



Who Will Be Able to Stand?

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TODAY'S READING: Revelation 6

Before we talk about today's devotion I have to correct an error I made in a devotion I wrote on September 9 regarding 2 Peter 2. I wrote that God turned Ballam into a donkey and that was clearly a mistake. The scripture says in verse 16, *"but was rebuked for his own transgression; a speechless donkey spoke with human voice and restrained the prophet's madness."* I just wanted to clear it up. Now on to today's devotion:

John describes the fear that will be felt by every unbeliever. He lists seven offices and people that describe every person alive on the earth--the kings or world heads of state, the great ones or officials in government, the generals or military leaders, the rich or those who control major amounts of finance, the strong or those who are influential in society, then the slave and free man.

You would think they would react with repentance because they see the judgment from God, but they do not. They will still follow the Antichrist. They will seek to hide themselves in caves and among the rocks of the mountains. Some commentaries say they are seeking shelter from the asteroids and meteors bombarding the earth, but when you think about earthquakes and volcanic eruptions, they find no place to be safe.

Strangely, it did not cause a world-wide prayer meeting. Instead of repenting, they pray to Mother Nature, not God. They pray to the mountains and rocks to fall on them so they would not see the presence of God who sits on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb. "The great day of their wrath" is another term for "the Day of the Lord" and these judgments happen before the coming of the Lord Jesus.

Then the Word asks, *"Who is able to stand?"* and the answer is, *"No one."* But the question from a different aspect, *"Who is able to stand?"*--those who put their faith in Jesus Christ--the saints.

PRAYER: Father, thank You for the gift of Your Son, because of His sacrifice we are no longer objects of Your wrath.

TOMORROW'S READING: Revelation 7

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