## **Surprised by Grief**

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Grief is a necessary part of healing. Even though mental health professionals tell us that there are seven stages of grief, they also point out that going from one stage to the next is not clearly defined in real time and a person can go back to a stage they already came through. In other words, grief can be *messy,* not clear cut and tidy. When someone close to us dies we go through that grieving process. I went through this with my sister and I notice that I can still feel the loss even though she died in 2008. Grief does not last for a set period of time. It can be revisited simply by our minds reminding us of the person who died.

I'm not sure a person ever fully gets over the loss of a loved one. What I think happens is that the surviving person adapts to that loss, ultimately embracing it and in many ways, ever mindful of it. We move on but we are different, a bit stronger in some areas, maybe more vulnerable in others.

In a way, we have gone through and continue to go through a similar process of grieving where the United States' demise is concerned. We are literally watching it implode on purpose to the celebration of globalists. Once the US is powerless, it's full steam ahead for the coming one-world empire.

It was only after watching a particular episode of Glenn Beck with guest Carol Roth that I began to realize I've been in a process of grieving. I had not fully realized that I was actually grieving for the death of the United States though.

## https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QI OC5ZGGRI

In the video, Glenn talks with Carol about the process of *grieving* for things we used to take for granted, regarding life in the USA. Now I *knew* that I was frustrated, upset and even angry at times about the way life has turned out, when only a few short years ago, there was so much to look forward to in life. I fully recognize that things have changed and continue to change drastically in the last few years. What I did *not* understand is that these major dystopian changes in life were the cause of my unrecognized *grief* at how much we have actually lost in this nation and world. To make matters worse, those of us who are awake understand that all of it has been predicated upon lie after lie after lie. We see and understand the lies. We fully reject them but because we lack the power, we cannot change the determined trajectory of the USA. What we *can* do is limited to changes we can make for our immediate families in our own community with other like-minded people.

I fully understand that we are not to put our hopes in *this* life. I get that. However, when you are going along with life normally, expecting certain things to occur and then you realize life has changed so much that those certain things are in danger of never occurring again, it takes you up short at the very least. It leaves you a bit crestfallen at what *could* have been but now very likely *won't* happen at all. You grow more concerned for your children and grandchildren. You want to be here to help them through issues but you realize that you're on the downside of your lifespan. What we are experiencing in society is truly the building of society's *digital prison* where ourmovements, our purchases, our words and our actions will be closely monitored. This ultimately arrives to the point of every person in society having a *social* 

credit score that will "place" us on a scale that will allow us or take away from us more freedom. So while I'm not heartbroken over the growth of Satan's system of Babylon (because God tells us that it will occur), what I am having to get used to are all the ways those in power will take freedom, dignity and self-respect from us, all so that they can gain more power over us.

Grief ultimately segues to healing because our bodies and minds recover from loss *through* the process of grieving. Whether we are overcome with tears at times or we recall the great memories of laughter with that dearly departed loved one, it's all part of how our bodies and minds heal themselves after having to deal with the trauma of unexpected loss. The grieving process is different for everyone and can be long or short, but regardless of length of grieving, the process is meant to bring relief and acceptance.

This explains to me why when I was listening to Richard Elliot's music the other day, strangely, I started tearing up. I now realize it was due to the loss of what life *was* compared with what life *is* now and what it will become. Richard Elliot evokes memories of live concerts long before mask mandates and concert cancellations. His music simply speaks to my soul.

The other morning as I ate breakfast, reading through **2** Kings **1**, **2**, **3**, I found myself saddened to the point of tears. This is where Elijah goes to heaven in a chariot of fire and Elisha gets a double portion of Elijah's spirit. My sadness was due to a number of things; the kings of Israel had an absolute lack of love for and loyalty to God to the point where one chose to seek information from demons. That king had an illness from which he died because he would not seek God for answers. That resonated within me because of what the leadership of the USA has been doing and continues to do by rejecting God completely.

When COVID hit and everyone was told to wear face diapers, to stay away from other human beings and stay home as much as possible, I could not help but see the absurdity of that and knew it to be what it truly was - fascism on steroids. It wasn't about *safety*. It was and remains about *control* and making a ton of money for some corporations. It was a worldwide experiment to see how high people would jump when the "experts" said, "Jump!" We were all treated as though we were sick with COVID until we could prove we weren't.

Try as I might, during COVID, it was very difficult to live with any sense of the previous normalcy. Everywhere I went, I was reminded of COVID and many people lived in terrible fear that they might die from something they assumed I had. Everything in society shouted lies that we were supposed to treat as truth. Many of us knew we were being played, but we were relegated to the cheap seats if that. Because of COVID, the economy reeled and staggered. Today, we have the results of that in the form of shrink-flation and regular inflation, which will only worsen to become hyper-inflation. The "experts" will continue to spin it into "all is well" though. Experts tell us we are heading into a "full-blown recession."

[1] Not sure why they're not calling it what it actually will be - another great depression. Probably because they don't want to "frighten" people, but if it's coming, it's coming regardless.

The church we were attending at that time closed during COVID, then opened and closed again, numerous times. The pastor variously went from wearing a mask to not wearing a mask. Originally, I

thought he was simply trying to show support for people who also wanted to wear masks, until I learned he went ahead and got the first of the two CV jabs. He also wanted all teachers in the church's Christian school to get the jab too, but was overruled. I don't believe he got the second jab and friends tell me he has since commented that he wished he had not gotten the first one. Because the church was opened, then closed, then opened again, then closed, we eventually left to find another church.

The process of grieving is a bit like the healing of a broken bone or recovery after surgery. It takes a while and complete healing to the injured/repaired area returns slowly. You cannot force it to heal quickly. You can only work to strengthen it as it heals. The time of healing can be different from one person to the next. There is no set timeline. Only general guidelines.

Life has changed because globalists have come out of the closet and are clearly stating their intentions to enslave humanity, but they're not just talking about it. They're *doing* it and anyone who is not part of the globalists' direct group (or those people *needed* by globalists to make their lives more comfortable), really isn't necessary. Would they be happy to see the world's population greatly reduced? I believe so and I think they celebrate now with the growing number of "sudden deaths" and increasing percentages of mortality and excess deaths in numerous countries that mandated and pushed the CV vax hard.

I really don't know how much more time I will need to get through the grieving process related to the USA, but I do know I'm probably not done yet. I still deal with frustration and grief over how life has turned out. The process has surprised me quite a bit, when I finally understood what was happening. I grieve especially for my children and their children. I grieve for kids in schools now who have zero clue about what is coming. Yes, I have hope in Christ, but so far, that has not translated to complete healing emotionally. It will eventually and I believe I will ultimately get to the point of seeing this time of grieving in the rear view mirror and I will be much stronger because of it. But for now, I am still a bit numb with emotional grief. It's just weird, but at least I'm understanding what it is and why.

Watching a loved one die is disheartening. It's not easy. In fact, it can devastate a person for some time. If you find that you have lost interest in things that you used to enjoy, that you seem "flat" emotionally (and have to buoy yourself up much of the time), and you sense a strong loss, you could be grieving over the destruction of the United States or your particular nation where you live. To realize that is somewhat shocking. But globalists have more plans for the world.

Is extreme inflation coming? More fascism to control you? Looks like it. One of the things that will hasten the termination of grief is to redirect your efforts into doing whatever is practical to put your own house in order. As noted, grief can cause your emotions to become flat or even numb. You may need to purposefully push through that numbness by redirecting yourself, waking yourself up and understanding that you cannot change the inevitable. You can only adapt to it and change how that inevitable directly affects YOU. The Lord will certainly help you as He helped many in His Word.

Elijah was at the pinnacle of victory one moment then asking God to take His life the next (1 Kings 19). He was at a very low point but God got him through it. We all face situations like that to some extent. Wait on the Lord and carry on.

Dear Lord, we come to You in repentance and healing. We know what Your Word tells us about how much power Satan will gain during the time prior to Your return. We acknowledge that all of this is done according to the perfection of Your will and we offer you praise. We understand that as fallen human beings, there is a grieving process that many of your children may have to go through, but we also know that this process is for our benefit as well as your glory.

Incline Your ear to us, Lord. Heal us. Solidify our determination to humble ourselves under your mighty hand because we know that You use these situations to create the blessed character of Your Son within us. May we not shrink from this. May we call out to You for Your grace/help so that we will indeed become what You would have us become. While this grief we experience may take us by surprise, it certainly does not take You by surprise. You are in it with us, Father, desiring to carry us through it. Do not let us shrink from that!

May we persevere and press on in You so that you will be glorified. We need to see this whole process as something that You are using to separate us from this world and the intensity of that process will be different for all of Your children who take relationship with You seriously.

May You be blessed by our words, our thoughts and our actions as we learn to recognize that what comes our way does so because You decree and/or allow it. We praise Your Name. In Christ we pray. Amen.

[1] https://www.businessinsider.in/stock-market/news/bank-of-america-shares-12-charts-that-show-that-the-economy-is-about-to-enter-a-full-blown-recession/articleshow/99387578.cms