

**Articles and Sermons :: The Indispensable Necessity of Spiritual Diagnosis- A.W Tozer****The Indispensable Necessity of Spiritual Diagnosis- A.W Tozer - posted by RobertW (), on: 2006/9/27 11:51****The Indispensable Necessity of Spiritual Diagnosis**

Not the fact that the churches are unusually active these days, not what religious people are doing, should engage our attention, but why these things are so. The big question is: Why? And no one seems to have an answer for it. Not only is there here no answer, but scarcely is there anyone to ask the question. It just never occurs to us that such a question remains to be asked. Christian people continue to gossip religious shoptalk with scarcely as much as a puzzled look. The soundness of current Christianity is assumed by the religious masses as was the soundness of Judaism when Christ appeared. People know they are seeing certain activity, but just what it means they do not know, nor have they the faintest idea of where God is or what relation He has toward the whole thing.

What is needed desperately today is prophetic insight. Scholars can interpret the past; it takes prophets to interpret the present. Learning will enable a man to pass judgment on our yesterdays, but it requires a gift of clear seeing to pass sentence on our own day. One hundred years from now historians will know what was taking place religiously in this year of our Lord 1956; but that will be too late for us. We should know right now.

**Re: The Indispensable Necessity of Spiritual Diagnosis- A.W Tozer - posted by enid, on: 2006/9/27 13:38**

Written fifty years ago but the church has degenerated since then.

But somehow, you're not supposed to say anything about it. Just keep in line and keep your mouth closed. Don't say a word.

Fact is, you don't have to be a prophet to see not only where the church is right now, but where it is headed.

Do we look ready for persecution, physical and mental torture? Rejection? Ejection from our homes? Imprisonment?

Not only are these things around the corner, we should be expecting them.

We don't.

I'm not looking forward to it either. But I know it will happen.

When is anyone's guess.

That doesn't mean we do not pray for God to undertake a work of grace in the hearts of both His people and sinners.

God can and will as we seek Him.

God bless.