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Dear Associates and Friends,

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“[Redistribution of Wealth](#)” is the article for January 2022. I combined three Commentaries I wrote beginning in 2004, updated them with current demographics, statistical data, and additional background information. Hopefully, this update will help you understand the current world situation.

Much has happened during the 17+ years since I wrote the original Commentaries. Events that transpired since then, especially in recent years, confirm to me it will be decades before the end times will begin. Several major prophecies have events that must occur several years before the prophecies can begin. Let me give three examples of “conditional” prophecies where events must happen before the prophecies begin. In other words, conditions must be in place for fulfillment of the prophecies. God’s prophetic words will be done.

- There can be no “**abomination of desolation**” (Matthew 24:15; Mark 13:14) unless a Temple is built in Jerusalem to be desolated. A proper Temple must be built according to biblical criteria. Jewish religious leaders know this, and they are correct to follow the biblical standards.
- Unless an entire new city of Babylon is constructed Babylon cannot be destroyed as several prophecies say. The city does not exist now, yet it must exist during the future “Day of the Lord” (Isaiah 13:6, 9). It will take time to build it. No commerce is occurring as described in Isaiah chapters 13 and 51, and Revelation chapter 18. Jeremiah chapter 50 says the people of Israel will be devoted to YHWH before the destruction of Babylon described in chapter 51. None of these prophecies have happened in history.
- Wars will be fought, treaties signed, and more wars fought over many years. The combatants have not yet appeared on the world stage. I am talking about the Kings of the North and South (Daniel chapter 11). No one understands these prophecies completely, but I know (1) the conflicts, wars, and battles have not happened in history, and (2) they must occur before Christ returns.

Events like these (and there are others) are not minor issues of prophecy. They are major events to happen before all the world. They will be fulfilled in a recognizable way in Scripture that all will understand.

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In this time of stress, disease for some, and various threats for the near future, ASK teaches the hope we all should know. The teachings are not just hopeful, they tell of a biblical reality that God has spoken to us through the Holy Scriptures. We endeavor to give plain explanations to those truths of Scripture.

Even though we shall all die, all believers shall live again. Furthermore, all human beings shall live again, all will be eventually glorified, and all shall become immortal witnesses to the full glory of God our Father. We offer a heartfelt “thank you” to all who can support this important scriptural ministry.

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