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I woke up this afternoon thinking that perhaps I had been too harsh or forward about God and His words. I remembered chiding a young man in a Christian chat room for coming on to the women. His response was a series of question mark s. Apparently, he didn't see what was wrong. What are we doing? And who are we becoming? If we remark that a ma n's behavior in a Christian chat isn't godly and we receive a raised eyebrow, what are we as a people of God? And why should I feel a twinge of guilt for standing up for what is right?

What amazes me most, lately, is how I feel bad for talking about God all the time. What are we doing, that we have bec ome a people who are shamed for speaking about the One who made us for just that very purpose? If this is the state o f affairs today (and the prospects of improving toward God are blazingly bleak), what will tomorrow become? Indeed, wh at are we becoming?

"Then you will be handed over to be persecuted and put to death, and you will be hated by all nations because of me. At that time many will turn away from the faith and will betray and hate each other, and many false prophets will appear an d deceive many people. Because of the increase of wickedness, the love of most will grow cold, but he who stands firm t o the end will be saved. And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in the whole world as a testimony to all nations, and then the end will come."

By His Grace