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A Great Leader

The death of Jordan's King Hussein in February left a huge leadership vacuum in the world. Many people recognized his greatness. But what makes a great leader?

He (or she) must be willing to put his country—and sometimes all humanity—above himself. That is easy to say but very difficult to do.

King Hussein's stand on peace often enraged the whole Arab world and many in his own country. Although he made mistakes, he learned some vital lessons in the process.

Just days before his death, he wrote about "the need to place the national interests and the country's stability and survival above all considerations and interests." Then he proceeded to make a decision about his successor that stunned the world.

The king wasn't afraid to use his authority to make unpopular decisions. In fact, he used it for the good of his people. He had an enormous influence on the course of his nation's history with one decision about his successor.

Many leaders are afraid to use what authority they have. Strong government is an awesome blessing if it is used to serve the nation and not personal interests.

Today America and Britain have destroyed strong government. One of our leaders couldn't make a decision like the king did, even if our country's survival depended on it. Weak leaders have brought us to this condition.

Only strong, courageous leadership can save us from dangerous crises.

The king also wrote: "I have lived through many experiences and I noticed at an early age how some climbers climb onto the branch to ruin the relation between brothers and between father and son, and I swore to myself that this would not happen here in my lifetime. But surely, this has become the objective of every declared or hidden enemy, and all of those have used all

means at their disposal to weaken confidence between leadership and people, but they have not succeeded.

"Their plan at this stage, together with those who want to destroy Jordan, was to instigate infighting in the ranks of the leadership after they failed to dismantle the base, and they find in my being alive an impediment to all their designs, forgetting that Al Hussein has lived only to gain the blessings of God, to have a clear conscience and to achieve the best for all his people,

regardless of their origins, who cooperate in holding the banner high and carrying the message of Jordan with their heads held high, not bowing except before God."

There are always dangerous movements to divide the leaders and the people. King Hussein used his government to stop such deadly efforts, and great crises were avoided.

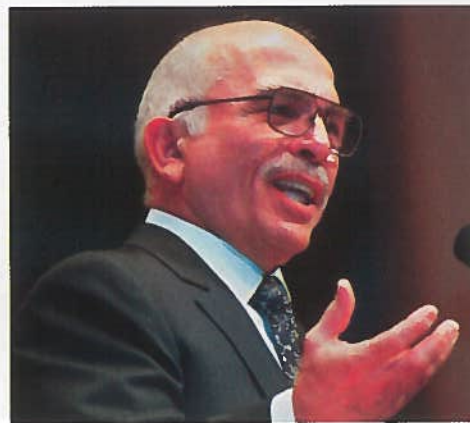
Today, America and Britain are dangerously divided. When serious crises come, the danger will be magnified. Then we will see that our leaders and people are not willing to put national interests above their own. No leader will have the authority or the will to implement the necessary government.

Our forefathers in ancient Israel were deeply divided just before they fell. "In those days there was no

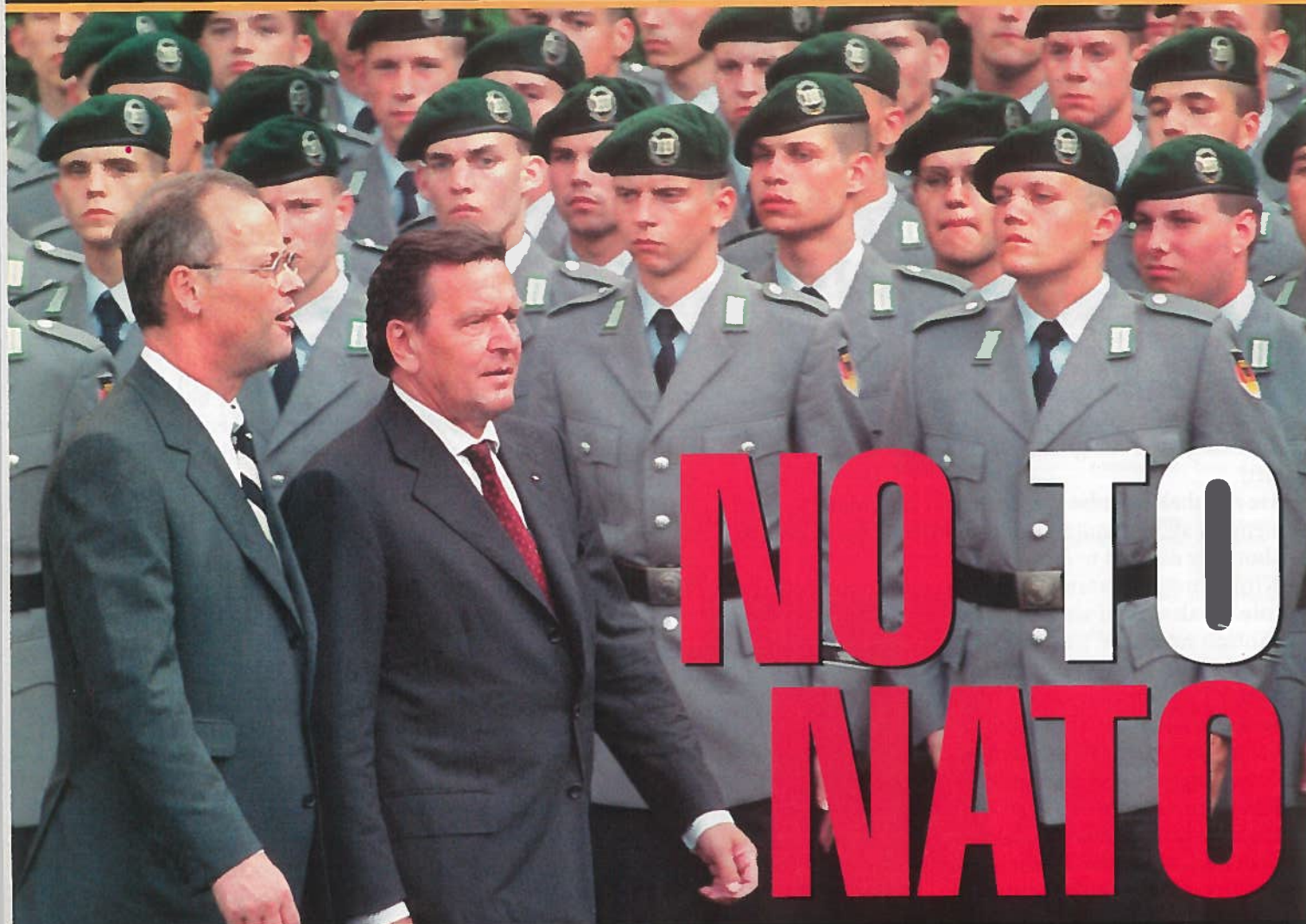
king in Israel: every man did that which was right in his own eyes" (Jud. 21:25). They had no king or strong ruler to make the crucial decisions. Nobody had the authority to put the nation's interests ahead of personal interests. They were hopelessly divided. Everybody put his own concerns above the nation's welfare. And no leader could or would make the weighty decisions needed.

Ultimately the only solution is to let God rule us. But we could begin to make the needed changes by looking to King Hussein's example.

And we don't have much time left to correct our massive problems.



"...Hussein has lived only to gain the blessings of God, to have a clear conscience and to achieve the best for all his people...."



GROWING ARMY Scharping (left) and Schröder review new recruits at the former Nazi headquarters, Bender Block, celebrating the 55th anniversary of a failed push against Adolf Hitler during WWII.

It was in the bag. Everyone agreed that Germany's defense minister was right for the job of NATO secretary general. But the Germans balked. Why?

BY RON FRASER

AS THE DUST OF NATO'S BALKAN war settles over the hot peace in Kosovo, the top NATO job is being vacated by Secretary General Javier Solana. He is about to move into the new post of European Union Foreign Policy chief.

Rudolf Scharping, the German defense minister, was the front runner to replace Solana as head of NATO. Scharping was the all-party favorite for

the job, fully endorsed by U.S. President Clinton and all NATO members. But German Chancellor Gerhard Schröder declined the offer, declaring that he needed Mr. Scharping to assist him with domestic policies at home.

Did this really make sense?

Scharping was a competitor for the chancellorship, having run and been defeated in the re-election of Chancellor Kohl in the 1994 German election. Scharping is *still* rumored to be interested in the chancellorship.

So Gerhard Schröder could have killed two birds with one stone, so to speak, had he agreed to Scharping taking the NATO job. In one stroke he would have sidelined a prime contender for his office and at the same time given Germany the enhanced prestige of leading the organization which is still perceived by many, despite its woeful post-cold-war failures, as the world's principal peace machine.

Why did the German chancellor decline? The real reason should SHOCK you!

It is summed up in our editor's statement in his Personal in last month's issue of this magazine: "This time the Germans are even more dangerous than they were under Hitler! And yet, it is all done in the guise of righteousness."

Flirting with Britain

Schröder's first official trip abroad, upon gaining the chancellorship, was to Britain. He promptly flew across the English Channel to knock on the door of 10 Downing Street.

Why this special attention to Britain? Bible prophecy explains the reason and the true motive.

In Isaiah's prophecy we read of the style of leadership which the latter-day governments of the nations of Israel, primarily Britain and America, will exhibit. "For the leaders of this people

cause them to err; and they that are led of them are destroyed" (Isa. 9:16). Elsewhere, this prophet forecasts that the leaders of America and Britain will even act like children (Isa. 3:12).

Witness this allusion to the child-like naïveté of today's leadership in Britain: "So the July of this century's last year finds British ministers concerned with the same subjects as in the July of what was really the previous century's last year: July 1914. That is, Serbia and Ireland.... By August [1914], the Northern Irish crisis had to be postponed for four years while the European one was resolved by war. [By August this year, solving the Northern Irish crisis had once again been postponed.] Today it is assumed that 'Europe,' as an issue in British politics then, was completely different from 'Europe' as an issue in British politics now. True, it is different. We are not going to war with Germany in the foreseeable future.... The problem was resolved then by *beating* them. Mr. Brown, Mr. Kenneth Clarke, Mr. Heseltine and Mr. Patten [British politicians] want to resolve the problem now by *joining* them" (*The Spectator*, July 17, p. 10).

Concerning the British-German flirtation, as our editor in chief has pointed out, prophetically Germany, ancient Assyria in modern clothes, is called the "lover" of the nations of Israel. "Wherefore I have delivered her into the hand of her lovers, into the hand of the Assyrians, upon whom she doted" (Ezek. 23:9).

The Burden of History

Thus, it was no mere whim which led Chancellor Schröder to visit Prime Minister Blair on his first trek abroad upon gaining office. Mr. Blair had made one very strong point during his early term of office. He had, in association with France, stridently pushed for a European military force to be created, staffed, and have its rank-and-file troops supplied, by the European Union member nations.

For some time Germany has wanted a stronger military presence in Europe, to equate with its status as the EU's leading economic and political entity. But the Germans have a problem—their *history*.

The term "German" comes from an archaic term simply meaning "war men." From ancient times this Assyrian nation has possessed a reputation for being ruthless in war. Caesar called them

Germanen, meaning a valiant or warlike people, probably from *Ger*, meaning spear or lance (see *Encyclopedia Britannica*, "Germany"). This is interesting to note in relation to the fascination which past German leaders, particularly Hitler, had with the ancient "holy lance." Held in the Vienna Treasury in Austria, this relic is regarded as a most valuable icon of the imperial signature of the "Holy Roman Empire."

From ancient times the German people (biblical Assyria) have been an *imperial* nation with a long history of ruling over various confederations of nation-states. Small wonder that we see this nation, described as "the beating heart of Europe," once again on the rise, reaching out anew from its resurrected political capital, Berlin, with an *imperial urge* to draw Europe's eastern nations into the fold of the European Union (EU), which it currently dominates in every respect.

But the Germans have this *history*, a history which from ancient times they have tried to hide. "The history of early Germany, suppressed by the Romans, was revived briefly in the German-dominated Middle Ages. But before the close of the 17th century, not even the Germans remembered their past. It had been stamped out in the name of education and religion" (Herman Hoeh, *Compendium of World History*, p. 4). As Dr. Hoeh observes, historically the Germans have tried to hide their past even from themselves.

So we now have a government in Germany, under Schröder, which is seeking to detach itself from that nation's responsibility for sparking the greatest war ever known to man, including the most thorough attempt to annihilate a race of people via the holocaust of just 55 to 60 years ago. And what *better* way to bury the history than to cuddle up to your former declared enemy! Hence Mr. Schröder's rush to the side of Prime Minister Blair of Britain upon his gaining the chancellorship.

Recently, Britain and Germany joined forces to send the largest contingents of troops to shore up the "peace-keeping" force in Kosovo. Now Britain finds itself stretched beyond the limits of its military strength, reduced under the previous government of John Major and the infamous strategic review initiated by current British Defense Minister George Robinson. So Britain will be downsizing its troop commitment in Kosovo, leaving Germany with

the largest national contingent on the ground in that still-seething Balkan hot spot.

Not only did Germany instigate the "peace plan" for Kosovo, to which both the UN and NATO have agreed, they also proposed the "Marshall Plan" for Balkan reconstruction. Also, unlike other nations, the German government, together with its old Axis ally, Italy, has publicly foreshadowed the imminent prospect of that pariah Yugoslav nation-state, Serbia, being involved in the plan for Balkan reconstruction.

So would it not have made perfect sense for Schröder to have agreed to the request to have his defense secretary accept NATO's top job? After all, he oiled the wheels to ease his top personal aide, Bodo Hombach, into the role of being in charge of Balkan reconstruction. Would the covert takeover of the Balkans by the new "peace-loving" German nation not have been even more complete by the appointment of a German to head up NATO, which was directing ground control in Kosovo, Albania, Macedonia and Montenegro?

Well—no! Obviously the German chancellor had thought more deeply about this. Let's trace it through from Schröder's election to now.

No Mere Coincidence

"It was not a coincidence that directly after my election to the German Bundestag as Chancellor, I have come to Britain on my first visit. It was not a coincidence," said Schröder after visiting Britain on November 2, 1998.

The chancellor was enthusiastic following his discussions with the British prime minister centering around "the Third Way" concept or, as Schröder termed it, "Die Neue Mitte." This political philosophy has its roots in Catholic social doctrine, and is promoted by center-left politicians as a replacement for both capitalism and communism.

The two leaders had also discussed the seething cauldron of Kosovo. But the German leader gushed over Blair's enthusiasm for pressing forward with one of the major clauses of the Amsterdam Treaty (formerly Maastricht Treaty, initially the Treaty of Rome)—the question of the development and implementation of a *common foreign and security policy for European Union nations*.

"It was important for me to hear that I have the prime minister's support," Schröder contended. "I think that bilateral talks can very much contribute

toward this end.... And to show a *new quality of cooperation* across Europe, a cooperation that already was assigned to the name Tony Blair in the course of the Pörtlach Summit because he delivered his *fabulous speech regarding foreign and security policy*.”

What was it that so struck Schröder about Blair's stand on EU “foreign and security policy”? Simply that at the October 1998 Pörtlach Summit in Vienna, before all the assembled leaders of the EU, Tony Blair had aggressively supported the creation of a *Euroforce* for the security and defense of the Union.

But there was more to this than met the eye. The British prime minister has overseen a sea-change in the stance of the British government on Britain's relationship with Germany. The vision of these first leaders in the U.S., Britain and Germany to hail from the post-World War II generation is that of a generation with little grasp of the historic hostility that has existed through centuries and even millennia of time between the nations of Israel (primarily the British and American peoples of today) and the old nation of Assyria, modern Germany.

The language Prime Minister Blair used in expressing his view of Germany is vastly different from that used by Margaret Thatcher or Winston Churchill! On the eve of Chancellor Schröder's first visit to Britain, Mr. Blair commented, “The ties between our two countries have never been closer.... *Germany*, not the Commonwealth or the United States, is now *Britain's most important trading partner*.... Like Gerhard Schröder, I come from a generation that grew up after the war. All my life, *German democracy has been a model*.... Germany has confronted its past and moved on.... With Gerhard Schröder's election a *new generation has taken power in a new Europe*” (*Die Welt Am Sonntag* newspaper, Nov. 1, 1998).

In that same article, Blair went on to state, concerning European defense, “I know that many in Germany share my frustration over Kosovo.... I will be discussing this with the chancellor.... We will look at how Europe can speak more coherently and with *greater authority in international affairs*. *Europe needs to be able to back this up militarily if necessary*.... *Europe should be able to act on its own in a credible way where the U.S. does not wish to participate*.”

This all worked to the heavy advantage of the German chancellor.



PRESTIGIOUS PRIZE Blair receives the Charlemagne award.

REUTERS

A month later, Mr. Blair strengthened his support for the EU to have added military clout when he made the following statements in an article published in the *New York Times*: “We thought we could deal with the Bosnian crisis alone. The guns over Sarajevo destroyed that illusion along with much else. Washington in the end had to get involved to provide the military muscle for our diplomacy.... *Europe needs to get organized* [a particular German strength].... To speak with *authority*, the *European Union also needs to be able to act militarily on its own* when the U.S. is not engaged.... An effective European defense capability also requires an effective *Europe-wide defense industry*.... The European defense industry *needs to consolidate and build bridges with American partners* if it is going to meet the demands of tomorrow's technologies” (Nov. 13, 1998).

Of course, the Daimler-Benz/Chrysler merger has since opened up American technology and capital to be exploited in the EU armaments industry, of which Germany is the leading manufacturer, and to which Daimler-Benz/Chrysler is its largest contributor!

Top Award

This harmony of philosophy and approach, culminating in both the German chancellor and British prime minister claiming that they stand on the same platform, did not go without reward from the German government.

On May 13 this year, Tony Blair was invested with the coveted Charlemagne prize, the same prestigious award with which the German government honored its own former president, Roman Herzog, in 1997.

During his acceptance speech, Mr. Blair drew the attention of the assembled guests to a remarkable phenomenon. “I cannot let pass without comment the great symbolism of RAF and Luftwaffe [British and German] planes fighting, together, in a just cause with Germany.”

Since then the British government has exceeded the experience of “fighting together, in a just cause.” They will now fight *under the authority of German direction* in the Kosovo “peacekeeping” force.

Germany in Command

“British troops on active service are to be commanded by a German for the first time in almost two centuries. Gen. Klaus Reinhardt takes over from Britain's Lt. Gen. Sir Mike Jackson as commander of the Kosovo peacekeeping force, KFOR, in the autumn.... Gen. Reinhardt, 58, *takes Bismarck as his role model*....” (*The Telegraph*, Aug. 8).

That's just a trifle scary, considering that it was Otto von Bismarck who declared, “Not through speeches and majority decisions are the great questions of the day decided—but through *iron and blood!*” Bismarck was hardly a shining example of democracy. In fact,

following an electoral defeat in 1863 he ruled for a whole year without meeting parliament at all, defying the law and violating the constitution. Bismarck's classic foreign policy practice was to skillfully isolate his enemy, ensure neutrality of other competing powers and then, with his reformed Prussian army, deal a lightning blow in the field.

Blitzkrieg was not a new concept to Germany in World War II. Lord Byron described their style of warfare in his famous lines from his *Destruction of Sennacherib*: "The Assyrian came down like the wolf on the fold."

Bismarck used war as an instrument of policy. General Klaus Reinhardt, who now heads up the Kosovo "peace-keeping" force, is an admitted student and admirer of Bismarck.

Such connections should make us think, and think *very deeply*, about what is going on in the Balkan Peninsula.

A Poisoned Chalice

So, with a German general taking the top military job on the ground in Kosovo, it appeared that Chancellor Schröder only needed to say "Ja!" to the appointment of his defense minister, Rudolph Scharping, taking the top NATO job to give Germany all that it has sought from its Balkan adventures. Germany would then not only have had control of the EU budget and enlargement process (having just gained these posts in the reconstituted European Commission), but also control of implementation of the East European Stability Pact (via the chancellor's top aide, Bodo Hombach), control of the high command of KFOR (the Kosovo "peace-keeping" force under General Reinhardt) and control of the direction of the whole North Atlantic Treaty Organization!

Why did Schröder falter?

Perhaps the answer lies in the type of man Scharping really is. It was Scharping's barely restrained glee at his daily picture show of Serb atrocities to the press during the Kosovo war which stimulated the London-based *Telegraph's* Berlin correspondent to comment, "Each afternoon during the NATO bombardment of Kosovo, Rudolf Scharping, the German defense minister, held a press conference, and whenever he could he presented us with new evidence of Serb atrocities. There were days when he was certainly the market leader in this sector, others when he

promised he would be able to show us something especially juicy tomorrow.... What exactly did Herr Scharping see in his aerial reconnaissance photographs of possible mass graves that was so arousing?" (*The Spectator*, June 19).

Not only did the *Telegraph's* Andrew Grimson find Scharping's press conferences off-putting, it seems that his feelings were shared by a number of his peers in Germany. "But I have met many Germans who were as disgusted by Herr Scharping's Serb atrocity stories as I was myself, and who also had the impression he was enjoying himself. The atrocities did not simply serve a valuable political purpose for Herr Scharping, being the strongest motive he could offer for the bombing campaign. They also seemed to fill him to



bursting point with an intoxicating sense of self-righteousness" (ibid.).

Perhaps it was Mr. Scharping's excessive desire to portray the *thousands* of Serb atrocities as equating with the *6 million* Jews gassed in Nazi horror chambers that cautioned Chancellor Schröder to keep him under his wing in Berlin.

Perhaps it was the chancellor's perception that Scharping would be better employed doing what he had consistently declared he desired to do—"re-model the German army."

Then again, perhaps he *really* saw that NATO post as being the poisoned chalice that it has become since the almighty failure of the Atlantic alliance to prevent the reckless efforts of Slobodan Milosevic in Kosovo. Perhaps Herr Schröder foresaw NATO's impending failure as an effective force to keep the peace in Kosovo. There the Kosovo Liberation Army is running riot; 30 Serbs are being killed daily, with many more continuing to be "encouraged" to leave Kosovo; the "ethnic cleansing" continues, even now, right under the eyes of NATO's mish-mash of international infantry.

Also, "there is pressure from NATO nations to balance the number of SFOR (Bosnian peacekeepers) and KFOR (Kosovo Force) troops, and for NATO to withdraw from Bosnia-Herzegovina as soon as possible. 'It's very expensive to maintain this force here,' [Special Forces commander Gen. Montgomery] Meigs said. 'The United States pays \$1 billion a year to maintain its share of SFOR. That's a lot of money—that's a lot of tax dollars. So in all our [NATO] countries there is tremendous pressure to reduce the force'" (UPI, Aug. 14).

The problem with NATO is simply that it is no longer clear why it exists. Its role in Kosovo created at least as many problems as it sought to solve. As has been noted, anyone who thought that the war was troublesome ought to contemplate the peace.

NATO, it is said, was created to keep the U.S. *in*, the Russians *out* and the Germans *down*. George Robinson of Britain takes on NATO with the U.S. struggling to get *out*, the Russians already *in* (on the ground in Kosovo and in Bosnia) and the Germans *up!*

So, if and when the NATO effort at peacekeeping collapses simply through lack of member nation support, who will maintain the "peace" in Kosovo and in Bosnia-Herzegovina? Can we yet see why the German government refused to appoint their top soldier to the post of NATO secretary general?

NATO's Failure— Germany's Opportunity

Gerhard Schröder may have developed the reputation of a chameleon in his electioneering days, due to his readiness to change policy stances in mid-stream, but he is no fool when it comes to politicking. Prime Minister Blair has wined and dined the chancellor, lauded and praised the "change" in Germany from historic war-mongering to its perceived "peacemaker" role—a veritable "model of democracy" as he put it. But he has found it so difficult to back up all the rhetoric which he unrolled in Aachen, in Brussels, in Vienna, in Cologne (as well as back home in London), with real evidence of support from the British people for his pro-European policies.

"European matters have been making the prime minister increasingly uneasy, for two reasons. It is the one issue on which he seems to be unable to ma-

nipulate British public opinion.... In Brussels, they are beginning to grow impatient with Mr. Blair...for arousing expectations which he cannot fulfill. In his private conversations with European leaders, he almost always tells them what they want to hear" (*The Spectator*, July 31, p. 8).

Britain (biblical Ephraim) is simply being used by Germany. The Britain described in scripture as a "cake unturned" (Hos. 7:8) will soon find itself dropped like a hot cake when Germany has no use for Britain to legitimize the world's perception that it has changed its ancient, aggressive habits.

As Britain's minister of defense, George Robinson, prepares to accept the top NATO post, the memories of that sad wake in Washington last April which marked 50 years of NATO, amidst the total confusion of the Kosovo debacle, have faded.

The very British administration which has moved so swiftly to destroy the last vestiges of Britain's glorious heritage, burying it amidst the dust of devolution, may well live to regret the applauding of this German-speaking, Scottish liberal-socialist's promotion to NATO's top job.

Meanwhile, under Robinson's direction, British forces are stretched to their

limit (see sidebar below). NATO now seeks to justify its existence by mounting a "peacekeeping" effort for any fight that may be deemed "humanitarian." Mr. Robinson may find that the final fading glory of the British military may drown in this shallow cup of hemlock, passed to him under encouragement from a failing American administration and a German-led EU which will soon have no use for any American-dominated force on its soil.

The Box Seat

Germany now sits in the box seat in Eastern Europe. Soon the world will realize (as our editor in chief indicated would become the case in his Personal last month) that the Germans, to all intents and purposes have, by stealth, *conquered the Balkans!* Now they are perfectly positioned to extend their dominant influence in Europe further eastward—and it has *begun already!*

Last July, 30 world leaders lent their weight to formalizing an Eastern European Stability Pact. Under this pact, the German-dominated EU will supervise economic and political reconstruction and *security* in Romania, Bulgaria, Albania and the Balkans. It will be run by former German Chancery Minister Bodo Hombach. It is well known that

Chancellor Schröder initiated some gentle arm-twisting to maneuver his top aide into this key role. "Stability Pact" is another term for a German-initiated "Marshall Plan" for rebuilding the Balkans; it's just that it now conveniently *extends its reach into other Eastern European countries* as well.

Bodo Hombach is the most powerful man in Chancellor Schröder's government. He is the chief representative of German economic interests. It is by the extension and imposition of their economic interests that Germany has rebounded from being vanquished in 1945 to being the true victor in the Balkans in 1999!

In fact, the EU's stability pact was actually being drawn up before the first cruise missile was fired over Yugoslavia! Before the first NATO bombs fell on Belgrade, the German foreign minister was hard at it, laying out plans for uniting the entire Balkan Peninsula under one government. In practice, this plan, now in process of implementation by Hombach, "*imposes supranational government on the whole of southeastern Europe from the Black Sea to the Adriatic*" (*The Spectator*, Aug. 1999).

Germany is now in charge of the wholesale political and economic reconstruction and control of southeastern Europe! Do you get that? Do you really get it? Can you grasp what has happened as a result of this diplomatic and economic blitzkrieg by the German-led EU?

The Austrian Empire, the Ottoman Empire and even Stalin in 1947 all tried to unite the Balkans under one government, and, in differing ways, it led ultimately to their downfall. Germany has done it with a few strokes of the pen, a little diplomatic bullying and some masterful political maneuvering, at the same time cloaking its historic reputation as a warmonger under the shroud of "peacemaker."

IT'S TIME TO FACE UP TO REALITY. As Gerald Flurry headlined in his cover article in last month's edition, *the pot is boiling*. Few see it today—many will suffer because of it tomorrow.

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A New Waterloo

SOMETHING CRAZY IS HAPPENING IN GOVERNMENT CIRCLES WITHIN BRITAIN AND America. At the very time that this world is experiencing an escalation of "hot spots" perceived as needing military intervention or support from British and American forces, their combined manpower is shrinking drastically.

Hard on the heels of reports of the "hollowing" of U.S. military strength comes a report from Britain claiming that they are losing the equivalent of two infantry battalions a year. Troops are leaving the forces at an increasing rate. Defense budget cuts over this decade have whittled army strength down to its lowest point since the return of Lord Wellington's troops from the Battle of Waterloo in 1815.

Britain's overstretched army has manned the breach in all of the major skirmishes of this current decade—the Persian Gulf, Bosnia, Kosovo—and contributed to a number of humanitarian relief enterprises in Africa. So stretched is the thin red line of British steel that the government intends to draw down its force in Kosovo, barely before the "peace process" has engaged.

To make matters worse, the army, akin to every British institution, is losing its history and heritage through the dissolving of some of its finest old brigades which fought to glory in some of the most famous battles of the British imperial experience. The lion's claws are progressively being drawn. Soon the nation which once only had to roar for the whole world to sit up and take notice will barely be able to give a whimper at the sound of battle.



"Dad's Army" Down Under

Australia's army looks bad. And it couldn't be at a worse time.

BY GARETH FRASER

RECENT DISCLOSURES OF Australia's military competency recall the 1970s British TV comedy series "Dad's Army," in which a geriatric band of insufficiently armed, bumbling volunteers were pictured as the protectors of the British home front.

Gone are the glory days of the Australian military on which Winston Churchill relied so heavily in vital World War II campaigns. The days when they were known worldwide for their valor in battle, relish of front-line assignments and maintenance of a comparatively low casualty rate. Today's force does not come close to resembling those past days of honor.

The Downhill Slide

"Morale has hit rock bottom among Australia's armed forces personnel. And a major review of Australia's defense outlook, prepared in 1997, was outdated before it was even published. The underlying assumption of Australia's defense strategy was in tatters" (*The Bulletin*, Aug. 3).

As the academics released *Australia's Strategic Policy*, charting the country's defense outlook for the next 20 years, events were about to unfold which would reveal just how much Australia's



DAD'S ARMY The British comedy



ILL-PREPARED The Australian army, here in exercises, faces a rough future.

defense force resembled "Dad's Army."

In *Australia's Strategic Policy*, premier defense analysts forecast the following: "President Suharto has strengthened Indonesia's cohesion and prosperity. As Indonesia's economic power grows within the next 20 years, Indonesia's economy will likely become the biggest in our closer region." This document was written just prior to the Thai stock market collapse, which triggered a knockout blow throughout Southeast Asia, causing the worst economic crisis in the region since World War II. The South Korean economy nose-dived, Singapore's financial base washed away, Malaysia collapsed, and, *worst of all*, Indonesia spiraled out of control economically in ITS WORST DEPRESSION EVER.

Australian intelligence had just predicted that "Indonesia's economy will likely become the biggest in our closer region." Then the Indonesian economy totally collapsed!

The nightmare didn't end here for the Australian intelligence officials. *Australia's Strategic Policy* went on to say, "It is unlikely that either India or Pakistan will have a major impact on the East Asian security environment."

Strike two for Dad's Army.

Just four months after this was written, Pakistan announced it had tested a new range of ballistic missiles capable of delivering nuclear warheads to any part of India. India responded by reminding Pakistan that no part of their country was beyond the reach of Indian nuclear weaponry.

An unnamed government adviser told *The Bulletin*, "We have had a decade of disastrous intelligence and economic judgments at the bureaucratic and academic levels."

Australia's military intelligence performance from the 1980s to the present has been littered with unbelievable error. It has now been revealed that Australian intelligence headquarters, based at the nation's capital in Canberra, did not come anywhere near predicting the following regional and international events: reunion of East and West Germany; communism's collapse in Russia; Fiji's military coup; Bougainville's independence from Papua New Guinea; the fall of Ferdinand Marcos in the Philippines; Pakistan's and India's nuclear weapons programs; deterioration in U.S.-Chinese relations; possible halving of U.S. forces in Asia; Asia's financial meltdown; President Suharto's removal in Indonesia.

Commenting on these intelligence blunders, Labor opposition spokesman Stephen Martin said: "We've got a bunch of spooks running around Russell Hill [Australian defense headquarters] who are meant to be telling us what's going on." He failed to mention that when the Labor (socialist) government was in power during the 1980s and 1990s they gutted the nation's security and intelligence organization.

Too Little Too Late

Australia's armory of seventy-two F-18s, twenty-four F-111 fighter aircraft, two Oberon submarines (which were recently found unfit for combat) and fourteen destroyers acts as the mainstay of the continent's defense frontier.

Defending a continent as large as the U.S., surrounded by coastline, with only 18 million inhabitants, is a challenging task. Australia has not taken the challenge seriously enough—till now. The prevailing concept was that ever-reliable U.S. and British allies would come to Australia's rescue, just as they did with Winston Churchill's deployment of General MacArthur and U.S. troops to Australia, warding off the Japanese forces in World War II.

But times have changed. In November, Australians will go to the polls to vote on the Republic question—d distancing itself further from British influence and protection.

At the same time, America's weakened influence and presence around the world is forcing allied nations such as Australia to improvise defense plans with no real home-grown experience. In light of its intelligence debacles and ill-equipped and ill-prepared military, Australia's defense department has embarked upon a hurried \$40 billion hard-



6,000 AUSTRALIAN troops await dispatch from Darwin and Townsville to the conflict in East Timor.

ware upgrade of all major equipment. The only problem is, this sort of money is simply not in the present budget. In addition, annual defense spending levels have been set at \$11 billion. In all, Australia has set the lofty goal of spending \$120 billion over the next decade to equip its forces with greater "outward looking" capability.

The reality is that *Australia does not currently have the military capability to protect itself.* In addition, the country doesn't have the money to implement its planned hardware upgrades. Left without a strong Britain and U.S. to rely on, Australia is vulnerable to both regional entanglement and potential invasion.

Not since Japanese attacks on Darwin and mini-submarine incursions into Sydney Harbor during World War II has the land down under experienced any threat worth raising an eyebrow about—UNTIL NOW.

Speaking at the 50th anniversary of the American-Australian Association in New York, media mogul Rupert Murdoch emphatically stated, "For instance—and this is not a farfetched idea—what if a total meltdown takes place in Indonesia and millions of people come over the little Timor Sea? Would anyone [in the U.S.] be interested?" This is why Australian defense officials and policy-makers are scrambling to formulate and implement some form of cohesive military strategy. But is it a case of too little too late?

Australia's Future

Australia has been caught napping. It has not wisely used the crucial interval from the Vietnam War to the present to fortify its defenses and sufficiently arm its forces. Thus, it has left itself wide open to the ever-increasing potential of regional hostility and entanglement.

"This nation is destined to be overrun by its Asian neighbors. It almost happened in World War II when the infamous 'Brisbane Line' was drawn, as Australia admitted that it did not have the military resources or population to mount an adequate defense of its vast empty northern region." (Request a free copy of our booklet *Australia in Prophecy.*)

In the immediate future, East Timor is the obvious flash point to which Australian forces would be deployed. Currently, 6,000 personnel are stationed in Darwin and Townsville awaiting dispatch. A \$100,000 troop-moving catamaran has been leased to

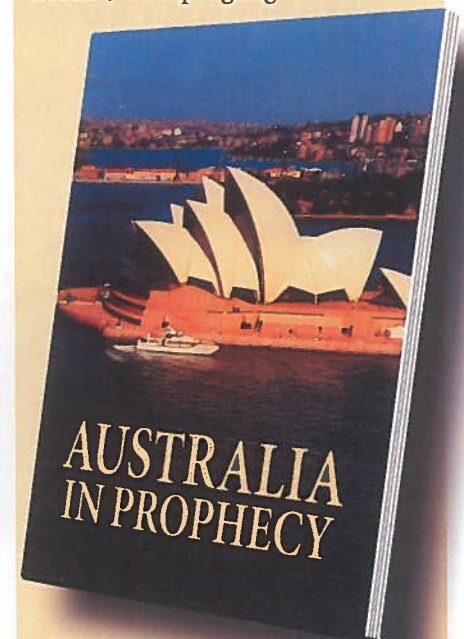
expedite speedy transit of troops to Timor. No matter the result from the coming election in Indonesia, Australian funding and police and military presence will be required to keep the peace in the Java Strait.

Right now, Australia is in a very precarious position militarily. Defense analyst Des Ball, of the Australian National University, summed up the situation when he said, "If there is a total breakdown of regional order and Australia itself becomes threatened, either by direct attack or by someone having the ability to militarily put pressure on us, *we may no longer have the complete capability to defend ourselves.*"

Watch for Australian forces to be drawn into more regional hot spots in the wake of the continuing destabilizing effect of last year's Asian economic collapse. As Australia concentrates troops in its largely indefensible north, this leaves huge tracts of its coastal boundaries elsewhere open to incursion. Australia may soon find itself in a position where it cannot even mount a "Dad's Army" to defend itself. ◆

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INDONESIA'S WOES Passions fly over East Timor's proposed independence from Indonesia. Here pro-Indonesians parade through Timor.

Asia's Troubled Child

BY GARETH FRASER

LIKE AN UNCARING PARENT, THE world is turning a blind eye to the deepening crisis of its troubled Asian child Indonesia.

More than anywhere else in Asia, Indonesia was socially and economically destabilized by Asia's financial meltdown. To this point it has not recovered. Now Indonesia is about to conduct its first free election since 1955. With blistering political rivalries at fever pitch, its economy in shambles, the military deeply divided and the Muslim majority facing off with Christian factions, Indonesia seems set for times of great destabilization, the effects of which will be felt far beyond its borders.

Indonesia comprises a vast archipelago of 13,677 islands extending 3,200 miles across the top of Australia's northernmost sea boundary. Prior to the fall of President Suharto's government last year, reasonable stability in Indonesia was gained by the huge sums of cash piped by the Suharto government into the Muslim-dominated military. When the money stopped flowing due to the Asian financial crisis, the country began to unravel, and Suharto was thrown from his dictatorial office by military pressure.

Stratfor Intelligence warned on May 10, "We fully expect economic problems to turn into social and political problems." Old resentments and hatreds lay dormant but did not disappear.

Now fighting for his political life, President B.J. Habibie's regime rules a mixture of languages, ethnic groups and religions exhibiting deep resentments—similar in scope and intensity to what

we have seen in Kosovo. Indonesia's neighbors are deeply concerned that Asia's island bridge is about to burn—with catastrophic consequences. It is Southeast Asia's stick of dynamite.

Tensions on the island of East Timor constitute the fuse set to ignite the inevitable explosion. In 1975 the island gained independence from Portugal, only to be immediately invaded and occupied by then-President Suharto's Indonesian forces. Since that time the East Timorese have been fighting to regain their independence.

The population in East Timor is almost totally Catholic. Tensions between them and the Muslim Indonesian occupying forces are high. Massacres of Timorese Christians and torching of Catholic churches by pro-Muslim tribal factions occur every day. (Pope John Paul II visited East Timor in October 1989, urging the Catholic majority to continue their crusade for freedom. Watch the Vatican for its further involvement in this Indonesian powder keg.)

The East Timorese are hoping for intervention from outside. The international community, however, is sitting idle. East Timor voted in August on independence from Indonesia; the results will most certainly favor breaking away (rather than remaining an autonomous part of Indonesia). While the elections were relatively peaceful, it remains to be seen when the votes are counted whether or not the pro-Indonesian militia will accept the decision—or try to wreak havoc. "The UN, it seems, is unwilling to avert such a catastrophe. It is reluctant to install a sufficient military

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presence in East Timor to help keep the peace between winners and losers after elections in late August. Instead it will be the Indonesian military's responsibility. That, on the military's record in the territory, is a disturbing prospect" (*Sydney Morning Herald*, Aug. 7).

One thing is certain. A new East Timor—whether an autonomous region within Indonesia or a fully independent nation—is about to emerge, with or without UN intervention.

Once again, UN chief Kofi Annan, who referred to Saddam Hussein as "a man I can do business with," seems content (as in Kosovo) to fend off regional conflicts by allowing local political powers to work things out. The UN is allowing Indonesia to exploit religious differences within both that country and East Timor, which will certainly lead to greater unrest in the region. They gravely underestimate the potency of the poison of a destabilized Indonesia.

The increasing distance of the reality of events on the ground to the paper-and-ink policies of the UN as world protectorate is rapidly increasing. The paper may contain an air of authority in the halls of the UN, but it receives no more



than contempt from the locals on the battlefield of the islands of Indonesia.

In the absence of a strong UN policy, Southeast Asian nations are trying to band together to create some form of cohesive military presence to keep the peace. Vulnerable Australia has assembled 6,000 troops on the Northern Territory border ready to dispatch to the Indonesian ring of fire.

These dire events carry with them grave implications for the U.S., China, Japan, Singapore, Malaysia and Australia. Regional pundits are not so much asking whether Indonesia can hold together, but how far the country's disintegration will go before Asia's island bridge burns. ◆



WITCH CRAFT! America's NEO-PAGAN MOVEMENT

Some claim that witchcraft is the fastest growing religion in America. This article gives you vital information on this neo-pagan religious movement.

BY DENNIS LEAP

Double, double, toil and trouble, fire burn and cauldron bubble. These lines from Shakespeare's *Macbeth* portray what most of us believe witches to be: crazed, ugly old hags chanting senseless rhymes over a boiling black cauldron. Most people still relegate witches, their ceremonies, incantations and spells to the realm of fairy tales or horror stories. Some would find it easy to believe some odd, offbeat or weird person to be a witch.

But did you realize that many seemingly normal people today consider themselves to be practicing witches? Doctors, lawyers, nurses, laborers—think about any job out there—the person you would least expect might be a practicing witch. Did you know that we even have witches in our U.S. military?

Practice of the "Craft," nearly stamped out over 400 years ago, is making a big comeback. Although the number of practicing witches can vary significantly depending on the source consulted, it is estimated that in the United States alone there are over 50,000 people—women and men—who claim to be witches! Some scholars studying this modern religious movement estimate the number to be 300,000.

No matter how many there may be, the number of people interested in *witch rituals* is growing daily. And we should become most alarmed at the high number of TEENS interested in practicing witchcraft. Adult practitioners have come out of the broom closet and are opening the door to the youth of this country. Young girls are encouraged to believe that practicing witchcraft is a wonderful means of developing and strengthening their *girl power*.

Parents, some school officials and clergy are rightfully concerned. But as a society, we are demonstrating little upset over this fast-growing movement. As a people and a nation we should be more concerned.

Craft Background

Historians tell us that a man named Gerald Gardner founded the modern witchcraft movement in Britain in the 1940s. Based on information gathered during his travels in the Far East and the writings of Margaret Murray, an anthropologist who had traced the existence of the old pagan religions in Europe, he revived and formalized ancient ceremonial rituals. Gardner called his movement *Wicca*. This word is taken from a Celtic word that means *wise ones*.

After catching hold in Britain, the movement moved to the United States in the early '60s, embraced by the American counterculture movement as an alternative to Christianity. It then began sinking roots into mainstream American culture in the late '60s. People such as Sybil Leek and Raymond and Rosemary Buckland, publicly proclaimed witches, did much to promote interest in Wicca at that time. Since the '60s, interest in Wicca has expanded with each passing decade. It is now commonplace to find classes on witchcraft at many colleges and universities. There is a special school established for the study of Wicca in New Bern, North Carolina. Although there is no one central organization for witches, Wicca is recognized as a religion by the IRS. Many Wiccan covens enjoy tax-exempt status. And there are some 3,000 covens in the United States.

It is the ardent desire of '90s witches to make witchcraft a popular and accepted alternative to established religion. An effective job of promoting the Craft is being done. Its rising popularity can be clearly seen in the publishing industry. Many bookstores feature a large selection of books on the study of witchcraft. There are books for both adults and teens.

The television and movie entertainment industry also appears to be lending full support. In fact, the entertainment business is helping to put a new and younger face on witches. One of the most popular shows on the WB network is *Charmed*. Popular with teens, weekly episodes feature stories about three pretty teenage sisters, all witches, and how they use magic, charms and spells to solve supernatural problems. ABC airs the popular sitcom *Sabrina the Teenage Witch*. This year, Willow, *Buffy the Vampire Slayer's* bookworm friend, turned herself into a cool Wiccan. *Felicity's* Goth roommate

began casting spells in mid-season.

Several witchcraft movies have topped the popularity charts in the '90s. *Hocus Pocus*, released in 1993 by Disney, was a comedy spoof about three witch sisters brought back from the dead on Halloween. The only way they could live forever would be to suck the life out of the town's children. *The Craft* was released in 1996 and featured Neve Campbell, a teen heroine. This year Warner Brothers released *Practical Magic*, a love story about two witch sisters played by Nicole Kidman and Sandra Bullock. Remakes of older movies, *I Married a Witch* and *Bell, Book and Candle*, will be released soon.

The TV and movie industry is doing more than entertaining us. They are promoting the Wicca movement. On TV and in movies, witchcraft is made to look exciting, thrilling, romantic and good. Can we begin to see that the entertainment experts are making the practice of witchcraft all the more acceptable?

In the Military

The practice of witchcraft has already become somewhat of a national issue, though not yet widely publicized. In August 1997, Fort Hood, near Austin, Texas, became the first military base to sanction the practice of the Wicca religion. Since then several other installations have also agreed to allow Wiccans to practice their rituals. Among them: Fort Polk, La., Fort Wainwright, Ark., and Kadena Base in Okinawa. In its June 14 edition, *U.S. News and World Report* reported on the trouble boiling over at the federal level on this issue. Representative Bob Barr of Georgia became incensed at the military allowing witch rituals to be practiced on American bases. Mr. Barr is determined to stop the practice.

Fort Hood's Wicca group is called Open Circle and claims 200 members. The Sacred Well Congregation of Texas sponsors the group. David Oringderff, a retired major who served 22 years in the army, founded Sacred Well. Open Circle conducts its monthly rituals at a Boy Scout camp on the base. At this point in time, the U.S. Army does not plan to stop the Wiccans. *U.S. News* quoted a Fort Hood spokesman, Lt. Col. Benjamin Santos, as saying, "As far as we are concerned, they are a religious organization providing for the needs of our soldiers." In other words, the witches will stay active at Fort Hood.

In a letter to the Fort Hood comman-

WITCH CHIC

Shakespeare's witches in *Macbeth* are a far cry from today's glamorous depictions. Below, Sandra Bullock in *Practical Magic*.



der, Barr stated that supporting Wiccans may win the approval of liberals, but "its effect on the combat readiness of your troops may be far less spectacular, to say nothing of its detrimental effects on our society more broadly speaking, which has heretofore looked to our military as epitomizing the American spirit of 'for God and country.'"

Mr. Barr's rational comments have created a stir among high-ranking witches in the military. Oringderff is demanding a formal apology. He stated, "As a psychologist and sociologist, I am painfully aware that, despite constitutional guarantees and protection under law, intellectual and spiritual bigotry is alive and well in this country." Military Wiccans are working diligently to seek protection under the U.S. Constitution to continue practicing their religion. Spells are being cast, incantations mumbled. A real confrontation is brewing. Military witch groups in Georgia have already staged marches against Barr in his district.

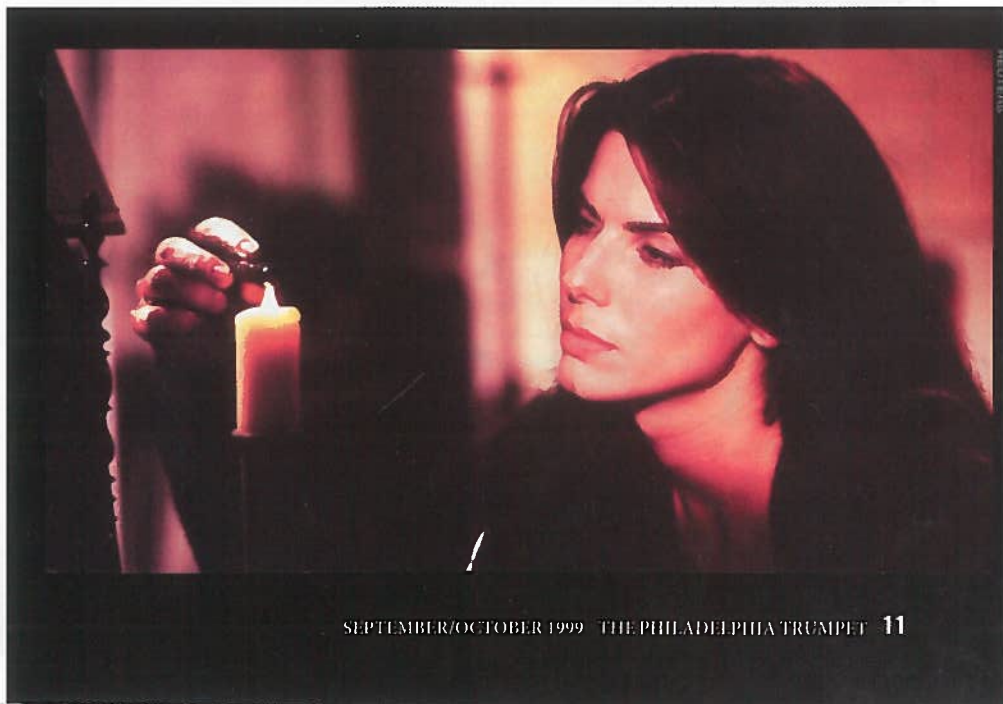
U.S. News also reported that a Defense Department official stated that it would be unconstitutional for the department to "evaluate or judge the merits of specific faiths. The only ground rules: that all religious services adhere to health and safety standards and

maintain good order and discipline." Mr. Barr vehemently disagreed: "This move sets a dangerous precedent that could easily result in the practice of all sorts of bizarre practices under the rubric of religion." Recently, Barr attempted to amend a defense authorization bill to prohibit the practice of Wicca or any other form of witchcraft at Defense Department facilities. The measure was stopped on procedural grounds. Barr intends to keep trying to stop witchcraft from being practiced on military bases. He will probably not make much headway. Why? Wiccan experts tell us that the interest in witchcraft is growing the fastest among our nation's military personnel!

Proudly Pagan

Where will you stand if this issue becomes a widely publicized U.S. debate? Could we really believe that when the fathers of the United States drafted the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution they ever intended witchcraft to be practiced openly on military bases or anywhere in this country? If we fully understand what Wicca is all about, we must shout a resounding NO!

Here is how Covenant of the Goddess, the largest California-based witch organization, defines the Craft on their



website: "Wicca, or witchcraft, is an earth religion—a re-linking (re-ligio) with the life-force of nature, both on this planet and in the stars and space beyond. In city apartments, in suburban backyards, in country glades, groups of women and men meet on the new and full moons and at festival times to raise energy and put themselves in tune with these natural forces. They honor the old goddesses and gods, including the triple goddess of the waxing, full and waning moon, and the horned god of the sun and animal life, as visualization of immanent nature."

Of course this well-written definition puts a positive spin on Wicca. But what is really being said? Wiccans worship the pre-Christian fertility goddesses and gods. In fact, Wiccans are proudly pagan.

Most well-versed Wiccans refer to their movement as the neo-pagan movement. Wiccans avidly study Druidic, Celtic, Norse and ancient Greek mythology for inspiration and direction. Witches believe in reincarnation and karma and that spiritual power comes from the sun, the moon and the earth rather than from the personal Christian God. One of the main

tools of Wiccans is divination.

In their worship rituals, witches use the circle and pentagram, brooms, the wand, candles, crystals and a knife known as *athame*. Although not always required, those participating in the rituals are unclothed—or, to borrow a witch term, *skyclad*! This fact alone has caused law officials to become concerned over the potential sex abuse of children during witch celebrations.

Herbs and other items are often brewed together to cast spells. Even though many men participate in witch rituals, a coven is most often led by a high priestess. Most Wiccan groups claim to use white magic rather than black magic. Wiccans insist that white magic provides benefits for all humans. All Wiccan groups insist that they do not worship the devil. (Those who know their Bible well know witches are deceived on this point.) Wiccans claim they have a positive religion that promotes growth and self-fulfillment.

Witches celebrate the changing of the seasons at the solstices, equinoxes and the midpoints between them. Witch festivals are known as *sabbats*. Some of their most important worship festivals include: Samhain, in honor of

the lord of the dead, held on October 31; Yule, in honor of the sun god, held on December 21, and Ostara, in honor of Eostre, goddess of the dawn, held on March 21. If not now obvious, let me point out that the traditional Christian festivals of Halloween, Christmas and Easter have their roots in these same pagan festivals (see below).

Anti-Christian

We should not view this subject casually or lightly. Wiccans take their religion very seriously. We should give it somber consideration. Wiccans are in fact anti-Christian. Their beliefs and practices undermine Christian belief, values and morality. We must understand that witches view solid, Bible-based Christianity as a threat. But even more, we must come to see that the rise of witchcraft represents a grave sickness in our society. Wicca is a problem.

Listing the "Thirteen Witch Principles of Belief," Silver RavenWolf, in her book, *Teen Witch: Wicca for a New Generation*, states: "Our only animosity toward Christianity, or toward any other religion or philosophy of life, is to the extent that these institutions have claimed to be 'the one true right and

WORSHIPPING THE LORD OF THE DEAD

LURKING IN THE SHADOWS OF OUR CULTURE IS AN EVIL HISTORY of a holiday disguised as a time of frivolity and games. Of course, when else is the supernaturally sinister celebrated? When else are superstitions fashionable? When else would a special episode of every one of our favorite sitcoms turn into a pseudo-psycho-horror flick?

The celebration is Halloween (or *hallowed evening*), contains a name just as "sacred" as *Christmas*, yet depicts our society's rank idol and devil worship!

Halloween can be traced back long before Christian times, to pagan Scottish and Irish folk cus-

oms celebrated first by the "Druids in honor of Samhain, Lord of the Dead, whose festival fell on November 1" (Ralph Linton, *Halloween Through Twenty Centuries*, p. 4).

Modern Christianity, however, would have us believe that November 1 is the day we honor those saints who have died and gone to heaven. The Catholics, until the third century A.D., had been venerating martyred saints, each on a separate day. But so many saints had been martyred that the Church decided to honor them all on one day. Which day did they choose? November 1—conveniently corresponding to the day when the lord of the dead was worshiped. And it was to be a day to honor *all* the dead, not only the martyred saints. Why? Because the pagans used November 1 to honor the dead in general. But why appease the pagans? So the church could gain more heathen converts! Thus came All Saints Day and its eve: All Hallows Eve, or Halloween. But it purports the worship of Samhain—actually *Satan*!

God and true Christianity stands for the exact opposite of death and darkness—for light and life (John 1:4-5). No matter how much of a joke we make it out to be, Halloween is Satan worship—plain and simple!

There are days, however, which worship the great God—days He instituted with ancient Israel which are still to be kept in our modern society. Write for a free copy of *Pagan Holidays or God's Holy Days—Which?* to understand more about the inspiration and peace these annual festivals of God will fill your life with!

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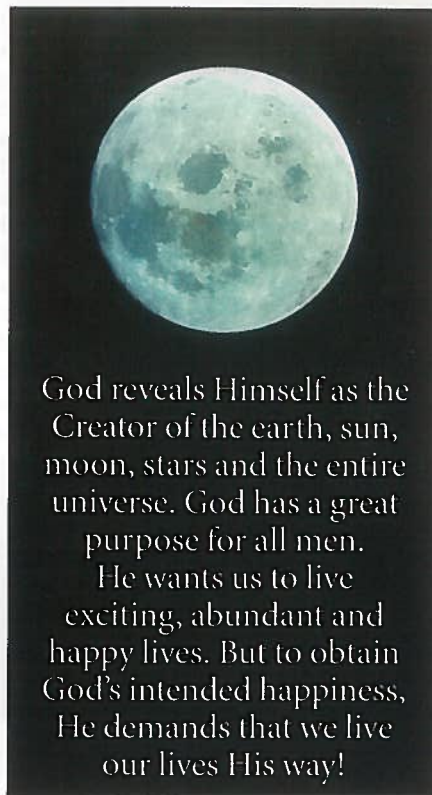
only way' and have sought to deny freedom to others and to suppress other ways of religious practices and belief" (p. 7). Animosity is hostility. Wiccans hold hostility for Christians.

RavenWolf further states, "Witches are sick and tired of people in other religions passing judgment and spreading lies about our belief system just because they are either insecure in their own faith or don't realize that many paths to God exist in our universe. These unenlightened people think that hurting us is better than admitting that people should be free to believe as they want to believe. Witches do not hate Christians, or Jews or followers of Islam; however when people from these structured groups try to hurt us with lies, gossip or physical force, they can expect the witches to be upset and to fight back" (p. 8). Notice carefully. Witches intend to fight back if any measure is taken to stop them. If the number of estimated witches is close to correct, then those who oppose them can expect considerable resistance.

But to confront the problem, we must understand the cause of the problem.

Why has witchcraft gained such a hold in our Christian-based society? Certainly there are several factors. Many witches are fervent feminists. This is probably the main contributing factor to the rapid growth of the movement. Following ancient rituals faithfully, the Wiccan religion is female-dominant—the high priestess leads the ritual ceremonies. The fertility goddess always receives the primary worship. Wicca is tailor-made for women who desire power and authority over men. True Christianity is solidly patriarchal. This fact grinds away at feminist philosophy. Feminists who have not been able to successfully change Christian teachings to their own liking have embraced Wicca.

The rise in witchcraft also reveals the ineffectiveness of '90s Christianity. Christian leaders have lost both their backbone and their teeth. Chas S. Clifton, editor of the book *Witchcraft Today*, states: "Some Christian clergy, no doubt, are convinced in their own minds that we are going to their hell in a handbasket, but they are courteous enough to keep the thought to themselves and not bother us with it" (p. 152). Desiring the praise of men and wanting to be politically correct, most clergy will not speak out against the Craft. However, there is a voice willing



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to call the Craft what it is—rebellion against Almighty God.

What the Bible Says

Witches boldly proclaim they have no Bible or revealed scripture. Christians do. Although few rely on it, the Bible is the revealed word of an almighty and very personal God. He states authoritatively: "I am the Lord, and there is none else, there is no God beside me: I girded thee, though thou hast not known me: That they may know from the rising of the sun, and from the west, that there is none beside me. I am the Lord, and there is none else" (Isa. 45:5-6). In the pages of the Bible, God reveals Himself as the Creator of the earth, sun, moon, stars and the entire universe. God has a great purpose for all men. He wants us to live exciting, abundant and happy lives. But to obtain God's intended happiness, He demands that we live our lives His way!

Witchcraft is the very opposite of God's way of life. It is a religion inspired by Satan and his demons. Realize, the Bible is not a book written for the distant past. It is revealed knowledge for today! The Bible is very clear on the subject of witchcraft. People ought to look to the Bible for the answer on the Wicca issue. The Book of books states, "For rebellion is as the sin of witchcraft, and stubborn-

ness is as iniquity and idolatry" (I Sam. 15:23).

According to the Bible, witchcraft is sin. What sin? It is *idolatry*, pure and simple. Worshiping the goddess and horned god represents great disrespect and grave dishonor to our holy Creator. Wiccans openly admit their idolatry. They claim this makes them happy. Yet, idolatry will never bring happiness. Witchcraft is nature worship. Worshiping the earth, sun, moon, stars or animals can never bring a person true spirituality. Only worship of the true God can bring the spiritual growth men and women need and desire. Idolatry will bring God's wrath.

Paul taught the Romans: "For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who hold the truth in unrighteousness; Because that which may be known of God is manifest in them; for God hath showed it unto them. For the invisible things of him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even his eternal power and Godhead; so that they are without excuse: Because that, when they knew God, they glorified him not as God, neither were thankful; but became vain in their imaginations, and their foolish heart was darkened. Professing themselves to be wise, they became fools, and changed the glory of the uncorruptible God into an image made like to corruptible man, and to birds, and fourfooted beasts, and creeping things. Wherefore God also gave them up to uncleanness through the lusts of their own hearts, to dishonour their own bodies between themselves: Who changed the truth of God into a lie, and worshipped and served the creature more than the Creator, who is blessed for ever" (Rom. 1:18-25). Although liberals and Wiccans scoff at Paul, he does sum up and answer the entire issue related to witchcraft.

End of Foolish Religion

Paul shows that those women and men who began the religion of witchcraft millennia ago refused to glorify God. When God revealed Himself and His knowledge to mankind, they were not thankful for His efforts toward men. Wiccans today refer to themselves as the *wise ones*. So did their ancient counterparts (v. 22). But Paul states clearly that they became fools. Isn't giving up the knowledge of the true God

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KLA Entrenched

Surprise! Surprise! The Guerrilla movement adopted by the UN and its NATO sheep, the Kosovo Liberation Army (KLA), is suddenly proving to be a real thorn in the side of both the UN and NATO.

This terrorist group moved like lightning to take over the administration of towns and villages in Kosovo as soon as the bomb compartments shut on the last plane to fly its anti-Serb mission. Now, dug in to mayoral offices and largely staffing a widespread bureaucracy with KLA recruits, the extremist Albanians have neutered any prospect of the moderate Ibrahim Rugova consolidating any handle on his unofficially elected position as leader in Kosovo.



Rugova

Rugova's demise commenced with Richard Holbrook's failure to address the Kosovo question at the Dayton "Peace" Accords in 1995. Placing Kosovo in the "too hard" basket just postponed the inevitable explosion which erupted in 1998, consummating in war earlier this year.

Rugova lost further ground when the Clinton administration embraced the KLA terrorists at the Rambouillet talks in March.

The West has now switched its allegiance to terrorist leader Hashim Thali, despite the fact that his KLA henchmen are suspected of a plot to murder Rugova. The warmth in which U.S. Secretary of State Madeleine Albright folded Thali during her visit to Pristina last

month globally publicized the approval of the U.S. government and NATO of KLA entrenchment in Kosovo.

The writing is on the wall. It seems that NATO will oversee the last vestiges of the ethnic cleansing of Kosovo as Serbs continue to stream out of that historic Balkan province into neighboring Yugoslavia, under the watchful eyes of KFOR, the Kosovo "peacekeeping" force.

◆ COLOMBIA

Narco-terrorism

A decades-old feud between the Colombian government and guerrilla insurgents has recently escalated.

The two main rebel groups, Fuerzas Armadas Revolucionarias de Colombia (FARC) and Ejercito de Liberacion Nacional (ELN), have both grown in number and strength in the past decade—the FARC to about 15,000 and the ELN to 5,000. The rebels have consistently overcome the Colombian military in the country's eastern jungles and control about 40 percent of the countryside, although the government has maintained control of the mountain and coastal cities.

"A Pentagon report last year indicated that the guerrillas had become so strong that they could seize power by force within five years and were a threat to regional stability" (*Intelligence Digest*, Aug. 6-20).

Recent events altered this scenario when the Colombian army gained two decisive victories over FARC guerrillas. These were largely attributed to intelligence gained through the use of U.S. military technology. But increased U.S. involvement in Colombia's war against drugs and guerrillas, even in

light of the recent victories, has brought to the fore a number of new dilemmas.

When Colombian President Andres Pastrana took office last year, he vowed to fight drug trafficking and negotiate an end to the country's 35-year-old civil war. As a good will gesture, he ordered the evacuation of the military from a part of Colombia the size of Switzerland and awaited the withdrawal of rebel troops within the negotiated



ON THE LOOKOUT Colombian soldiers patrol a town that was the scene of an intense rebel attack.

90-day time frame.

Not only did the hoped-for withdrawal never happen, but the area has since been occupied by FARC forces and turned into a drug-producing haven. Guerrilla violence against civilians has intensified significantly since peace talks began. As things stand, Colombia has a million internal refugees as a result of guerrilla violence.

Pastrana is following an "accommodation" policy of negotiation which leaves him with few viable options for dealing with these insurgents.

It is clear that he cannot defeat both the FARC and the ELN without major U.S. assistance and direct intervention. Colombia is already the third-largest recipient of U.S. military aid; a \$289 million package for Bogota was approved last October, with more on the table. And by December the U.S. Special Forces will have finished training a special anti-narcotics battalion of the Colombian army.

U.S. policy officially pledges U.S. support for Colombia's war against drugs, but not against its guerrilla movements. However, the rebel movement once fueled by Marxist ideology is now charged with involvement in the narcotics industry and is bankrolled by an estimated \$600 million worth of drug money annually, giving rise to the term "narco-guerrilla."

This merging of terrorism with the international drug trade raises new questions about the implications for the peace process and the extent of U.S. involvement in Colombia.

Pastrana would like to negotiate a peace settlement with the FARC, even at the expense of

ceding control of parts of the eastern Colombian jungles to the FARC. This would allow him to redirect his resources to handling what would then be the more manageable problem of the ELN and of rebuilding the battered Colombian economy. He faces opposition in this by members of his government who stand aghast at the



Pastrana

thought of surrendering any sovereignty to guerrilla forces.

While continued involvement by Washington at the present level would assure future victories over the FARC

like those recently experienced, it would also mean continued violence, economic woe and political instability—for a seemingly indefinite period of time. Increased U.S. military involvement against the "narco-guerrillas" could mean the eruption of a full-fledged civil war, one in which the U.S. could quickly find itself too deeply entangled to get out.

◆ JAPAN

On the rebound

Japan is changing. The old certainties of lifetime employment and continually growing prosperity disappeared with the onset of recession in the middle of the decade. A new underclass of homeless and unemployed now populate rail stations and parks.

Over 100 Japanese commit suicide daily. For the average Japanese worker, unemployment is traumatic. Japanese corporate culture often prefers to harass an unwanted employee into resignation rather than sack him or her. Employees made redundant by corporate restructuring in the wake of the worst Japanese recession since World War II are often deprived of title, desk and dignity with no real recourse left but to go quietly of their own volition.

All this pain is being suffered in the wake of the giant Japanese economy's overdue and ever-so-slow social and economic transformation.

The recently announced merger of three leading Japanese banks is a sure sign of change. Fuji Bank, Dai-Ichi Kangyo and the Industrial Bank of Japan are seeking full integration by the spring of 2002.

Politically, those in power are starting to motivate corporate Japan to turn its malaise of the past half decade into a "third revolution," akin to the Meiji period of the mid-to-late 1800s and the post-World War II boom. "It is essential that we radically transform this nation's system and character in order to promote further prosperity," declared Prime Minister Reizo Obuchi in August.



Obuchi

The stock market is gaining, the yen is on the way up, and shoppers are again out in force. But the Japanese have suffered a heavy blow, and it has substantially been at the hands of the U.S. The U.S.-initiated trade war with Japan has hurt its economy by forcing the Japanese to accept unwanted American imports, to the detriment of their own home industries.

The Japanese are a proud people, with long memories. Their national loss of face is substantial. Historically, Japan has not taken kindly to such embarrassment.

It may be no coincidence then that Japan is currently breaking out of its reticence about its military past. It sees Germany riding to new heights of power under its "third way" leaders. In a bid to revive some of its past heritage, the Japanese government overwhelmingly confirmed adoption of Japan's rising sun flag and national hymn to the emperor as the country's official national symbols. This move is as hugely symbolic to Japan as the German parliament's move back to the old Reichstag building in Berlin.

Too few have taken note. Japanese pride, dealt a body blow through massive recession, is ripe for the morale boost of *resurgent nationalism*. The next step is *remilitarization*.

The government has declared that it will soon seek changes to the country's "peace constitution" to permit Japan to develop its own "collective self-defense." This move is being aided and abetted by the current U.S. administration, which seeks Japanese cooperation and involvement in the creation of a defensive missile system. Under pressure from North Korea's saber rattling and the prospect of a resurgent China demonstrating aggression in

the China Sea, these moves are likely to accelerate. A retooling of idle or little-used industrial plant for increased military manufacturing would be a welcome boost to the restructuring Japanese economy.

Watch Japan, as it climbs out of its economic slough, rebound with a renewed sense of nationalism driving a return to a new militarism in the guise of "self defense," with the full support and backing of the U.S.

◆ TURKEY

Further shifts

"The ground beneath us is rotten. Yet we have no choice but to live on it." These were the disheartened words of Turkish President Suleyman Demirel a few days after western Turkey was violently shaken by the worst recorded earthquake in their history, set at 7.4 on the Richter scale.

The damage is colossal: Over 12,500 confirmed deaths so far and up to 30,000 more still grimly expected once the tons of rubble are cleared; over 33,000 injured, 200,000 homeless and 60,000 buildings damaged or destroyed. Reconstruction costs have been estimated as high as \$20 billion, or one tenth of Turkey's gross national product.

Public anger continues to grow toward the state and military as relief efforts are criticized as slow and disorganized.

The path to reconstruction will be long and arduous. But Demirel will be able to count on the help of some old and perhaps some new friends. By

one count, 42 countries and 38 international organizations have sent aid to Turkey since the quake struck. The international community has jumped to be involved, but its involvement may turn out to have more than purely goodwill motives.

Turkey's occupation of a key position in Middle Eastern politics raises unavoidable questions as to how this sudden and unexpected devastation, and Turkey's new position of vulnerability, will affect the region's geopolitical balance.

As Israel's strongest ally in the region, Turkey—with its formidable military strength—has long been considered by some intelligence sources to be the main deterrent to any Middle Eastern country with hostile intentions against Israel. As a secular Islamist state and NATO ally, a Turkey in need of major foreign assistance represents an open door to radical Islamic parties and organizations which might, in supplying aid, also be tempted to promote their own political and religious causes within Turkey.

Turkey now has its plate full with rebuilding both its country and the lives of its



PRESIDENT DEMIREL comforts a man injured in Turkey's massive August quake.

people, but watch its neighbors: The process of rebuilding may result in not only a new face for western Turkey, but one for the region's geopolitical balance too.



CONSPIRACY AGAINST FATHERHOOD

The American Psychological Association is making a direct attack on the father in the family. Very few people understand what this really means—and what a nation-destroying philosophy it is! **BY GERALD FLURRY**

WE HEAR A GREAT DEAL ABOUT conspiracies today. Our people almost seem conspiracy-obsessed. But the greatest and most damaging conspiracy is the one against fatherhood today. And very few people understand it or what deadly consequences it will have in our society.

Fathers Beware

Kathleen Parker wrote in the *Sunday Oklahoman*, July 25 (emphasis mine): "Now is the time for all good fathers to come to the aid of the family.

"Hurry; your days are numbered. If you happen to be a heterosexual male (further doomed by Caucasian pigmentation), your days are already over, according to a cover article in the June issue of *American Psychologist*, published by the American Psychological Association.

"In their article—'Deconstruction of the Essential Father'—researchers Louise B. Silverstein and Carl F. Auerbach challenge one of the core institutions of our culture—fatherhood. More or less, FATHERS, AS WE'VE KNOWN AND LOVED THEM, ARE OBSOLETE.

"The article makes numerous breathtaking assertions, but basically the researchers say that:

"—FATHERS AREN'T ESSENTIAL TO THE WELL-BEING OF CHILDREN.

"—Gay, lesbian and single parents are as good as any other.

"—Heterosexual marriage isn't necessary to produce healthy, well-adjusted children."

I agree whole-heartedly with Kathleen Parker's condemnation of the APA article, except for one statement. She called fatherhood "one of the core institutions of our culture." I want to

show you why it is THE core institution of our society!

The goal of this conspiracy is to rip apart the family. And if you believe in the biblical family, the father is the head (I Cor. 11:3). So he becomes the main target. Yet the conspiracy goes much deeper than that.

Evolution Eyeglasses

The August 23 feature article in *Time* magazine was titled "How Man Evolved." Notice that is an absolute—no room for disagreement whatsoever, even though evolution is an unproved and unprovable *theory*.

And to support their *faith* in evolution, they included an article by a Harvard geology professor, Stephen Jay Gould. Here is what he wrote (emphasis mine): "The Kansas board of education voted 6 to 4 to remove evolution, and the Big Bang theory as well, from the state's science curriculum. In so doing, the board transported its jurisdiction to a never-never land where a Dorothy of the new millennium might exclaim, 'They still call it Kansas, but I DON'T THINK WE'RE IN THE REAL WORLD ANYMORE.'"

In other words, if you believe in the Bible's account of God as Creator, you are not in the "real world." He thinks you are on the edge of insanity or beyond, if you believe the Genesis account! (And, incidentally, creation is taught *throughout* the Bible.)

"The Kansas decision represents creationism's first—and surely temporary—success with a third strategy for subverting a constitutional imperative: that by simply deleting, but not formally banning, evolution, and by not demanding instruction in a biblically literalist 'alternative,' their NARROWLY PARTISAN RELIGIOUS MOTIVATIONS might not derail their goals" (ibid.).

He presumes to be a great authority on religion. And if you reject the *unprovable theory* of evolution because of your belief in the Bible, then you have "narrowly partisan, religious motivations."

And of course he would know, because he teaches at Harvard and writes for *Time*.

"First, no other Western nation has endured any similar movement, with any political clout, against evolution—A SUBJECT TAUGHT AS FUNDAMENTAL, and without dispute, in all other countries that share our major sociocultural traditions.

"Second, evolution is as well-documented as any phenomenon in science, as strongly as the earth's revolution

around the sun rather than vice versa. In this sense, WE CAN CALL EVOLUTION A 'FACT.' (Science does not deal in certainty, so 'fact' can only mean a proposition affirmed to such a high degree that IT WOULD BE PERVERSE TO WITHHOLD ONE'S PROVISIONAL ASSENT)" (ibid.).

Here he gets much stronger. He says "evolution is as well-documented as any phenomenon in science, as strongly as the earth's revolution around the sun." ANYBODY WHO HAS INTELLIGENTLY STUDIED EVOLUTION AND ASTRONOMY KNOWS THAT IS A GROTESQUE, TWISTED STATEMENT! But if you don't believe him, he says you are "perverse"—even though he is careful not to use the word *proof* regarding the *theory* of evolution.

This man is a Harvard professor. BUT DOES HE KNOW MORE THAN THE CREATOR OF THE UNIVERSE AND OF MANKIND?

If I just want to believe what the Bible clearly states about creation, this is his attack on me.

But if you can't believe the creation account, can you believe *any* of the Bible? So THIS IS REALLY ABOUT DESTROYING FAITH IN GOD. But the evolutionists insist that you have faith—and it is a faith—in *their theory*. If you don't, their attack becomes very perverse.

The more people surrender to their intimidation, the more fervently they attack the Bible.

Do our people still believe in freedom of religion, based on the Bible? How shamefully they treat people just for believing in the Bible!

Mr. Gould has still more to say. "Dorothy followed her yellow brick road as it spiraled outward toward redemption and homecoming (to the true Kansas of our dreams and possibilities). The road of the newly adopted Kansas curriculum CAN ONLY SPIRAL INWARD TOWARD RESTRICTION AND IGNORANCE" (ibid.).

If you believe in creation, then you are in a "spiral inward toward restriction and ignorance," he says.

How about that for intimidation—apparently because he lacks proof of evolution!

Still he says, "SCIENCE AND RELIGION SHOULD BE EQUAL, MUTUALLY RESPECTING PARTNERS" (ibid.). But if you believe the creation teaching of the Bible, according to this man you 1) are not in the "real world"; 2) have "narrowly partisan religious motivations"; 3) are "perverse"; and 4) "in a spiral toward restriction and ignorance."

Does that sound like he is a "respecting partner"?

Refusal to See

Who is really *ignorant*? "For this people's heart is waxed gross, and their ears are dull of hearing, and THEIR EYES THEY HAVE CLOSED; lest at any time they should see with their eyes, and hear with their ears, and should understand with their heart, and should be converted, and I should heal them" (Matt. 13:15).

Christ had to deal with people who had closed their eyes. And that is exactly what the proponents of evolution have done today. They have closed their minds to any proof or belief in creation. THEY HAVE LITERALLY BECOME SOME OF THE MOST IGNORANT PEOPLE ON THIS EARTH! How else can you describe a closed mind? And if you disagree with them, then they begin to demonize you with ugly labels by powerful institutions. They attack with massive intimidation.

That is the typical way people act when they have strong beliefs and little or no proof! These people cling to evolution in *faith*—like some extreme cult.

Herbert W. Armstrong's book *The Missing Dimension in Sex* (write for a free copy) states: "There *has to be* a knowledge-gap—a missing dimension—somewhere! It's high time we learn what it is!

"For every *effect*, there has to be a CAUSE!

"There has to be a CAUSE FOR ALL THE WORLD'S EVILS! THERE HAS TO BE A CAUSE for the worsening moral problem! There can be TWO KINDS of knowledge—true and false.

"In this feverish development of knowledge production, scholars in universities have been placing emphasis on *academic freedom*. Academic freedom is defined as the independent judgment allowed teachers, scholars, scientists, students, in the pursuit of knowledge.

"Science as a whole, and higher education, have exercised the academic freedom to postulate a creation without a Creator. They have engaged in the activity of knowledge production with total rejection of any possibility of the miraculous, the supernatural, the existence of God—or anything outside the realm of the material. In the realm of knowledge of the spiritual they know nothing. They have rejected utterly revelation as a source of basic knowledge!

"When I engaged in research on the theory of evolution, I studied Darwin, Haeckel, Huxley, Vogt, More, Chamberlain and other exponents of the theory. I also looked at the other side of the question. But I would venture to say that most of those whose higher education has been acquired during the past half century have been taught and have accepted without question the evolutionary theory, *not having examined with any seriousness* the biblical evidences of special creation. To go along with the evolutionary concept has become the scholarly 'IN' thing. In most institutions of higher learning, the world's 'Best Seller' has been dismissed *without a hearing*.

"Is it not human to err?"

"Could it be *possible* for the most highly educated minds to have been intellectually misled or deceived? Could they, viewing only *one side* of the question, be infallible, entirely above making mistakes?"

"For many years now, I have observed that errors almost always come from a false basic premise, carelessly *assumed* as self-evident and taken for granted without question, then building on that false basic hypothesis. THE BASIC PREMISE FOR KNOWLEDGE PRODUCTION IN OUR TIME HAS BEEN THE EVOLUTIONARY CONCEPT. IT HAS BEEN THE EYEGLASSES THROUGH WHICH ALL QUESTIONS HAVE BEEN VIEWED. Yet it remains unproved, and by its very nature it is a theory not subject to proof. It is a FAITH. And to question it is—to those who embrace this faith—academic heresy!"

"Do we, then, DARE question the theories so generally accepted by advanced scholarship? Is it heretical to question their assumed conclusions and ask for PROOF? Is it academic heresy to look at the *other side* of the coin?"

"Suppose, now, WE appropriate the *academic freedom* to carefully examine that which has been dismissed *without examination*."

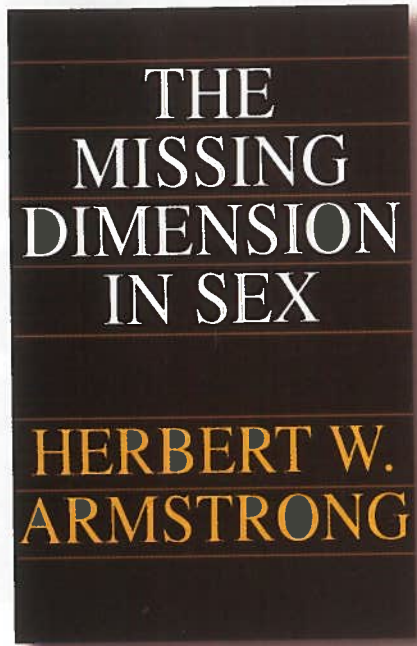
Why are educated men in this world so arrogant? Why are they so quick to close their minds?

Nuclear Tribulation

These educated men have brought us to the brink of human extinction with our nuclear, chemical and biological weapons. And unless Christ intervenes, man will destroy all human life on this earth. "For then shall be great tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time,

"COULD IT BE POSSIBLE for the most highly educated minds to have been intellectually misled or deceived? Could they, viewing only one side of the question, be infallible, entirely above making mistakes?"

Herbert W. Armstrong



no, nor ever shall be. And except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved: but for the elect's sake those days shall be shortened" (Matt. 24:21-22). No flesh would be "saved alive" (Moffatt translation).

"Educated" men of this world have brought us to this state. Man is the *cause*, but still he challenges and rebels against the word of God. They still think they know better than their Creator!

Thank God, they don't have much longer to think that way.

These "educated" people have brought us to the point of human extinction—and it *would* happen if Christ didn't intervene to stop it. However, Christ won't do that until we have almost destroyed all human life. We

must learn how horrendous our rebellion against God is.

The same Christ who prophesied this nuclear catastrophe about 2,000 years ago also created life—and not through evolution. Unless He returns, man has no hope!

But that hope is being destroyed through evolution, and man is heading into a nuclear tribulation of suffering, unparalleled in our history.

Is that what it takes to wake us from our ignorance and blindness? Must we experience this blackest of all nightmares before we awaken? We could avoid the Great Tribulation if only we would heed God's warning.

When the unparalleled tragedy strikes, mankind will suffer until they are humbled.

This very message you are reading reveals God's love and His desire to avoid that towering disaster.

Many religions have accepted the theory of evolution. At the same time they've grossly compromised God's word—the Bible. Now Satan inspires many in education and science to keep religion on the run. The onslaught is intensifying!

Jesus Christ said we must live by "every word of God" (Matt. 4:4)—that includes His instruction about creation.

A Christian is supposed to be one who follows Christ. But more and more, religion is doing the opposite.

Satan is the god of this world (II Cor. 4:4). That means he rules the "real world." And he has "deceived the whole world" (Rev. 12:9). That includes education, science and religion!

Do we really believe God?

It is time we wake up to what is happening to fatherhood, the family and our society.

Now, let's take a closer look at why the teaching of evolution destroys the family—and fatherhood.

Christ Taught Creation

Did Christ believe in the Genesis creation? (Perhaps it is good to remind you once again that a Christian is one who follows Christ.)

"The Pharisees also came unto him, tempting him, and saying unto him, Is it lawful for a man to put away his wife for every cause? And he answered and said unto them, Have ye not read, that *he which made them at the beginning made them male and female*" (Matt. 19:3-4). Verse 4 is a quote from Genesis

1:27. This is where God first records the creation of the male and female—not after the animal kind, but after the God kind! We are now in the “likeness” of God, that is in shape or form. But we are to be made in the “image” or character of God.

God’s purpose is to expand His family. “Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect” (Matt. 5:48). We are to become perfect, not like angels or animals, but like our *Father*.

Family is a God-plane relationship—not an animal- or even an angel-plane relationship.

Are men too self-willed and ignorant to even *want* to see their illustrious potential?

“And he answered and said unto them, Have ye not read, that *he which made them* at the beginning made them male and female, And said, For this cause shall a man leave father and mother, and shall cleave to his wife: and they twain shall be one flesh?” (Matt. 19:4-5).

God created us male and female. We didn’t evolve from an ape or any other animal kind. WE ARE OF THE GOD KIND! It is “for this cause” that God instructs the young man and woman to leave their parents and build their own family.

They are to become “one flesh”—physically and spiritually. That is a deep closeness and unity. That means marriage, with God’s government, produces that oneness. God commands the man to be the leader (Eph. 5:23). The father is the head of the family.

The whole feminist movement has rebelled against any man ruling the family—God’s way. They want to build the family *their* way. They refuse to be a Christian—Christ’s way. If they ever expect to get beyond this life, they must repent.

Verse 5 is a quote from Genesis 2:24. Does Christ believe in the Genesis creation? He certainly should, since the Father created all things through Him! (Eph. 3:9). How can anyone who claims to be a Christian reject the Genesis creation?

Most educators and scientists don’t know when marriage began. That is because they reject God as the Creator of man as stated in Genesis. That is the record of when marriage and family began. Many of these scholars only see “human evolutionary history.” They contemptuously and arrogantly included the word “evolutionary.” They assume they know more than the great

God! They close their minds to God’s view. They have never known God and probably never will until God plunges them into the worst suffering ever. Then most of them will be humble enough to heed God’s word and repent.

A Fatherless Society

Here is a quote from the May/June 1970 issue of *Tomorrow’s World* magazine (emphasis mine): “It has been the devil’s plan to pervert even the meaning of the word ‘father.’ Today people use that term about God—yet become very offended when told the plain truth of God’s divine purpose. They cannot believe that humans are destined to *literally* become *born sons of God—just like God—as our children are like us*. So in Jesus’ day the Jews refused to hear Jesus’ words about the Father.

“If the devil could get a society and make it the way he wanted it, what would it be like?

“Do you know there was once a society completely ruled by the devil? He had instituted his thoughts and his morality. This society was completely destroyed from the face of the earth—and the lesson of it should be a perpetual witness to all generations. The society was Sodom and Gomorrah!



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“THE FINAL END OF ANY SOCIETY RUN BY THE DEVIL IS THE COMPLETE DESTRUCTION OF FATHERHOOD! The devil himself cannot reproduce. Angels cannot reproduce nor marry (Matt. 22:30). But God can reproduce Himself. God is in the process of reproducing Himself in us—His begotten children (I John 3:1-2). **THUS THE DEVIL WANTS TO DESTROY FATHERHOOD—FOR IN SO DOING HE HOPES TO DESTROY GOD’S TRUE RELIGION.**

“How does the devil go about the destruction of fatherhood?

“God Almighty reveals Himself as a *Father*, even in the writings of the Old Testament. Read Psalms 89:26, Isaiah 63:16, 64:8 and Hosea 1:10. These are a *few* of the scriptures revealing God’s fatherhood.

“When Jesus came to the earth He plainly revealed the fatherhood of God. Those who heard Him speak should have received His message with joy and understanding, since they had been prepared by the writings of the Old Testament. However, they refused to believe Jesus’ words and accused Him of blasphemy.

“It was at the feast of dedication in Jerusalem one winter when Jesus told the Jews, ‘My Father, which gave them me, is greater than all; and no man is able to pluck them out of my Father’s hand. *I and my Father are one*’ (John 10:29-30).”

Christ said, “My Father is greater than I” (John 14:28). He came to “declare the Father” (John 1:18). **THAT IS WHY HE CAME TO THIS EARTH—NOT TO DECLARE HIMSELF, AS MOST RELIGIONS TEACH!**

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How dumb can we be?

Many Sons to Glory

“Thou madest him a little lower than the angels; thou crownedst him with glory and honour, and didst set him over the works of thy hands” (Heb. 2:7). The Hebrew reads not “a little lower than the angels,” but “a little *while* inferior to the angels.” Inferior to angels today, but only for a little while. **OUR POTENTIAL IS FAR GREATER!** That is what your Bible says. Can we grasp it?

The angels were never called sons (Heb. 1:4-5).

“Thou hast put *all things* in subjection under his feet. For in that he put *all* in subjection under him, he left nothing that is not put under him. But now we see not yet all things put under him” (Heb. 2:8). The Moffatt translation reads “the whole universe.” God is going to give us the whole universe if we build His character so we won’t destroy it as Satan did. (For more information, write for a free copy of our new book, *The Incredible Human Potential*.)

What kind of character must we have to finish and beautify the universe? “But we see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels for the suffering of death, crowned with glory and honour; that he by the grace of God should taste death for every man. For it became him, for whom are all things, and by whom are all things, in bringing many sons unto glory, to make the captain of their salvation perfect through sufferings” (vv. 9-10).

God is bringing many sons to glory. We must become born sons of God. We will then have God’s own character to rule over the earth and the universe.

The family of man pictures the God family! God created the human family to get us into His family! THE TEACHING ABOUT EVOLUTION IS A VILE INSULT TO OUR AWESOME ORIGIN AND POTENTIAL!

Why does man refuse to see his magnificent future? The simple answer is, he doesn’t want to be corrected and changed.

Why Correction?

The *Tomorrow’s World* article continued: “This vicious and subtle attack on fatherhood is really aimed at God Almighty. Its aim is to warp people to the point where they cannot have a right relationship with their heavenly Father.

“If you have never known a proper relationship with a physical father, it

will be more difficult for you to have a right relationship with your spiritual Father. You will have to learn now the things you should have learned in your relationship to a physical father....

“And ye have forgotten the exhortation which speaketh unto you as unto children, My son, despise not thou the chastening of the Lord, nor faint when thou art rebuked of him: For whom the Lord loveth he chasteneth, and scourgeth every son whom he receiveth. If ye endure chastening, God dealeth with you as with sons; for what son is he whom the father chasteneth not? But if ye be without chastisement, whereof all

“Do you have a hard time looking to God as *your* Father? Do you just pray to God as a great being—distant, ominous and powerful? Or do you *know* God *intimately* as a *Father*?”

It’s War!

DO YOU KNOW WHY JESUS CHRIST WAS CRUCIFIED? FOR TEACHING HIS MESSAGE ABOUT FATHERHOOD! Most of His prophets and apostles were killed too. Why? Because Satan rules this world.

Satan hates God the Father and His Son Jesus Christ. The devil hates the God family and is conspiring to destroy you physically and spiritually. He never

had an opportunity to be in God’s family. That knowledge only intensifies his hatred.

“Therefore rejoice, ye heavens, and ye that dwell in them. Woe to the inhabitants of the earth and of the sea! for the devil is come down unto you, having great wrath, because he knoweth that he hath but a short time” (Rev. 12:12). Satan knows his time is short. Whether you believe in him or not, his rage and destruction is worse now than ever before on

this earth!

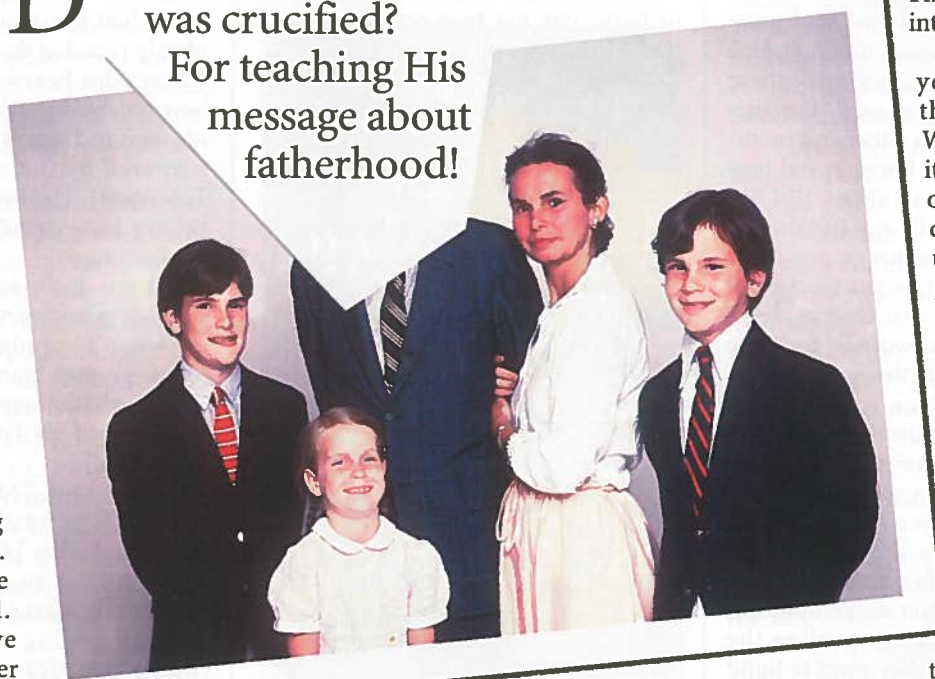
People who fight and war against fatherhood are little more than puppets of the devil, and they use Satan’s tactics in their warfare. He is behind the conspiracy to destroy fatherhood.

Our time before the Great Tribulation is also short. Passivists will not survive Satan’s onslaught. If ever there was a time to take a stand for God, now is that time. Soon Christ will be here and the whole world will become a part of our spiritual Father’s family. The sad part is how much man must suffer before he learns that lesson. ♦

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DO YOU KNOW WHY JESUS CHRIST was crucified? For teaching His message about fatherhood!



are partakers, then are ye bastards, and not sons. Furthermore we have had *fathers of our flesh which corrected us*, and we gave them reverence: shall we not much rather be in subjection unto the Father of spirits, and live? For they [our physical fathers] verily for a few days chastened us after their own pleasure; but he for our profit, that we might be partakers of his holiness’ (Heb. 12:5-10).

“Notice that we learn vital lessons from correction by our physical fathers. Their correction teaches us to give them ‘reverence.’ We learn to yield to their authority and to be more loving and respectful to them.

“We must transfer this same wonderful feeling of reverence to our heavenly Father! Can you do it?”

PRINCIPLES OF LIVING

STEPHEN FLURRY

Wanted: Good Mothers

Pursuing “equality” has caused a dangerous shortage in the work force—of mothers who work *at home*.

IN HIS TREATISE ON THE NATURE AND character of democracy in America, Alexis de Tocqueville lauded early America’s view of equality. He said that while 19th-century Europe tried to make men and women not only equal, but actually *similar*, America viewed equality through a different lens. Americans, he wrote, “think that nature, which created such great differences between the physical and moral constitution of men and women, clearly intended to give their *diverse faculties a diverse employment*; and they consider that progress consists not in making dissimilar creatures do roughly the same things but in giving both a chance to do their job as well as possible.... They have carefully *separated* the functions of man and of woman so that the great work of society may be better performed.”

Back then, “diverse faculties” meant the obvious: different roles. America’s earliest settlers based such practical ideology on the Bible. In Genesis 2, we see how God organized mankind’s first family. He made the man first; instructed him in the ways and laws of God; then made the woman out of the man’s rib. In verse 18, He called the woman a “help meet.” The Hebrew word for “meet” means “*opposite*; specifically a counterpart, or mate” (*Strong’s Concordance*). In the New Testament, the Apostle Peter further explained these obvious differences, calling women weaker vessels, compared to men.

From the beginning, God intended for a woman’s special abilities and talents to *complement* the man’s, and vice versa. Each enables the other to accomplish much more than either could alone.

This is done through marriage. God purposed for marriage to make a man

and woman complete. They become one flesh *through* marriage (Gen. 2:24). Above all, God ordained the physical union of marriage because of the *divine* institution it represents: the unselfish, loving, marriage relationship between Jesus Christ and the Church (Eph. 5:32; Rev. 19:7).

On the physical level, male and



female roles in marriage are as different as those of Jesus Christ and the Church. This divine parallel, along with the obvious physical differences between men and women, ought to make their differing roles obvious.

In 1840, it was.

“You will never find American women,” Tocqueville wrote, “in charge of the external relations of the family, managing a business or interfering in politics; but they are also never obliged to undertake rough laborer’s work or any task requiring hard physical exertion. No family is so poor that it makes an exception to this rule.”

A woman’s life is not a man’s. Neither is a man’s life a woman’s. The two are as different as the sun and the moon. But God intended both to work

together in harmony. For this to work, there had to be organization built within the family unit.

AMERICA’S PIONEER FAMILIES UNDERSTOOD that even though they lived in a democratic nation, that did not justify undermining the father’s authority inside the home. “Every association, to be effective,” Tocqueville wrote, “must have a head, and the natural head of the conjugal association is the husband.”

That too is based on scripture. In I Corinthians 11:1, Paul admonished the New Testament Church to follow in his footsteps, as he followed Christ’s. In verse 3, Paul laid down guidelines for all who call themselves Christian. “But I would have you know, that the head of every man is Christ; and the head of the woman is the man; and the head of Christ is God.” In this hierarchical form of government, everyone submits to someone.

Elsewhere, Paul explained how this organization was modeled after a spiritual union. “Therefore as the church is subject unto Christ, so let the wives be to their own husbands in every thing” (Eph. 5:24). Obviously, Paul did not mean for husbands to abuse this God-given authority. In verse 25, he continued, “Husbands, *love* your wives, *even as Christ* also loved the church, and gave himself for it.” Both roles were intended to be service-oriented.

Hard as this may seem, 19th-century women did not

find their role demeaning or unfulfilling. Tocqueville said he never met a woman who felt stripped of her rights or degraded by having to submit to her husband. On the contrary, he wrote, women seemed “to take pride in the free relinquishment of their will, and it is their boast to bear the yoke themselves rather than escape from it.”

ACCORDING TO TOCQUEVILLE, AMERICANS understood that while men and women were made to fulfill different roles within that hierarchy, each role was *equal in importance*.

This too squares with the Bible’s instruction. As we have seen, God clearly defines the different roles of men and women in the first few chapters of

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Genesis. Yet, in Genesis 1:28, God gave this instruction to BOTH: "Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth." Both of them were to be fruitful and multiply. Both were given dominion over the physical creation.

In the New Testament, we already referred to I Peter 3:7, where women are called weaker vessels. In that same verse, however, Peter says men and women are "heirs together of the grace of life."

Different roles—equally important.

This view of equality, in Tocqueville's estimation, contributed most to America's tremendous growth and prosperity. "For my part," he wrote, "I have no hesitation in saying that although the American woman never leaves her domestic sphere and is in some respects very dependent within it, *nowhere does she enjoy a higher station.* And now that I come near the end of this book in which I have recorded so many considerable achievements of the Americans, if anyone asks me what I think the chief cause of the extraordinary prosperity and growing power of this nation, I should have to answer that it is due to the *superiority of their women.*"

Today, you might hear the same thing said by an "enlightened" one, but the meaning would be different. Tocqueville meant that American women were superior to European women—not that women were superior to men.

Our definition of equality has changed. In the 19th century it meant men and women *complemented* each other. Today, it means they *compete*. For the past several decades, feminists have NOT fought to exalt the wife's role at home (they ridicule that). They have fought to compete with men on a level playing field. Their desire has been to do everything men do—and *more*.

This view of equality, as Tocqueville said about 19th-century Europeans, seeks to make women not only equal with men—but *similar*.

EVIDENCE OF THIS "COMPETITION" IS everywhere. In droves, women have abandoned their posts at home to become doctors, lawyers, politicians, scientists, astronauts, CEOs, managers and athletes. And what have they proven? That they are just as intelli-

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gent and energetic as men are.

But wait a minute. Americans knew that in the 1800s, according to Tocqueville. He was amazed at how "manly" American women were in their *intelligence* and *energy*. The difference is, they used that intellect, along with their diverse abilities, at home.

Today, women take those talents with them to work, but at the *family's* expense. This is now acknowledged by an increasing number of commentators. In 1997, *Newsweek* and *U.S. News and World Report* had cover stories about stay-at-home moms. Both articles admitted that while daycare might be a step above planting kids in front of the TV, nothing compares to the constant attention and loving care of a mother working at home.

"Women are misled," Aubrey Andelin wrote in *Man of Steel and Velvet*, "if they feel they will best achieve their duty to mankind by becoming a figure of renown in politics, science and industry. *Although they are capable enough, they can render no service of greater consequence than to establish an ideal home.* Theirs is the prime opportunity to prevent and correct the great social evils in the place most of them start. There would be an absolute minimum of social problems if our homes were in order."

AMERICA HAS GONE FROM SETTING A sterling example in the family during the 19th century to force-feeding its new brand of "equality" on the rest of the world. If Tocqueville attributed America's extraordinary power

and prosperity back then to its superior women, then we ought to consider where this new brand of equality (actually, *COMPETITION*) is leading America today.

In the Bible, God prophesied that in the end time, America would be noted for its upside-down families. "As for my people, children are their oppressors, and women rule over them. O my people, they which lead thee cause thee to err, and destroy the way of thy paths" (Isa. 3:12). Certainly men must share in the blame for allowing this to happen. As Aubrey Andelin wrote, "If men cannot solve problems of government and industry, if we must lean on women for these responsibilities, then we have FAILED AS MEN."

But women bear a certain amount of the blame too. Isaiah continues in verse 16, "Moreover the Lord saith, Because the *daughters* of Zion are haughty, and walk with stretched forth necks and wanton eyes, walking and mincing as they go, and making a tinkling with their feet." Moffatt says, "They hold their heads high as they walk." They are JUST PLAIN VAIN—interested in competing with men rather than working together in cooperation and sacrifice.

Modern women, over the last four to five decades, dissatisfied with the way God organized His creation, have rejected their role and have been living contrary to their God-ordained purpose. The result of that movement has been devastating.

Movie after movie, TV program after program, glorifies daycare and the working mother. Meanwhile, family life is crumbling—children are growing up without direction or a clear code of ethics upon which they can build *their* families. If you hearken to the words of the prophet Isaiah, then you know we are headed for captivity as a result.

If you won't heed what the Bible says, at least hearken to the words of history. As Daniel Lapin wrote in *America's Real War*, "Wherever societies have followed the Judeo-Christian family ethic, nations have flourished. But whenever societies have deemed themselves WISER THAN GOD by taking their own, more 'enlightened' path, nations have crumbled and fallen."

What a price to pay for equality.

There's no shortage of women in science and industry today. The real shortage is at home. ♦

VIEWPOINT
HERBERT W. ARMSTRONG

Thou Shalt NOT!

Are the Ten Commandments “negative” and therefore a wrong form of law?



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Often we hear the basic law of God impugned as negative, and therefore not good. God is often conceived as a stern, wrathful God, who angrily says to us: “THOU SHALT NOT!” God’s truth is sometimes looked upon as “a religion of FEAR,” and therefore not desirable for modern, advanced, enlightened man. It ought to be POSITIVE, they say, not negative.

Thus God, the truth of God, the purpose and plan of God, the method of God, and the law of God, are relegated to the primitive, the imperfect—something enlightened man has now outgrown. Modern man thereupon looks upon himself as elevated to a plane of rational thinking, and knowledge high-

er than God, or Christianity, or God’s law. Of course, when we UNDERSTAND, God’s TRUTH is the most *positive* religion or philosophy there is—it *eradicates* fear! It is the way of FAITH!

But is the negative form, “Thou shalt not,” then, wrong? Is it outmoded? Should a PERFECT law contain only “DOS” and no “DON’TS”?

Just what is TRUE CHARACTER? Just what is the perfect life?

I have defined character—that is, true, righteous, holy character—as 1) coming to the KNOWLEDGE of the true, as opposed to the false values—the right, instead of the wrong way; 2) making, of one’s own free will and volition, the choice to *do* the right instead of the

wrong; 3) the exercise of the will in actually *doing* the right instead of the wrong.

Character, then, once the true knowledge is acquired and the right decision made, involves SELF-DISCIPLINE. The truly educated person is a self-disciplined person.

What, then, does this SELF-DISCIPLINE involve?

Two things: 1) *self-restraint* to resist the lower impulses and pulls in human nature—to restrain the self from desires, impulses, habits or customs which are contrary to the RIGHT WAY; and 2) *self-propulsion* or determined initiative to drive the self to *do* those things which ought to be done. In other words, in true character in action there is the POSITIVE and the NEGATIVE.

Suppose one rejects the negative as faulty and something to be discarded altogether. Suppose one applies the positive only. He impels the self to DO those positive things to be done, but he exercises no restraint to resist those things which, by habit, impulse, desire or custom of others ought not to be done. Because human nature is what it is, the very nature in such a man will pull him constantly in the wrong direction. Thus CHARACTER is destroyed. He is out of balance.

We find present in NATURE both the positive and the negative. Electricity functions and performs its work by use of both the positive and the negative. All elements are either alkaline or acid. All living things and beings in this world of matter are male and female. There are SINS both of OMISSION and COMMISSION.

Frequently we read the pitiful, feeble efforts of a man who fancies in his ignorant egotism he is wiser than God, setting forth his idea of TEN POSITIVE COMMANDMENTS. Ten “dos,” and no “don’ts.” And what do we find? How much character would such a list of “commandments” produce? Just about as much character as an electric light bulb would produce light with merely the one *positive* wire leading into it. Just about as much character as the male alone, without the female, could reproduce his kind. He might DO a few good things, but all his good things would be nullified and cancelled out by the unrestrained evil he would commit.

No basic LAW OF LIFE, forming the basis of perfect CHARACTER, could be a perfect law unless it contains, in perfect balance, both positive and negative.

Examine now again God’s basic

code, upon which all His laws, social, economic, civil and religious, hang:

1. "THOU SHALT have no other gods before me." This is actually stated in the *positive* form, implying we SHALL worship and obey the true God. In a sense, this commandment contains both the positive and negative, directing us positively, "Thou SHALT," to the true God, and restraining us from false gods.

2. "THOU SHALT NOT make unto thee any graven image, or...bow down thyself to them, nor serve them." This is negative, restraining from either making or worshipping any THING as a god; also from either worship, or obedience to, such false god. To the true God we owe both worship and obedience. Notice the principle of GOVERNMENT in this, as in all the commands. THE WHOLE ISSUE IS ONE OF GOVERNMENT. Adam and Eve rejected God's *government*, refused His rule over their lives, disobeyed four of the laws of His government. Christ came preaching the "KINGDOM of God," which is the *government* of God—commanding men to repent of their rejection of that government and the transgression of its laws (sin is the transgression of the law—I John 3:4)—providing the way of atonement for that transgression, and reconciliation to the worship and government of GOD.

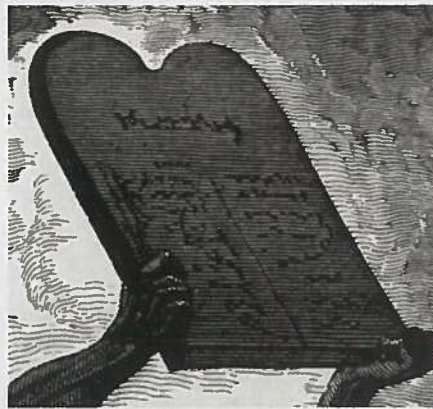
3. "THOU SHALT NOT take the NAME of the Lord thy God in vain." This is a restraint—negative—to prevent cutting man off from the POWER and BENEFITS of the right use of GOD'S NAME. If we repent of sin, and come to God by Jesus Christ, He puts within us the impregnating gift of His Holy Spirit, and thus we become His actual begotten children—begotten into HIS FAMILY—bearing HIS NAME (the true name of His Church is Church of GOD)—and having access to all the BENEFITS, BLESSINGS, and POWER of that name. This command is a negative, making possible the POSITIVE and vitally needed blessings through that NAME!

4. "REMEMBER the sabbath day, to KEEP IT HOLY...the seventh day is the sabbath of the Lord thy GOD." Here is another POSITIVE command—the only one God specifically commanded us to "REMEMBER," and the very one mankind insists above all upon forgetting. Is it not an indicting commentary on the unrestrained human nature, and irrational thinking of the self-professed RATIONALS who imagine themselves superior to God, and who insist His command-

ments ought to be all POSITIVE and not negative, that this most positive of all the commandments they flout and disobey with greatest impunity. Again, notice the perfection—here again is a command including both positive and negative, for while it is primarily positive, yet it includes negative restraints to make possible that positive—"in it thou SHALT NOT do any work," etc.

5. "HONOR thy father and thy mother." Do you see any negative statement in this command? Here is a POSITIVE command, with a definite promise of blessing. This heads the six commands regulating man's relationship with neighbor. However, the negative opposite is implied, though not stated.

6 through 10. "THOU SHALT NOT kill, commit adultery, steal, bear false witness against, or covet." Here are the famous negatives, yet each implies the opposite POSITIVE: as, THOU SHALT love and have charitable tolerant patience toward your neighbor; BE TRUE to your wife and RESPECT your neighbor's wife. BE HONEST; TELL THE TRUTH, and RESPECT your neighbor's property.



HERE IS A PERFECT LAW. It outlines, in broad detail, man's right relationship with the true GOD, that he may have all the needed guidance, help and blessings from God; and also man's right relationship toward human neighbors—including parents, children, husband and wife and all neighbors.

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This perfect law forms the basis of ALL human relationships, as well as man's God-relationship. It provides the wide, basic general rules affecting *every phase* of his life—

- a) Religious, in his relationship to GOD;
- b) Family, in his relationship to parents, children, wife and husband, and is designed to preserve the blessed sanctity and dignity of the HOME;
- c) Next-door and personal neighbors and friends;
- d) Civil relationships—here are found the very BASIC civil laws respecting murder, theft, adultery, perjury;
- e) Economic life—honesty, not coveting others' money, goods, property or possessions, which coveting is the very root source of today's economic principle of competition;
- f) Social life—such commands as those respecting adultery, false witness against, coveting, stealing, form the foundation principle of a right social attitude and relationship with neighbors.

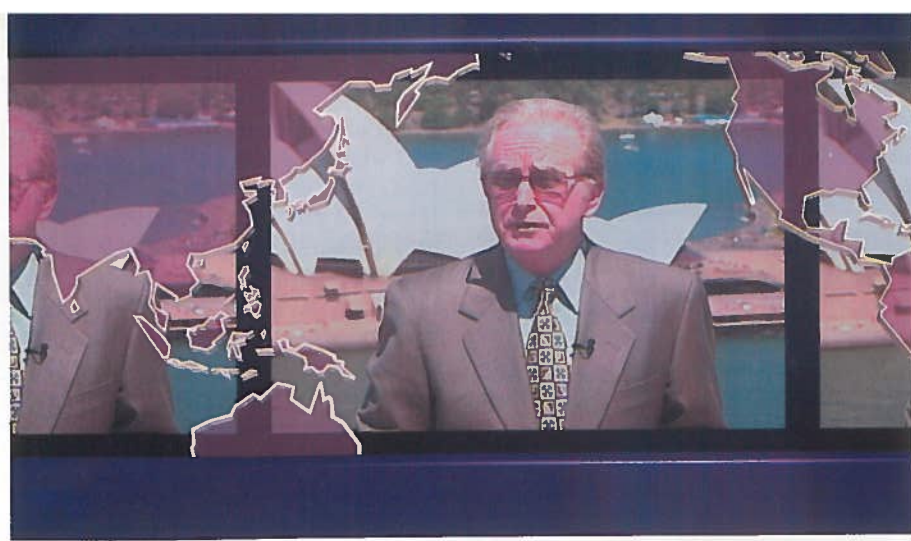
This law, in its basic *principles*, defines THE WHOLE DUTY OF MAN (Eccl. 12:13). It is the basis, in principle, for ALL THE BIBLE. The entire Bible is, so far as its TEACHING is concerned, a magnification in specific detail of these basic principles.

This law is COMPLETE. It contains, in brief summation-principle, all the positive and negative obligations of the PERFECT, rightly-balanced life. It expresses and reflects the very character of God.

The whole law is summed up in one word, LOVE. It is like God, for God is LOVE, just as His law is LOVE. It was given in love for us, and LOVE is the fulfilling of the law—LOVE IN ACTION.

It is love to GOD, and love to NEIGHBOR. It is PERFECT. It is COMPLETE. ◆

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game. We have every flavor of news reporting, in any country at any time. There are plenty of broadcasters who report and even analyze the news.

But NONE TELL YOU WHY—save one.

Missing Dimension in Journalism

There is a *missing dimension* in broadcast journalism today. It resides in only one syndicated television program. Unlike mainstream journalism, this program is governed by the *supreme* standard. What is it? The program is *The Key of David*. The official standard is God's law.

GOD IS THE MISSING DIMENSION IN JOURNALISM. Jesus Christ was a messenger—like a newscaster. He had clear-cut journalistic standards. He spoke only the words of His Father, not His own interpretation (John 14:10). Christ didn't just report the news; He explained WHY events were occurring and where they were headed. In like manner, God specifically instructed the prophets to speak only the words that He gave them (Amos 3:7).

Jesus' message was not popular with the people of His day—they wanted to hear smooth things (Isa. 30:10). Today, the message of *The Key of David* is also not popular with the mainstream media and pacifist religious establishment. If you watch this program, you won't hear "smooth things"—you'll hear the unadulterated truth.

Your Early Warning News Service

In 1992, *God's Future World* radio program, presented by Gerald Flurry, was transformed into a 30-minute television program—*The Key of David*. Since this time *The Key of David* has grown dramatically in both impact and production quality. The program staff numbers 25 worldwide, working in various roles of production, administration and media purchasing. Its technical facility is located in Edmond, Oklahoma.

The Key of David is firmly established in many key markets worldwide, with access to over 700 million people in the United States, Canada, Central America, Russian Federation, Northern Africa, the Middle East, Asia, the Pacific and Australasia. In the past two years response to *The Key of David* has more than quadrupled. Audience reach and impact have both seen significant rises. For the past four years Nielsen Media Research has ranked *The Key of David* in the top ten of weekly devotional programs. The program has also

REAL NEWS Gerald Flurry in the new *Key of David* introduction

World events are rapidly changing. Where are they leading? Will they affect you? Watch *The Key of David*:

We Tell You Why!

BY ANDREW LOCHER
AND GARETH FRASER

INFORMATION IS THE MOST POWERFUL and lucrative commodity in the world. "The basic economic currency is no longer capital, natural resources or labor. The only currency that matters now is knowledge" (*The Amazing Story of CNN*).

TV Guide cites that the average American now watches seven hours of television per day. That is a huge amount of information. The *challenge* is to find a source that can provide answers to life's most basic questions. A source that delivers the plain truth—a source that TELLS YOU WHY.

Consider television news programs: 70 percent of local television news stories are one minute or less in length. Most news sources report on an event and move right along to the next event offering no clear answers, only posing *unanswered* questions. There is a lack of *depth* in news reporting.

News As Entertainment

Two examples from this present decade illustrate. 1991's Gulf War heralded the emergence of a new era of broadcast journalism: For the first time, war was recorded and packaged as entertainment. And like a thirsty cat with a bowl of milk, the mass audience lapped it up. Soon after came the O.J. Simpson trial, which was served up to viewers as "hard news." The media pre-empted famine and disease in

Africa, financial destabilization in Asia, drought in Australia, England and the U.S., rapidly changing geopolitics—and the world sat goggle-eyed, mesmerized by the downward spiral of the life of an American football star. These stories, which garnered huge ratings for news agencies, clearly showed the appetite of the Western viewer for "news as entertainment."

Edward R. Murrow, who reported perhaps more accurately and responsibly than any war correspondent this century, pinpointed the problem when he said that television was "an incompatible combination of show business, advertising and news."

In a 1958 bombshell speech in Chicago which effectively ended his career, he reflected on his time as a reporter and offered a sober and blunt warning to the broadcast industry: "We are currently wealthy, fat, comfortable and complacent. Our mass media reflect this. But unless we get up off our fat surpluses and recognize that television is being used to distract, delude, amuse and insulate us, then television and those who finance it, those who look at it and those who work at it, may see a totally different picture too late. If we go on as we are, then history will take its revenge" (Murrow—*His Life and Times*).

According to *Atlantic Unbound* magazine, "There are no official standards to govern journalism." Forty-one years after Murrow's warning, we see the unfortunate outcome. News has become big business: a money and ratings

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received various awards in recognition of broadcast excellence.

Each week, the editor in chief of this magazine and presenter of *The Key of David* program, Gerald Flurry, delivers powerful messages of end-time warning and great hope for the future. He looks deep into the meaning of the news, moving beyond the immediate and providing an unbiased, no-holds-barred delivery of tomorrow's news today.

The success of the program can be greatly attributed to its similarity in format and message to Herbert W. Armstrong and *The World Tomorrow* television program. Many *Trumpet* subscribers are familiar with Mr. Armstrong's clear, understandable declaration of the plain truth of world events. *The Key of David* broadcasts in that tradition.

Mr. Armstrong foretold the removal of the Berlin Wall DECADES before 1989 (he died in 1986). *The Key of David* and *Trumpet* magazine reported on the union of the two Germanys. Far in advance of its fulfillment, Herbert Armstrong predicted today's emergence of a European conglomerate of nations as a political, economic, religious and military power. *The Key of David* delivers regular messages warning of the growing power and influence of this Eurobeast.

The Key of David uncovered the joint plan of the Vatican and Germany to destabilize the Balkans; it reported on Croatia's sham democracy and the snubbing of the Dayton Peace Accord; it revealed the real reasons for the Kosovo debacle. Under-the-table activities in NATO led by Germany were exposed through *Key of David* reporting, as were the meaning behind communism's collapse and reemergence in Russia, South Africa's political destabilization, the Asian financial meltdown, Britain's loss of international influence and America's disintegration of superpower status, Australia's disassociation with the British monarchy, Israel's internal division over an ill-fated peace process, China's theft of U.S. military secrets and takeovers of vital global sea gates. It was through *The Key of David* that viewers heard the answers to *why* the Dunblain and Columbine High massacres occurred.

Yes, *The Key of David* has a proven track record of TELLING YOU WHY.

We Tell You Why!

The Key of David tackles issues that other broadcasters shy away from. It de-

votes 30 minutes to an issue—not one minute or less. The program is not motivated by greed, the ratings game, popularity, bureaucratic persuasion, racial discrimination or political correctness. It doesn't conceal, it reveals. It, packaged with this magazine, is designed to inform, educate, inspire and motivate. It trumpets a "certain sound" (I Cor. 14:8) that anyone who has an ear to hear (Rev. 3:22) can clearly understand.

If you want the truth of today's

world affairs, their impact on your life and where they're headed for the future, *The Key of David* is your source. If you are not already a regular viewer, join the hundreds of thousands worldwide who turn to *The Key of David* each week for the answers to life's most basic questions. Remember, *The Key of David* doesn't just report the news—WE TELL YOU WHY! ◆

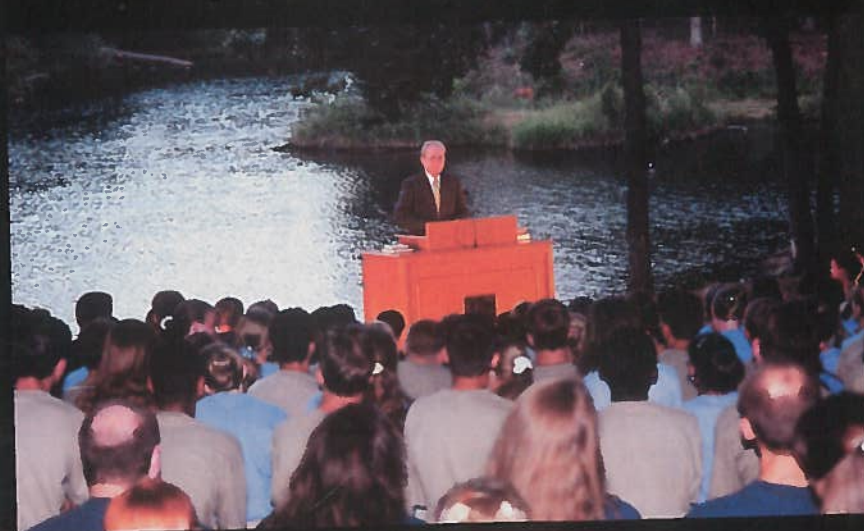
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Prepare to be inspired!

In 1978, Herbert W. Armstrong wrote what he considered to be the most inspiring book in the world besides the Bible, *The Incredible Human Potential*. After his death in 1986, it was discontinued from print.

This September, thirteen years after Mr. Armstrong's death, *The Key of David* launches its new season with a special series of programs, recorded at a Philadelphia Church of God youth summer camp, once again offering this book to the world absolutely free of charge. Prepare to be educated, inspired and motivated by this exclusive series.



"I'd like for you young people, as you leave here tonight—it's getting almost dark—to look up at the beautiful stars and realize and never forget that there is a connection between that universe and you!"

—Gerald Flurry, Philadelphia Youth Camp

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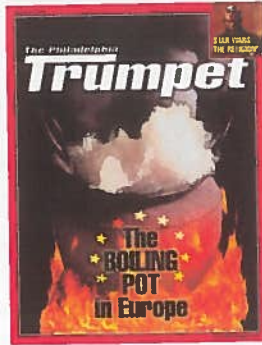
and His ways stupidly foolish? God, watching it all take place, gave the people anciently over to uncleanness and lust and allowed them to dishonor their own bodies. Certainly, God is allowing witches to do the same today. Can't we all agree that performing ritual ceremony "skyklad" is a shame and dishonor to the people involved? Witchcraft is a work of the flesh and will keep a human being out of the Kingdom of God (Gal. 5:19-21). From God's perspective, witchcraft is not good for the individual. Neither is it good for the nation.

Moses, instructing the ancient Israelites, stated, "Thou shalt not suffer a witch to live" (Exod. 22:18). This God-inspired judgment was based on the Ten Commandments. Moses was not just singling out witches. Any person in Israel who committed idolatry was subject to the death penalty. Why? Left unchecked, witchcraft or any other pagan form of worship would turn the nation away from God. This would cause God to turn away from them.

In today's perilous times, can America's military afford to be alienated from God? Can our nation long stand without God's divine protection? After Moses and the other great leaders in Israel died, few followed what the nation had been taught. Ancient Israel's history shows that the northern tribes did fully embrace paganism. The nation suffered siege, capture, captivity and slavery as a result. Ancient Israel suffered horribly for their idolatrous Wiccan practices.

If modern Wiccans have their way, that is precisely what they will do to our nation—turn everyone to paganism. Unfortunately, we find ourselves in the same sad shape as our ancient forefathers. Where are the leaders today who can see the modern Wiccan movement for the idolatrous religion it is and stand up to stop it?

Soon Jesus Christ will return to this earth. He will establish His kingdom based on the laws of Almighty God. He will put a complete end to all myths, fables and false religion of men (Rev. 21:8). All idolatry, including witchcraft, will be taken away from the earth. At that time all individuals will be taught properly how to achieve amazing spiritual growth. That time will be truly glorious. May that day hasten quickly. ♦



THE AUGUST PHILADELPHIA TRUMPET Personal from Gerald Flurry, "Germany Is Conquering the Balkans!" is absolutely, stunningly brilliant!

Bella Vista, Ariz.

I JUST PICKED UP ONE OF YOUR MAGAZINES for the first time. I get so tired of the American people putting us German people down. My parents were in the war and I heard lots of stories. Why don't you ever print those? All I hear about is how bad the Germans were. What about how bad the Americans were?

Anonymous

ALLOW ME TO EXPRESS HERE MY PROFOUND appreciation. *The Philadelphia Trumpet* is a strong witness in my life. I was a very frightened young man during the occupation of Belgium during World War II. I still remember the black swastika we were all subject to, that deformed and deadly cross. This lasted for five years. My parents are no longer. Memories live in my subconscious of many deaths and sinister things that happened in my town. And what about society today that is pushing us more and more toward war uglier than those of 1914-18 and 1940-45 combined?

Cournai, Belgium

WE CAN NEVER PUT A PRICE ON TRUTH, AND my subscription to the *Trumpet* has become invaluable. I tried for years to understand the conflicts and hatred that fermented in the Baltics, Bosnia and Kosovo. It wasn't until I read the *Trumpet* that it began to make perfect sense. Never in the media had I heard the truth about Germany's dirty-dealing in all these conflicts.

Sante Fe, N. Mex.

Prophecies coming to pass

FROM 1966 UNTIL IT NO LONGER WAS CIRCULATED freely, I received the *Plain Truth* magazine. I've seen the prophecies of Herbert Armstrong come to pass since 1966 and now with the extension of his truths being heralded in the *Trumpet*

The Boiling Pot in Europe

«I must agree with your take on what's occurring in the Balkans. Germany is on the rise again, only this time we're helping them.»

Howell, N.J.

magazine, I see further proof of Mr. Armstrong's prophecies.

Phoenix, Ariz.

I FIND THE TRUMPET MAGAZINE TO BE VERY informative, accurate and up-to-date on critical issues around the globe and a real eyebrow raiser. Please keep me posted on the latest happenings through the *Trumpet*.

Lae, Papua New Guinea.

I WAIT FOR THE TRUMPET KNOWING I'M going to get the real truth! It has opened my eyes, and I am starting to understand the Bible like never before. *The History and Prophecy of Germany* really shook me up! It made so clear to me what I didn't know! And that is, how close we really are to World War III. As you state in the *Trumpet*, it will happen like a whirlwind! I have watched and read about all the problems in America, but we here in Australia are like lame ducks too. There is no Churchill here, either. And the boat people—well, that is just the start! Our coastline is wide open here, and what little defense we have is a joke.

Glenroy, Australia

THE LATEST TRUMPET IS NO "CAT'S MEOW." I heard the whetted lips of a stirred lion parting with an emphatic roar—a resonant sound like that of many waters!

Baton Rouge, La.

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ERIC ANDERSON

Behind Our Spin

Why the *Trumpet* quotes the Bible

A FRIEND OF MINE, WHILE THUMBING THROUGH A NEWSPAPER, recently remarked, "I'm so sick of reading about murders, weather disasters and diseases—just give me the sports section! I'm tired of hearing bad news all the time."

I can't really blame him. He's right. Today's newspapers and magazines are filled mostly with bad news. But there is a unique publication that delivers *good news*. This one.

Unlike any other newspaper or magazine currently in circulation, *The Philadelphia Trumpet* doesn't just report the news—it explains *WHY* the news happens. The *Trumpet* goes beyond analyzing current events, and dares to forecast what will happen in the months and years ahead.

How do we do it?

Simple. The *Trumpet* uses the Holy Bible as its primary resource. That's right! The *Trumpet* relies on REVELATION FROM GOD.

The Bible is the foundation of ALL knowledge—past, present and future. Therefore, by using the word of God as a guide, the *Trumpet* can boldly and accurately proclaim the truth behind today's news.

We are also able to see sharply into the future because we focus information about world events through the dual lenses of biblical history and prophecy.

Some are offended by our frequent references to Scripture. We occasionally receive questions like, "Can't you write anything without citing a Proverb, mentioning the prophet Jeremiah or the gospel according to John?" "Why does the *Trumpet* keep quoting the Bible?"

These are good questions! Let us explain.

Every major magazine has a viewpoint. Each approaches the issues of the day from its individual editorial standpoint. Some stand for unobtrusive, conservative values. Others proclaim more radical ideas. Many publications focus primarily on entertainment and "soft news," while ignoring or downplaying true global trends.

Almost all periodicals, in catering to their readers' interests, present their material with a certain "spin." But the *Trumpet* is different. It strives to avoid "political correctness" and scholarly reasoning. Instead, it accurately explains what GOD ALMIGHTY has to say about current events.

Think about this: Is today's news—with its reports of homicides, earthquakes and killer viruses—merely a series of isolated happenings, or is there indeed something BIG going on behind the scenes? If so, how do these apparently unrelated events fit into that pattern?

The answer is found in the prophecies once delivered to the

12 ancient tribes of Israel and recorded by the prophets. Those prophecies, when you really understand them, give semblance and meaning to today's news. They also give us a vision of the future. We would not presume to help readers of the *Trumpet* understand what is really going on out there without continually referring to the Bible.

Consider further. What does God say about the moral issues and dangerous social trends in our turbulent society? What is right and what is wrong? Who should decide? If anyone is entitled to say how we should live, surely it is our Creator. He gave instructions that humanity has generally chosen to reject. Those

timeless instructions are the perfect laws of God and are recorded in the Book of books. They are bedrock truth.

In our fast-paced and stressful society, people need encouragement, consolation and inspiration. But our pursuit of happiness has taken us in some bizarre directions. The world is full of false hopes and emotional dead ends.

Our readers, bombarded with "relative" or "experimental" values from just about every direction, need to know what God's principles of living are. Is there anything genuine to believe in and positive to work for? Is there any real hope for the future? Is there indeed any meaning to life at all?

Once again, the answers are available in the pages of God's instruction book, the Holy Bible. God's laws, when they govern our lives, bring us long-term peace and lasting joy.

So that's why we quote the Bible so often. And that's *why* this magazine is one of a kind! We never just "add a few scriptures" to make our stories sound nice and pious. And we don't round off our articles with a biblical passage or verse unless it is truly pertinent to our topic.

As our writers sort through world news from wire services in our news bureau and examine the social issues at hand, those timeless Proverbs, those prophecies of Jeremiah, the gospel of John and the other books of the Bible become irresistibly relevant. God *does* have much to say about our lives and our world, and the *Trumpet* would not be true to its founding principles if we didn't point out what is written in His word.

So the next time you're tempted to skip right to the sports section of your newspaper, resist. Stop and scrutinize the news reports. Dig deep. Then compare what is happening in the world around you with what God reveals in His inspired instruction book for mankind—and in the pages of this unique magazine.





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Each week, Gerald Flurry explains current events and where they are leading—from a biblical point of view.

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