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The World Tomorrow will be very different to today. Because God's truth will blanket the earth ... available to all mankind.

Crime, sickness, disease, false religion will be missing.

People will need to be taught ... one to one, small groups. If they are going to be taught, they will need teachers. The teachers will be us, the saints.

<u>Isaiah 11:1-9</u>

There shall come forth a Rod from the stem of Jesse, And a Branch shall grow out of his roots. (Jesus) The Spirit of the Lord shall rest upon Him, The Spirit of wisdom and understanding, The Spirit of counsel and might, <u>The Spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the Lord.</u> <u>His delight is in the fear of the Lord,</u>

"The wolf also shall dwell with the lamb, The leopard shall lie down with the young goat, The calf and the young lion and the fatling together; And a little child shall lead them. The cow and the bear shall graze; Their young ones shall lie down together; And the lion shall eat straw like the ox. The nursing child shall play by the cobra's hole, And the weaned child shall put his hand in the viper's den. They shall not hurt nor destroy in all My holy mountain, For the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the Lord As the waters cover the sea." (That is a huge difference than today).

How do they find out the knowledge of The Lord?

Malachi 1:11

" <u>For from the rising of the sun, even to its going down,</u> <u>My name shall be great among the Gentiles;</u> In every place incense (prayers) shall be offered to My name, And a pure offering; <u>For My name shall be great among the nations</u>," Says the Lord of hosts."

God will be revered, but how?

<u>Isaiah 2:1-4</u>

"The word that Isaiah the son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem. Now it shall come to pass in the latter days That the mountain of the Lord's house Shall be established on the top of the mountains, And shall be exalted above the hills; And all nations shall flow to it. Many people shall come and say, "Come, and let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, To the house of the God of Jacob; He will teach us His ways, And we shall walk in His paths." For out of Zion shall go forth the law, (Torah: instruction/teaching) And the word of the Lord from Jerusalem. He shall judge between the nations, And rebuke many people; They shall beat their swords into plowshares, And their spears into pruning hooks; Nation shall not lift up sword against nation, Neither shall they learn war anymore."

They won't learn war ... but they will learn God's words.

Maybe people might be taught by tv or cinema-type screens in the World Tomorrow. How are people taught today ... with teachers. It will be the same in the future ... good teachers. What a difference a good teacher makes. We will be those teachers (the saints) in the World Tomorrow.

Matthew 28:18-20

" And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. <u>Go therefore and make disciples of all</u> <u>the nations</u>, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, <u>teaching them to observe all things that I have</u> <u>commanded you</u>; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age." Amen."

This is The Great Commission ... Go out there and teach. What Christ has taught us ... we are to replicate.

Matthew 4:1-4

"Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. And when He had fasted forty days and forty nights, afterward He was hungry. Now when the tempter came to Him, he said, "If You are the Son of God, command that these stones become bread." But He answered and said, "It is written, 'Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God.' ""

Everyone must live by the Word of God ... including in the Millennium. No one will have an excuse for missing out on God's truth, God's plan. It will be our role to teach them.

<u>Jeremiah 31:31-34</u>

"Behold, the days are coming, says the Lord, when <u>I will make a new</u> <u>covenant</u> with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah— not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day that I took them by the hand to lead them out of the land of Egypt, My covenant which they broke, though I was a husband to them, says the Lord. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: <u>I will put My law (Torah) in their minds, and write</u> <u>it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be My</u> <u>people.</u> No more shall every man teach his neighbor, and every man his brother, saying, 'Know the Lord,' for <u>they all shall know Me, from the</u> <u>least of them to the greatest of them, says the Lord.</u> For I will forgive their iniquity, and their sin I will remember no more."

In the future, no one will be blind to God's truth.

<u>Isaiah 29:9-12</u>

Pause and wonder!

Blind yourselves and be blind!

They are drunk, but not with wine;

They stagger, but not with intoxicating drink. (Because they have false teaching)

For the Lord has poured out on you

The spirit of deep sleep,

And has closed your eyes, namely, the prophets;

And He has covered your heads, namely, the seers. (The religious leaders are blind)

The whole vision has become to you like the words of a book that is sealed, which men deliver to one who is literate, saying, "Read this, please." And he says, "I cannot, for it is sealed."

Then the book is delivered to one who is illiterate, saying, "Read this, please."

And he says, "I am not literate.""

<u>Isaiah 29:17-19</u>

Is it not yet a very little while

Till Lebanon shall be turned into a fruitful field,

And the fruitful field be esteemed as a forest?

In that day the deaf shall hear the words of the book,

And <u>the eyes of the blind shall see</u> out of obscurity and out of darkness.

The humble also shall increase their joy in the Lord,

And the poor among men shall rejoice

In the Holy One of Israel."

<u>Isaiah 25:6-8</u>

" And in this mountain The Lord of hosts will make for all people A <u>feast</u> of choice pieces, A <u>feast</u> of wines on the lees, Of fat things full of marrow, Of well-refined wines on the lees. <u>And He will destroy on this mountain</u> <u>The surface of the covering cast over all people,</u> <u>And the veil that is spread over all nations.</u> He will swallow up death forever, And the Lord God will wipe away tears from all faces; The rebuke of His people He will take away from all the earth; For the Lord has spoken."

Today there is a veil over people's eyes. But ... not in the future.

<u>Isaiah 30:18-21</u>

"Therefore the Lord will wait, that He may be gracious to you; And therefore He will be exalted, that He may have mercy on you. For the Lord is a God of justice; Blessed are all those who wait for Him. For the people shall dwell in Zion at Jerusalem; You shall weep no more. He will be very gracious to you at the sound of your cry; When He hears it, He will answer you. And though the Lord gives you The bread of adversity and the water of affliction, Yet your teachers will not be moved into a corner anymore, But your eyes shall see your teachers. (We have a job to do ... conveying the truth to the people on the earth). Your ears shall hear a word behind you, saying, "This is the way, walk in it," Whenever you turn to the right hand Or whenever you turn to the left." (Teachers will be necessary)

<u>Isaiah 54:4-8</u>

" "Do not fear, for you will not be ashamed; Neither be disgraced, for you will not be put to shame; For you will forget the shame of your youth, And will not remember the reproach of your widowhood anymore. For your Maker is your husband, The Lord of hosts is His name: And your Redeemer is the Holy One of Israel; He is called the God of the whole earth. For the Lord has called you Like a woman forsaken and grieved in spirit, Like a youthful wife when you were refused," Says your God. "For a mere moment I have forsaken you, But with great mercies I will gather you. With a little wrath I hid My face from you for a moment; But with everlasting kindness I will have mercy on you," Says the Lord, your Redeemer."

<u>Isaiah 54:11-14</u>

" "O you afflicted one, Tossed with tempest, and not comforted, Behold, I will lay your stones with colorful gems, And lay your foundations with sapphires. I will make your pinnacles of rubies, Your gates of crystal, And all your walls of precious stones. <u>All your children shall be taught by the Lord,</u> <u>And great shall be the peace of your children.</u>(God will use us to do this) In righteousness you shall be established; You shall be far from oppression, for you shall not fear; And from terror, for it shall not come near you." The whole world will probably have Christ teach them in a group situation (in a similar way that we use satellite today) and perhaps use us for "general use".

Ezra 7:6

" this <u>Ezra</u> came up from Babylon; and he <u>was a skilled scribe in the</u> <u>Law</u> of Moses, which the Lord God of Israel had given. The king granted him all his request, according to the hand of the Lord his God upon him."

<u>GOOD NEWS BIBLE</u> ... "Ezra was a scholar with a thorough knowledge of the Law"

<u>Ezra 7:10</u>

" Ezra had devoted his life to studying the Law of the LORD, to practicing it, and to teaching all its laws and regulations to the people of Israel."

Ezra 7:10 NET TRANSLATION

"Now Ezra had dedicated himself to the study of the law of the Lord, to its observance, and to teaching its statutes and judgments in Israel."

<u>Isaiah 66:1-2</u>

"Thus says the Lord: "Heaven is My throne, And earth is My footstool. Where is the house that you will build Me? And where is the place of My rest? For all those things My hand has made, And all those things exist," Says the Lord. "But on this one will I look: On him who is poor (humble) and of a contrite spirit, And who trembles (deeply respects) at My word."

Isaiah 66:2 HCSB

" My hand made all these things, and so they all came into being. This is the Lord's declaration. <u>I will look favorably on this kind of person:</u> <u>one who is humble, submissive in spirit,</u> <u>and trembles at My word."</u>

John 6:60-63

Therefore **many of His disciples**, when they heard this, said, "**This is a hard saying; (offensive) who can understand it**?"

When Jesus knew in Himself that His disciples complained about this, He said to them, "Does this offend you? What then if you should see the Son of Man ascend where He was before? It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh profits nothing. <u>The words that I speak to you are spirit, and they are life.</u>"

John 6:66-68

" From that time many of His disciples went back and walked with Him no more. Then Jesus said to the twelve, "Do you also want to go away?" But Simon Peter answered Him, "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life." (NB JESUS DIDN'T GO AFTER THEM ... HE DIDN'T CHASE THEM)

John 6:67-68

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Philippians 2:12-16

Therefore, my beloved, as you have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence, <u>work out your own salvation</u> with fear and trembling; for it is God who works in you both to will and to do for His good pleasure.

Do all things without complaining and disputing, that you may become blameless and harmless, children of God without fault in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation, among whom you shine as lights in the world, <u>holding fast the word of life</u>, so that I may rejoice in the day of Christ that I have not run in vain or labored in vain."

2 Timothy 3:13-17

" But evil men and impostors will grow worse and worse, deceiving and being deceived. <u>But you must continue in the things which you have</u> <u>learned and been assured of, knowing from whom you have learned</u> <u>them, and that from childhood you have known the HOLY SCRIPTURES,</u> <u>which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith which is in</u> <u>Christ Jesus</u>.(from the Old Testament)

All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work."

We will be the teachers of all these truths in the world to come. (How long did you pray today? When was the last time you fasted other than the Day of Atonement? How much Bible Study did you do today? We can ask these sort of questions to get "the temperature of Christians today)

Mark 4:13-20

And He said to them, "Do you not understand this parable? How then will you understand all the parables? The sower sows the word. And these are the ones by the wayside where the word is sown. When they hear, Satan comes immediately (if not sooner) and takes away the word that was sown in their hearts. These likewise are the ones sown on stony ground who, when they hear the word, immediately receive it with gladness; and they have no root in themselves, and so endure only for a time. Afterward, when tribulation or persecution arises for the word's sake, immediately they stumble. Now these are the ones sown among thorns; they are the ones who hear the word, and the cares of this world, the deceitfulness of riches, and the desires for other things entering in choke the word, and it becomes unfruitful. But these are the ones sown on good ground, those who <u>hear the word, accept it, and bear fruit: some thirtyfold, some sixty,</u> <u>and some a hundred.""</u>

If anything "squashes God's word" out of our life, then are we really trembling at the word of God, are we equipped to teach in the World Tomorrow. Do we really love God's word?

<u>Hebrews 5:10-14</u>

" called by God as High Priest "according to the order of Melchizedek,"" of whom we have much to say, and hard to explain, since you have become dull of hearing.

For though by this time you ought to be teachers, you need someone to teach you again the first principles of the oracles of God; and you have come to need milk and not solid food. (We should be able to teach ... that's why we are called). For everyone who partakes only of milk is unskilled in the word of righteousness, for he is a babe. But solid food belongs to those who are of full age, that is, those who by reason of use have their senses exercised to discern both good and evil."

We should be skilled in the word of righteousness. We should practise the word of God.

There will be a role for the saints of God ... teachers ... responsible for the people who end up in The God Family.