# THE FUTURE WILL SOON BEGIN

And one of the malefactors which were hanged railed on Him, saying, If thou be Christ, save thyself and us. But the other answering rebuked him, saying, Don't you fear God, seeing you are in the same condemnation? And we indeed justly; for we receive the due reward of our deeds: but this man had done nothing wrong. And he said unto Jesus, Lord; remember me when you come into Your kingdom. And Jesus said unto him, Verily I say unto you, To day you shall be with me in paradise. [Luk.23:39-43].

At the middle of a very dark night, a drunkard walked out from the cavern near the deserted beach, while the ocean waves were splashing loudly, a sign of an incoming storm. He had just finished his last bottle of the cheap rum, and threw the empty bottle into the sea. The empty bottle illustrated exactly his empty heart, since he was jobless, homeless, hopeless; yes, every 'less' you can imagine. "This will be my last hour," he spoke to himself, walking through the boisterous wind further along the darkness of the seashore, toward a faraway lighthouse. "This is a perfect time to die; this will be my last hour, my last!" He knew he was facing death, a fate determined by his broken heart. He had decided to commit suicide, to jump into the outrageous ocean, in order to instantly wipe out all his unbearable sorrows...

But, "what is that?" he asked himself when he saw a glittering object lying on the sand; the object was reflecting the light from the lighthouse! The drunkard walked stumblingly toward the object, picked it up and, as he held the object close to his face he realized that it was a piece of an 'angel's wing', that was one half of a clamshell, from a pearl producing clam, glittering close to his face.

Another thought struck him: "This angel's wing, so thin, so brittle and weak; how come that it could stand being tossed around powerfully by the stormy waves, and was not broken by the repeating impact with the sands?" For a couple of minutes he meditated on that puzzle.

"Ahhaa!" a solution to the puzzle appear in his head. "Despite the weakness of the angel's wing, that object did not try to fight all the destructive powers it faced. The angel's wing just surrendered, accepted every bad treatment from its surrounding, <u>knowing that every destructive power on earth will fade away after a certain time!</u>" {Of course the last piece of sentence did not belong to the angel's wing, but arose from the wisdom within the drunkard himself.}

"Now I know what to do," he said to himself, "I will just 'hang-loose', as they used to say in Hawaii," and wait until the destructive powers against my life will fade away. Then I still have some hope to live successfully afterward. That man forgot about his preplanned suicide.

## Brother/Sister whom Jesus loves,

You may be in a similar situation as faced by the drunkard. You may have said to yourself "Ahh, my last hour is coming soon!" You may have had the similar situation as faced by the drunkard, which is the threatening earthly power you could not resist, nevertheless overcome. Then the only wisdom left for you is the one struck the drunkard thinking: "I could not resist the oncoming destructive power for sure. I will do the same; 'Hang loose', and wait until the destructive power fade away."

You may object the above statement by saying: "But I am facing death penalty! There will be no more hope to live successfully like the drunkard did, because the death penalty I am facing is impossible to reverse! No more hope! No hope!"

Brother/Sister of my love;

It is now the perfect time to move further from the wisdom of the drunkard to the wisdom embraced by one of the malefactors in Golgotha! The one malefactor was <u>being executed</u>; he was hanging on the cross. He was in a worse situation than yours now; he was experiencing the death penalty! He had moved further into the realm of death much further from you, Brother/Sister!

#### But the malefactor had some wisdom to share with you, now!

The malefactor knew that every destructive power on earth will fade away after a certain time. And soon the <u>heavenly power will take over</u>. That is: the Kingdom of Heaven will further rule his life. And the malefactor's wisdom did not let him to become a looser for the second time. He wanted to be a victor this time. Victorious over the earthly destructive powers; victorious of self-weakness; even victorious over physical death and gain spiritual life everlasting. **The future will soon begin!** 

The only hope he saw for his future was with Jesus. His wisdom told him that Jesus was the oncoming King. He knew that Jesus is the King in the Kingdom of Heaven. Onto Jesus he laid his hope. Those series of wisdom drove him to address to Jesus these simple words:

And he said unto Jesus, Lord; remember me when you come into Your kingdom.

#### My beloved brother and sister,

can you see now the ultimate love of Jesus? He has been watching over us, with our rebellious behavior in all those passed years; yet He loves you and me, and all he wishes to hear is our words of repentance as uttered by the one malefactor. The word of repentance will give Him the right to forgive us and to reward us with the everlasting, successful life. That is our second chance to live successfully; out of the disturbance of every destructive power on earth. In Jesus' Kingdom, our opportunity will not be destroyed anymore. Then Jesus will respond with His unlimited love, and at the correct time, He will say unto you, my Brother/Sister:

"Verily I say unto you, today you shall be with me in paradise."

## Brother/Sister in Christ,

Surely you are having ample time, more than that malefactor possessed. Therefore you have the opportunity to speak longer sentences to Jesus our King, such that I advice you to say the prayer below, slowly and seriously, as the way you are speaking to a King. Please do pray, for your own benefit:

I praise You, Lord Jesus, my King!

I know now that You are the King in the Heavens, while I was only a rebel in my past. I am tired of my rebellion, Lord Jesus, and I want a second chance to live successfully in Your Kingdom, away from the destructive powers of this earth, and I will be happy to leave this desert of earth, to join You in Paradise.

Please, Lord Jesus, forgive me and wash away my sins, such that I will be eligible to stand before Your throne, praising and worshipping You in the everlasting life.

In the name of Jesus, I herewith tear and renounce every past communion and fellowship with the power of darkness that ruled my life. I invite the holy angel to protect me from future offensives by Satan and his angels of darkness. Out you go, Satan and your unclean spirits, away from me.

The blood of Jesus is covering me and will protect me forever, and the Holy Spirit will work within my heart, reshaping my personality to become a child of Jesus.

In the name of my King, Jesus Christ, I pray; AMEN.

# THE ONCOMING TRACTS: THE SECOND CHANCE