

Fear

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A friend sent a video where Pastor Dana Coverstone describes several dreams he had predicting COVID and the riots. He goes on to describe more dreams predicting hyperinflation and civil war after the November elections. Should we take his advice and lock and load?

Many cases where people had dreams

Job 33:15 We trust in the Word not in dreams

Genesis 21:3

Genesis 31:11 angel of God appears to Jacob in a dream

Genesis 31:24 God came to Laban the Aramean in a dream by night

1 Kings 3:5 the LORD appeared to Solomon in a dream by night

Isaiah 6 :1 Isaiah's vision ...I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and the train of his robe filled the temple.

Daniel 7:1 Daniel saw a dream and visions of his head as he lay in his bed

Matthew 1:20 an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, "Joseph, son of David, do not fear to take Mary as your wife, for that which is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit.

Matthew 2:13 an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, "Rise, take the child and his mother, and flee to Egypt, and remain there until I tell you

Acts 9:10 The Lord said to him in a vision, "Ananias." And he said, "Here I am, Lord."

Acts 10:9-16 Peter fell into a trance

Acts 16:9-10 a vision appeared to Paul in the night

Jude predicts in the end times, people will rely on dreams instead of scripture to encourage evil

Jude 1:8 Yet in like manner these people also, relying on their dreams, defile the flesh, reject authority, and blaspheme the glorious ones

As a pastor it is his [Dana Coverstone's] job to encourage people by pointing them to the word of God. His dreams are meaningless. They are based, not on the Truth, but something, potentially malevolent. He is doing a disservice to Christians and non-Christians by publishing this. In fact, he references Scripture of which he, himself is guilty of violating.

2 Tim 4:3-4 Time is coming when people will not endure sound teaching, but follow teachers who suit their own passions

False teachers are foretold/described in every book of the NT with one exception (Philippians) for a reason.

Satan wants FEAR. What better way than through a "pastor".

One final point, even if he is right, we are to rely on the Word, not on dreams, fortune tellers, necromancers, ouija boards, etc.

Deut. 18:9-14 anyone who practices divination or tells fortunes or interprets omens, or a sorcerer or a charmer or a medium or a necromancer or one who inquires of the dead, for whoever does these things is an abomination to the LORD.

Counterintuitive. Approach this, not with a spirit of fear, but with excitement. God is revealing what HE foretold and we are privy to it.

[Revelations, Jude]

Those who are not in Christ will either come to Christ or lose their minds with fear. Those who are in Christ will have their faith tested like never before.