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## Sign of the Times: STEPPING INTO THE NIGHT

Sunday (March 21), the light went out on the American season, an end to an amazing run.

Rather than continue to shine above the others and show the way to a better life, the US took a major step to joining the world's countries in their trod toward uniformity and mediocrity. Socialism, the government knows better, a government unfocused on the one true God or on truth – that's the way of the world. The United States has now joined that world.

Jesus overcame the world. In him we do too. Thank God.

The current US government, put in place by an undiscerning people blinded by too many years of preferring image to substance, has taken steps not only to nationalize health care but to move in numerous other ways in other areas of life toward national control.

It is a worldwide government that the antichrist heads in the end times. It is a worldwide government that terrorizes and destroys and is itself eliminated by Jesus in his return.

The US Sunday took a step off the cliff into the morass that is humanism, progressivism, socialism, or communism. Take your pick. Countries with those philosophies have always failed. The US has stepped from the light into a dark night. It is ironic to note that the amazing economic success of China in recent decades has come from its conscious move to adopt many of the basics of the historical American economic system. Now it is even a great holder of American debt, a position it is uncomfortable with.

Some time back I used to wonder what role the US played in the last of the last days, in the time before Jesus' coming to call out the church, in the seven year tribulation. Now I know. Nothing significant. The US is in free fall from the position of being a light in the world that it held much of the last century, falling to be just another inconsequential society and nation.

That's what happened Sunday. You may not have recognized it. Maybe you don't want to get involved. But oh you are now. Just think - all those years of offering criticisms about other national governments with their dictatorships and government control and frightening views. Well, now you're living in one of those places.

Fortunately Jesus is coming soon. So believers, your day of relief is in sight. Thank God. But for most of you Americans, alas, your night has just begun.

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