

GLEANINGS — July 3, A.D. 2016
Everybody Wants to Rule the World *

Today's Gleaning assumes that its readers are familiar with the way public discussions take place on a well known social media website. One person presents a POST – a remark, a question, a citation. The post is preceded by their name. Others can then COMMENT on that post, with their names preceding the comment. Following is one such post and two comments offered:

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FRIEND OF YOURS TRULY: Shares an incisive, level headed exposé (video with commentary) about Islamic/Islamist (what's the difference?) aggression, brutality, and expansionism. The video was created by **World News Truth**, a group which can be found on the well known social media website.

NAME WITHHELD: Islam's sharia law, gay marriage, transgender, a possible criminal president, legalized abortion and euthanasia. We're going down. I truly hope the Lord comes quickly.

YOURS TRULY: hopes instead that there will be a world wide revival which will keep the blessed memory of the entire Protestant Reformation alive, yet at the same time DWARF the Reformation for power, extent, and global duration.

Jesus taught us to pray, "Your kingdom come." May God's answer to that prayer, offered now by millions for thousands of years, soon make us say about the Reformation: You ain't seen nuthin' yet!

Islam ruling the world? No chance! Jesus is LORD!

Matthew 28:18 – "And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying...

[all authority WILL BE GIVEN TO ME, 2,000 years or more from now. I'll just sit at my Father's right hand here in heaven, wringing My hands in despair about what is happening on earth until then.]

Oops...that's not right! Let me try again!

Matthew 28:18 – "And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying...'All authority HAS BEEN GIVEN TO ME in heaven and on earth.' "

That's the correct reading. "For He must reign till He has put all enemies under His feet. The last enemy that will be destroyed is death." (1 Corinthians 15:25,26)

All these lesser enemies, which can do no worse than enslave, maim, behead, or otherwise inflict suffering and kill the body will precede that last enemy, and go down with death itself into the eternal flames amidst shouts of hallelujah!

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** Title of a song by "Tears for Fears", an English pop/rock band formed in A.D. 1981 by Roland Orzabal and Curt Smith*