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A very warm greetings to our beloved brothers and sisters.

Another month has rolled around. With the passing of each one, the allotted time to the end grows shorter, and the climactic events of the last days grow more intense and troubling. Only genuine faith will see us through. It is in these terrifying days that all presumed and deceptive faith will fail, leaving the possessors with consternation, bewilderment, confusion, doubt, and the resultant action of this kind of orientation to the physical pressures and conditions of the times. Again, only real and genuine FAITH will see us through to the conclusion of God's last-day operation. Faith is a gift. It must be underscored by daily study and prayer and adequate fasting!

May I once again commend so many of you who are exhibiting that solidarity of conviction God requires. The resolve to be true to the Faith Once Delivered. The determination to master the self and to owe no one anything except love — love the brethren with all the heart, mind, and being even as we do God and Christ.

Keep up the growth. How greatly pleased God must be!

ARTICLES

As stated in the last letter, we determined to complete the major work, The Gnostic Connection, this month. Our hopes and determinations have been realized. Chapters Ten and Eleven accompany this letter.

Only Chapter Twelve remains to be done. It is the Biblical outline of Babylonianism. Chapter Twelve will be a broad outline, covering basically the word, "Babylon." To the word, "Babylon," will be added such textual information necessary to effect a connecting ribbon from Genesis to Revelation. Periodically, a Bible Word Study will be added to this general outline of Babylonianism. When these Word Studies are completed an exhaustive Biblical review and substantiation of the subject will have been realized.

The next article will be covering the subject of "Sacred Names." Much study has already transpired. Much yet to do. Then the whole subject must be analyzed before the article can be written. In a nutshell, let us say,

how amazing to see how foundationless are concepts and beliefs advocated by men. Yet so many others emotionally accept those concepts, not knowing why they have accepted particular beliefs. These facts will be made clear in the article.

NEW INTEREST

A couple of areas manifest some interest — Greensboro, North Carolina and Nashville, Tennessee. Please pray that God will actively intervene on behalf of the people. How frightened and troubled people have become as a result of deep hurt in the past. Only God's intervention can help these people to see clearly and give direction to their lives.

PRAYER REQUESTS

[Omitted for confidentiality]

GENERAL

Thanks for the marvelous response to our tape return request. Please keep up the returns. This will help us through the economic slump of the present.

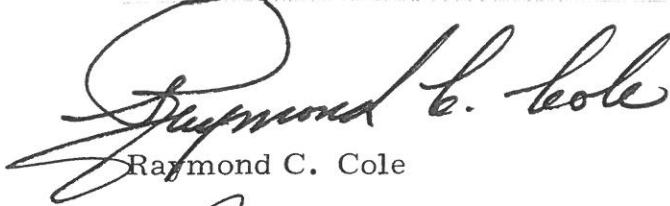
Postage: If necessary we may have to adjust our mailing procedures for both tapes and literature. We can save money by minor adjustments.

Mailings: These are affected by number two above.

CONCLUSION

Our love and prayers always. We are looking forward to opportunities of seeing you periodically through the year.

With deepest respect, thoughts and compassion,



Raymond C. Cole



Bryce G. Clark

P.S. — Thanks for the prayers of all for me. I am improving daily. What a blessing to experience the warm compassion and love of God's people. Thank you. My deep love and gratitude always.

R. C. C.