

<sup>10</sup> "You are my witnesses," declares the LORD, "my servants whom I have chosen, so that you may know and believe me and understand that I am he (Yahweh)..."

<sup>2</sup> This is what the LORD says, "He who made you, who formed you in the womb, and who will help you: Do not be afraid...I have chosen (you)."  
- Isaiah 43:10, 44:2

### We are God's Witnesses...We are Chosen

God is not delaying his help for us. God is not leaving us on our own. God has chosen us to be his people and that means he has prepared, in advance, a pathway for us to stay in touch with him. Ask God to make this pathway clear to you. God never chooses a person to represent him without keeping the connections wide open with them.

Do you need devotional materials to help with these connections? Call me, I have materials for you, or I will send them by U.S. Mail, the Internet and/or by Skype or you can drop by the church and I will hand them to you.

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God's Witnesses are directed by God as to whom to talk to and whom to help. God has people that you know that he wants to encourage and give a helping hand to. Yesterday we referred to using the telephone to encourage your family and friends... Today, I am asking you to think about how you can cheer people with an act of kindness - **a safe act of kindness**, 6+ feet away, with a mask and with gloves. God tells you what to say and what to do, just be open to doing it. People will love it!

### We have the Opportunity to Know, Believe and Understand God (The Great I Am)

This is how it works - God's opportunity sparks belief in you and others, which leads directly to understanding God more completely, the "Great I AM: Yahweh". Yep, that is correct, "Yahweh" is God's personal name; the name that God introduced himself to Moses with at the burning bush. This is a holy name; one of the many ways God opens the pathway between us. Yes, involve yourself daily with some devotional materials to help you be ready to hear from God. God is talking with us, let's listen.

### God Promises to Help Us

God is ready to help us deal with this trying time we are living in, but it does not just automatically happen...we must listen and spend time seeking out what God is trying to say. I saw a funny comment on Facebook yesterday:

My wife just stopped and said, "You weren't even listening, were you?!"  
I thought to myself... "That's a pretty strange way to start off a conversation."

You have the idea, listen to God, seek God out and you will understand much better how to deal with the challenges facing us today! Amen.