IN THE DAYS BEFORE THE COMING OF MOSHIACH IT WILL BE HARD NOT TO BE MISLED BY PEOPLE WITH MISTAKEN BELIEFS AND RELIGIOUS LEADERS (THE EREV RAV) WILL PREACH FALSEHOOD

THERE WILL BE A FLOOD OF IMMORALITY BEFORE THE COMING OF MASHIACH

Rabbi Nachman concluded by saying that it is said that before the Mashiach comes, there will be flood. (People will be flooded with atheism.) It will not be a flood of water, but of immorality. It will cover all the high mountains, even in the Holy Land, where the original flood did not reach. But this time, it will come with such strength that the water will splash over the land. This means that it will have an effect even in virtuous hearts. There will be no way to combat this with sophistication. All the royal ministers will be scattered, and the entire kingdom will not be firm on its foundation. The only ones who will uphold it will be the simple Jews who recite Psalms in simplicity. Therefore, when the Mashiach comes, they will be the ones to place the crown on his head". (Rabbi Nachman's Stories #21)

"It will be very difficult to remain firm in faith, and not be misled by everyone's mistaken beliefs in the pre Messianic era. At that time, many who call themselves religious leaders will preach falsehood. A group like ours, where people gather together, thirsting for G-d's word, will no longer exist. There will be some truly religious individuals, but they will be very few and far between. Rabbi Nachman then quoted the verse: "Write this as a record in a book" (Exodus 17:14). In days to come let people know that there was someone who already predicted this. Then they will know and be encouraged in their faith"

(Rabbi Nachman of Bresslov [1772-1810], Sichot Ha Ran 126)

IN ORDER TO SAVE YOURSELF SEPARATE FROM THEM AS MUCH AS YOU CAN