

Prophetic Visions in NDEs

Warnings for our current times

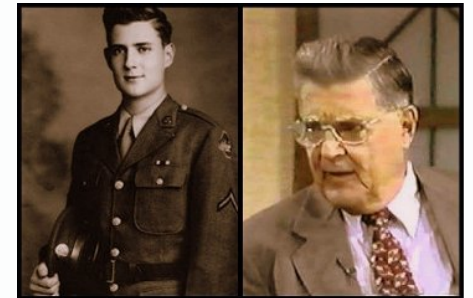


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Preliminaries

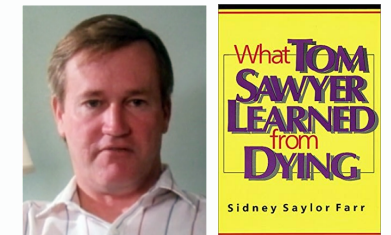
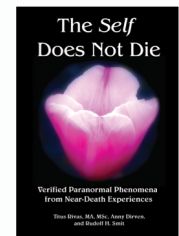
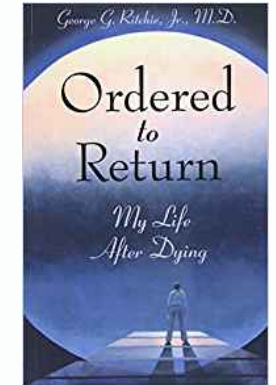
- **About us**
- **Disclaimers**
 - These are our views based on NDErs' testimony
 - Our findings are still preliminary
 - The identity of respondents is confidential
- **Motivation for our study**
 - Ken Leth interview on IANDS NDE Radio, March 2016
 - George Ritchie's prophetic visions during his NDE
- **Our intention in this presentation**



George G. Ritchie, Jr. (1923–2007)

Prophetic visions from NDEs

- **George Ritchie's vision of two corridors opened by the Being of Light**
(Ritchie, 1998, 45–46; Shockey, 1999, 190–191).
 - Increasing natural disasters, earthquakes, volcanoes, people becoming more selfish, families splitting, governments breaking apart—culminating in explosions occurring all over the world
 - Instead, the planet grew more peaceful, man not as destructive of nature, beginning to understand what love is, more like the beings in the 4th and 5th [heavenly] realm
 - It is left to man which direction he shall choose
- **During his NDE in 1978, Tom Sawyer experienced being in a place of Universal Knowledge** (Farr, 2000, 100).
- **Two of Tom Sawyer's prophetic visions *after* his NDE**
 - **L-1011 TriStar plane crash** (Farr, 1993, 136–145; Rivas, et al., 2016, pp. 208–212).
 - **Intervening with prayer to avert a midair collision** (Farr, 1993, 135–136).



Tom Sawyer (1945–2007)

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- Shockey, P. (1999). *Reflections of heaven: A millennial odyssey of miracles, angels, and afterlife*. New York, NY: Doubleday.

Study statistics

- Did an extensive literature review of prior research (Ken Ring, Margot Grey, others)
- Sent out a survey to NDErs
- Sources for this study
 - 11 surveys met our criteria for inclusion, out of 32 returned
 - 5 IANDS experience registry submissions
 - 15 NDErs wrote books/articles describing prophetic visions
- 22 total subjects (13 male, many subjects fit in 2 or all 3 data sources)
- 15 published NDE authors:
 - Shadrach Abednego (2018)
 - Tom Beck (2018)
 - Dannion Brinkley (1994, 2004)
 - Edgar Cayce (2012)
 - Don Coffey (2016)
 - Ned Dougherty (2001)
 - Elizabeth Krohn (2018)
 - Kenneth Leth (2017)
 - Sarah LaNelle Menet (2003)
 - Sharon Milliman (2016)
 - Reinee Pasarow (2018)
 - George Ritchie (1998)
 - Tom Sawyer (1993, 2000)
 - Howard Storm (2000)
 - Gary Wimmer (2014)

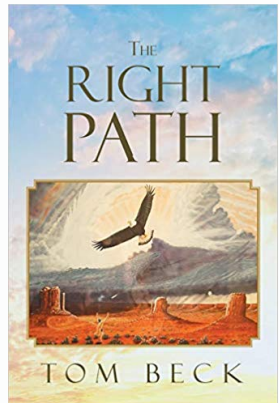


The phenomenal experience of prophetic visions ...

- **Precognitive experiences in an NDE occur during a life *preview*—usually part of a life review**
 - **About 4% of NDErs report seeing future world events** (IANDS Experience Registry data).
 - **The NDEr may sense having access to “All Knowledge” in the NDE**
 - **Specific visions may be revealed to the NDEr: on a globe of the world or as a quick glimpse of many future events**
- **In general, most future visions in the NDE are suppressed *after* the NDE**
 - **The visions come back in a dream or a waking vision**
 - **Triggered by the approach of the future event, sometimes years before, more commonly weeks, days or hours before the event, or when the NDEr hears about the event**
 - Some [NDErs] claim that they were told at the time that they would not be able to recall everything but would only have access to it when and if the need arose. (Grey, 1985, 122).
 - **Can also be triggered by being in a particular place**
 - **One NDEr in the study (SB) had several prophetic visions when visiting specific locations, having an intense sense of dread or having the vivid sensation of being transported into a future time in the same location**

The phenomenal experience of prophetic visions

- **The visions are vivid and intense and have a compelling quality**
 - Elizabeth Krohn: There is the “rush” or “power” of the precognitive nightmares; they truly spirit me away, as if I were on a runaway horse. ... There is an energy force that will not allow me to awaken. (Krohn & Kripal, 2018, 84)
 - Tom Beck: The more intense visions would cause me to be physically weak and sometimes disoriented and dizzy. The deeper and darker the vision, the worse these effects are. (Beck, 2018, 107–108).
 - Shadrach Abednego [pseudonym]: The premonitions are sometimes preceded by what I would call “a cold spiritual wind.” These premonitions lack affect, that is, there is no fear, no agitation, no emotion attached to them. (S. Abednego, email communication, 7/1/19).



- Beck, T. (2018). *The right path*. Meadville, PA: Christian Faith Publishing.
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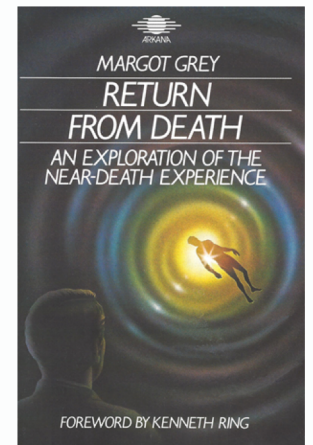
Characteristics of prophetic visions ...

- **The visions can vary from a general description or image to extremely detailed, specific facts about the future event**
 - **The more specific a prophetic vision is, the more likely it has already been set in motion on a spiritual level** (Abednego, email communication, 8/9/19)
- **The visions are usually completely accurate or nearly so when the event occurs**
 - **Examples: Tom Sawyer (L-1011), Elizabeth Krohn (TWA flight 800)** (Krohn & Kripal, 2018, 38)
 - **In some instances, communicated to others before the event**
 - **The accuracy was then verified by the NDEr, or more rarely by a 3rd party**
- **In some cases, the NDEr can do nothing about the situation**
 - **Examples: Sawyer (L-1011 crash), Krohn (plane crashes, earthquakes, tsunami), Beck (terrorist attacks), Abednego (9/11 attack)**
 - **But the NDEr comes to realize that visions of this sort are real and are likely to be accurate**

Characteristics of prophetic visions

- **In other cases, there can be a successful intervention, for example, through prayer**
 - Tom Sawyer: preventing a midair collision
 - After 9/11, people came together ... and we prayed together by the thousands, hundreds of thousands. ... I know there were planned attacks that did not take place because of our praying. I know because I saw the attacks that were to take place. ... I had such hope that others I saw were not going to happen, but they did. We grew weary of the war, we quit praying.... (Beck, 2018, 175).
 - In fact many NDErs stress that events can always be affected by right human action and prayers to God for His intervention. (Grey, 1985, 132).
- **So predictions that fail to materialize can be due to free-will choices of individuals**
 - “I was also shown events that are likely to happen in the near future, but was made to understand that nothing is absolutely fixed and that everything depends on how we choose to use our own free will, that even those events that are already predestined can be changed or modified by a change in our own way of relating to them.”
(NDEr quoted in Grey, 1985, 123).

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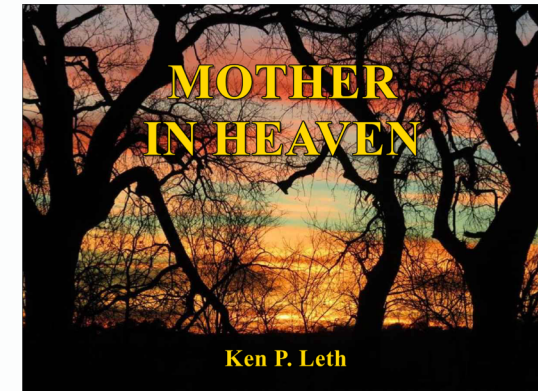


Categories of prophetic visions

1. **Current political conflict and civil strife in the US—Leth, Abednego, 2 others** (Milliman, RH)
 2. **Economic and social chaos caused by widespread power failures—Storm, Beck, 7 others**
(Abednego, Milliman, Wimmer, Dougherty, Pasarow, RR, SN)
 3. **Severe tsunamis, earthquakes and natural disasters—RR, 3 others** (Milliman, RB, Dougherty)
 - **The US is split in two from Gulf to Great Lakes—Menet, Milliman, 2 others** (Cayce, RR)
 4. **Reset of the earth, millions to billions of people die: supervolcano, asteroid hit or nuclear war—Leth, Beck, 6 others** (RR, Dougherty, Ritchie, SN, Pasarow, TR)
 - **Note exception:** [The angels] said, “No, that is not going to happen. God will not allow a nuclear war.” (Storm, 2005, 44).
 5. **Post-reset world: 150–300+ years hence—Leth, Storm, 6 others** (Coffey, Ritchie, Beck, Pasarow, Dougherty, TR)
- **Caveat: none of these prophetic visions is completely certain to happen**
 - There is a certain probability that they *will* happen, given the pattern of actions or inactions already set in motion, but human beings can change and choose to act differently, which will alter the outcome
 - Other human beings can “intervene” through their own actions, e.g. with prayer and compassion toward others
 - Please listen with an *objective mind* to all of these PVs regardless of your own political or religious persuasion

1a. Political conflict and civil strife

- **Ken Leth's visions of the US from JFK assassination through President Trump, a 2nd civil war, the reset, etc.**
(Ken's visions occurred during his September 1963 NDE, at age 8; most visions were suppressed, then returned as visions starting in his early 20s. His first visions of the vile, disruptive president came back in early 2016, prior to his March 2016 interview on LANDS NDE Radio.)
 - **JFK assassination** (Ken saw the TV coverage after his NDE)
 - **Important Supreme Court ruling close to the end of US power** (possibly 2015 ruling on same-sex marriage)
 - **A woman is running for president**
 - **A vile, disruptive man becomes president**
 - **The disruptive president is removed from office and incites violence**
 - **How the disruptive man became president**
 - **The disruptive former president falls ill and dies**
 - **Widespread fighting flares up again, becoming a civil war much worse than the first**
 - **Disruption of media in the South**
 - **An army is formed in the West and moves east**
 - **Two evil men are key leaders in spreading fighting and disruption; the fighting intensifies**
 - **The two evil men are ultimately overcome**
 - **The civil war ends and there is remorse and sorrow**
 - **"Reset" – An enormous explosion in Wyoming or Montana, destroys all life on the continent** (possibly Yellowstone supervolcano)
 - **Post-reset world – North America gradually returns to life with small groups of people living simple lives**



- Leth, Kenneth (2017). *Mother in heaven* [no longer available]. Kindle Direct Publishing.
- Leth, Kenneth (2019, July 24). Email communication.
- Leth, Kenneth. NDE Radio interviews, 3/14/16; 12/25/17; 12/10/18.

1b. Political conflict and civil strife

- **Shadrach Abednego** [pseudonym]
(Abednego's first visions of Trump as President occurred in July 2016; he wanted to deny the visions.)
 - **Saw Donald Trump become an American Führer**
 - **Saw Trump *increase* terrorism by his actions, thereby able to establish martial law**
 - **Saw Trump imprison oppositional news, eliminate political enemies, fill the courts with judges who worshipped him**
 - **Saw news media unwittingly help Trump to become a dictator**
 - **Trump's ultimate goal: eliminate the other two branches of government so he can rule as a permanent dictator**



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2. Economic & social chaos – widespread power failures

- **Howard Storm**

- Your country will collapse economically which will result in civil chaos. ... You will have people kill people for a cup of gasoline. ... There will be an electronic failure worldwide leading to societal chaos, and destruction of most of the world as we know it. ... People will quickly be without water, food, and transportation. Economic chaos will lead to people stealing, killing, hoarding, etc. (Storm, 2005, 47; Storm, telephone interview, 12/5/18).

- **Tom Beck**

- There will be attacks on our banking systems and utility infrastructure. ... Food and water will become scarce commodities as our transportation systems fall apart. We will be without utilities, no electricity, no water, no sewage system, no Internet, and no phone; we will be in the dark. ... There will be food riots and anarchy in the streets. ... The country will disintegrate into small local territories. (Beck, 2018, 177).

- **Plausible scenarios**

- **Due to the weakening of earth's magnetic field, solar flares can begin to cause catastrophic failure of electrical power grids, satellites, Internet connections and electronics. Even small solar flares can now cause serious disruptions.** (Storm, telephone interview, 12/5/18; Davidson, 2015; European Space Agency, 2014).
- **Terrorist or foreign government attacks on the US power grid, electronics and transportation infrastructure.** (Beck, 2018, 176–177; Abednego, email communication, 7/1/19).

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- European Space Agency (2014, June 19). Swarm reveals Earth's changing magnetism. Retrieved from www.esa.int/Our_Activities/Observing_the_Earth/Swarm/Swarm_reveals_Earth_s_changing_magnetism
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3. Severe tsunamis, earthquakes, US split in two

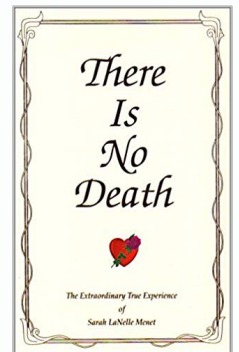
- **US earthquakes, tsunamis: Subject RR**

- It is highly probable that an 8.0–9.0 earthquake on the San Andreas fault [in Southern California] will occur before the end of December 2020. There will be a wall formed by shattered glass from the skyscrapers in downtown L.A., with fires, flooding. There will be thousands of corpses decaying in streets, unable to be hauled out of wreckage. (RR, email communication, 7/8/19).
- The tsunami on the west coast occurs after an unexpected earthquake in Oregon.... Due to that quake, there will be massive loss of life along coastal cities. Sacramento, CA will flood. There will not be enough time for residents to escape to higher ground; they will drown in Sacramento “Lake.” (RR, email communication, 7/7/19).

- **US split in two: Sarah Menet, Sharon Milliman**

- A huge earthquake occurred in the middle of the United States. It seemed to split the US in half where the Mississippi River is. The crack in the earth that resulted was miles wide, and as it opened up, water flowed in from the Gulf of Mexico all the way up to the Great Lakes. (Menet, 2003, 72).
- [I was shown] a “silver ribbon” splitting the United States apart. I was told that this “ribbon” was a river. I felt that it was the Mississippi River ... the ribbon becomes larger over time. (Milliman, 2016, 34).

- Menet, S. L. (2003). *There is no death: The extraordinary true experience of Sarah LaNelle Menet*. Philipsburg, MT: Mountain Top Publishing.
- Milliman, S. (2016). *A song in the wind: A near-death experience*. Bloomington, IN: WestBow Press.



4. Reset of the earth

- **Ken Leth**

- ... the next thing I was shown involved a huge explosion coming from the area of Wyoming or Montana [Yellowstone supervolcano?]. A giant mushroom cloud forms above the explosion and a ring of white clouds that stays close to the ground expands across the continent all the way to the East coast, as all life is extinguished. (Leth, email communication, 7/24/19).

- **Tom Beck**

- A comet will strike the earth. I think it will hit in China because I see what appears to be Chinese writing on signs and vehicles where it strikes. ... The largest pieces [of the comet] strike the ground with enough force that they throw up mountains of dirt, dust, debris, and smoke that blocks out the sun. ... Sometime [later] there will be worldwide earthquakes and eruptions of volcanoes. I also see a period of winter that will be brought on by all the dust in the air. This winter last for a couple of years causing worldwide starvation. (Beck, 2018, 178).

- **Plausible scenarios**

- **A supervolcano can destroy a wide area of land from massive ejecta. They can also cause global winter lasting 5-10 years and, in the past, have caused mass extinctions.**
- **An asteroid or comet strike can cause similar effects.**

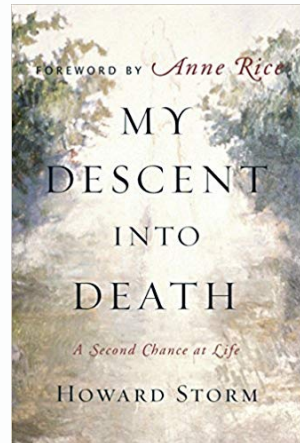
5. Post-reset world

- **Ken Leth**

- After the explosion I saw that North America remains uninhabited for a long time as it becomes overgrown with many trees again. Eventually there will be human activity. I was shown a small group of people living in a hut type structure in the southeast. They were living simple lives much like tribes of natives before the US was established. (Leth, email communication, 7/24/19).

- **Howard Storm**

- We were in a beautiful natural wooded setting. ... [The angels] told me this was the future ... a garden that people tended. ... [People] were dressed simply and had exotic ornaments [a kind of “spiritual” technology]. ... They all participated in child-rearing and teaching as the most important activity of their lives. ... People will grow only enough food for their needs. [With prayer, the plants will produce huge fruits and vegetables.] Collectively, all the people of the world will control the weather. ... There will be countless small communities of people, [each with] its own identity and culture. All people will be able to communicate telepathically. There ... will be no need for [technological] devices since humans will have the power to control matter and energy. ... [This will come about] ‘In two hundred years.’ (Storm, 2005, 45–46; Storm, telephone interview, 12/5/18).



Spiritual principles revealed by NDEs ...

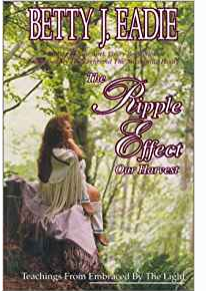
Seven spiritual principles from NDEs providing a *spiritual context* for PVs

- 1. We are all eternal spiritual beings; we don't die with the death of the physical body**
- 2. There is an overarching spiritual aspect of reality that encompasses all physical reality**
(see our previous research presentations on our website)
- 3. There is a plan and purpose for life on Earth: things specifically to be learned, experienced and done** (“It's not your time; you must go back; you have more to do on Earth”)
 - We have chosen life's difficulties and challenges for spiritual growth and maturity: To be enriched by life experiences and to grow in universal compassion and love towards all**

Spiritual principles revealed by NDEs ...

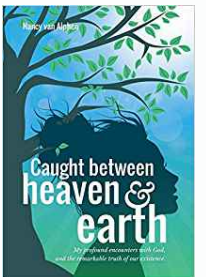
4. Evil has a divine purpose (Eadie, 1999, 87)

- Because of [evil], we become aware of our weaknesses. As we gain control over our appetites and desires, we begin to see how the influence of evil has strengthened us.
- **Retarding forces: (1) fear, (2) anger & hate, (3) lies & doubt, (4) greed & selfishness**



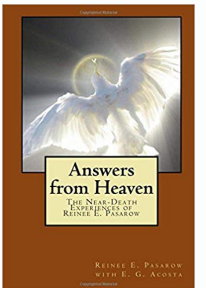
5. Suffering exists for a divine purpose (van Alphen, 2019, 33)

- **Arises as the consequences of our actions, individually and collectively**
(Ritchie quoted in Shockey, 1999, 191)
- **Can be a gift: an opportunity to grow spiritually such that we develop compassion and courage** (Pasarow, 2018, 3)
- **Can teach us patience, compassion, forgiveness in seeing the motives and ignorance of others** (Eadie, 1999, 88)



6. We have free will: we have the choice how to act and respond

- **God will not interfere with our free-will choices**



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Spiritual principles revealed by NDEs

7. **The collective environment of all human thoughts, feelings, words and actions works on the spiritual level, as a kind of spiritual “atmosphere”**
 - **This spiritual “atmosphere” has an influence on everyone for good (love) or for ill (fear, hate)**
 - “I saw a grey miasma [noxious atmosphere] spread all over the earth. It was the vibration of fear that was causing it. ... This fear was causing the violence and social unrest ...” (NDEr quoted in Grey, 1985, 128).
 - **This spiritual reality can be seen at work in the world as the “ripple effect,” both positively and negatively**
 - **Spiritual beings and Forces of Nature are *also* at play in this spiritual “atmosphere”**
 - Positive, benevolent, progressive spiritual beings give guidance, assistance and protection in our lives
 - Negative, retarding, evil spiritual beings are tempters and tricksters, working to challenge, block and disrupt our lives
 - The forces of Nature are also affected positively and negatively as a *consequence* of human thoughts, feelings and deeds (Eadie, 1999, 91-92)

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Interpreting prophetic visions

What do prophetic visions mean?

- **Prophetic visions are *warnings* of future human actions, future accidents and future natural disasters**
 - “I saw that the last time the world faced a similar situation was just before the destruction of Atlantis [the “Flood”]. Then, as now, people were given plenty of warning that they were disregarding natural and spiritual laws and if they continued to carry on as they were going, they would eventually have to face the results of their folly, but they chose to disregard the signs. In the end all but a few who had heeded the warnings perished. It will be the same this time.” (NDEr quoted in Grey, 1985, 126).
- **Nothing is completely predestined; these events can be averted or mitigated, even massive natural disasters**
 - Occasionally, I have visions of disasters that do not take place. I have been told that this is because people have free will and sometimes change their minds. ... I take assurance knowing that the vision can be changed, and the outcome does not have to be as I first saw. It can be modified by the choices we make. Maybe that is the lesson to be learned. That the visions are real, but the outcome does not have to be. (Beck, 2018, 113).
- **Prophetic visions convey the urgency of what we need to do to avert or mitigate them**
 - We are on a path of self destruction. ... There is no more time to waste. (Pasarow, 2018, vi)
- **If a change is to happen, it begins with each of us**
 - It was made very clear to me that we are all mighty spiritual beings, and that our destiny is in our hands. (Brinkley, 2004, xii)

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How should we prepare for adversities?

How should we prepare before disasters, adversities and conflicts actually come?

1. Develop *absolute equanimity* toward everything that may come

- Remember that we do not die with the death of the physical body
- Remember that “suffering isn’t going to last forever” (van Alphen, 2019, 6)
- Those [NDErs] who felt that the events foreseen are now inevitable, nevertheless stressed that, *rightly understood*, the outcome is both necessary and desirable. (Grey, 1985, 132 – emphasis added).

2. Work in *service* to others out of love

- What matters to Spirit is our willingness to *help others* through our Love, kindness and compassion. (Brinkley, 2004, 183)
- Service is the answer to reclaiming our society and changing our hearts as a people ... With service, unity replaces selfishness, as each person becomes deeply committed to the good of the whole, rather than one’s own self interests. (Richardson, 2000, 101–102)

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What can NDErs especially do?

NDErs are especially capable to help avert the prophetic visions

- NDErs have experienced the spiritual world and know that we do not die

3. NDErs have special abilities to *pray, visualize* and *send* healing and compassion to others

- Prayer is the greatest act of free will—*pray especially together in groups*
- I was told that the world could be saved, not by its leaders, but by prayer groups throughout the world. I was told that the prayers of a group of 20 could save a nation from war. (Dougherty, 2001, 79)
- Practice *prayer* and *compassion* toward *all* people, even one's adversaries and enemies (Abednego, 2018, 95)

4. A Great Awakening is happening: *spread* the word that we need to change

- Our world stands on the brink of a spiritual renaissance, a revival of spirituality that will sweep the earth and change it in significant ways. ... The great Awakening has already begun. Light and knowledge have begun to flow from heaven in greater intensity. ... Evil, by its opposing nature, is rising up to challenge this Awakening. But the harder the opposition, the harder the angels and good people will work to create it. (Eadie, 1999, 92)
- If we rise to our ultimate challenge and make a holy response, a miracle is possible that shifts the heart of humanity. (Rabbi Stephen Robbins, interview, 7/10/19).

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