# In The Grand Scheme Of Things

Are you a movie buff?

Do you recall the food critic (by the name of Anton Ego) in the animation film, Ratatouille?

At one point in the movie he pays Gusteau's Restaurant a visit in order to critique the new *kid (i.e., cook)* on the block. In light of his dining experience, he shares (in his newspaper review the next day) this dose of introspection:

"In many ways the work of a critic is easy. We risk very little yet enjoy a position over those who offer up their work and theirselves [sic] to our judgments. We thrive on negative criticism which is fun to write and read. But the bitter truth we critics must face is that, in the grand scheme of things, the average piece of junk is probably more meaningful than our criticism designating it so. ... "

## Interesting perspective !

Speaking of "perspective," Anton Ego offers this insight in a different setting in the film:

"... [Do] you know what I'm craving? A little perspective – that's it! I'd like some fresh, wellseasoned perspective. ... Since you're all out of perspective and no one else seems to have it in this bloody town, I'll make you a deal: You provide the food; I'll provide the perspective! ... "

So one may rightly ask: "What does Ratatouille have [anything!] to do with end-time matters?"

In application on the theme of perspective, I respectfully ask: Are followers of Jesus Christ living out HIS perspective today?

What of precious examples to us, examples which model the biblical passages which we highlighted in blog B33;15? Scroll down to blog B33;15 after <u>Clicking Here</u>.

What of these powerful examples?

~ Consider Corrie and Betsie ten Boom – perspective in the most wicked of circumstances ...

Betsie's testimony of PEACE and JOY in the horrific Ravensbruck concentration camp where – in the setting birds singing in the cold morning, dreadful work conditions and yes, even lice – their **PERSPECTIVE** was that of peace and joy.

~ Consider Horatio Spafford – perspective in the setting of grievous loss ...

After having lost his four daughters in the sinking of the ship, *Ville du Havre*, he penned the famous hymn, "<u>It Is Well With My Soul</u>." The fourth verse – stanza 4 – models perspective during the unfolding of these end of days:

"And Lord, haste the day when the faith shall be sight,

The clouds be rolled back as a scroll; [see Revelation 6:14]

The trump shall resound [Mt. 24:31; I Cor. 15:51, 52; I Thes. 4:13-18; Rev. 11:15 / 14:14-16]

And the Lord shall descend, [Revelation 19]

Even so it is well with my soul."

Yes, what <u>**PERSPECTIVE</u>** – which we, too, should also enjoy TODAY – in the setting of upcoming (future-to-this-moment) eschatological Truths!</u>

And finally ...

Consider the King of kings and Lord of lords, Jesus Christ – perspective in a never-before-experienced unimaginable moment (i.e., separation of relationship with His Father!) ...

He endured the cross:

"Therefore we also, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, the sin which so easily ensnares *us*, looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of *our* faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God." (Heb. 12:1, 2; NKJV; And keep reading the verses that follow, not to mention the preceding chapter ... the whole book of Hebrews for that matter because the Old Covenant has been replaced with the New Covenant in God's Son, Jesus Christ! <u>Click Here</u> for "endurance" Bible appeals (VS <u>appeals</u> leading to apostasy and eternal *death*).

In conclusion, a prayer:

Thank You, Lord! May we have Your **PERSPECTIVE** going into this season of the *overcoming of the Saints*. \* Lord, may we live Your Mt. 24:13 mandate and endure to the end and thus be saved! Unto Your glory and praise, dear Father God. In the name of Your beloved Son, Christ Jesus I pray, amen.

\* Rev. 13:7 ... Daniel 7:25 also miraculously foretells the same!

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