

IN THE MIDST OF WWII

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During World War II approximately 85,000,000 lives were lost, including 420,000 Americans, due to what could be described as a clash of opposing ideologies. Following WWII, regional wars centered in Korea, Vietnam and Afghanistan produced incalculable suffering along with tremendous loss of life, again due to differing ideologies. Today, the rise of radical Islamic violence has people thinking that this growing war on terrorism could usher in an era of incredible human tragedy, inevitably leading to World War III.

As Christians we recognize that no matter what tribulations come our way, our spiritual posture is to fear not, because God is with us (Isaiah 41:10-13). Not only is God with us, He empowers believers to fulfill His command to be salt and light (Matthew 5:13-16) to a troubled and confused world, even during times of personal suffering or hardship (1 Peter 4:12-19). Regrettably, it seems the Body of Christ in today's culture is losing its saltiness as the sanctity of marriage, human life and human sexuality are falling prey to secular and ungodly hinking. Complacency, material wealth, and deception have lulled believers into deep spiritual slumber, when we should be pursuing righteous actions. A great awakening is desperately needed.

Most people believe WWII is a possible future event involving global armies and unheard-of levels of mass destruction, but in reality this Great War has already been raging for decades, claiming millions upon millions of lives and creating unimaginable personal suffering. We are currently in the midst of WWII, where the killing fields are not located in distinct geographical areas, but in a place not clearly seen with the naked eye.

The bloody and brutal confrontation is all around us, unparalleled to any previous war, also has at its root two opposing ideologies. Some believe humanity at all stages of life is sacred, sanctified, and should be protected, while others believe human life, especially at its earliest and latest stages, can be terminated or manipulated at will. On January 22, 1973, a day that will live in infamy, the War on the Womb began to influence not only the United States but other nations. The viewpoint that a woman's reproductive rights are more valid than the preborn child's right to life allowed new holocausts to emerge in the late 20th and early 21st Centuries, such as were witnessed in other world wars. The following mind-numbing statistics validate that we are in the midst of WWII and the casualties are immense:

- ~60,000,000 preborn deaths in the United States due to surgical abortion
- ~1,300,000,000 preborn deaths worldwide due to surgical abortions.
- Taking into consideration humanity destroyed in the womb or in laboratory Petri dishes due to cloning, embryonic stem cell research, chemically induced abortions (e.g., the abortion pill) and in-vitro fertilization, the numbers above increase to an incalculable level that is only known by God.

Is there a way to stem this seemingly unstoppable wave of human destruction? First, the Church needs to recognize that we are indeed in the midst of WWII. God is calling His righteous believers to face a real enemy that sheds immeasurable amounts of innocent blood. Second, prayer from humble hearts is the believers' lead offensive weapon, and without it there will be no victory over the enemy of innocent preborn life. Third, the Church needs to understand that God not only wants to hear the prayers of the saints, but also wants to commandeer their feet and hands as warriors, fighting the cultural battles within our communities, the nation and the world to stop the War on the Womb.

God doesn't mince words when He speaks in Proverbs 6:16-17: "... the LORD hates ...hands that shed innocent blood." In Proverbs 24:11-12 the LORD gives "no excuse" orders for His earthly army to protect innocent life: "Rescue those being led away to death; hold back those staggering toward slaughter. If you say, "'But we knew nothing about this,' does not he who weighs the heart perceive it? Does not he who guards your life know it? Will he not repay each person according to what he has done?"

Our LORD wants His Church to combat unrighteous acts, and especially to defend the least of His brethren (Matthew 25:31-46). Courageous voices need to speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves (Proverbs 31:8-9) so that they can fulfill their God-given purpose before they were formed in the womb (Jeremiah 1:5). The war is real, the battle is real, and the armies of darkness are "hell bent" to defeat the armies of light. We are in the midst of WWII. This is the time for believers to be soldiers in an intense war, and not to become draft dodgers who don't believe in fighting.