CONTINGENCY PLANS!

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-Eternal Vigilance: The Price of Freedom!



1. It is very serious & we're fighting a war, Lord, & winning battle after battle! We need to look at the sober side of things

sometimes, & not be ignorant of the Devil, the Enemy, & his devices, but always be prepared, Lord, to give an <u>answer</u>, have an answer & to have a <u>plan</u> if possible. We don't know <u>what</u> the future holds, but we know Who holds the future! Hallelujah!

2. You can get a false sense of security & suddenly—boom!— Then you wish you had planned or counted on something else & had kept some other options open & had some other alternatives planned. I think that's what you all need to always remember.

3. We have always tried to do that regarding our housing & our locations everywhere we have been. We've always thought, "Well, now, if we had to leave here, where would we go?"—And we studied travel books & tours & places & countries & their rules & regulations & all kinds of things, always trying to keep in mind that if we had to flee at a moment's notice we would have some idea of where would be a good place to go to next. We've always had to go sooner or later.—Why not you?

4. So just in case something comes along to upset your nice little status quo, what are your plans? What do you have planned as your next move?—And where?—And how?

5. And there'll probably be some reason why you'll have to move. That's not at all unlikely or improbable. It's not only possible, but it's quite probable, because you are aliens & foreigners & non-citizens etc. Sooner or later you are going to find that it's getting a bit hot! 6. What I would like you to do is make out a list of suggestions & plans, what they commonly call <u>contingency plans</u>. In other words, in case something doesn't work, what else would you try? It's better to have it & not need it than need it & not have it, so you'd better be prepared! We are in a dangerous business! We are in a war! And as far as the System is concerned, we are at war with them!

7. I want to shake you out of any false sense of security & remind you we have no security except in the Lord & we cannot trust Man whose breath is in his nostrils!—Isa.2:22. We are in a dangerous business! We are probably hated almost worse than any religious group on the face of the Earth!

8. Beloved, you've really got to conform to the way they do things & the way they want you to live or else! When they don't like you, don't want you, they will pick any kind of little speck of anything as an excuse to get rid of you! It often takes but only one person who is mad enough & ornery enough to do it!—One person who goes & complains to the authorities, & they have to act on the complaint. A lot of times the authorities will overlook situations, if nobody complains, but it only takes <u>one</u> complaint, then they have to do their job & carry it out & enforce the law. It only takes one complaint.

9. So to stay free, as I've always said, requires <u>eternal</u> <u>vigilance</u>—the price of freedom! Eternal vigilance is the price of freedom! Thank the Lord we <u>have</u> eternal security, spiritually, but on this Earth, physically, we have eternal insecurity, & you'd better remember it!—And not get too settled down & let the roots grow down too deep where you can't tear them out in a hurry if you have to, or cut them off & leave them behind!

10. I'd rather be a live fugitive than a dead hero! I've left houses & lands & goods behind many times to save my life! I never unpack my fleebag! It's always there & I live out of it, believe it or not! I have myself packed up & my papers where I could throw things in my suitcase, in my briefcase in a few minutes, & be gone! I can do it real fast—could you? Maybe you ought to practice a few times! I hope the Lord doesn't have to give you some test runs! See how many pieces of luggage you can get your flee stuff into, how fast you can get it together &