

## 13<sup>th</sup> . . . IT'S TOO LATE! – Part 3

### “Charge of the Light Brigade”

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This post is the **THIRD** installment which I have been impressed to write. The message began to come forth on 7-23-20 with the interpretation of the dream given below. I have been instructed that this compilation must be posted on the 12<sup>th</sup> as the **13<sup>th</sup> will be too late!** If you have not read Parts 1 & 2 of this message, please do so before proceeding further.

#### Summary of Dream received 1-24-20:

Instructions given to publish a Word from God. It must go out on the 12<sup>th</sup>. God was ‘angry’ with me because I did not publish until the 13<sup>th</sup>. Date of 12<sup>th</sup> highly significant to God. My disobedience would bring recompense. The 13<sup>th</sup> was TOO LATE! End of Dream. No Word was actually given!

### “CHARGE OF THE LIGHT BRIGADE” (8-03-20)

These are the words I heard in my spirit during prayer time on August 3<sup>rd</sup>. I did not expect this. I thought I would hear those words, or something similar, on the 12<sup>th</sup>. I have even questioned if I really heard this, or if it came from my own subconscious. I have received no specific interpretation from the Holy Spirit as of this writing. I know from past experience that many times I am meant to do further study when I am given a talking point. The following is simply the thoughts that have stood out to me during my further research on this topic. Please take any of this to the Lord in prayer. I feel like I am walking a dark path and trusting the Lord to light each new step for me. I pray I do not stumble!

My first thought was the word ‘**CHARGE**’ was the command to advance with all power, might and strength. The ‘**Light Brigade**’ must refer to the Lord’s SLEEPER CELL (see Parts 1 & 2), those who will be transformed into his Army and ‘**SHINE**’ for Him as they fight the end-time battle. That would be the obvious interpretation. So, what more would there be to add? I felt led to dig further. Often there is hidden meaning lying just below the surface if we take the time to seek it out. I submit to you the following nuggets that stood out to me as I dug deeper.

“The Charge of the Light Brigade” is a narrative poem written by Alfred, Lord Tennyson, at the time, the poet Laureate of the United Kingdom. The poem was written in December of 1854 about the Battle of Balaclava during the Crimean War which took place on October 25<sup>th</sup>, 1854. Many of us will remember some of the famous lines from the poem we had to memorize in High School: *“Forward the Light Brigade! Charge for the guns, he said. Into the Valley of Death, Rode the six hundred.”* Although the Light Brigade fought bravely, the Charge was considered a massive failure. A massacre, if you will, with only 1/3rd of the brigade surviving. The Charge was studied afterwards in military circles as an example of ‘WHAT NOT TO DO’ . . . of what can go wrong when there is a lack of proper communication between commanders and troops, as well as inaccurate military intelligence. After reading about the Charge, here are a few points that stood out to me:

**Point #1:** 'Light' had nothing to do with 'shining'! It referred to the fact that the troops were mounted LIGHT on fast horses, armed with only lances and sabres, for **maximum mobility** and **superior speed**. The primary use of the Light Brigade was to cut down an enemy in retreat. In contrast, the Heavy Brigade, were the troops that were more heavily armed and therefore able to better deal a striking blow to the enemy. The ideal order would have been for the Heavy Brigade to lead the frontal assault and the Light Brigade to do what it was designed to do . . . chase and cut down the enemy in retreat. The Light Brigade was ill equipped to fight against heavy artillery with lances and sabres.

**Point #2:** 'The Valley of Death' as Tennyson termed it in his poem, was just that! The enemy was entrenched on the high ground with heavily armed artillery on both sides and at the front. As the Light Brigade, just over 600 men, made their Charge they were met with the brutality of a ferocious enemy, a force of over 5,000. Though they were being cut down mercilessly, some of the brave cavalry made it through the valley and engaged the enemy at the front, actually forcing them back. They suffered such heavy casualties they were forced to retire. This meant they had to run the gauntlet again, back through heavy fire in the hopes of reaching safety at their rear.

**Point #3:** Where was the Heavy Brigade that was to have provided support? The commander of those troops had entered the mouth of the valley right **behind** the Light Brigade. When he saw how those who entered first were being mowed down by enemy fire, he chose not to advance. The reason he later gave in an attempt to rationalize his decision . . . he saw no point in sacrificing a 2<sup>nd</sup> brigade. He thought it wiser to be able to provide assistance to any survivors of the battle. W-H-A-T???? Seriously!!!! Later analysis showed that the Charge may have actually succeeded if the Heavy Brigade had accompanied the Light Brigade along the valley as initially directed.

**Point #4:** If there were objections to the orders given to the Light Brigade, none were recorded. They bravely obeyed the orders given by their commander. Again, Tennyson was eloquent . . . 'Theirs not to reason why, Theirs but to do or die. Into the Valley of Death, Rode the 600.' Lord Cardigan, the commander who led the Charge of the Light Brigade was a survivor of the battle. In a later address he is quoted as saying, "Only by a merciful decree of Almighty Providence did every man who was engaged in the battle escape from the greatest apparent certainty of death which could possibly be conceived."

Let me just say that I know absolutely nothing about military strategy, but I believe there is something the Lord may be trying to emphasize by giving me this short Word. He wants His Army to be prepared. Here are a few of the things I gleaned from the above points:

**The Point to Point #1:** Our Lord's Light Brigade will be the ones that have been trained to travel light into the fray . . . for maximum mobility and speed. They are equipped with all they will need to fight the enemy as it is forced into RETREAT!

**The Point to Point #2:** Know your enemy! Have proper military intelligence. What are the enemy forces like? What are the odds of victory or defeat? Be aware, before the battle, of what you are heading into. Do not underestimate the strength of your enemy! Do not assume the battle will be a walk in the park just because God is on your side! Be forewarned, the battle will be fierce! Attacks will come from every direction . . . 'cannons to the right of them, cannons to the left of them, cannons to the front of them.'

**The Point to Point #3:** WHERE is the Heavy Brigade? WHO is the Heavy Brigade? Will they be there when needed? Reminder to my fellow soldiers . . . The Battle Is Not Ours! The Battle belongs to the

Lord! HE and His heavenly hosts are the Heavy Brigade. HE goes before us (Deut. 31:8)! His heavenly hosts stand at the ready to assist. Our Commander is NOT going to fail to be at the forefront. The battle we will be fighting is **NOT** 'mission impossible' but rather '**MISSION POSSIBLE**' (Luke 1:37)! In fact, Jesus has already won the VICTORY! I am not saying there will not be casualties. This is war! But should we fall in battle, we are still victorious. We are assured our reward in heaven.

**The Point to Point #4:** BE BRAVE! BE COURAGEOUS! The 19<sup>th</sup> century accounts of 'The Charge of the Light Brigade' at the Battle of Balaclava focus on the bravery and glory of the cavalymen, rather than on the blunders of the battle. Tennyson wrote . . . 'Boldly they rode well, Into the jaws of death, Into the mouth of hell, Rode the 600.' Our Lord wants that kind of loyalty . . . that kind of SURRENDER from His Army! No questions asked . . . be a good soldier and follow orders! Yours is to 'do or die, not to question why'! Everyone has their own assignment. We must fight together as ONE BODY. If any one of us fail in our duties, the whole will suffer. **All must HEAR HIS VOICE! All must obey HIS COMMANDS! Faithfully, and WITHOUT HESITATION!**

I found it interesting that the survivors of 'The Charge of the Light Brigade' were honored by their countrymen until the last one passed in 1927. The last lines of Tennyson's poem became reality . . . 'When can their glory fade? O the wild charge they made! Honour the charge they made! Honour the Light Brigade, Noble 600.'

**What HONOR and GLORY awaits You?** Those who are found faithful and true will receive great reward. One passage about rewards is found in the Parable of the Talents in Matthew 25. "For the kingdom of heaven is as a man travelling into a far country, who called his own servants, and delivered unto them his goods (vs. 14) . . . "After a long time the lord of those servants cometh, and reckoneth with them (vs. 19) . . . and to the faithful servant "His lord said unto him, **Well done, thou good and faithful servant: thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the JOY OF THY LORD** (vs. 21)." And the GLORY, we shall receive it! "For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God. For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received the Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father. The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God: And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with him, that we may be also glorified together. For I reckon that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the **GLORY WHICH SHALL BE REVEALED IN US**. For the earnest expectation of the creature waiteth for the manifestation of the sons of God (Rom. 8:14-19)." Our Lord, Jesus Christ, has made us kings and priests unto God (Rev. 1:6). "Blessed and holy is he that hath part in the first resurrection: on such the second death hath no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and **shall reign with him a thousand years** (Rev. 20:6)."

I am continually amazed how God can give me just a few words and then turn them into an epistle! When I started writing this Part 3, I had no idea where the Holy Spirit would lead me. I hope these words will be a great encouragement to you as we prepare for the battle that lies ahead, and for the glory that awaits us when the battle is over. When our Commander gives the order, when we hear the sound of the bugle for "CHARGE," my prayer for each of us is that we will . . . 'Ride, boldly ride, Into the jaws of death, Into the mouth of hell . . . may we all finish the race and FIGHT WELL! (2 Tim. 4:7)

TO GOD BE THE GLORY!

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