

SOME PEOPLE PREFER TO WALK IN DARKNESS

Who would have thought that we would live long enough to see such horrific acts of barbarism and savagery as we are seeing today?

Most of us have grown up in what we have believed to be a civilized society in which human life—at least for the most part, was valued; where human dignity was guarded and where persons who had even the least modicum of desire to accomplish something, could do it with little or no resistance.

Now we are seeing a group of people who, for whatever reason—but mostly because of their blind belief in a fanatical faith, compels them to destroy anyone and everyone who thinks differently.

They boldly publicize their horrific acts such as beheading Christians, burning people alive, burying children alive, raping and butchering women and children and committing every other despicable act that makes a person want to regurgitate and repent of even belonging to the same species called human.

They parade their “manhood” by subjugating the weak and defenseless, all in the name of their so-called “religion.”

One has only to look at the pictures that are posted of their atrocities to see their true nature. They are cowards! They have no faces! They have covered their faces with masks and scarves! They hide behind a piece of cloth so that no one can recognize them for who and what they are—pawns of the devil. They are being used and the tragedy is, they don’t even know it. They act like masters, but are slaves to the devil and all that for which evil stands.

God’s word always nails sin on the head for what it is. **“God is light and in him is no darkness at all. If we claim to have fellowship with him yet walk in darkness, we lie and do not live by the truth.”** 1 John 1:5, 6.

And again, **“This is the verdict: Light has come into the world, but men loved darkness instead of light because their deeds were [are] evil. Everyone they’re doing for they are ignorant and walk in darkness.** LLE

“who does evil hates the light and will not come into the light for fear that his deeds will be exposed.”
John 3:19, 20. Thus anonymous behind masks!

That's a perfect description of the so-called Islamic State [IS] that is slaughtering its way throughout the Mid-East and threatening to make its way across Europe and eventually to the American Continent.

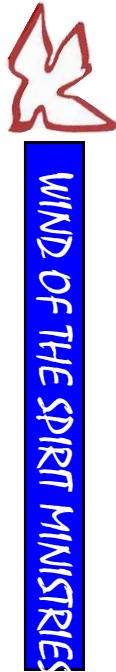
People of the Christian Faith need to understand that we are not struggling against flesh and blood. Our warfare is against a more powerful foe than a bunch of hooded and hoodwinked hoodlums that like to slash their way through civilization. They only fulfill what Jesus warned us about two thousand years ago. **“The time is coming when whoever kills you will think they are doing a service to God.”** John 16:2.

Our real “struggle is against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms” Ephesians 6:12. Know the real enemy! How do we stand? We put on the whole armor of God, [Jesus], and stand in the power of God’s Spirit! The Coptic Christian brothers who were beheaded by these pawns of the devil demonstrate how Christians respond to such utter cruelty and disdain for human life. Their declaration of allegiance to Jesus Christ, even as they were being decapitated, shows the depth and quality of their faith. Their lives were ruled by love for Jesus and their fellow man, not by hatred of those or like those who would try to take their lives. I say “try” because each of them knew that when they took their last breath here on earth, their next breath would be in the presence of the Living God who has given them eternal life. That is something the executioners could not destroy or take away from them. Those who used the knives are the real losers!

Perhaps we should intercede for the IS people the same way in which Jesus prayed for his executioners, **“Father, forgive them for they don’t know what they’re doing.”** They really don’t know what they’re doing for they are ignorant and walk in darkness. LLE

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He has been invited to speak at the Friday evening service of worship during which time there will be opportunity to pray for persons who may have a need.

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