very little English, take the class for 2 sessions now. During the first session he also started the Spanish Bible study and he listens with rapt attention. You have to see his countenance change since he started. He is so excited. And his friends too. We just never know what God has in mind at any time.

Please pray for our staff and graders as well as everyone in this storm's path. Especially thank you for your continued support and love. I will close now to get this out before the power goes out! God bless you.

> Your servant, Eileen Sala