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WHEN THEY CRY PEACE

Jesus warned, ³⁷*As it was in the days of Noah, so it will be at the coming of the Son of Man.* ³⁸*For in the days before the flood, people were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, up to the day Noah entered the ark; ³⁹and they knew nothing about what would happen until the flood came and took them all away. That is how it will be at the coming of the Son of Man. ⁴⁰Two men will be in the field; one will be taken and the other left. ⁴¹Two women will be grinding with a hand mill; one will be taken and the other left. ⁴²“Therefore keep watch, because you do not know on what day your Lord will come.”* Matthew 24:37-42 New International Version

Be alert when our leaders tell the world that the worst is over and we are now heading for a new and glorious future. The people of Noah’s day heard the same thing when Noah tried to warn them of coming judgment. It seems that the voices touting a glorious future were so numerous and so strong that they drowned out (no pun intended) the warnings voiced by Noah. The people continued their activities as if they would never have to give an account for the language they used or the life style they were pursuing.

²⁰*The waters rose and covered the mountains to a depth of more than twenty feet. ²¹Every living thing that moved on the earth perished—birds, livestock, wild animals, all the creatures that swarm over the earth, and all mankind. ²²Everything on dry land that had the breath of life in its nostrils died. ²³Every living thing on the face of the earth was wiped out; men, animals, and the creatures that move along the ground. Even the birds of the air were wiped from the earth. Only Noah was left and those with him in the ark.”* Genesis 7:20-23 NIV

People were busy with the activities of this life and they were not concerned about what was about to happen. Nevertheless, the flood did come as predicted and they perished. Are you ready for His coming?