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—THE HOLLYWOOD REPORTER

A firefighter faces one of several wildfires in and around Los Angeles, California, that burned tens of thousands of acres, inflicted more than \$250 billion in damage, and killed dozens.

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The Message in the L.A. Inferno

The curses hitting California give warning of far worse to come nationwide—unless we learn our lesson.

MILE AFTER MILE OF URBAN CALIFORNIA IS NOW embers and ash after the most ruinous fires in state history. Fierce winds up to 100 miles per hour ushered flames with breathtaking ferocity across roads, up hills and through neighborhoods, torching 10,000 buildings, killing at least 24 people, and leaving millions more tearfully coping with the losses.

“[I]n recent days, many images of wildfire devastation coming over the newswires made the City of Angels look every bit like Hades: raging infernos, charred skeletal remains of homes, a smoke-filled amaranthine sky, weeping residents,” wrote James Hibberd for the *Hollywood Reporter*. “The frequency and intensity of fires statewide likewise feels new—seven of the eight largest California wildfires of all time have occurred in just the past four years” (January 8).

That is fierce affliction! Why is this happening? What is the CAUSE? There is a cause for this effect, and we must understand it.

The timing is interesting as well: During one of the worst disasters in America’s history, many people are optimistic about the presidency of Donald Trump. He promises to fix America’s crises. But this is a stark reminder of the curses that have been hitting the nation for years. Just a short time ago, Hurricane Helene devastated major areas on the East Coast. Even as President Trump reverses some of the political and economic affliction caused by his predecessors, will such disasters continue?

An Unseen Cause

Over 31 years ago, in our December 1993 *Trumpet* issue, I wrote an article titled “Is California Under a Curse?” It was about record-breaking, catastrophic wildfires: 750,000 acres burned, 3,600 homes destroyed, 20 lives lost. The state was suffering a four-year drought, the worst in 300 years.

In 2007, I wrote another article, “California Disasters Continue—Why?” Searing heat was withering the state’s crops; dairy farmers witnessed thousands of their cows perish.

These types of woes consistently and repeatedly plague California in particular. Why? What is happening, especially in southern California, around Los Angeles?

In these latest ruinous fires, many people are blaming the governor and the mayor. There certainly are valid issues to criticize here; those leaders have made terrible decisions that have

exacerbated many of these curses. A great many people recognize that there has been a *dangerous* lack of effective leadership.

But does that explain *decades* of these troubles, many of which are exacerbated by weather and other elements outside man’s control?

“One disaster after another is striking California,” I wrote in that 1993 article. “These deadly disasters are repeatedly labeled the ‘worst ever’! ... With all the disasters that have struck California in the past few years, it’s as if THE STATE IS UNDER A CURSE.” Indeed! And wouldn’t you agree that curse has only grown worse in the two decades since?

Those fires were California’s “worst ever,” and one lady said, “It was like the wrath of God”! Do you suppose it *could* have been the WRATH OF GOD? *It certainly could!* That is a spiritual reality we must acknowledge.

We cannot escape God’s wrath. And if He is so wrathful, we must ask WHY? *Why* is He so upset with our people—not just those in California but in ALL of America?

With these recent fires, you will read biblical terms like *Hades* and *apocalyptic* to describe the scale of the devastation. But you have not heard any real discussion about GOD’S HAND in these events. You will not read anything about how the Bible actually *prophesies* in dozens of passages of such terrible events! Over a hundred *major* Bible prophecies are unfolding in this end time!

Yes, God foretells such curses, and He actually explains WHY we are being cursed!

For years I have pinpointed a reason for California’s troubles that nobody else is talking about. You can read about it in those older articles I referenced. It may seem surprising, but I hope you will think seriously about it, because it truly is at the heart of what is happening in the Los Angeles area.

A Satanic Attack

Pasadena, California, is where Herbert W. Armstrong established the headquarters of the Worldwide Church of God (WCG) in the 1940s. He built that Church into a magnificent global work that helped millions of people through publications, television broadcasts, humanitarian projects and more, as well as local congregations all over the world. Because that was where he headquartered, his message reached California more than any place else on Earth.

In 1979, the state of California launched a shocking, authoritarian and wholly unwarranted attack on Mr. Armstrong and the WCG. Guided by outrageously false allegations of financial mismanagement from disgruntled ex-ministers—despite financial and all other required records having been regularly and voluntarily filed—the state attorney general’s office took the extraordinary step of literally taking control of the Church.

On January 3 of that year, they initiated a sudden armed assault on the headquarters facility. A receiver secretly appointed by the court tried to take over and operate God’s Church, seizing the Church’s assets, appropriating its income, and usurping all authority. This action utterly defied the United States Constitution, most egregiously the protection of freedom of religion.

No evidence of wrongdoing by the Church was ever found. Thus, on Oct. 14, 1980, the attorney general dropped all charges and dismissed the case. Later, the appellate court ruled that the lawsuit was “without foundation.”

California is the only state that ever attacked Mr. Armstrong and his work. But as Mr. Armstrong spoke out very forcefully, they were doing something much worse than that: **THEY WERE ATTACKING THE LIVING GOD!**

That is a bold claim, but you can prove it true.

Whether or not you believe it, Herbert W. Armstrong DID represent the living God. He preached the plain truth of the Bible, and you can prove his message straight from Scripture—unorthodox as it is in a world of watered-down Christianity and confused religion. If you want to corroborate that, we will gladly send you a free copy of his main book, *Mystery of the Ages*, and a booklet about his ministry, titled *He Was Right*.

WHAT A GRAVE MISTAKE IT IS TO ATTACK THE LIVING GOD!

Is it possible that God is *still* cursing California because of the diabolical actions of those corrupt leaders?

The late California Sen. Barbara Boxer said, “California has gone through too many tragedies and too frequently.” She was right! But *why is that?* Is it because the state attacked the living God?

You can certainly verify that the state of California did ATTACK God and the message of God. That was *criminal*, beginning to end, and a terrible sin! What happens to someone who attacks God Himself? What will God do about it? He *will* respond. “Vengeance is mine,” He says (Romans 12:19).

This may not sound real to you—but it is REALITY!

The Cause of Evils

Jesus Christ said we ought to live by every word proclaimed from the mouth of God (Matthew 4:4). That would include the Old Testament and the New Testament. Do you believe God? Do you believe His Word?

At the end of his biblical book, the Prophet Daniel recorded these extraordinary words, spoken to him by an angel: “But thou, O Daniel, shut up the words, and SEAL THE BOOK, even to the time of the end: many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall be increased” (Daniel 12:4). Verse 9 says the same: “And he said, Go thy way, Daniel: for the words are CLOSED UP AND SEALED till the time of the end.”

The book of Daniel is ONLY for the end time. Its meaning was closed up and sealed—*until the end*. Now “the time of the end” is here. In OUR DAY, God has *unsealed* the meaning of this book!

Amos 3:7-8 tell us that God “revealeth his secret unto his servants the prophets.” Yes, God actually sends *prophets* with His message to warn and help people see His mighty hand in events.

Now, read Daniel 9:13—which, again, is *only* for our day—and BELIEVE: “As it is written in the law of Moses, *all this evil is come upon us*: yet made we not our prayer before the Lord our God, that we might turn from our iniquities, and understand thy truth.” This says EVIL COMES UPON US if we are breaking God’s law (which is what *iniquities* means).

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God’s laws. In many cases, we are not even keeping *man’s* laws! Lawbreaking is rampant—and the consequences are severe.

That is a strong warning in this pivotal prophetic book. ALL THIS EVIL HAS COME UPON US BECAUSE OF OUR SINS. Do you believe God? I am just telling you what God says. You don’t need to listen to men—but God says you MUST listen to Him!

Isaiah’s Prophecy

God says in Isaiah 29:6, “You will be punished by the Lord of hosts With thunder and earthquake and great noise, With storm and tempest And the flame of devouring fire” (New King James Version). The great flame of devouring fire is one of the punishments of God!

What would it take to STOP these curses? That is a crucial question right now.

In verse 13, God decries the fact that people “draw near me with their mouth, and with their lips do honour me, but have removed their heart far from me” He is not interested in *pious words*. God wants our hearts turned to Him! He is looking for genuine REPENTANCE.

This passage continues with this stunning statement: “Therefore, behold, I will proceed to do a marvellous work among this people, even a marvellous work and a wonder: for the wisdom of their wise men shall perish, and the understanding of their prudent men shall be hid” (verse 14). First note: The leaders have no understanding; they lack prudence and are unwise. They do not know how to lead! They are like little children (Isaiah 3:1-4). That produces indescribable tragedy.

But look: This is *leading* into a marvelous work and a wonder—Jesus Christ returning to Earth and establishing the wonderful World Tomorrow! He is going to lead and bring joy, peace and happiness forever!

Many scriptures show that all these evil events are a *sign* that Christ is coming shortly! So as you see these devouring fires, realize where this suffering is leading.

Hearts of the Fathers

Pay close attention to this crucial prophecy: “Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the Lord: And he shall turn the heart of the fathers to

the children, and the heart of the children to their fathers, lest I come and smite the earth with a curse” (Malachi 4:5-6).

God promised to send a man in the spirit of Elijah the prophet right at the end of human history, in the days just before Jesus Christ’s return. That prophetic office was filled by Herbert W. Armstrong. That is how important he was! And he did a mighty work to build strong families: He established programs such as schools and summer camps; he provided spiritual instruction for both parents and children, including books like *Why Marriage—Soon Obsolete?* and *The Missing Dimension in Sex* (both available free upon request). Family was key to his entire 50-plus-year ministry.

In Matthew 17:10-11, Christ spoke of this same end-time Elijah, and said that he would “restore all things.” He established the true doctrines of the Bible in the Church of God, just as God prophesied he would. He was here, and now he has died and is gone.

THE PROPHECY OF MALACHI IS A STRONG WARNING AIMED AT GOD’S OWN MINISTERS WHO REBELLED AGAINST HIM. In these verses that conclude the book, God says, *You must bring families together—physical families, and the Family of God, the way Mr. Armstrong did. If you fail, you will lose your salvation unless you wake up!* The “curse” in Malachi 4:6 is the loss of eternal life! This is the strongest warning you could imagine!

Oh, how our society needs strong families! But families are being broken apart more and more. God says that is a great sin. Surely you can see that a strong nation needs *strong families*. A nation without solid families is very weak.

God’s Word teaches us how to build our families, if only we will listen. There is mind-staggering hope in that—and in the fact that very soon, God will be building the Family all over Earth!

Become Childlike

After the 1994 earthquake in Northridge, California, caused \$25 billion in damage, the *St. Louis Post-Dispatch* ran an article headlined “L.A.’s Children of Fear.” Its subheading was “‘Why is God so mad at us?’ girl questions.” *That was what a little 3-year-old was asking. IT IS A GOOD QUESTION! CAN THE ADULTS ANSWER THAT? THEY OUGHT TO BE ABLE TO, BUT THEY RARELY CAN.*

How many adults even *consider* such an important question? Jesus Christ said we must become as little children, or we will not enter the kingdom of heaven (Matthew 18:1-3). Those words are red-letter in your Bible, straight from Christ’s mouth! How can we push that aside?

HE SAID WE MUST BE TEACHABLE LIKE A CHILD. Children ask questions and want answers. And Christ *wants* to teach us! Not only that, He wants to offer us a dazzling future. But He cannot teach anyone who is not teachable.

Earlier in His ministry, Jesus uttered this blazing correction for some of the people of His day: “Woe unto thee, Chorazin! woe unto thee, Bethsaida! for if the mighty works, which were done in you, had been done in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented



A January 8 infrared satellite image shows buildings burning in Altadena, California.

long ago in sackcloth and ashes. ... And thou, Capernaum, which art exalted unto heaven, shalt be brought down to hell: for if the mighty works, which have been done in thee, had been done in Sodom, it would have remained until this day” (Matthew 11:21, 23).

He was speaking to some exalted, high-class people, whom you could liken to the celebrity class found in Los Angeles. There are many such people in that area—though plenty of problems and sins affect people throughout the country and the whole world. But Christ was correcting them for being unteachable. He could not correct them—could not get through to them.

Could California, could America, be having the same problem today?

In the first century, those people would not listen to the Son of God Himself, and they ended up putting Him to death! In modern times, people would not heed the message of God preached by Herbert W. Armstrong, and officials from California tried to shut down his work and silence him.

The warning message of God is going out from this work today. WILL PEOPLE HEED, OR WILL THEY ATTACK US?

Curses even worse than those hitting California today are going to spread *nationwide* unless people accept God’s correction and turn their heart toward Him!

The nation truly is in a pivotal moment, with the change in administration in Washington. God is going to restore some of the nation’s prosperity and stability, and open a window of opportunity for national repentance. A failure to respond will result in certain national *destruction!* We must change course, morally and spiritually, if we are to avoid that outcome. We can avoid these curses by becoming humble and childlike before our great God!

“At that time Jesus answered and said, I thank thee, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because thou hast hid these things from the wise and prudent, and hast revealed them unto babes” (verse 25). Yes, God *hides* His truth from those wise and prudent in their own eyes. He reveals instead to the childlike. That spiritual understanding is a gift from God! Again, this is red-letter: Jesus Christ Himself speaking.

Will America humble itself? Will you, individually? ■



WHY GOD IS SAVING AMERICA THROUGH TRUMP

We have just witnessed a miraculous political comeback. It portends a national resurgence! But we must make sure we take the right lessons from it. **BY GERALD FLURRY**

“THE GOLDEN AGE OF AMERICA BEGINS RIGHT NOW,” Donald Trump declared in his inaugural speech, January 20. “From this day forward, our country will flourish and be respected again all over the world.”

President Trump signed executive orders that will halt illegal immigration, designate drug cartels as foreign terrorist organizations, approve oil drilling, and enact tariffs. He said the U.S. government’s official policy is that male and female are the only two genders. He renamed Mount Denali as Mount McKinley and the Gulf of Mexico as the Gulf of America. “The United States will once again consider itself a growing nation, one that increases our wealth, expands our territory, builds our cities, raises our expectations and carries our flag into new and beautiful horizons,” he said.

This is a stunning contrast from the dangerous policies that characterized the administrations of Barack Obama and Joe Biden. How did this dramatic change happen?

Trump answered this question in his inaugural speech. After referencing the attempt on his life last summer, he said, “I felt then, and believe even more so now, that my life was saved for a reason. I WAS SAVED BY GOD TO MAKE AMERICA GREAT AGAIN.”

Trumpet readers know this is exactly what the Bible prophesied. God saw the *bitter affliction* of America and the other end-time nations of Israel (2 Kings 14:26-28) and decided to save us—temporarily—by the hand of a modern King Jeroboam II: Donald J. Trump. Even through the darkest days of Trump’s political wilderness years, I showed you how God prophesied

that He would bring him back to lead a national resurgence. (Read “Why I Still Believe Donald Trump Is Coming Back” at theTrumpet.com/23490.)

Now this is reality. And it truly is a MIRACLE! Many people are thanking God for this stunning turn of events. God has been protecting and empowering this man.

THE BIG QUESTION YOU MUST ASK YOURSELF IS *WHY*.

We must look beyond the surface, and beware the serious mistake of glorifying Donald Trump rather than God.

Is God blessing America for its righteousness? Or is there another reason? What does God expect from us?

The answers lie in other important prophecies.

Blessings and Curses

What do you think of Bible prophecy? Most people ignore it. Did you know that *one third* of your Bible is prophecy? God inspired it and preserved it in Scripture for many important reasons.

The most important purpose of Bible prophecy is to REVEAL GOD. It reveals God’s mighty hand in world events, it warns us of the consequences of defying Him, it shows His mercy and unveils His plans. When we see God’s prophecies being fulfilled, we need to recognize God’s power, think deeply on that, and grow in awe and respect for Him!

One consistent message of Bible prophecy is that when we obey and serve God, we receive blessings; and when we disobey and reject Him, we receive curses. Read Leviticus 26 and Deuteronomy 28, which specifically list those blessings and



Donald J. Trump is inaugurated as the 47th president of the United States in the Capitol Rotunda on January 20.

reveal a painful truth we MUST understand: Even in a time of growing prosperity, there are grievous national sins that God intends to punish!

From Obama to Trump

A second prophecy I have pointed to for the last four years to show that Donald Trump would return to the presidency is in Amos 7. This chapter describes specific events to occur during the reign of the modern-day Jeroboam.

Verses 1-6 show God's anger at national Israel and His intention to punish it severely. The context shows that, as I explain in *America Under Attack*, the reason for His anger is the destruction caused by Barack Obama, abetted by the sins of the American people. America truly has been UNDER ATTACK! Yet verses 3 and 6 show God actually relenting, showing mercy, and refraining from immediate punishment.

Beginning in verse 7, however, there is a shift to the reign of Jeroboam, an indication that GOD WOULD SILENCE OBAMA (article, page 35).

Between verses 6 and 7, you can insert the prophecy of 2 Kings 14:26-28. This is a DRAMATIC INTERVENTION by God in American politics! God STOPPED the destructive work of this man who was "fundamentally transforming" the country by destroying its founding principles, and He installed a man who *loves* America and has shown tremendous courage to FIGHT those ruinous forces.

Look what Mr. Trump has endured for the past nine years! I know of no other man who would be willing to resist such fierce and relentless opposition. And look what he has accomplished. In many ways he has done a great work. God has been able to use his talent, ability and fervent passion to fight America's enemies, especially those within, to temporarily *save this country*. That is clear to see and something to behold! I expect this to happen even more dramatically during his second term.

This makes the next verses in Amos's prophecy, when it shifts to the Jeroboam era, particularly jarring: "[B]ehold, the Lord stood upon a wall made by a plumbline, with a plumbline in his hand. ... Then said the Lord, Behold, I will set a plumbline in the midst of my people Israel: *I will not again pass by them any more*" (verses 7-8). In other words, God will give ONE LAST WARNING—and then THE TIME FOR MERCY IS OVER! He is still angry, still planning to punish the nation!

In verse 9 comes this stunning statement: "And the high places of Isaac shall be desolate, and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste; and I WILL RISE AGAINST THE HOUSE OF JEROBOAM WITH THE SWORD."

Think about this! Here God has just worked marvelous miracles to put this man back in power, to silence his enemies, and to lead an impressive national resurgence. Yet in the same context, God says He is about to bring the SWORD against Jeroboam's family!

WHY IS GOD SO UPSET? If you are only looking at these events physically, you simply will not understand them. God provides these prophetic warnings to give us HIS PERSPECTIVE. He has been doing this throughout the Obama years, then the Trump years and Biden years—and He is doing so right now, with this Trump resurgence.

Let's first study the context provided by Amos and Hosea. Then we will pick up more details specifically about Jeroboam.

curses—and realize that America is chief among the modern descendants of ancient Israel, to whom God gave these promises.

The fact is, *America is enjoying fewer and fewer of these blessings and is suffering more and more of these curses*: weather disasters, agricultural blights, sickness and disease, promiscuity and family breakdown, skyrocketing debt, porous borders, weak law enforcement, broken national will, defeat in war. The problems facing this country are not merely the result of a handful of wicked leaders. They are signs of national sins that are arousing God's deep anger!

However, prophecy shows that some of these curses are going to abate under Donald Trump's leadership. We can expect this to happen. Is this because the nation is becoming more righteous and pleasing to God?

Actually, Scripture is clear that there are times God blesses *despite* the sins of the people. The reign of Jeroboam II in ancient Israel was one of those times. The sinful nation was in a time of bitter affliction and about to be destroyed. Yet God stopped the forces seeking to blot out the name of Israel, and He saved the nation by the hand of King Jeroboam. Israel turned back its enemies, the nation's borders expanded, and its people prospered magnificently (2 Kings 14:25). This turnaround DID NOT follow a national repentance or spiritual revival. It simply demonstrated God's immense mercy and love *in spite* of their ongoing sins!

Two of God's prophets who were active during this period were Amos and Hosea (Amos 1:1; Hosea 1:1). The messages of these two men are especially relevant to America today. Both

America's Sins

Amos 6 shows people enjoying great luxury in spite of terrible curses on the land: “That drink wine in bowls, and anoint themselves with the chief ointments: but they are not grieved for the affliction of Joseph” (verse 6). *Joseph* is the patriarch of Manasseh and Ephraim, the names that Bible prophecy uses for the United States and Britain. There is deep *affliction* in our nations—family breakdown, drugs, pornography, immorality, indebtedness, unchecked immigration, violence and crime. We should be *grieving* over this affliction, the moral and spiritual shattering and destruction. President Trump has promised to fix some of these problems. How deeply are people *grieving* over this affliction? The time ahead will reveal a great deal about America's character.

Think about the parallels between this period in ancient Israel and America today.

The *Anchor Bible Dictionary* says Amos's description of elaborate banquets and “his reference to the rich women of Israel as the ‘cows of Bashan’ (Amos 4:1), fattened on their wealth and security,” suggests a period of “prosperity that enveloped the royal family and prominent members of society but did not trickle down to the poor. It is this uneven distribution of wealth ... that set the atmosphere for the social crimes that Amos so violently abhorred.”

“Furthermore, they considered their wealth and security as evidence that [God] was pleased,” this commentary continues. This, I expect to see even more in the time ahead as the nation experiences a recovery during President Trump's second term. “[T]he people ... were reasoning in reverse: Their prosperity proved that they were righteous.” Watch for this attitude in America in the time ahead. God tells us to pursue *righteousness*, and the material blessings will follow.

THERE ARE SIGNS OF AN EFFORT TO REJECT SOME EVILS THAT HAVE INFECTED AMERICA AND TO STRENGTHEN THE NATION'S MORAL FIBER—A MOVE IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION.

Anciently, the people prioritized *wealth*. This was “wholly abhorrent to [God], according to the prophet,” the *Anchor Bible Dictionary* says. “One's conduct in the marketplace must always conform to one's attitude in the holy place’ And Israel's did not. Amos decried the social injustice, the oppression of the poor, and the lack of any moral or ethical values on the part of the rich and powerful. According to Amos, the spokesman of [God], Israel was a violent, oppressive and exploitative society. ... The rich falsified weights and measures (8:5) and traded dishonestly (8:6). Even the courts, the last bastion of hope for the poor, were corrupt. Judges were bribed to cheat the poor out of what little they had (2:7; 5:10, 12). In fact, Israel was no longer capable of acting with justice (3:10; cf. 5:7, 24; 6:12). Truth and honesty were now hated (5:10)” (ibid). How much can you recognize these sins in America today? Isaiah 1:5-6 prophesies of moral and spiritual sickness that infects America from the upper echelons of leadership to the lowest common citizen!

Amos 6:8 says, “The Lord God hath sworn by himself, saith the Lord the God of hosts, I abhor the excellency of Jacob, and hate his palaces” What our nation esteems highly, God **ABHORS!** What Israel exalts, God **HATES!** Do you view things as God does? Do you hate the same things God does? Do you *abhor* the evils and sins of this society?

Remember, this is an end-time book, specifically for our day! Think seriously about these warnings from Amos as you watch what happens next in America. Prosperity alone does *not* indicate righteousness.

There are some signs of an effort to reject some of the evils that have infected America and to strengthen the nation's moral fiber. That is certainly a move in the right direction. Yet America is going to have to take many more such steps to avoid the sins that entrapped Israel under Jeroboam anciently.

The Prophet Hosea paints the same picture. “Hosea began prophesying at the end of a period of material prosperity under King Jeroboam II of Israel (2 Kings 14:23-27),” the *Hebrew-Greek Key Word Study Bible* says. “Unfortunately, however, during most of Hosea's lifetime, the people were spiritually bankrupt. Their leaders permitted them to practice idolatry (2 Kings 15:35; 2 Chronicles 27:2) and commit spiritual ‘harlotry’ against the Lord (Hosea 1:2; 2:8; 4:12-15). They refused to recognize that God had provided them with the wealth that they possessed (2:8). In fact, they attributed their prosperity to the idols (2:5; 10:1). The people had become covetous and greedy, oppressing those who were least able to defend themselves (4:2; 10:13; 12:6-8).” Again—do you recognize the disparity between America's material wealth and the spiritual bankruptcy?

In that period of Israel's history, God sent prophets to expose and convict people of their sins and to warn them of the consequences those sins would bring. **GOD IS DOING THE SAME TODAY. WILL YOU HEED GOD?**

King Jeroboam II

Anciently, God used Jeroboam II to temporarily save Israel (2 Kings 14:26-27). However, this is what that prophetic passage says about the king himself: “... Jeroboam the son of Joash king of Israel began to reign in Samaria And he did that which was evil in the sight of the Lord: he departed not from all the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who made Israel to sin” (verses 23-24).

Before you dismiss this, remember that *this passage* is what God has been emphasizing to show that Donald Trump would return to office. This modern Jeroboam warred his way back—just as God prophesied (verse 28)—and now we need to pay close attention to how God assesses the situation and what He says will happen next.

So many people are investing faith in the new president and are excited about the changes he promises to make. Many of those changes are good and will reverse some of the bitter affliction America has suffered. But none of them is a *substitute* for the **NATIONAL REPENTANCE** that must take place to replace the curses and punishments that await us with the lasting *blessings of God!*

People are looking to Donald Trump to fix America's problems. **NO MAN** can accomplish what Mr. Trump thinks he can!

God wants to make America's temporary resurgence **PERMANENT**. But that will happen only if we as a people truly, genuinely repent and turn to God—and that includes the president.

Again, in Amos 7:9, God warns that He “will rise against the house of Jeroboam WITH THE SWORD.” This king has a lot of sins, and if he does not repent, God will send the sword! This is reality!

That verse also says “the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste.” What does that mean? *Sanctuaries* are places of worship. This is prophecy about America’s *religion*. God is so displeased with the state of our religion that HE IS WARNING THAT OUR SANCTUARIES ARE ABOUT TO BE LAID WASTE!

God repeatedly warns in Scripture about the dangers of false religion—even religion that *uses the name of Jesus Christ*. The Apostle Paul, for example, forewarned of “false apostles, deceitful workers, transforming themselves into the apostles of Christ. And no marvel; for Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light. Therefore it is no great thing if his ministers also be transformed as the ministers of righteousness ...” (2 Corinthians 11:13-15). Christ Himself said, “And why call ye me, Lord, Lord, and do not the things which I say? ... For many shall come in my name, saying, I [Christ] am Christ; and shall deceive many” (Luke 6:46; Matthew 24:5). So many people who consider themselves religious know *nothing* about the Bible. We must be discerning about who we follow!

Here in Amos 7 is a confrontation between one of Jeroboam’s spiritual advisers and the Prophet Amos. This “Amaziah the priest of Bethel” is a trusted religious figure—but he is a FALSE PRIEST and an *enemy of God*. (I explain specifically about this man in my booklet *The Lion Has Roared*.)

This prophecy shows a terrible warning sign of something very wrong in the Jeroboam administration! How could you have such a man exerting such influence and still expect to receive God’s backing and support?

This “priest of Bethel” *rebukes God’s prophet* and tells him, “O thou seer, go, flee thee away into the land of Judah, and there eat bread, and prophesy there: But prophesy not again any more at Bethel [a reference to the *capital city*, which we could liken to Washington, D.C., today]: for it is THE KING’S CHAPEL, and it is the king’s court” (verses 12-13). The “king’s chapel” is a place of worship that belongs TO THE KING. President Trump has a strong following among evangelicals and Catholics. Many Christians in America today look to this man for leadership. Some people believe America is on the cusp of a religious revival. But you need to know your Bible and beware religion that has only “a *form of godliness*”; God tells us “from such turn away”! (2 Timothy 3:5).

If you understand this prophecy, you recognize that there is something wrong with this religion. Just think: It describes a confrontation between the king’s religious leader and a *true prophet of God*! Amos’s message was not popular. That prophet had to boldly stand for God in a time of a strong and popular king, a time of prosperity, a time when religion, of a sort, was ascendant—and give God’s final warning before the nation fell!

Remember, this is *prophecy for today*!

WILL YOU HEED GOD’S WARNING?



THIS MODERN JEROBOAM WARRIED HIS WAY BACK—
JUST AS GOD PROPHESED.
NOW WE NEED TO PAY CLOSE ATTENTION TO WHAT
HE SAYS WILL HAPPEN NEXT.

America’s Last Chance

Sadly, Amos 7 prophesies that most people *will not* heed God’s warning. Verse 10 shows Amaziah telling King Jeroboam, “Amos hath conspired against thee in the midst of the house of Israel: THE LAND IS NOT ABLE TO BEAR ALL HIS WORDS.”

Anciently, people could not bear Amos’s message. What about today? What about YOU?

This prophecy warns of Americans being caught up with Jeroboam and not wanting to hear about *sin* and *punishment*. There is a real danger when people close their ears to God’s correction! If people fail to learn lessons from the curses we have suffered, if they fail to examine their lives and make changes, there will be grave consequences.

Anyone who believes that, now that Trump is back in power everything will be just fine, needs to pay attention! God prophesies otherwise. He says people must REPENT. He has warned many times, and He is now giving His *last* warning! He will not again pass by anymore.

America’s problems are much deeper than Donald Trump can solve. This nation has forsaken God. America is in so much trouble, you would think millions of people would be turning to God! If there isn’t repentance, the Jeroboam resurgence will die out—and the result will be NOTHING like what people expect!

How angry is God? Amos has some of the most blistering warnings of any prophet in the Bible of the horrific curses that are about to descend on our nation (e.g. Amos 3:11-12; 5:3; 6:9-11). Amos 1 and 2 describe a NUCLEAR “FIRE” (1:4, 7, 10; 2:2, 5) that is about to envelop America, along with several other nations! The *Anchor Bible* says these are all referring to “one cosmic holocaust, not just several invasions that would pick off these countries one by one.” NUCLEAR WAR is coming—primarily in an attack on America and Britain!

Why is the punishment so extreme? In Amos 4:11, God likens this nuclear conflagration to the fire that destroyed Sodom and Gomorrah—“fire from the Lord out of heaven”! (Genesis 19:24).

God destroyed those cities for their rank immorality! SHOULDN'T HIS PUNISHMENT OF SODOM CAUSE US TO THINK TWICE ABOUT INDULGING IN THE SAME SINS THEY WERE GUILTY OF? Unless there is real repentance, God will punish us as He did Sodom!

Many Bible prophecies warn of this nightmare! (e.g. Isaiah 1:9; Jeremiah 50:40; Ezekiel 16:49-50; 2 Peter 2:6; Jude 7). *Jesus Christ Himself* said of our day, "Likewise also as it was in the days of Lot; they did eat, they drank, they bought, they sold, they planted, they builded; But the same day that Lot went out of Sodom it rained fire and brimstone from heaven, and destroyed them all. Even thus shall it be in the day when the Son of man is revealed" (Luke 17:28-30).

God is temporarily saving America by the hand of Donald Trump. For this we can be very thankful! But WHY is He doing this? Not because of the nation's righteousness. Not so we will put our faith in politicians or the political process. GOD IS SAVING AMERICA TO GIVE US ONE LAST OPPORTUNITY TO REPENT AND TURN TO HIM! He is creating some stability to provide His prophet and His work the means to trumpet ONE LAST WARNING.

Amos's Fate

God's prophecies for America, as well as Britain and the Jewish state in the Middle East, truly are horrifying! God forewarns of an economic besiegement, cities being engulfed in burning and violence, and even worse. You can read about these in Herbert W. Armstrong's book *The United States and Britain in Prophecy*.

"Shall a trumpet be blown in the city, and the people not be afraid? ..." (Amos 3:6). This is a time for *blowing the trumpet of warning!* People in cities should be afraid, especially if they know what is about to happen to the cities of modern-day Israel!

Verses 7-8 say, "The Sovereign Lord never does anything without revealing his plan to his servants, the prophets. When a lion roars, who can keep from being afraid? When the Sovereign Lord speaks, who can keep from proclaiming his message?" (Good News translation). Why does God roar? To try to get people to *change their ways* so they can avoid those punishments! People must hear and respond or pay a terrifying price!

How does God roar? He always does so *through His loyal people*. "[N]o prophecy of the scripture is of any private interpretation" (2 Peter 1:20). God *reveals* the meaning of His prophecies to His servants, who then have the responsibility to publicize that understanding to the world. That is what He did anciently through Amos and Hosea. Today, He works through His end-time prophet and the work that supports him.

Resume the story in Amos 7 to see where this strong warning message leads. In a confrontation with God's servant, Jeroboam's false priest Amaziah will say, "O thou seer, go, flee thee away into the land of Judah, and there eat bread, and prophesy there" (verse 12). Again, this shows something is dreadfully wrong with Jeroboam—having a man like this leading him spiritually. This horrible man will tell God's people to GET OUT! The indication is, there is such hostility to God's message that God's people will be EXILED!

Amos 8:11 speaks of "a famine in the land, not a famine of bread, nor a thirst for water, but of hearing the words of the Lord." People won't be able to hear God's message because God's people are silenced and cast out!

Amos stood up to that false minister and gave him one final

prophecy: "Therefore thus saith the Lord; Thy wife shall be an harlot in the city, and thy sons and thy daughters shall fall by the sword, and thy land shall be divided by line; and thou shalt die in a polluted land: and ISRAEL SHALL SURELY GO INTO CAPTIVITY FORTH OF HIS LAND" (Amos 7:17). The only thing that will stop this from happening in our day is national repentance!

Your Responsibility

You have just witnessed a spectacular fulfillment of prophecy. God preserved and protected a man who was universally considered a political corpse! Against all odds, God exalted him back into the presidency in breathtaking fashion. Prophecy said it would happen, and it has.

This should increase your faith in Bible prophecy—even the *unfavorable* prophecies! Just as God's word about Trump's return was fulfilled, so too will the prophecies of America's fall! God says, "So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it" (Isaiah 55:11).

God is warning today—and it is *His last warning* before the Great Tribulation begins. Jesus Christ said, "For then shall be great tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be" (Matthew 24:21).

People really think they can somehow turn everything around, solve all the problems, and create a new golden age in America and the world. Yet the reality is that we are in the final days before the WORST SUFFERING EVER ON EARTH!

People are going to come to see that they truly, deeply need God. I hope and pray they will come to recognize this soon—or else sadly, most people will only be reached through indescribable suffering.

This need not be the case for *you*. Listen to God's warning as He delivers it through "His servants the prophets." Use this resurgence—this calm before the storm—to repent and turn to Him.

This is WHY God is so carefully orchestrating all these events. It is not merely to show His power—though it certainly does do that. It is to draw people to repentance. "... As I live, saith the Lord God, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked; but that the wicked turn from his way AND LIVE: turn ye, turn ye from your evil ways; for why will ye die, O house of Israel? ... Seek ye the Lord while he may be found, call ye upon him while he is near" (Ezekiel 33:11; Isaiah 55:6).

If you turn from the ways that are bringing God's judgment and support the modern Amos work that is proclaiming His warning, then YOU WILL LIVE! God protected Donald Trump miraculously—and He promises to protect His faithful people too! And He will use them to help Jesus Christ establish a Kingdom that supplants and surpasses all the kingdoms of this world.

The golden age Donald Trump is promising is illusory. But the golden age GOD HIMSELF promises is sure—and it is almost here! ■

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Hamas fighters fill the streets of Gaza in celebration after the January 19 hostage exchange.

PRESIDENT TRUMP BETRAYED ISRAEL

The hostage deal he pushed on Benjamin Netanyahu was a grave mistake.

BY GERALD FLURRY

PRESIDENT DONALD TRUMP GAVE A POWERFUL INAUGURAL speech on January 20. One thing he said though, portends grave trouble.

“I’m pleased to say that as of yesterday, one day before I assumed office, the hostages in the Middle East are coming back home to their families,” he said. Yes, Hamas released three hostages, and more are coming. But he said nothing about the *terrifying price* paid for those hostages.

Under Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, Israel had already virtually destroyed Hezbollah in Lebanon and had dealt deadly blows to Hamas in Gaza. But then, word of the Israel-Hamas deal reached the Gazan streets, and thousands of gun-toting Arabs emerged from their underground tunnels, celebrating and shouting that *they* had won the war!

How could this possibly happen?

A Shameful Deal

Melanie Phillips, a resident of Jerusalem and one of the world’s best journalists, wrote in a January 16 Jewish News Syndicate article about this elation in the streets of Gaza. “Those Arabs were ecstatic because they believed that the deal would enable them to now, finally, destroy Israel and the Jews,” she wrote.

When the lopsided terms of the deal became known, it looked like “Israel was being forced to snatch defeat out of the jaws of victory and would continue to face a genocidal enemy,” Phillips wrote.

“And there was distraught disbelief that President-elect Donald Trump—upon whom so many were relying to enable Israel to defend itself against genocide—could have betrayed the Jewish state by forcing Israel’s prime minister, Benjamin Netanyahu, to accept the disastrous terms promoted by the Biden administration” (ibid).

This belief is hard to refute. Although Joe Biden tried to take credit, it was clearly Trump who made the deal happen. He actually pushed through what Biden was planning and hoping he could do. WHY?

Understand: The Jewish state of Israel—referred to in biblical prophecy as *Judah*—is America’s only real ally in the Middle East. Our two peoples are tied together. Israel depends on the United States for armaments to fight its war. It is no exaggeration to say that if they lose those, they lose the war. Israel desperately needs America’s help.

Israel had weathered the storms of a hostile Biden administration and were anticipating President Trump being far more favorable. But this deal is *hardly* MORE FAVORABLE than what Biden’s team would have offered!

The deal unfolds in phases. In the first, Israel’s soldiers vacate populated areas in Gaza and more aid comes in. Hamas releases *only* 33 of the 94 hostages still captive in Gaza—and even that, just a few at a time. The remaining hostages won’t be released until later. And for these 33 people, ISRAEL MUST RELEASE UP TO 1,904 PALESTINIAN PRISONERS! In this initial swap, it is 30 prisoners for each civilian hostage, and 50 for each female soldier that Hamas hands over.

Realize: *Israel does not imprison innocent civilians.* The men it is setting free are *criminals, TERRORISTS and MURDERERS WHO HAVE KILLED A LOT OF JEWS!*

Israel had made tremendous progress eliminating the threat from Hamas. But WITH THIS DEAL, ABOUT EVERYTHING ISRAEL ACHIEVED IN ITS WAR WAS QUICKLY REVERSED!

Israel was so close to victory—and now, suddenly, it has lost. It had nearly DESTROYED Hamas’s terrorists, and now, instead, it has emboldened them. It happened so suddenly that it horrified the Israeli people.

“We have to be honest: For those of us who support the Jewish nation against the medieval militants that wish to destroy it, this is a bad deal,” Brendan O’Neill wrote for Spiked Online. “It is hard to see it as anything other than a boon for Hamas and a blow to Israel” (January 16). As comforting as it is to see hostages returned to families, he wrote, “it is undeniable that the war aim of eliminating Hamas, a noble goal, has not only been temporarily halted but *reversed*. It seems that Israel must, after all, suffer a genocidal terror army on its doorstep.”

Remember, in a 2011 prisoner swap—1,027 Palestinians for one Israel soldier—Israel released Yahya Sinwar, who became Hamas’s leader and an architect of the October 7 massacre! As O’Neill asked, chillingly, “Who is Israel releasing this time? What might they go on to do?”

“Taking the Israeli hostages was an evil masterstroke by Hamas,” Phillips continued. “However, America is largely responsible for abandoning them to their fate and allowing Hamas to continue to deploy these innocents as an infernal weapon of blackmail and extortion” (op cit). That is a very condemning analysis, and it is sadly accurate!

The reality is, with this deal, **PRESIDENT TRUMP BETRAYED ISRAEL.**

Judge by Fruits

On January 7, Mr. Trump warned in a press conference that there would be terrible consequences if Hamas didn’t release the hostages before his inauguration. He badly wanted to show that his words have impact. And he wanted a ceasefire in place

to end the war before he took office. So when Hamas offered a deal—even a terrible one—he pressured Israel to take it.

“For me, **THIS RAISES RED FLAGS ABOUT TRUMP’S APPROACH TO INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS,**” wrote O’Neill. It does for me too! “To elevate the peace of mind of America’s incoming rulers over the right of the Jewish state to defeat the anti-Semites that threaten its very existence seems disastrously short-termist. **DO TRUMP’S ADVISERS NOT APPRECIATE WHAT IS AT STAKE IN THE MIDDLE EAST?**” (emphasis mine throughout).

What is at stake? **ISRAEL’S SURVIVAL**—and much more! Giving these genocidal terrorists *prizes* for the hostages they took, and space to regroup, can only have disastrous consequences. Can’t President Trump recognize that?

“As for Trump,” Phillips wrote, “the fear is that his transactionalism will mean he ends up playing the same role as the Biden administration in empowering evil. We can only hold our breath.” We must judge by fruits. Mr. Trump had strong words, *but what are his DEEDS* in this greatest possible crisis in the Middle East?

“Trump will say he ‘won the peace,’ but the price of this ‘peace’ is high indeed: the halting of Israel’s just war on modern-day pogromists who loathe America as much as they do Israel,” O’Neill wrote. This deal provides only an *illusion* of peace—but it undermines *real* peace!

“Wouldn’t the destruction of Hamas be good for both Israelis and Palestinians? ... And shouldn’t we now stand with civilization, proudly, against Islamism?” O’Neill concluded. “Trump can gloat, but unless we give answers to these questions, the crisis both there and here will continue.”

IGNORING GENERAL FLYNN

ADDRESSING DONALD TRUMP AND VICE PRESIDENT J. D. Vance, U.S. Army Lt. Gen. Michael Flynn (Ret.) wrote this concerning the hostage deal: “[T]he U.S. should never negotiate with terrorists or nation state sponsors of terrorism. This is what you get. More war and more bloodshed. Israel will survive, but the people along with the state of Israel will suffer severe consequences” (X, January 14). He is exactly right!

General Flynn was one of Barack Obama’s top enemies because he was a vocal opponent of Obama’s disastrous nuclear deal with Iran. Obama kicked Flynn out of his administration and implemented the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action with Iran on Jan. 16, 2016. Now, nine years later, we see another disastrous deal and once again around January 16. (Learn about the significance of this date in my free booklet *January 16: God’s Miracle Day.*)

Trump appointed Flynn in his first administration as national security advisor despite Obama’s resistance. But then Obama stirred up false allegations, and Trump caved and let Flynn go. (This is all explained in my free book *America Under Attack.*) The Obama administration is now exposed and Flynn has been pardoned, but President Trump has decided to *not* use him in his cabinet or administration.

What President Trump really needs is somebody to help him understand what is happening in the Middle East. And he must see in time what a catastrophe he has caused with this hostage deal.

General Flynn is a great patriot and one of the greatest generals—maybe **THE** greatest general—America has. Doesn’t America need such a man today? Surely he should at least be an adviser, a strong one. **WITHOUT HIM, PRESIDENT TRUMP DOES NOT REALLY HAVE A STRONG MILITARY LEADER TO ADVISE HIM!**

Benjamin Netanyahu, like General Flynn, is a real warrior, and surely one of the outstanding leaders in the world. He knows a great deal about fighting wars: He has been doing so most of his life!

But President Trump has rejected the perspective of both these men. If such men are not used, Trump will be walking a dark path.

REFUSING THE COUNSEL OF A STRONG GENERAL SHOWS A BROKEN WILL. This is a curse from God! (Leviticus 26:18-20).

Where does this leave America in the Middle East? What kind of power do we have there? The facts on the ground are not encouraging.



GERALD FLURRY

In his inaugural address, right before announcing this deal, President Trump said, “My proudest legacy will be that of a peacemaker and unifier. That’s what I want to be.” That is a good goal, but it must be achieved honorably. History is full of appeasers who sought *peace at any cost*—AND INVITED THE OPPOSITE!

“Trump doesn’t want a war on his watch,” Melanie Phillips continued. “He has virtually promised the American people that he will bring an end to war. *But sometimes an enemy arises with whom any agreement is a deal with the devil.*” Absolutely right! This world is full of grave dangers. Sometimes you MUST FIGHT—or else be taken captive or destroyed by evil people!

In this agreement, Phillips wrote, President Trump is “dealing with the devil.” You can surely say it is not of God’s doing. This is a CATASTROPHIC, MONUMENTAL MISTAKE!

This deal has exposed Mr. Trump’s flaws in a way that none of us want to see. Something is dreadfully *wrong* here.

WHAT MR. TRUMP HAS DONE HERE IS GOING TO PLAGUE HIM FOR THE REST OF HIS TENURE IN OFFICE! Just watch and see if it doesn’t happen that way—unless he dramatically changes course.

Betraying a Friend

President Trump not only betrayed Israel, he disgraced Netanyahu specifically. This is a catastrophe difficult to even describe.

Melanie Phillips wrote another article, headlined “If This Deal Fails Israel, Benjamin Netanyahu Is Finished” (*Times*, January 20). She wrote about the pressure Trump applied for Netanyahu to accept this deal, and how “Israel’s greatest political escape artist had no option but to agree.” That is probably true.

This could have serious consequences for him. “Israelis have suppressed their anger with him while the war continues,” Phillips wrote. “However, polling suggests that accepting these ceasefire terms has caused support from his electoral base to start to hemorrhage.” That is politically deadly.

“[I]f it becomes clear that Israel has failed to deliver its supreme objectives of destroying Hamas altogether as a military force and ensuring that never again will the country be invaded and its citizens slaughtered, raped, beheaded and kidnapped, Netanyahu will be toast,” she concluded. “And in a supreme irony, the person delivering the *coup de grâce* that has eluded Netanyahu’s many political foes would be the man he once lauded as Israel’s greatest-ever friend in the White House, Donald J. Trump.”

The Israelis LOVED Trump during his first term. Now they say he has *betrayed* them. That is terrible. This is America’s only strong ally in the region. And in many ways, if Israel goes, so goes America.

Fight, Fight, Fight?

During his presidential campaign, Donald Trump was shot in the ear, rose to his feet and yelled, “Fight! Fight! Fight!” He said America must FIGHT to win against those who would destroy it!

As I have written, *God* protected him, and for good reason (article, “Why God Is Saving America Through Trump,” page 4).

The question is, WHERE IS THAT FIGHTING SPIRIT NOW WHEN IT COMES TO HELPING AN ALLY IN ITS WORST CRISIS?

Mr. Trump does not want a war—but sometimes you can’t avoid it! The Israelis certainly know that: After being attacked on Oct. 7, 2023, what else could they do?

Netanyahu was fighting and winning like no Israeli prime minister has done for quite some time. He has the WILL TO FIGHT, FIGHT, FIGHT for his nation in a war. That is the kind of ally you need in the fight for freedom! There may be political differences between those two men, but this is not politics. This is about winning a war for ALL politicians and all peoples!

64 PERCENT OF ISRAELIS SUPPORT RELEASING TERRORISTS WITH “BLOOD ON THEIR HANDS” IF THAT BRINGS HOSTAGES HOME. THE PEOPLE ARE FAR WEAKER THAN THEY SHOULD BE.

This is the challenge Israel faces. But we have seen real FIGHT in the Jewish state. The survival of their nation depends on it. FIGHT, FIGHT, FIGHT—or die as a nation!

Yet now, the Israelis have been forced to deal with the devil. That will bring bitter fruit. I believe the consequences will be with us for a long time to come.

“For the past 15 months, Israel has fought with brilliance and tenacity to crush Hamas and ensure that an unspeakable atrocity like the one the terrorist group unleashed on Oct. 7, 2023, never recurs,” wrote Jeff Jacoby for the *Boston Globe*. “Yet now it is on the point of making a grievous blunder—of repeating a grievous blunder—that all but guarantees that more Israelis will be killed, maimed and abducted in future atrocities” (January 15). The Jews are repeating the same grievous blunder again and again!

Jacoby noted an opinion survey finding that 64 percent of Israelis support releasing terrorists with “blood on their hands” if that brings hostages home. This shows that the people are far weaker than they should be.

He wrote about past failed hostage exchanges that have had terrible results. Such deals encourage more hostage-taking and put more terrorists back on the street, who go on to kill more Jews. “All of which means that if this deal is approved, it is a certainty that Israeli hostages will remain in Gaza’s dungeons and that hundreds of Palestinian militants—including many with blood on their hands—will return to the fight,” he wrote. “Despite everything Israel has done to destroy Hamas’s infrastructure and decapitate its leadership, it will remain a deadly foe capable of plotting further atrocities.

“WILL ISRAEL NEVER LEARN?”

Will they never learn? And will we never learn?

Do we have the will to FIGHT? God says broken pride in our power is a *curse*—a curse for our disobedience to Him (Leviticus 26:18-19). In some ways, President Trump has shown a strengthening of some of that pride, which has been woefully absent for many years. But we cannot ignore reality. We must recognize this deal for what it is: a disturbing sign of America’s lost power in the Middle East, a red flag about the president’s approach to international affairs, a warning about the reliability of America’s alliance with Israel, and a terrible harbinger of far worse curses to come on both nations! ■



WHAT'S WRONG WITH AMERICAN CHRISTIANITY?

Departing from the beliefs of the Founding Fathers **BY ANDREW MILLER**

NEARLY A CENTURY AGO, A SERIES of calamities hit the Armstrong family. A dog bit Loma Armstrong. Before the bite healed, she developed tonsillitis, which developed into quinsy. She contracted blood poisoning from a rose thorn. Her throat swelled shut; her jaw locked. The doctor told Herbert Armstrong that his wife would die in less than 24 hours.

A neighbor then visited the stricken family. She told Mr. Armstrong about a man who anointed and prayed for the sick, and asked if he could pray for Mrs. Armstrong. Though skeptical, Mr. Armstrong agreed to let the man come. When he arrived, he explained

to Mr. and Mrs. Armstrong that the Bible contains numerous passages in which God promises to heal. Mr. and Mrs. Armstrong recognized that these passages are indeed promises. The stranger then anointed Mrs. Armstrong with oil, a symbol used in the Old and New Testaments, and prayed.

“Never had I heard anyone talk like *that* to God,” Mr. Armstrong wrote in his autobiography. “It was not a long prayer—perhaps a minute or two. But as he spoke, I *knew* that as sure as there is a God in heaven, my wife *had to be healed!* Any other result would have made God out a liar. Any other result would have nullified the authority of the Scriptures. Complete

assurance seized me—and also my wife.”

This man did not simply ask God to heal Mrs. Armstrong; he quoted scripture to God. Then, he humbly yet boldly called on God to keep His promises and heal this dying woman with the power of the Holy Spirit.

Mrs. Armstrong slept soundly until 11 a.m. the next day, then arose as if she had never been ill. She had been healed, miraculously, of *everything*. The doctor was dumbfounded.

Grateful, Mr. Armstrong began studying the topic of divine healing.

Yet the supernatural healing of Loma Armstrong was not the end of this important story. Mr. Armstrong had been studying the existence of God, the authority of the Bible and then the seventh-day Sabbath. He had written a paper titled “Foundation for Sunday Sacredness Crumbles,” which he shared with the man God had used to save his wife’s life. This man studied this paper line by line with his own pastor. They could find nothing wrong with it.

Yet even though the man recognized the biblical accuracy of Mr. Armstrong’s argument, he refused to keep the Saturday Sabbath. “All the churches observe Sunday,” he said. “We can’t start to fight all the churches. Now we are saved by GRACE, not of works. We think there are *more important* things in salvation than which *day* Christ rose on, or which *day* we keep. This could just get you all mixed up. It could be *dangerous*.”

Weeks later, Mr. Armstrong encountered the man again, and now he was downcast. He told Mr. Armstrong something terrible had happened. “God has left me,” he said. “*He doesn’t answer my prayers anymore.*”

The man did not understand what had happened, but Mr. Armstrong did. “Evidently, until God used me to test him by bringing to him a new truth, he had not deliberately rejected truth nor disobeyed God’s commands *knowingly*. God looks on the *heart*, and until this man followed his preacher in deliberately *rejecting* light and truth from God which he acknowledged to be truth and which led to willful disobedience, his heart was honest and sincere in his simple way” (ibid).

As long as this man had a humble and repentant attitude, God had answered his prayers (Isaiah 66:2). But after

learning that the biblical Sabbath is on the seventh day, continuing to go to church on Sundays meant doing so with a rebellious attitude, rationalizing that disobedience was irrelevant because “we are saved by grace, not of works.” He no longer trembled at God’s Word.

We should learn an important lesson from this man. His story is a sad one—one that parallels 400 years of American Christianity from the pilgrims to today! Americans have forgotten the importance of repentance!

Religious Founding

False Christianity has plagued the world almost since the inception of true Christianity. But Christians today are facing an existential crisis. Only 11 percent of Americans read the Bible daily, and only 14 percent can accurately list the Ten Commandments. Most Christians do not understand Scripture, especially scriptures about Satan, sin and repentance. This is a dramatic change from the way America started.

In 1999, historian Paul Johnson wrote, “Both in Virginia and in New England to the north, the colonists were determined, God-fearing men often in search of a religious toleration denied them at home [Britain], who brought their families and were anxious to farm and establish permanent settlements. They put political and religious freedom before riches Thus, took shape the economic dynamo that eventually became the United States—an *experiment designed to establish the rule of God on Earth*” (*Sunday Telegraph*, Dec. 26, 1999; emphasis added).

That is quite the goal! To establish “the rule of God on Earth” requires creating a culture where each person dedicates his or her life not only to believing that God exists but also to keeping the Ten Commandments, which are the basis of all righteous law. It requires a culture where each person repents when they break God’s Ten Commandments and strives to obey them better, even when no one is looking.

Most European nations forbade commoners from owning Bibles until after the Protestant Reformation began in 1517. Shortly after the Bible was translated into English, colonists started bringing the Holy Scriptures with them

to America. They read them and did their best to establish a new society built on the Ten Commandments and the beatitudes. The vast majority were not part of the one true Church of God, which Jesus said would be small and persecuted compared to multiple larger false versions of “Christianity.” Like the man God used to heal Mrs. Armstrong before he disobeyed, the majority of these colonists did not keep the Sabbath. Yet unlike this man, most colonists knew that God’s inexorable law had not been done away with.

On a basic level, most 17th-century Puritans knew that God wanted them to repent of their sins.

Thomas Manton, a 17th-century Puritan clergyman, said, “In choosing the ways of God, the heart must come to a firm resolution rather to suffer the

greatest inconvenience than to commit the least sin.” Not long afterward, English philosopher John Locke noted, “Whosoever will list himself under the banner of Christ, must, in the first place and above all things, make war upon his own lusts and vices. It is in vain for any man to usurp the name of Christian without holiness of life, purity of manners, benignity and meekness of spirit.”

Both of these English Puritans understood that no one could be saved by his or her own works, that only the blood of Jesus Christ has the power to blot out sins. But these 17th-century Puritans also understood the basic biblical teaching that a repentant attitude is required for salvation. We cannot make peace with sin.

The Puritans were inspired by the Bible in general and the history and writings of Moses in particular. Their preachers taught a message of repentance. Their politicians sought to build a nation, a city on a hill, that obeyed God’s law. The Puritans were by no means perfect, but their zeal against sin was admirable.

Trumpet editor in chief Gerald Flurry drew attention to this fact in his article “The Bible and the Constitution.” “Christian leaders today teach that the law has been done away,” he wrote. “THAT

IS ALMOST THE EXTREME OPPOSITE OF WHAT OUR FOREFATHERS BELIEVED! Our spiritual leaders, both from the right and the left, have led us into lawlessness and grave danger. EVEN THE POLITICIANS WHO ESTABLISHED OUR REPUBLIC WERE MORE SPIRITUAL THAN MOST OF OUR RELIGIOUS LEADERS TODAY! ... Christians are supposedly people who follow Christ, the Lawgiver” (*Trumpet*, March 2011).

This is a highly incriminating statement. America’s founders knew the Christian life was not only a general belief in Jesus but also a war on vices and lust. But it all went terribly wrong in the 19th century. When Charles Darwin’s theory of evolution gained acceptance, parts of the Bible such as the Genesis creation narrative were called into question. Liberal Christians increasingly rejected the belief that the Bible is

ONLY 11 PERCENT OF AMERICANS READ THE BIBLE DAILY, AND ONLY 14 PERCENT CAN ACCURATELY LIST THE TEN COMMANDMENTS.

without error and began to reinterpret many of its doctrines. The doctrine of repentance was one of the first to go as modernism took hold.

Liberal Christianity

At first, liberal Christianity was defined by its acceptance of Darwinian evolution, its use of scholarly reasoning to explain the Bible without appealing to miracles or the supernatural, and its belief that the Second Coming of Christ would not occur until *after* humanity had rid itself of crime, poverty, racism and other social evils by human effort. Once the idea became widespread that Christians could decide what was right and wrong apart from the Bible, they began to reject other doctrines like that of repentance. Today, the American Worldview Inventory Survey finds that only 44 percent of “born-again Christians” believe the Bible when it says that Jesus Christ lived a sinless life while on Earth (1 Peter 2:22). So why should they strive to repent of their own sins if God’s Word cannot be trusted about Jesus’s sinless life?

The infamous Fundamentalist-Modernist schism occurred in the 1920s and 1930s. It led to two broad factions emerging within Protestantism. The

fundamentalists insisted on the timeless validity of each doctrine espoused in the Bible. The modernists called for a reinterpretation of Christianity in response to new scientific discoveries and cultural pressures. In other words, the modernists compromised and adopted the spirit of the age.

The liberals more or less won the debate. By the end of the 1930s, they controlled all of the mainline Protestant seminaries, publishing houses and denominational hierarchies in the United States. This is why that man told Mr. Armstrong that he did not have to keep the Sabbath because he was “saved by grace, not of works.” He knew God’s promises to heal—but not about his own responsibility to repent.

Of course, America’s Founding Fathers were also Sunday keepers, accepting a doctrine whose authority lies in Catholic tradition rather than the actual Old and New Testaments. Cardinal James Gibbons admitted as much in his 1876 book *The Faith of Our Fathers*, where he noted that *not a single line* in God’s Bible authorizes the sanctification of Sunday, yet he still recommended that Christians observe Sunday based on Catholic tradition.

Yet the Americans of 1725 and 1825 kept Sunday with a different attitude than the Americans of 2025. Preachers like Jonathan Edwards (1703–1758) convinced millions of Americans that the authority for changing the Sabbath from the seventh day to the first day was God Himself. This assertion is disproved in Mr. Armstrong’s book *Which Day Is the Christian Sabbath?* Yet when the founders kept a first-day sabbath (from sunset to sunset, notably), they did so largely believing they were *obeying* the Fourth Commandment. It was not until much more recently that modernists began breaking the Sabbath with a different excuse: a rebellious assertion that Jesus Christ’s sacrifice did away with God’s law.

This difference in attitude is all-important. God answered the prayer of the Founding Fathers when they called on His aid in the Revolutionary War, at the Constitutional Convention and in other national crises. God also answered the prayers of the man who called on His aid in healing Mrs. Armstrong. But God stopped answering this man’s prayers

when he deliberately rejected God’s truth, using grace as an excuse (Hosea 4:6).

It is undeniable that God is also not answering the prayers of many Christians today. This is because modern Christianity has shifted from “avoiding sin” to “focusing on love”—a nonsensical shift since sin is the transgression of God’s law of love (Romans 13:8; 1 John 3:4). The Bible plainly states that God does not hear unrepentant sinners (e.g. Proverbs 15:29; 28:9; Isaiah 1:15; 59:1-2; Micah 3:4).

Many churches today accept unrepentant homosexuals and transgenders to show how tolerant and loving they are. Some even put out rainbow pride flags to signal their support of the lesbian-gay-bisexual-transgender-queer community. Such behavior has dismayed more-traditional Christians—yet the spirit behind churches covered with rainbow flags is the same spirit telling us it doesn’t matter which day we go to church because “we are saved by grace, not of works.”

If America wants to prosper, it needs to remember Thomas Manton’s admonition: “In choosing the ways of God, the heart must come to a firm resolution rather to suffer the greatest inconvenience than to commit the least sin.” Jesus Christ paid the penalty for our sins so that we can turn away from those sins, not so that we could wallow in them indefinitely.

The Rise of Lawlessness

The Apostle Paul warned the Romans about doctrinal heresies concerning the law and grace. During the last 10 to 20 years of Paul’s ministry, many false teachers began creeping into Christian congregations. These teachers locked in on the person of Jesus Christ, while ignoring what Christ taught. One of their most popular false doctrines was the idea that people did not need to repent of breaking God’s law because they were under grace.

In his epistle to the Romans, Paul wrote: “Shall we continue in sin, that grace may abound? God forbid. How shall we, that are dead to sin, live any longer therein” (Romans 6:1-2).

The Roman congregation had undoubtedly fallen under the influence

TIME TO GO

What really caused the fall of Justin Trudeau?

BY ABRAHAM BLONDEAU

CANADA IS WITNESSING THE END OF an era. Justin Trudeau announced on January 6 his intention to resign as prime minister and leader of the Liberal Party as soon as the party selects a new leader. He also announced that until March 24, Canada’s Parliament cannot pass laws, debate or hold committee meetings. Most importantly, it cannot hold no-confidence votes. An election will probably be called as soon as Parliament resumes; expect April.

Who will replace Trudeau as Liberal Party leader? Two main contenders are former finance minister Chrystia Freeland and the former head of the Bank of Canada and Bank of England, Mark Carney. Whoever it is will face oblivion at the ballot box.

Trudeau came to power with his “sunny ways”; his charismatic, social-media-friendly campaign masked his radical policies. Canadians wanted progressivism. But 10 years of the fruits of Trudeau’s Communist agenda have left a bitter taste in the mouths of Canadians. The country has sustained irreparable damage. As Trudeau exits, most of the nation is thinking, *Good riddance*.

Under Trudeau, Canada suffered bitter affliction: runaway inflation, rising poverty, increasing violent crime, a housing crisis, an immigration crisis, rampant drug use, a failing military, a shattered global reputation, a \$62 billion deficit and diminished freedoms.



Yet for a decade, Trudeau was invincible. Though his government caused scandal after scandal, he was never held to account. During the COVID-19 pandemic, Trudeau ruled as a monarch. The Freedom Convoy was the largest grassroots protest in history, and Trudeau crushed it with an authoritarian fist.

Now the tide is turning. The direction of Canadian politics has changed dramatically in the past year. Though Trudeau is still not being held accountable by the Canadian electorate, another force is behind Trudeau's exit. His resignation is tied to earthshaking Bible prophecies.

One of the most important trends of 2024 was the sudden decline of the radical left in North America. Joe Biden and Justin Trudeau followed parallel courses. Their political decline began within days of each other: Trudeau's party lost the June 24 by-election in the traditional Liberal stronghold of St. Paul's in Toronto, and Biden's disastrous debate took place on June 27.

Both men were puppets of Barack Obama. They relied on him to gain and maintain power. Their regimes parroted each other's policies and worked in tandem. As *Trumpet* editor in chief Gerald Flurry explains in *America Under Attack*, Obama embodies the movement to blot out the name of Israel—the United States and the British Commonwealth. (For proof, request your own free copy of *The United States and Britain in Prophecy*.)

The first significant turning point was when God began to silence Obama. Mr. Flurry wrote in the September 2024 *Trumpet*: “Barack Obama’s power is *diminishing* before our eyes. ... He set out to *blot out* the name of Israel, and now God is giving him a taste of his own evil: God is blotting out his power and silencing him. ... We will see this even more plainly in the time ahead.”

Trudeau's fate is tied to Obama's. The collapse of Biden's campaign, then Kamala Harris's, were harbingers of Trudeau's downfall.

After the June 24 by-election loss, look how Trudeau lost his grip:

- September: Liberal stronghold of LaSalle-Émard-Verdun (Montreal) by-election is lost. New Democratic Party leader Jagmeet Singh ends agreement protecting Trudeau's government from a no-confidence vote.
- October: Two dozen Liberal caucus members revolt and send Trudeau a letter requesting his resignation.
- November: President-elect Donald Trump threatens 25 percent tariffs on Canadian trade.
- December: Deputy Prime Minister and Finance Minister Chrystia Freeland resigns from the cabinet. Atlantic and Quebec caucuses call for Trudeau's resignation.

The blow Trudeau could not survive was the return of Donald Trump, whose political resurrection fulfills prophecies in Amos 7 and 2 Kings 14 (explained in *America Under Attack*). Trump's tariff threats exposed Trudeau's weakness. His humiliating social media posts about Canada becoming the 51st state collapsed any confidence Trudeau's supporters had in his leadership. In the end, it was Donald Trump who brought down Justin Trudeau, not Canadians.

This is miraculous. God intervened to break Trudeau's iron grip on Canada. The truth is, Trudeau is not being pushed out of power by voters, but by the hand of God.

Trudeau is not a regular prime minister; he is a tyrant, a despot and a traitor. But he is positioning himself to depart his self-made throne without having to face a reckoning. He resigned on his terms and gave himself three months to govern Canada with no parliamentary oversight. Will he hide evidence of high crimes? Will he

try to entrench his Communist-progressive agenda in the civil service? Is he plotting his own political resurrection, as his father, Pierre Trudeau, did in 1980? Hopefully the truth will be exposed.

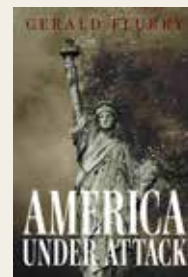
Trudeau's departure is a historic moment. It marks the possible end of the Communist infiltration that has afflicted Canada for generations, starting with the 1968 election of Pierre Trudeau. Of the past 57 years, Canada has been governed by the Trudeau family for 25. It has been fundamentally transformed.

Why did God drive Justin Trudeau from office? This moment is a golden opportunity to effect real change in the country. It is not change that comes from political policy, elections or the departure of a tyrant. The change Canada needs is repentance toward God.

It is easy to blame Trudeau for Canada's problems, and he certainly is accountable for what he has done. But the problem is much deeper. The worst tyrant in Canada is not Trudeau, but *their own sins*.

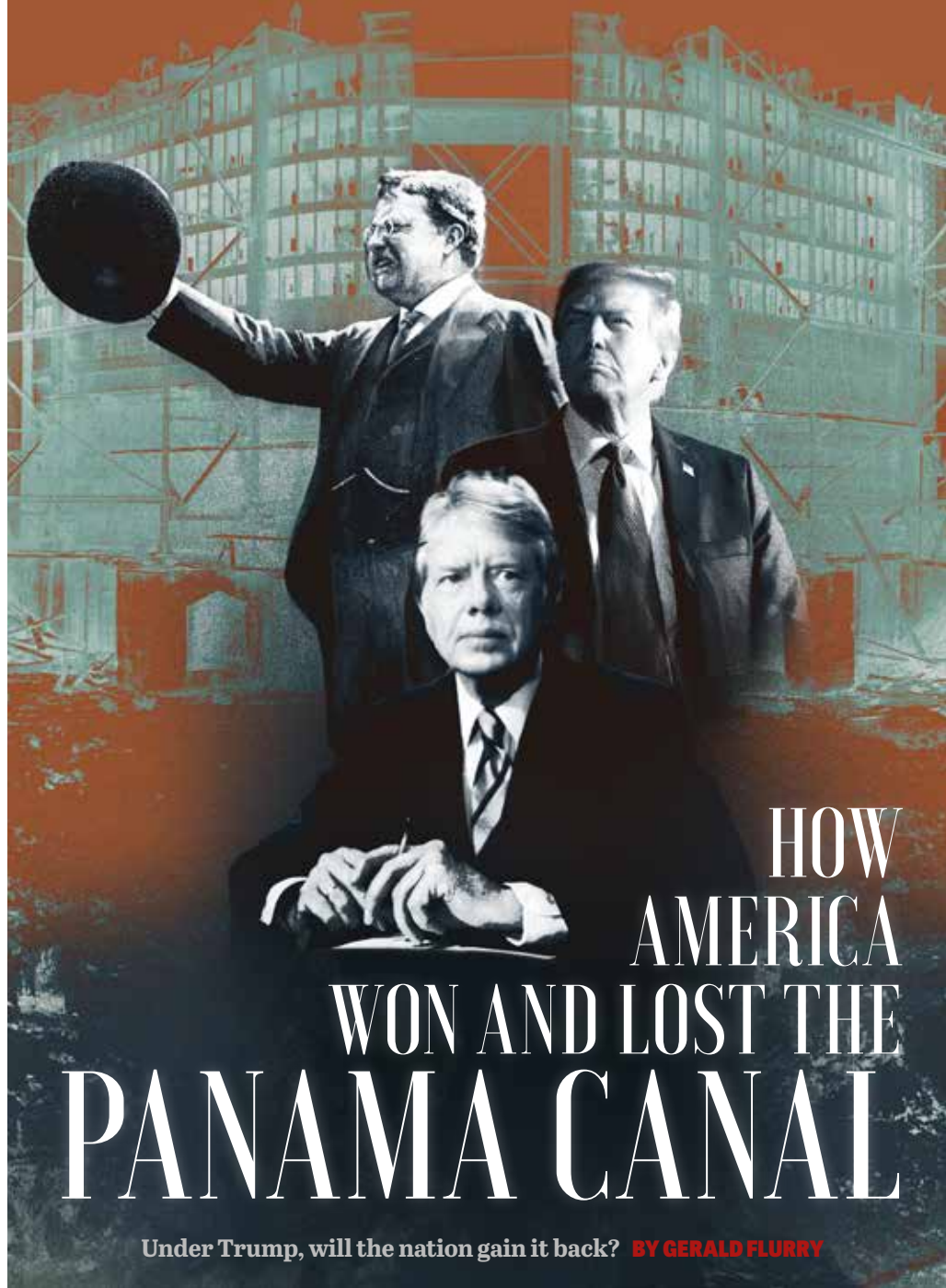
Notice God's appraisal of Canada today in Isaiah 1:4-6: “Ah sinful nation, a people laden with iniquity, a seed of evil-doers, children that are corrupters: they have forsaken the Lord, they have provoked the Holy One of Israel unto anger, they are gone away backward. Why should ye be stricken any more? ye will revolt more and more: the whole head is sick, and the whole heart faint. From the sole of the foot even unto the head there is no soundness in it; but wounds, and bruises, and putrifying sores: they have not been closed, neither bound up, neither mollified with ointment.”

That is a tough message to accept, but Trudeau's departure is an opportunity to honestly appraise our own lives. We need to beware the tyranny of sin. Just as God removed Trudeau, He can remove sin from our lives. As the Trudeau era ends, we can begin a new age of repentance and faith. ■



CANADA UNDER ATTACK?

Request Gerald Flurry's free book *America Under Attack*, which shows how the same forces attacking the U.S. are also attacking Canada.



HOW AMERICA WON AND LOST THE PANAMA CANAL

Under Trump, will the nation gain it back? **BY GERALD FLURRY**

PRESIDENT DONALD TRUMP SAYS the Panama Canal may have to be brought back under United States' control. This is a bold statement that should get our attention.

In a Dec. 21, 2024, Truth Social post, Mr. Trump said he is concerned about the high fees American shipping companies must pay Panama to use the canal. He noted that about 70 percent of the Panama Canal's shipping business comes from the United States. This in spite of the fact that it took America 10 years to build the canal at a cost of more than \$8.6 billion in today's dollars, as well

as more than 5,600 American lives and thousands more besides. But the nation decided to sell it to Panama *for a dollar*.

More importantly, President Trump is concerned about the control the Chinese have at both ends of the canal. During World War II, German U-boats and Italian submarines sank Allied ships in the Caribbean Sea in an attempt to blockade the Panama Canal and cut off the flow of oil from Venezuela to the United States. China could do something similar unless it is forcibly stopped.

This is perhaps the world's most strategic canal. Given how much

trading goes on all over the oceans, strategic waterways like the Panama Canal are called *sea gates*. The Panama Canal is probably the most prestigious of these in the world. In fact, in Bible prophecy it is referred to as "THE GATE." That's right! If Americans want to know how we came to possess this canal that is so important to our national security—and how we lost it—we must look to Bible prophecy.

'Permanent Neutrality'

"Panama granted the U.S. the right to build the canal and control the land on either side in 1904," Axios reported. "In 1977, President Jimmy Carter signed a treaty that returned the canal to full Panamanian control by the end of 1999 in exchange for its permanent neutrality."

President Trump believes that Carter was naive to do this, and he is now highlighting how Panama is not living up to its end of the bargain. The U.S. gave it the canal on condition that it would remain neutral and politically nonaligned. Yet the government of Panama has granted concessions to China, allowing it to operate the ports of Balboa and Cristobal. That is hardly "neutrality"! That is Panama siding with America's enemies. Some-

thing is dangerously wrong!

In his post, Mr. Trump wrote, "If the principles, both moral and legal, of this magnanimous gesture of giving are not followed, then we will demand that the Panama Canal be returned to us, in full, and without question. To the officials of Panama, please be guided accordingly."

In this same post, he noted, "It was solely for Panama to manage, not China or anyone else. We would and will NEVER let it fall into the wrong hands." He is very concerned about Panama's betrayal of America, and he may be willing to take action to reclaim it.

Yet President Trump doesn't know WHAT THE BIBLE SAYS about why America won and lost the canal.

Making America Great

Did you know that God Himself gave the Panama Canal to America? How many people even think about that today? Who would even talk about that today? There is a lot in the Bible about the Panama Canal and other sea gates. This is spectacular understanding!

President Theodore Roosevelt was deeply convicted of the strategic advantages of a canal that would connect the two great oceans. It cost America around \$375 million to build. Also some 7,600 men died from malaria, yellow fever and other diseases while building the canal.

The late Charles Krauthammer wrote that the "strategic jewel" that was the Panama Canal launched America "to the rank of great power" (*Time*, Dec. 27, 1999). Other nations had tried and failed to carve a channel through that land, and only America succeeded. Everybody could recognize that this was a WORLD POWER! The canal played a major part in making America great, the greatest single nation ever in world history—a reality that was also prophesied!

The Panama Canal was a tremendous blessing for America and, really, everyone else as well. It slashed shipping costs and opened up free trade and all kinds of services and blessings to the whole world! America shared this canal with the whole world in a way that Panama is not sharing it today.

Globalsecurity.org discusses how vital the canal was to America during World War II: "When the United States found itself enmeshed in a two-ocean war, the Panama Canal suddenly became the most strategic point on the globe." The canal enabled free movement of the U.S. Navy between the Atlantic and the Pacific. Had the Nazis shut down the canal, they would have cut the U.S. military and economy in two, severely weakening it.

Even during the Cold War, America retained great power using that strategic gateway. No other maritime gate on Earth was as important to the U.S.—not even close.

Consider all these facts. America built that canal at a dear cost in men and

treasure. IT IS THE SINGLE MOST STRATEGIC SEA GATE IN THE WORLD FOR AMERICA.

And we sold it for a dollar.

Why did that happen? What was the reasoning to give it to Panama? It never belonged to Panama anyhow. We had an agreement that made the Panamanians a great deal of money. Yet America just walked away from it. How can you explain that? Bible prophecy explains it!

China's Dangerous Move

In 2021, I wrote a booklet titled *China's Dangerous Move Against America* on this subject and how it is explained in

GOD MAY GIVE THIS GATE BACK TO AMERICA.

I WOULD NOT BE SHOCKED TO SEE THAT HAPPEN BECAUSE OF ALL THE MIRACLES THAT TOOK PLACE DURING DONALD TRUMP'S POLITICAL CAMPAIGN.

biblical prophecy. You need to read this booklet. It tells an amazing story.

On March 1, 1997, the giant Chinese corporation Hutchinson Whampoa took control of the American-constructed ports at each end of the Panama Canal. This company is controlled by the Chinese Communist Party.

China is acting extremely aggressively in the world today. It possesses an enormous army. It is rapidly expanding its Navy and Air Force. It is a nuclear power with a lot of nuclear bombs. It is working to undermine America economically. It is spying on America and stealing its intellectual property. China is one of America's greatest enemies right now. This is what President Trump is so concerned about.

Half of America's maritime trade goes through the Gulf of Mexico. For China to have control over this strategic waterway located at America's underbelly is extremely dangerous.

The U.S. Naval Institute wrote, "The Chinese will leverage their Latin American presence when they feel it's

necessary." In other words, they will set up military bases, and they can do so quickly. What could America do to prevent that without having to expend a lot of power?

The fact that President Trump is speaking out so forcefully about this is truly fascinating. China really has made itself into a superpower—in some ways more powerful than the United States. But biblical prophecy indicates that China is probably going to be knocked down a bit, and it is possible that this will be a factor in that happening.

We don't know yet how this will all work out. Challenging the United States in its own backyard could end up diminishing China's power. It would be a real loss for China to lose control of the Panama Canal, yet that might just happen.

God might give this gate back to America. I would not be shocked to see that happen because of all the miracles that took place during Donald Trump's political campaign. Remember the first assassination attempt on his life, when he miraculously turned the right way at the right moment and the bullet only grazed his ear. Many people believe that God had a hand in that, and He did!

Bible prophecy even tells you that this man would WAR his way back (2 Kings 14:28). Will this warring include the recovery of the Panama Canal?

Fear God, Take Your Own Part

Donald Trump values what God gave to America. In many ways, he has a similar outlook as President Theodore Roosevelt.

In his famous "Strenuous Life" speech, President Roosevelt said: "If we stand idly by, if we seek merely swollen, slothful ease and ignoble peace, if we shrink from the hard contests where men must win at hazard of their lives and at the risk of all they hold dear, then the bolder and stronger peoples will pass us by and will win for themselves the domination of the world" (April 10, 1899).

That is the way this world operates. Right now, America is being dominated by China because we have allowed it!

Roosevelt wrote a book titled *Fear God and Take Your Own Part*. This is America's president saying we must *fear God* and *do our part!* This man contributed mightily to American greatness, forging

WHERE WORLDS COLLIDE

The Panama Canal is a triumph of humanity. Tethering oceans with a seamless passage, it commands the pulse of global trade while forming a desirable strategic pathway for world empires. This sea gate shapes the fabric of world power and has a great bearing on your daily life.

CONNECTIONS

The Panama Canal connects 180 routes in 170 countries through 1,920 ports.

14,000

Number of ships that transit the Panama Canal each year, equating to 3 percent of global maritime trade



40

Percent of U.S. container traffic that passes through the Panama Canal

4.97

Billions of dollars of revenue generated by the Panama Canal each year

8.7

Millions of long tons from the West Coast of Central America

6.5

Millions of long tons from the West Coast of Canada

49.2

Millions of long tons from Asia

7.4

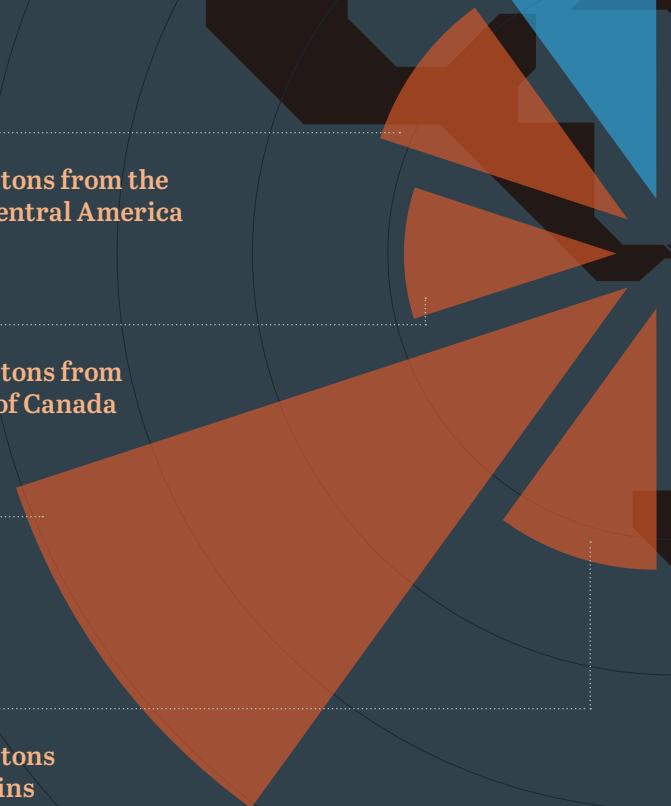
Millions of long tons from other origins

27

Millions of long tons from the West Coast of South America

NORTH AMERICA

PACIFIC OCEAN



375

Millions of dollars paid by the U.S. to construct the Panama Canal (including the \$10 million paid to Panama and \$40 million paid to a French company)

25,000

The approximate number of workers who died in the construction of the Panama Canal over the span of more than three decades

1914

The year the Panama Canal opened; from the first day of operations, the U.S. has relied on the canal to quickly shift military vessels from one coast to the other.

65,000

The number of U.S. troops stationed in Panama to protect the canal during World War II

ATLANTIC OCEAN

129

Millions of long tons from the east coast of the U.S.

7.8

Millions of long tons from the Caribbean islands

13

Millions of long tons from Europe

71

Millions of long tons from other origins

13

Millions of long tons from the East Coast of South America

SOUTH AMERICA

EAST MEETS WEST

Most traffic through the Panama Canal moves between the East Coast of the U.S. and the Far East, making it America's main gate to Asia.

PACIFIC TO ATLANTIC



ATLANTIC TO PACIFIC



PANAMA CANAL

SOLD TO PANAMA—OWNED BY CHINA

Since Dec. 31, 1999, the **government of Panama** has owned the Panama Canal.

Ports on both the Pacific and Atlantic sides are run by the **Panama Ports Co.**

The Panama Ports Co. is a subsidiary of **Hutchison Ports Holdings**, which is a subsidiary of **CK Hutchison Holdings Ltd.**, the world's leading maritime port operator.

Headquartered in Hong Kong, CK Hutchison Holdings Ltd. takes orders from the **Chinese Communist Party**.

CHINA'S CHECKBOOK

China has invested at least \$7 billion in the Caribbean since 2005. The true figure—considering soft loan deals and private investment—is thought to run well into the tens of billions.



PANAMA CANAL

the nation into a world power by constructing the Panama Canal, building up the U.S. Navy, and sending the “great white fleet” around the world.

Shouldn't we consider why President Roosevelt feared God before he stepped out and did great things like this, like digging the Panama Canal?

Just a couple generations later, during the Carter administration, a small group of Panamanians began protesting, and America just rolled over and handed them the canal. We had no pride in our power and no world vision. Our leaders were fantasizing like little children. They had no understanding of God's prophecies concerning America and Britain.

Do you know those prophecies?

The Gate

Genesis 35:11 prophesies of “a nation and a company of nations”: America and Britain. Read the explanation in

The United States and Britain in Prophecy. If you don't have that book, you need it, and we will send you a free copy. It explains the Bible's prophecies of these two nations.

Deuteronomy 28:52 says that one specific way God would bless these two powers was by giving them control over *gates*. These gates are the maritime ports and passages that world trade flows through and even, in some cases, land gates (i.e. mountain passes and railroads).

DID YOU KNOW THAT, AT ONE POINT, BRITAIN AND AMERICA POSSESSED EVERY MAJOR GATE IN THE WORLD? My booklet *China's Dangerous Move Against America* lists them all. America and Britain ruled the world. But it was GOD who gave all of those gifts to us! He said He would give us the sea gates of our enemies, which helped make us great powers. What awesome gifts those were.

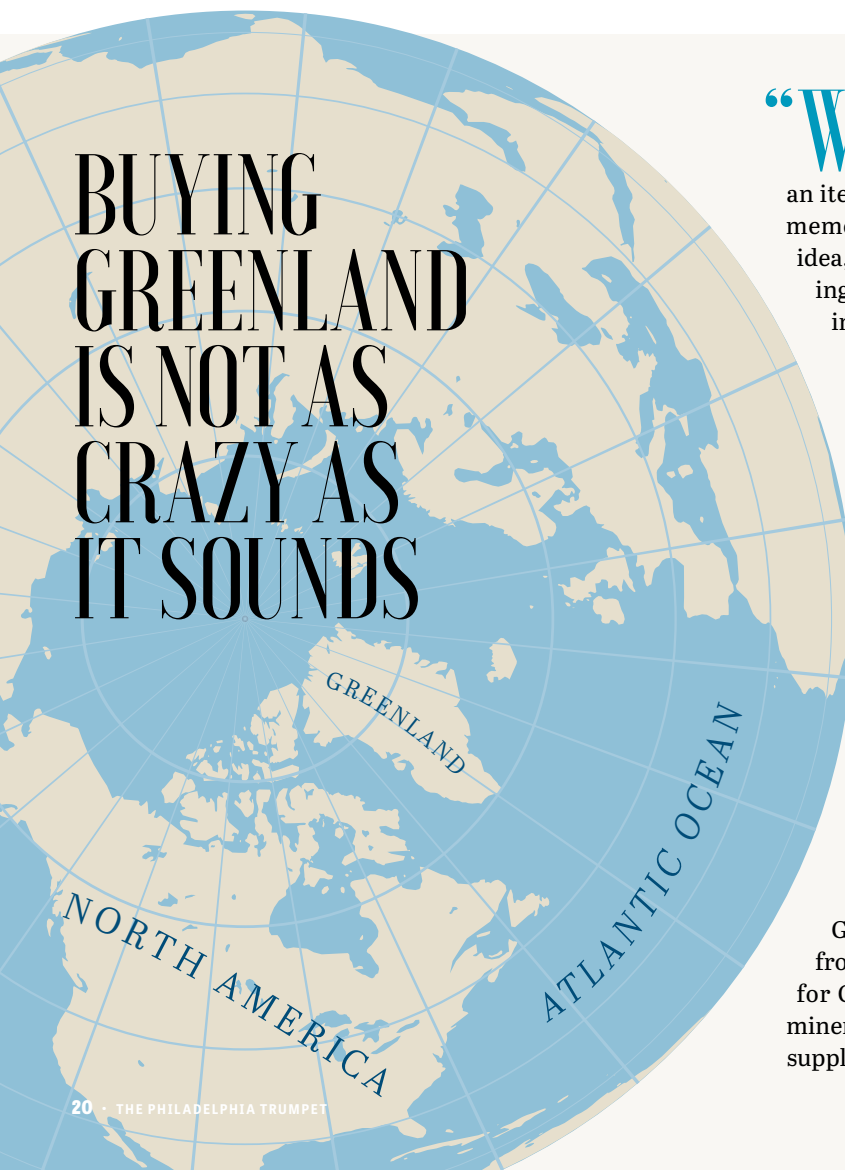
The Bible's prophecies about those sea gates *alone* prove to you where Israel is

today. Prophetic Israel is *America and Britain*. We have the birthright promises.

Genesis 22:17 says, “That in blessing I will bless thee, and in multiplying I will multiply thy seed as the stars of the heaven, and as the sand which is upon the sea shore ...” This shows how immense the family of Abraham was—largely through his grandson Israel.

That verse ends, “... and thy seed shall possess THE GATE of his enemies”—THE GATE! Out of all the gates, God calls only *one* “THE GATE.” Deuteronomy 28 speaks of “gates,” plural, an accurate translation of the Hebrew. But Genesis 22 has the singular word “gate.” Which gate do you think that is? Well, which is the most powerful gate there ever has been in this world?

Clearly THE GATE of Genesis 22:17 is the Panama Canal. It really was God's special gift to America. God gave it to us! How awesome that God would give us THE GATE—a special GATE to make America great and powerful like no



BUYING GREENLAND IS NOT AS CRAZY AS IT SOUNDS

“WE NEED GREENLAND FOR NATIONAL SECURITY PURPOSES,” United States President Donald Trump said January 7.

His talk of buying Greenland has been treated as an item for the “news of the weird” section or a social media meme. But Trump seems serious. He continues to push the idea, while Greenlandic Prime Minister Múte Egede is pushing for independence from Denmark. The United States is in a good position to help defend and develop an Independent Republic of Greenland, so Egede is anxious to meet with Trump soon. Such a meeting probably wouldn't result in statehood right away, but negotiating a new U.S.–Greenland defense agreement is a top priority.

Control of Greenland enables control of maritime traffic in the North Atlantic and exploitation of the Arctic. It dominates the GIUK Gap (Greenland-Iceland-United Kingdom); continental European powers like Germany or Russia must either cross this gap or travel through the much narrower English Channel to make it out to the wide Atlantic.

The U.S. has tried to acquire Greenland before. In 1868, the U.S. almost made Denmark an offer for Greenland and Iceland. In 1946, the U.S. offered Denmark \$100 million in gold bars for Greenland, calling it a “military necessity.” There was even talk of swapping a chunk of Alaska in exchange.

Even before the U.S. entered World War II, it invaded Greenland—kind of. Fifteen volunteers were discharged from the U.S. Coast Guard and sent in as “security guards” for Greenland's cryolite mine, America's only source of a mineral used in the manufacture of aluminum. The U.S. Navy supplied these guards with machine guns and naval artillery.

other canal has made any nation. There simply hasn't been another miraculous endowment like the Panama Canal. It was a great gift from God Himself!

Giving America the Panama Canal is one of the best blessings God has EVER given to America. The canal has served the world for decades. It was a great gift given by God through an outstanding leader, Theodore Roosevelt, BECAUSE HE FEARED GOD. God rewarded us because of that fear in one man! And there were many others who thought that way at that time. This is at the heart of everything. If America wants to gain the Panama Canal back, we must *fear God*. We must *show* God we fear Him—not just *say* we do or *ACT* like we do, but truly *show* that fear by obeying Him and enlisting His help!

Loss

God gave us SO MUCH—but what have we done with it? We have lost nearly all of those gates. Why?

Once the U.S. entered the war, Greenland became a de facto American protectorate. Around 10,000 planes landed at the Narsarsuaq Air Base on the southern tip of Greenland. It remained a U.S. base at the start of the Cold War and was used by jets flying between Europe and America. Operating a base so far north led to some unique challenges: A small tugboat had to be used to shift icebergs out of the flight path of the jets.

The GIUK Gap took on even more importance during the Cold War. Nick Childs of the International Institute for Strategic Studies said this northern flank was a “theater that came to be seen by both sides as second only in importance to the European Central Front.” The U.S. set up a network of sensors to track Russian submarines entering the Atlantic.

Direct flights between the U.S. and Russia pass through Greenland airspace. This was a factor in the most tragic episode in America's relationship with Greenland. In 1968, a B-52 bomber crashed near America's Thule Air Base in Greenland while carrying nuclear bombs.

The conventional explosives on board detonated. Thankfully, the nuclear bombs didn't—but the explosion spread nuclear material over the area. It was a major scandal, since Greenland was supposedly a nuclear-free zone.

Greenland was and is a likely front line for any nuclear war between the U.S. and Russia. Firing ballistic missiles across Greenland provides certain military advantages. That is why

God says that if we don't obey Him, He will break our will and our pride in our power (Leviticus 26:19). Today, America and Britain have no pride in our power like we should. This is a terrible warning from God, and we must take it seriously!

We have departed from God today. This is not about a certain group of people or a Republican or Democratic view. This is about *all of us*. God says that if we want to be great, we will be great only through God and FEARING Him.

God really emphasizes THE GATE. Perhaps this indicates that there may be more history made there. Maybe President Donald Trump will gain back American control of it. He has the power to take action, and undoubtedly more miracles will come if we learn a lesson in the process.

2 Kings 14:26-28 tell you about an American resurgence, but it is up to the American people to decide how big the

resurgence will be. God will honor our repentance and our faith.

God wants to teach us how to fear Him so we do not have to be punished for our sins. And when you turn away from a gift like that, which God has given us, THAT IS A SIN!

China is gobbling up much of what belongs to America, and we are letting it happen. That is going to end to a great extent very soon, but only for a temporary time—UNLESS we learn the lesson of fearing God! ■

RED DRAGON POISED TO STRIKE

Too many fail to recognize the danger that China poses. We do not. Request your free copy of Gerald Flurry's booklet ***China's Dangerous Move Against America***.



the U.S. maintains this air base—now called Pituffik Space Base—which operates a Baltic missile early warning system, as well as the world's northernmost deepwater port.

In recent years, Greenland has become even more important. Shipping lanes along Russia's northern coast heading east and Canada's northern coast heading west are becoming more viable and possibly quite lucrative.

The Arctic could also have a wealth of natural resources. The U.S. Geological Survey estimates the Arctic holds 30 percent of the undiscovered natural gas in the world and 13 percent of its oil. Greenland could have major oil reserves. It is also estimated to have 38 million tons of rare earth deposits, minerals needed for manufacturing advanced technologies.

These raw materials are likely a nice bonus rather than the main reason Trump is interested in the island. Arizona, for example, has just under 1 billion tons of rare earth deposits. The trouble is getting them out of the ground without polluting the surrounding area. China currently has a virtual monopoly on rare earths, not because

they are actually very rare but because its regime doesn't care about poisoning the locals, so it can process them much more cheaply than anyone else.

Greenland's real value is as a sea gate: Watch for it and other strategic maritime chokepoints to become more significant—and more contested—in the months and years ahead.

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Donald Trump Jr. lands in Nuuk, Greenland, on January 7.



Preparations for a Last Crusade

Piecing details together in light of Bible prophecy, a war plan emerges with astonishing similarity to the Crusades of old. **BY JOSUÉ MICHELS**

JERUSALEM HAS BEEN THE target, the aim, the sacred prize of world powers time and again through the centuries of history. And today, even in our supposedly sophisticated age, the battle over Jerusalem continues.

While Israel controls the city, rivals covet it and want to seize it.

The terrorists of Hamas, Hezbollah, the Houthis and their chief sponsor, Iran, claim the city as their own. Israel has so far checked their ambitions. Many other terrorist groups have similar goals but lack the strength to attain them.

Turkey, which ruled the city in the days of the Ottoman Empire, has also made its interests known. Its newfound reach into Syria alarms Israel.

But there is another power, more subtle, more dangerous. Its preparations are as secretive as they are extensive. More than any other challenger, it is ready to strike in a moment. History warns of its religious zeal and military might. The Bible reveals its evil plot—and shows the only way to avert it.

Jerusalem the Focal Point

Jerusalem means “city of peace”—but God prophesied: “Behold, I will make Jerusalem a cup of trembling unto all the people round about, when they shall be in the siege both against Judah and against Jerusalem. And in that day will I make Jerusalem a burdensome stone for all people: all that burden themselves with it shall be cut in pieces ...” (Zechariah 12:2-3).

“Truly, every empire and nation that has ruled Jerusalem has had burdensome and painful problems,” *Trumpet* editor in chief Gerald Flurry writes about these verses. “To this day, this city is at the heart of the world’s thorniest political and diplomatic dilemma. It is a hot spot for devastating news caused by religious and political resentments, terrorist attacks and other violence. It is a powder keg charged with nuclear potential! No other city is so fraught with international tension.

“Bible prophecy shows that events in this city will trigger a nuclear World War III! That alone is a vital reason to *closely watch Jerusalem*” (*The Eternal Has Chosen Jerusalem*; request a free copy).

Many people fear that World War III could break out in any one of numerous ways. The Bible prophesies that the conflict will be triggered over Jerusalem. The preparations for this war are already visible, and are patterned with astonishing similarity after the Crusades of old.

Cyprus Militarization

From the beginning of his presidency in early 2023, Nikos Christodoulides has focused on militarizing Cyprus. *Forbes* reported, “Cyprus Is Planning a New Military Buildup” (March 19, 2023). Then came Hamas’s Oct. 7, 2023, terrorist massacre on Israel and the resulting war. This heightened Cyprus’s urgency to militarize—and increased the island nation’s attractiveness as a partner for foreign powers.

“The strengthening of the Cyprus republic’s deterrent capabilities is of the utmost importance,” Christodoulides said in November 2024, “and we take advantage of every opportunity, both in the direction of the United States and NATO, but also the European Union.”

Cyprus is not a member of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization and, because of Turkey’s opposition, likely won’t soon become one. But it is a member of the EU. After Cyprus reportedly bought two Barak MX air defense missile batteries and dozens of interceptor missiles from Israel, Christodoulides told reporters on Dec. 5, 2024: “The only thing I can say is we will [do], and are doing, everything necessary to bolster the deterrence force of Cyprus, not only because we are a country under occupation but an EU member state in a region of particular geostrategic importance.”

Christodoulides sees Turkey as an occupying force on the island and wants to draw closer to the EU. Back in 1974, the Greek military junta in Cyprus tried to force a union between the island and Greece. Turkey intervened militarily—purportedly to protect Cyprus’s Turkish minority—and captured a third of the island. To this day, Turkey demands a two-state solution.

The German-led EU, however, wants control over Cyprus due to its “particular geostrategic importance.”

“Set in the midst of the Mediterranean Sea, near the heart of the world, is

strategic Cyprus,” Mr. Flurry wrote in our November-December 2019 issue. “Look at a map, and you can see it is a stepping-stone between Europe and the Middle East. It is near Jerusalem, it is near Rome, and it is near Berlin. Understand its proximity to these important cities and to strategic areas, and you begin to understand why Cyprus has played such a crucial role in history” (theTrumpet.com/21310).

For powers outside the Middle East, Cyprus is as close as you can get to Jerusalem and nearby important trade routes.

“Cyprus has played a critical role in this region for centuries. During the Crusades, when European warriors descended on the coasts of Israel and Lebanon, at times they relied on Cyprus for a base. In the 19th century, when Britain wanted a naval base to guard its vital trade with India, it used Cyprus as a base. Even in modern times, in 2006 when Germany joined a United Nations naval mission off the coast of Lebanon, it used Cyprus as a base” (ibid).

In recent decades, Cyprus became home to critical military bases and surveillance capabilities, further boosting its importance. For these reasons and more, Germany took note.

When Cyprus faced serious economic trouble in 2013, “Germany blocked Russia from getting involved, and stepped in to offer a bailout package—with tough conditions,” Mr. Flurry wrote. “Cyprus accepted. Thus, the EU became the de facto ruler of Cyprus. ... And since Germany is Europe’s largest economy and put up the largest share of the money, Germany became the real power in Cyprus” (ibid).

Since then, Germany’s power has grown. “According to provisional figures for 2023, German exports to Cyprus were worth €797.7 million, while imports from Cyprus to Germany totaled €125.7 million,” the German Foreign Ministry noted. “Within the EU, Cyprus is one of the most important shipping centers and has the second-largest open register of ships; it also has the world’s ninth-largest fleet by tonnage. In the field of ship management, German or German-led companies have a market share of around 50 percent. Since Limassol port was privatized in 2016, its container terminal has been managed by a German company

(Eurogate)” (“Germany and Cyprus: Bilateral Relations,” Sept. 25, 2024).

Cyprus’s EU membership and Germany’s economic leverage over the island ensure that ultimately, any investment in fortifying this island will also help the EU and thus advantage Germany.

Island Fortress

Christodoulides told *Philelefttheros* on Dec. 30, 2024, that his government had decided to upgrade the air base in Paphos with help from the United States, and the naval base in Mari with help from the EU.

“Foreigners see our geographical position as our key advantage,” he said. “Regarding the naval base, I’m speaking with the president of the European Commission. I spoke again recently about EU financial contribution through a specific

Cyprus is also directly involved in frequent military exercises involving other EU nations.

- Since 2020, Cyprus, France, Greece and Italy have participated in multinational military exercises called “EUNOMIA,” conducted in the Eastern Mediterranean.
- For “EUNOMIA 4” in 2023, Cyprus hosted a five-day drill that involved naval and air forces. Christodoulides emphasized Cyprus’s “particular geostrategic significance” to the EU.
- “EUNOMIA 5” in 2024 again involved naval and air forces and included anti-air, anti-surface and anti-sub-surface exercises; maritime interdiction; search-and-rescue training; noncombatant evacuations; and cyberwarfare exercises.



union program so that the base can host any vessel from an EU member state.”

This is the fate of the Mari base. Expect Cyprus’s other bases, such as the one currently held by Britain, to also fall into the hands of the EU. As Mr. Flurry warned in 2019, “Germany has worked through the EU to ensure it dominates Cyprus. ... Justified as it might be, Brexit puts the future of those bases [speaking of Britain’s Akrotiri and Dhekelia bases] on Cyprus in doubt. I FORECAST THAT BRITAIN IS GOING TO LOSE CONTROL OF THOSE BASES” (op cit).

Politics Today wrote, “Now that Britain has left the EU, its vital military bases in Cyprus are at the mercy of a Greek Cypriot regime drunk on the political leverage handed to it by Brussels” (Oct. 11, 2023).

- Another multinational civil-military cooperation hosted by Cyprus is the “Argonaut” exercises. In 2024, sea, air and land drills took place in Cyprus. They tested, among other things, the forces’ ability to evacuate civilians from Sudan and Israel via Cyprus.
- “Siege Engine 2024,” sponsored by the European Defense Agency and hosted by Cyprus, involved about 150 troops from four EU member states: Belgium, Cyprus, Ireland and Sweden.

Daily Sabah, a Turkish government media outlet, warned, “The current militarization of this small Mediterranean island is not merely another move in the chess game of regional power;

it's a shift with serious implications for Mediterranean stability—or potentially, its opposite” (Nov. 19, 2024).

It is understandable that a Turkish outlet is alarmed by Cyprus's militarization. Actually, it should concern us all.

Watch Germany

Shortly after the Oct. 7, 2023, Hamas massacre, Germany moved an unknown number of its Special Operations Forces, Navy Special Operations Forces Command and special forces of the federal police to Cyprus. *Bild* explained in “Secret Operation Hostage Rescue: Bundeswehr Activates Special Units”: “They are on the ground primarily in case the conflict escalates and Germans have to be pulled out of Lebanon in a robust operation. This means that the Bundeswehr could also intervene from the sea (Mediterranean)” (Oct. 18, 2023). Germany also had a corvette and military transport aircraft available in the region to assist. In November 2023, German and Cypriot defense ministers signed an agreement to intensify military cooperation.

German personnel are involved in military missions surrounding Israel: in Iraq and Jordan in the mission Counter Daesh—Capacity Building Iraq; in Lebanon and at sea nearby in United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon Maritime Task Force. Germany is also participating in the EU naval missions EUNAVFOR Aspides in the Red Sea, EUNAVFOR Irini in the Mediterranean Sea, plus NATO's Sea Guardian operation in the Mediterranean and Standing Maritime Group 2 in the Aegean Sea. Through its dominance of the EU, Germany also holds the balance of power over the Balkans and Malta.

Through the EU and NATO, Germany and its EU partners are well positioned to pour war personnel and materiel into a modern Middle Eastern conflict.

Germany also has access to weapons of mass destruction through NATO's nuclear-sharing agreement. In NATO's 2023 annual “Steadfast Noon” exercises, it practiced using these weapons in Italy, Croatia and the Mediterranean Sea. Germany could decide one day to use these bombs offensively—for example, against belligerent powers such as Iran.

No doubt Cyprus will play a critical role in any future Mideast war. But controlling this island is a means to an end: When

German forces commence warring in the region, what will be their objective? To understand, we must look at a longtime partner of Germany: the Vatican.

Gateway to Jerusalem

In 2021, Vatican News reported that Cyprus has 38,000 Catholics—about 5 percent of the population—and that a majority of these are part of the Latin rite. It noted that many trace their roots back to Crusaders who settled there after the Third Crusade (A.D. 1191) and the 1187 fall of Jerusalem to the Muslims.

Crusaders controlled Cyprus for 300 years until 1489. “The Latin Catholics [in Cyprus] thrived until Cyprus was conquered by the Turks in 1570–1573, when thousands were killed, churches converted to mosques, and the Latin church dissolved” (Vatican News, Nov. 25, 2021).

The Catholic Church is now reviving its presence on the island.

On Jan. 26, 2024, the Vatican inaugurated an independent apostolic nunciature, the equivalent of an embassy, in Cyprus. Vatican Deputy Secretary of State Archbishop Edgar Peña Parra said, “Today we inaugurate the pope's home in the small geographically but huge historically Cyprus.”

On March 16 that year, Cardinal Pierbattista Pizzaballa consecrated a Latin bishop on Cyprus. It was the first time in more than three centuries that the Latin Patriarchate of Jerusalem—a Catholic diocese including Cyprus, Israel, Jordan and Palestine—had a resident bishop in Cyprus. The Catholic Church's presence in these territories was established in the days of the Crusades. Every time the church sought to expand its influence in the region, bloody war ensued.

Bruno Varriano, the newly appointed bishop, told *Crux*, “Every time there was persecution against the friars in the Holy Land, they would seek shelter here in Cyprus. That's why the church here has never disappeared” (March 28, 2024).

“Saint Francis grew up in the zealous atmosphere of the Crusades. It was in this spirit that he brought 12 companion friars to the Holy Land in 1219,” the Catholic Near East Welfare Association, founded by Pope Pius XI in 1926, recounted. “As long as the Crusaders had a footing in the East, the fate of the Franciscans was linked to that of the

Christian soldiers. When the latter were defeated at Acre in 1291, the Franciscans inherited their fivefold cross, which they fly to this day as a neutral international flag. From that time the friars continued the defense of Christianity in the Holy Land, without any real weapons of warfare” (*One, Spring 1977*).

Centuries later, Catholics still see God's hand in the Crusades. As Pope Paul VI put it, “It was not without providential design that the historical events of the 13th century took the Franciscan Order to the Holy Land” (*Nobis in Animo, 1974*).

Latin Patriarch of Jerusalem Pizzaballa is the most influential Catholic figure in the Middle East, and he has been discussed as a possible next pope. The first Latin patriarch of Jerusalem went on the First Crusade in 1099 as a chaplain! Today's bishops walk in the footsteps of the spiritual advisers of the Crusades.

The Vatican is reviving Europe's religious ties with Cyprus and restoring the heritage of the Crusaders there.

Archbishop Giovanni Pietro Dal Toso, apostolic nuncio to Cyprus, referenced Cyprus's historic role in an interview with *Philelefttheros* on April 7, 2024: “Cyprus may be a small country, but it has a highly strategic position. With the words of Pope Francis, which I often quote, Cyprus is a bridge between Europe and the Middle East. ... Here, we can feel the European culture, but at the same time, we experience the consequences of what is happening in the Middle East. This is not only limited to the recent conflict in Gaza but has been an ongoing reality.”

Catholic leaders say Cyprus served as a bridge between Europe and the Mideast. But it was also a bridge for the *Catholic Church*—particularly in the Crusades.

The Crusades were a violent attempt to gain control of the Holy Land and surrounding areas. They entailed the brutal butchering of Muslims and Jews. Crusaders sometimes even killed allied Christians and plundered their wealth.

When Catholic leaders speak of Cyprus being a bridge, they don't directly reference the Crusades. But that was what Mr. Flurry recalled when Cyprus became an EU member in 2004. “[W]hy did the EU want tiny Cyprus to be a member?” he asked. “Is the EU already thinking about Cyprus as a launching pad from which to protect its Jerusalem interests?

“You can be certain that the EU is thinking about how to protect the holy places in and around Jerusalem. Catholic Europe has thought like this for almost 2,000 years!” (*Trumpet*, December 2004; [theTrumpet.com/1153](https://www.thetrumpet.com/1153)).

Building Toward Collision

Since then, Cyprus has offered its services to the German-led EU more than once. At a summit on Nov. 21, 2024, Christodoulides noted, “Stability, welfare and security in the Eastern Mediterranean are inextricably linked to the security and stability of the EU.” He offered Cyprus as “a bridge between the EU and the region.” This offer sounds sweet to those seeking to strengthen the Christian presence in the Middle East.

On Dec. 23, 2024, Christodoulides appointed Thessalia Salina Shambos as Cyprus’s special representative for religious freedoms and protection of minorities, including Christians, in the Middle East. She will aid the EU’s “efforts to support religious groups in the region,” protect cultural monuments and heritage, and highlight “the diplomatic role of the Republic of Cyprus as a bridge between the European Union and the Middle East, building on its geographical, cultural and historical position ...”

Cyprus’s “historical position” is being revived.

It would be foolish to believe that Christian minorities in the Mideast can be strengthened through diplomatic efforts alone. Many Christian communities are being violently persecuted by Islamist extremists. According to the Pontifical Foundation Aid to the Church in Need, over 360 million Christians live in regions with high persecution. In Syria and Iraq, hundreds of thousands have been forced to flee. To effect change, the EU will need to strengthen not only its religious and diplomatic outreach but also its military presence.

After Bashar Assad was toppled in December 2024, Christodoulides spoke about future EU cooperation with Syria. He noted that Cyprus is the EU member closest to Syria, “so you understand that the role that we must have and that we claim is a leading one” (Dec. 15, 2024).

He told *Phileletheros* on Dec. 30, 2024, that the EU would like to cooperate with the new Syrian rulers, but warned that

if “they exclude minorities, Christians, etc, the EU won’t come to help.”

Years ago Mr. Flurry wrote, “It is interesting to also note that Germany has always felt a mission to protect Christianity. But not ‘all’ of traditional Christianity. The Germans have always sought to protect Roman Catholicism” (*Trumpet*, May 1992). How true that statement is proving to be.

Fears of Another Crusade

On Oct. 28, 2024, *Al-Akhbar*, a Hezbollah-connected outlet, published an article titled “Germany in Hostile Territory.” It criticized Germany for sharing intelligence with Israel and for a German frigate intercepting a Hezbollah missile. It said Hezbollah was pushing for “the exclusion of Germany from participating in international forces.”

On June 19, 2024, the late Hezbollah leader Hassan Nasrallah issued a direct threat to Cyprus: “The Cypriot government must be warned that opening Cypriot airports and bases for the Israeli enemy to target Lebanon means that the Cypriot government has become part of the war, and the resistance will deal with it as part of the war.”

In “The Fall and Rise of Lebanon,” ([theTrumpet.com/30487](https://www.thetrumpet.com/30487)) Mr. Flurry noted that this was a strange threat, since Cyprus hadn’t aided Israel militarily. But, he explained, “the island nation is essentially controlled by Germany. It is *Germany* that truly concerns the terrorists.” He pointed back to Cypriot history: “For hundreds of years, the Holy Roman Empire has sought control of Jerusalem, which it views as sacred. Crusaders often went through



Cyprus, the epicenter?

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Cyprus to reach the coasts of Israel and Lebanon, and they butchered many Muslims! This is why Islamist leaders are alarmed by Germany in Cyprus.

“Nasrallah knew this history. Iranian leaders know this history. They know what Germany has in mind, and they strongly oppose it! These terrorists also want control of the Middle East, especially Jerusalem—and Germany, moving military personnel and equipment into Cyprus, poses a real threat to their ambition!” (*Trumpet*, January 2025).

Hezbollah and Iran see *modern crusaders* gathering on Cyprus with ambitions for Jerusalem. In fact, the whole world should be able to see this!

The parallels are too numerous to ignore. During the First Crusade, Cyprus was under Byzantine rule and served Crusaders primarily by providing supplies. Today, the EU is using Cyprus to deliver supplies to Palestinians and Christians in Gaza. Historically, Cyprus often helped Catholics evacuate from the Holy Land. Today the island offers the same service. From the Third Crusade on, Cyprus became a military fortification for Crusaders to prepare for their missions. Today, an increasingly militarized Cyprus is hosting foreign powers.

Neither the Catholic Church nor the nations of the Holy Roman Empire have ever renounced their ambitions to conquer Jerusalem. The Bible reveals that in the name of peace and religion, Germany and the Vatican will again crusade to conquer the Holy City.

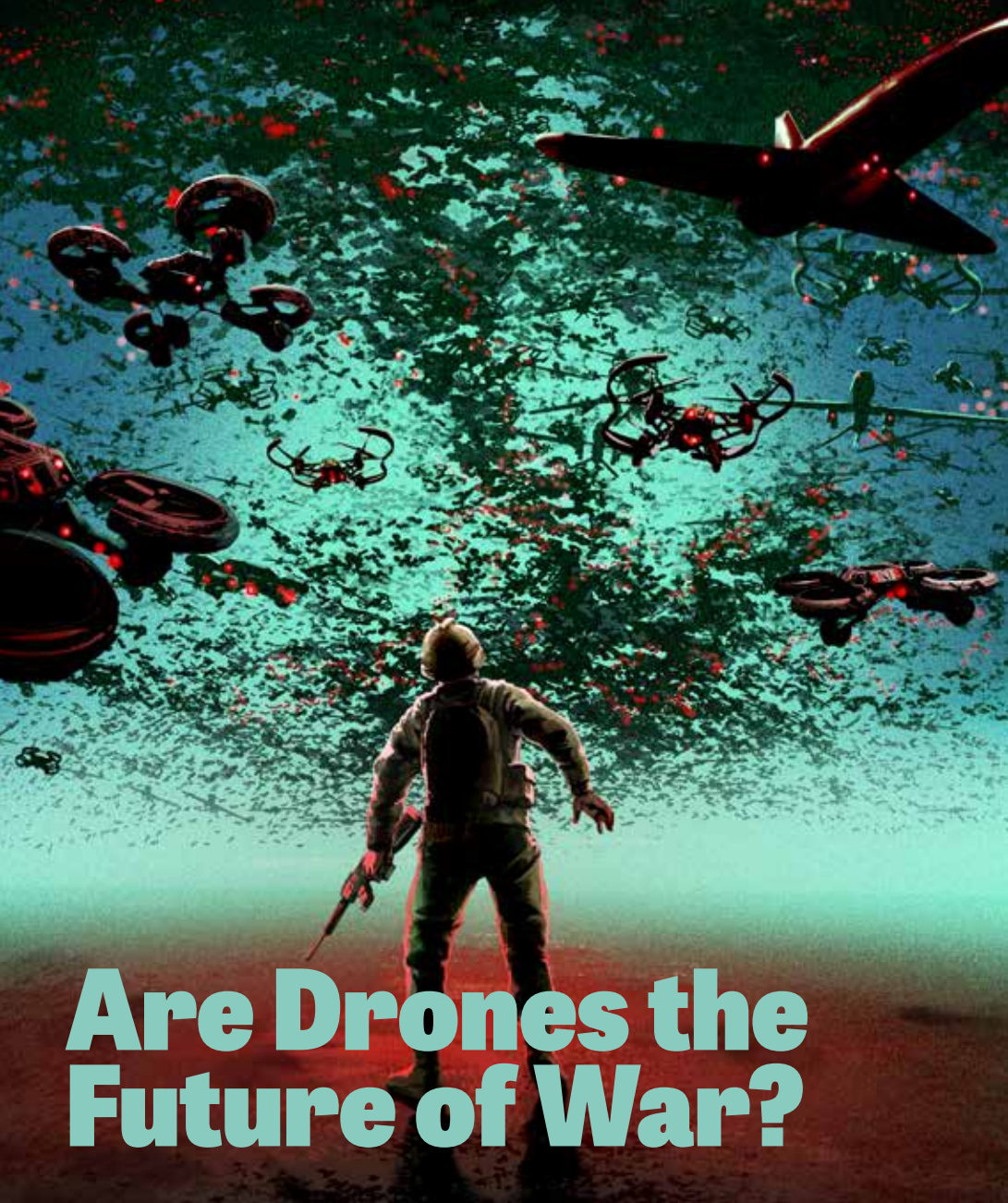
An Ignored Warning

In 1982, Herbert W. Armstrong, founder of the *Plain Truth* (predecessor of the *Trumpet*), visited Cyprus at the invitation of the acting president, Georgios Ladas. At the meeting, Mr. Armstrong spoke on Bible prophecy, which reveals that the Holy Roman Empire, traditionally ruled by Germany, will rise once more.

“I think it’s going to be a union between the nations that are Roman Catholic and the nations that are Orthodox Catholic. And religion is going to play a part in that again,” Mr. Armstrong warned. “Religion has played such a part in wars in the past.”

Ladas was surprised at the notion that religious wars would make a comeback. Yet this is what the Bible foretells.

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Are Drones the Future of War?

Mankind has entered the age of robots. Where will this lead?

BY MIHAİLO S. ZEKIC

IN 2020, WAR-TORN LIBYA WAS ABOUT to receive a new overlord. Khalifa Haftar had control of the country's east and was pushing down hard on Tripoli. But his offensive abruptly ended in retreat. Just as he was about to claim victory, *he was defeated by robots.*

It was a milestone in the history of war.

The Tripoli-based government had invested heavily in drones produced by the Turkish company Baykar. These drones pushed back Haftar's offensive. Haftar had used Chinese drones himself, which had enabled him to make it to

Tripoli's borders. But Baykar's Bayraktar TR2, equipped with antitank missiles, disrupted Haftar's supply lines and forced him to stand down.

Both sides used drones so extensively that the United Nations' special representative to Libya called Libya's civil war "the largest drone war in the world."

That same year, Azerbaijan invaded Armenia to take back the disputed Nagorno-Karabakh territory. Azerbaijan claimed victory in a matter of weeks thanks to its drones purchased from Turkey and Israel. The drones disabled Armenia's Soviet-era defense systems, allowing ground forces to move in.

Since 2020, drones have become a standard feature in major conflicts around

the world. Some analysts claim drones have become to 21st-century warfare what the Gatling gun was to 19th-century warfare: a game changer. From Russia's invasion of Ukraine, to Iran's war on Israel, to the Armenia-Azerbaijan conflict, drones have made the difference between aggressors conquering their foes and defenders preserving their independence.

Warfare has entered the age of robots. What does this mean going forward? Could this development spiral out of control? Is warfare about to get much more destructive?

Battlefield Ukraine

There seems to be hardly a conflict where drones do not make an important contribution. Hamas used drones to attack Israeli positions at the beginning of the Israel-Hamas War. Iran used a drone barrage in its first-ever direct attack on Israel in April 2024. The Houthis use drones to target Western shipping in the Red Sea. But the best example of how essential drones have become in war is in Ukraine.

In February and March 2022, Russia surrounded Ukraine's capital, Kyiv.

Many expected the war would be over in weeks with a Russian victory. But Ukraine pushed back the Russian forces. Unmanned aerial vehicles (UAVs) were a big reason why. As in Libya and Azerbaijan, Baykar played a significant role. The Bayraktar TB2 combat drones were so effective in halting the invasion that the Ukrainian Army posted a song on YouTube glorifying the drones' power.

Baykar's products are high-tech luxuries in warfare. But very different types of UAVs deployed by both Ukraine and Russia soon became a staple of the war. As weeks turned into months and Russia saw the quick victory it had hoped for slipping away, it turned to more efficient munitions to sustain its war effort. It

purchased UAVs from its ally Iran. Iran's Shahed-136 UAV, or "kamikaze drone," is a single-use drone that explodes on impact with a designated target.

What makes the Shahed-136 so viable is its cost. It takes as little as \$20,000 to manufacture. In 2024, a hacking group claiming to have access to Iranian government e-mails said Russia agreed to pay \$193,000 per drone if ordered in batches of 6,000. That is still much lower than the millions of dollars it costs to make a single tank. And Russia has started manufacturing its own versions of the Shahed-136.

Ukraine has learned from the Russian strategy. And its UAV program has been cheaper—*much* cheaper.

Ukraine has resorted to using first-person view (FPV) UAVs. FPVs are essentially the same technology in commercial quadcopters available at electronics stores for \$100. They are called first-person views because the men remotely controlling them use a small camera attached to the UAV for sight. Operating an FPV is similar to playing a video game.

Military-grade FPVs don't cost much more to make than their store-bought counterparts. Ukrainian drone company Wave91 states on its website that it costs roughly \$350 to make a single-use FPV. A representative of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization told *Foreign Policy* in April 2024 that over two thirds of Russian tanks destroyed in Ukraine were destroyed by FPVs. One or a handful of drones worth several hundred dollars can destroy a tank worth several million.

FPVs have become a mainstay of the Ukrainian Army. Ukraine claimed to have produced 50,000 FPVs in December 2023 alone. This does not include other types of drones used on the battlefield. Russia has adopted its own use of FPVs against Ukraine. This has led to drone battles in the skies over Ukraine.

FPVs are becoming Ukraine's weapon of choice. But they are not the only drone technology Ukraine is using. In September, Ukrainian forces began using "dragon drones" that spray thermite, a liquid incendiary that can burn as hot as 5,000 degrees Fahrenheit (2,760 degrees Celsius). Russian forces soon followed suit with their own model.

Ukraine has also pioneered the use of "sea drones," or unmanned surface

vehicles, in the Black Sea. Ukraine's sea drones have successfully attacked and sunk several Russian warships.

Artificially Intelligent

One important way drones have changed warfare is through artificial intelligence.

Artificial intelligence and drone technology have worked hand in hand for decades. In 1989, an Israeli defense contractor introduced the "Harpy" to the world, a UAV that can autonomously hunt down enemy radar installations. The Harpy is still in use today.

The world's current large-scale conflicts are giving UAV manufacturers the ability to test out their new technologies in real-world situations on the battlefield.

The technology for autonomous "swarming"—coordinating flight patterns—has existed for years. But the war in Ukraine has given extra impetus to make the technology optimal and affordable. It is hard for individuals to remotely control mobs of FPVs without them crashing into each other. Experimental studies of AI swarming technologies on the battlefield are aiming to rectify that.

Swarmer is a company developing software to give UAVs large-scale swarming technology. CEO Serhii Kupriienko said, "When you try to scale up [with human pilots], it just doesn't work. For a swarm of 10 or 20 drones or robots, it's virtually impossible for humans to manage them" (Reuters, July 18, 2024). But according to Kupriienko, AI could manage hundreds at once.

Another issue facing Ukrainian drones is signal jamming. Russia has invested in jamming technology to disconnect drones from their handlers. This has seen the success rate of first-person view UAVs drop dramatically. Ukrainian contractors are now working to develop FPVs that can lock onto targets through their own sensory equipment. This kind of technology has been around for decades, but mainly for much more expensive and sophisticated UAVs. Something as inexpensive and easy to make as FPVs with this kind of technology would transform warfare.

"It already works but it works not so good [as] people," Oleksii Babenko, CEO of Ukrainian contractor Vyriy Drone, told the *Trumpet* in December 2024. "But I think it's maybe one or two months

and it will be similar, and the next-step computer will be better than people."

It's not only Ukrainians interested in AI development. Babenko said many foreign UAV companies are using Ukraine as a laboratory to test-run their equipment—some of which is hidden from public view. "In Europe we have some companies that also produce drones, and they want to sell this drone to Ukraine—not only because of money but also because of knowledge. Because if a Ukrainian Army test is drawn and gives them feedback, they can make it better and better," he said. He said Chinese developers "also try to come in Ukraine to study."

Babenko was speaking about UAV technology in general, but AI is definitely a subject of interest. In February 2024, the Ukrainian government contracted German AI company Helsing to help incorporate artificial intelligence into Ukrainian-made drones.

"Manipulating artificial intelligence is a powerful way to manipulate the minds of the masses," *Trumpet* editor in chief Gerald Flurry wrote in the March 2024 *Trumpet* issue. "It also opens new possibilities in advanced warfare. Whoever understands this technology has a significant advantage in the world. It seems certain that some will exploit the dark side of AI" (theTrumpet.com/28925).

Gift of Prophecy

"I am not stupid, you know," Linda Hamilton said in the 1984 blockbuster *The Terminator*. Hamilton's character was disregarding a warning given by Michael Biehn's character of a robot hunting her down. "They cannot make things like that yet." Biehn's response: "Not yet—not for about 40 years."

The Terminator is science fiction. But today—about 40 years since the movie came out—some of the devices described in the film are getting closer and closer to "science fact." We don't have humanoid robot assassins chasing people down, but we do have AI robots staring other robots down in real wars. In a short span of time, it seems machines have nearly replaced men as the unit of choice in modern warfare.

Where does this leave humanity? Where will technology take warfare in the near future? Will drones become *too* good at their job?

Technological innovation is speeding along at such an unpredictable rate that it is difficult to be certain. The Center for International Governance Innovation report published on Oct. 3, 2024, said, “[G]ifts of prophecy are what is required when considering not just the future of drone warfare but the very next phase—tomorrow, next week, next month. Combatants in Ukraine and Gaza and modern militaries around the world, including in Canada, are having the race to acquire the urgent gift of prophecy before the drone undoes them.”

World leaders need this “gift of prophecy” more than they realize. The *Trumpet* analyzes world events through the lens of Bible prophecy. And the Bible prophecies of a crisis connected to the world’s current conflicts soon to engulf the globe.

Matthew 24:21-22 prophesy, “For then shall be great tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be. And except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved [alive; Moffatt translation]” Death of the entire human race wasn’t possible until the invention of modern weapons. Other prophecies, such as those in Revelation 13 and 17, show a European power in the center of this crisis. (Request a free copy of Herbert W. Armstrong’s booklet *Who or What Is the Prophetic Beast?* for more information.)

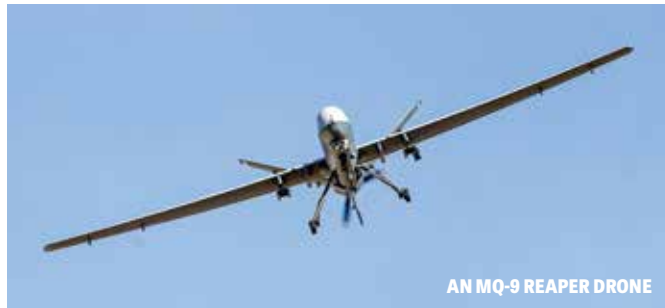
Revelation 9 details the catastrophic damage this European empire will inflict—and some of the weapons it uses for this purpose. This attack is so horrific the Bible calls it a global “woe.”

“Then out of the smoke locusts came upon the earth. And to them was given power, as the scorpions of the earth have power. ... The shape of the locusts was like horses prepared for battle. On their heads were crowns of something like gold, and their faces were like the faces of men. They had hair like women’s hair, and their teeth were like lions’ teeth. And they had breastplates like breastplates of iron, and the sound of their wings was like the sound of chariots with many horses running into battle. They had tails like scorpions, and

there were stings in their tails. Their power was to hurt men five months” (verses 3, 7-10; New King James Version).

“In Revelation 9:7-9,” Mr. Flurry wrote, “the Apostle John describes some of the weapons of this coming power. John saw these weapons in vision and wasn’t familiar with what he was seeing. He had never seen mechanized vehicles or modern technology. He described what he saw using terms he was familiar with, such as ‘locusts,’ war horses and lions” (*Trumpet*, February 2019; theTrumpet.com/18315).

Mr. Flurry has specifically focused on German technological advancement, like what we are seeing in Ukraine today. Germany is Europe’s most powerful



country and will be the heart of a prophesied “beast.” “Germany’s Luftwaffe is experimenting with drone swarms and investing in artificial intelligence solutions for controlling German drones and destroying enemy drones,” he wrote. “Could these locusts [of Revelation 9] be swarms of various aircraft coordinating their flight patterns through AI?” (*Trumpet*, March 2024).

John wrote the book of Revelation at the close of the first century A.D. Imagine someone from that time seeing a vision of a group of MQ-9 Reapers. Calling it a swarm of locusts, each locust like a horse prepared for battle, with a breastplate of iron and a tail of a scorpion, making noise like many chariots, could be an apt description.

The drone models discussed in this article may not be exactly what John saw.



Perhaps the world has not yet glimpsed what these particular weapons are. *But humanity has reached the age when this type of technology exists.* Just a few years back, technology such as drones wasn’t as commonplace on the battlefield. Modern armies are using these kinds of vehicles to the point where they are replacing soldiers. It doesn’t take much imagination to see vehicles like what John described being made with existing technology.

What This Means

The book of Revelation is filled with fantastical symbols. Many over the centuries have speculated about what they represent. Today, we can see the kinds of systems they represent.

That means Revelation’s terrifying prophecies of worldwide calamity will soon come to pass. “And in those days shall men seek death, and shall not find it; and shall desire to die, and death shall flee from them” (Revelation 9:6).

But there is hope. God promises protection for those who faithfully follow and serve Him. “Because you have kept my call to patient endurance, I will keep you safe through the hour of trial which is coming upon the whole world to test the dwellers on earth” (Revelation 3:10; Moffatt). This time of trouble eventually leads to the reality of Revelation 11:15: “The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever.”

But for those who rebel against Him, God spells out the sore trial that awaits them. Revelation 9 specifies the “locusts” will hunt down “those men which have not the seal [‘mark of ownership, protection’; Amplified Bible] of God ...” (verse 4).

In other words, when you see man’s weapons of war resemble more and more the locusts described in Revelation 9, *it should increase your urgency to repent and turn to God!* ■

John’s visions—drones?

The Apostle John saw visions of terrible things. You can understand what they meant by ordering your free copy of Herbert W. Armstrong’s booklet *Who or What Is the Prophetic Beast?*

Lebanon's new president, Joseph Aoun, welcomes French President Emmanuel Macron after taking office in January.

Prophecy Fulfilled in Lebanon

Hezbollah is being pushed out, just as the Bible indicated it would be. BY MIHAILO S. ZEKIC

WHO LEADS LEBANON? FOR MORE than two years, the answer was *nobody*. President Michel Aoun's term expired in October 2022. Since then, Lebanon's interim government has been a dysfunctional mess. Aoun was an ally of the powerful Hezbollah terrorist organization. After he left, Hezbollah exploited the power vacuum and further increased its political power. But on January 9, Lebanon finally inaugurated a new president, and his first actions indicate that Lebanon's power structure is about to change.

Joseph Aoun (no relation to Michel Aoun) was the former commander of the Lebanese Armed Forces. The military is one of the few institutions well respected by most segments of Lebanon's diverse population. Aoun received backing from a majority of political parties, with 99 out of 128 votes in the legislature. Hezbollah, which controls 15 legislators, did not support him.

In a speech to the legislature, Aoun promised "a new phase in Lebanon's history." Though he characterized Israeli strikes on Hezbollah targets in southern Lebanon as "Israeli aggression," he also said the Lebanese government has "the exclusive right to bear arms." In other words, *Hezbollah must disarm*. At this statement, Aoun received the longest standing ovation of his speech. Under

the Nov. 27, 2024, Israel-Hezbollah ceasefire deal, the Israel Defense Forces withdrew from southern Lebanon on the condition that the Lebanese government supervises all weapons shipments into the country and prevents Hezbollah from remilitarizing.

After Aoun's election, legislators quickly nominated Nawaf Salam as prime minister. Najim Mikati, a pro-Hezbollah figure, had held the office as a caretaker for two years. Salam is a stark contrast. Unlike the rest of Lebanon's cutthroat political class, Salam built his career not by jostling for power in Beirut but by leading the United Nations International Court of Justice in the Netherlands.

The week of Salam's election, Lebanon received a visitor: French President Emmanuel Macron. This was his first trip to Lebanon in over four years. Macron said he hoped the government's changes would mean "a new era, that of a change in political behavior, the return of the state to the benefit of all." He announced a deployment of 80 experts to accompany French forces in southern Lebanon's UN mission. This is a small number, but it demonstrates France's intent to maintain its presence in Lebanon.

These are major developments in the region. And the *Trumpet* finds them especially significant because of Bible prophecy.

Psalms 83 records an alliance of Middle Eastern peoples whose goal is "that the name of Israel may be no more in remembrance" (verse 4). History has no record of an alliance of this composition, so *Trumpet* editor in chief Gerald Flurry points to Psalm 83 as a prophecy for the near future. Verses 6-8 list the peoples forming this alliance. When you know the identity of the modern descendants of these peoples, the prophecy comes alive. Mr. Flurry explains in his booklet *The King of the South* that these descendants include Saudi Arabia, Jordan, Syria, the Palestinian Arabs, Turkey and Germany. And *Gebal* and *Tyre* refer to modern-day Lebanon.

A related prophecy in Daniel 11:40 shows Iran, under the prophetic name "the king of the south," attacking Germany, or "the king of the north." (*The King of the South* goes into further detail.) *This implies that Germany's allies in Psalm 83 also oppose Iran.*

For years, Lebanon under Hezbollah was an Iranian proxy. Because of Psalm 83, the *Trumpet* expected Lebanon to be freed from Iran's grip. The most likely scenario for this would be through Hezbollah's loss of power. "Based on this prophecy," we wrote in October 2020, "we can know for certain that Lebanon is going to side with a German-led Europe," which includes France. Because of Daniel 11, we also predicted that "Lebanon will no longer be allied with Iran" (ibid).

This may have looked unlikely even as recently as five years ago. But current events in Lebanon show *this is happening right now*.

The King of the South highlights other biblical passages that reveal there is more to the story than Lebanon's switch of allegiance. Bible prophecy shows that all of mankind is approaching a supreme global crisis.

Psalm 83:18 shows the purpose and culmination of such prophetic events: "That they may know that You, whose name alone is the Lord, Are the Most High over all the earth" (New King James Version). God is orchestrating events so the world may finally *get to know Him*. In time, prophecy *will* accomplish this purpose. But the faster the individual learns this lesson, the faster they can be spared from coming troubles and obtain the blessings God wants to give. ■

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Jeremiah 1:15 prophesies that “all the families of the kingdoms of the north” are about to surround Jerusalem. This will be a resurrection of the Holy Roman Empire in Europe. Daniel 2 and Revelation 17 prophesy that 10 kings will lead 10 European nations (or groups of nations) controlled by the Catholic Church.

Daniel 11:41 warns that foreign troops will “enter also into the glorious land,” Jerusalem. “And he shall plant the tabernacles of his palace between the seas in the glorious holy mountain ...” (verse 45). Mr. Flurry explained: “Europe will gain so much power in the Middle East, and religion will be such an important part of its empire, that it will actually move its headquarters to Jerusalem!” (*Trumpet*, November-December 2019).

Cyprus is a stepping-stone to exactly this objective.

The Bible also reveals that Jerusalem will be besieged (Zechariah 12:2-3). This siege will last 40 days (Ezekiel 4; request your

free copy of *Ezekiel—The End-Time Prophet*, by Gerald Flurry.) It may not be coincidence that one military exercise conducted in Cyprus with other EU nations is called “Siege Engine 2024.” Siege engines were used by Crusaders to conquer Jerusalem.

Headlines in the near future may report that Catholic- and German-dominated European forces have used Cyprus to cut off maritime trade from reaching Israel and to deploy and supply the deadly armies of the new Holy Roman Empire.

These warnings are clear and devastating. Their fulfillment will shake this world. We must understand *why* God recorded them: to forewarn the nations and to give us an opportunity to avert the disaster by turning to Him. “As I live, saith the Lord God, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked; but that the wicked *turn from his way* and LIVE: TURN YE, TURN YE FROM YOUR EVIL WAYS; for why will ye die, O house of Israel?” (Ezekiel 33:11). This is the only way to ward off the impending disaster! ■

► **CHRISTIANITY** FROM PAGE 14

of one of the gnostic disciples of Simon Magus (Acts 8), a false teacher who taught that the God of the Old Testament was evil and that Jesus came to abolish the law of God rather than magnify it. In his book *The Incredible Human Potential*, Mr. Armstrong noted that Simon “replaced the message Jesus brought from God with a ‘gospel’ about the person of Christ—proclaiming the Messenger but suppressing the entire missing dimension from His message.”

In other words, Simon Magus preached the same idea uttered by the man Mr. Armstrong encountered in 1927. Namely, that Christians don’t have to try to keep God’s law because it’s a burdensome thing and we are now “under grace” instead. So let sin abound.

Paul also encountered this fallacy in the Corinthian congregation, where a man was fornicating with his step-mother. The whole congregation knew what he was doing but would not expel the man from their midst. They gloried in their tolerance until Paul instructed them to excommunicate this man until he repented (1 Corinthians 5:5).

Paul was able to put both the Roman and Corinthian congregations back on track, but the doctrine of lawlessness that Simon established never went away. It has ebbed and flowed throughout the ages, becoming weaker in the days of the Founding Fathers and becoming stronger in modern-day America. Christians must be on guard against this false teaching.

Paul taught that lawlessness would become more common in the days preceding Christ’s return, even among those professing godliness. In 2 Timothy 3:1-5, he wrote, “This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come. For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, Without natural affection, truce-breakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good, Traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God; Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away.”

Many have been seduced by the idea that Jesus’s love for them while they were yet sinners means they can remain sinners (Romans 5:8). This modernist doctrine, which is really an ancient fallacy, has greatly damaged America. It is of utmost importance that Christians

develop a hatred for sin that far exceeds what men like Thomas Manton had.

In his book *The True History of God’s True Church*, Mr. Flurry writes that lawlessness “is what Satan is all about! He is bitter, hateful against God, and perfectly lawless. His false religion preaches that doctrine of lawlessness—though he does a remarkable job of masking it as righteousness. That is a fundamental teaching of the Babylonian mystery religion that emerged from Simon [Magus]: that *the law is done away*. You see that teaching in the mother church as well as in her Protestant daughters. ... Satan has deceived an enormous number of religious people—including Catholics, Protestants and, in far too many cases, even those in God’s true Church—into turning that spectacular grace into a *license to disobey*.”

Many Christians were worried about Barack Obama’s attempts to lead America into radical liberal ideas and overall lawlessness. They prayed for a Trump victory like the man Mr. Armstrong encountered prayed for Loma Armstrong to be healed. God is now empowering President Trump to lead a national resurgence. Yet now that God has blessed America’s faith, He will test its obedience.

If Americans fail this obedience test, the day will come when they find themselves saying, “Brother, something terrible has come over me. God has left me. *He doesn’t answer my prayers anymore*. I don’t understand what has happened.” Americans—including Christians—must repent before it is too late. ■



ARE YOU A PAGAN?

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Are You a Person of Your Word?

“I’LL DO IT,” YOU SAY. THEN THE TIME COMES TO DO IT. WHAT happens? Do you keep your word?

When you tell your friend you will meet him at 6 o’clock, are you ready and waiting at 6 o’clock? When you say you’ll have that project ready by Wednesday morning, *is it finished* on Tuesday night? When you say you will do something, do people KNOW it’s as good as done? Are you a man or woman of your word?

Society today simply does not prioritize keeping one’s word. And we tend to rationalize it: *Things happen—no big deal*. Most of us thus fail to recognize just what a serious *character issue* breaking our word is.

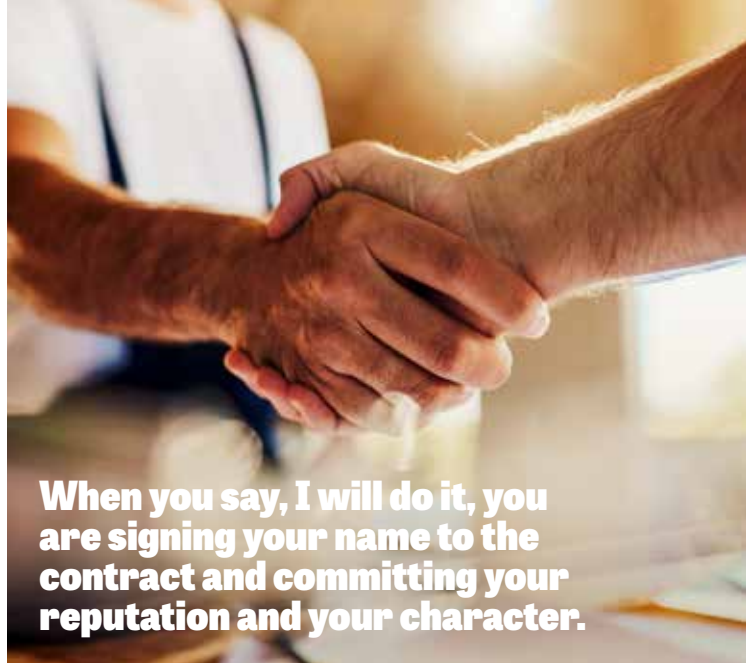
“Only recently a prominent public man was criticized throughout the newspaper world as one not having enough character to keep his promises,” Orison Swett Marden wrote in his 1916 book *Making Life a Masterpiece*. “He had not the stamina to make good *when to do so proved difficult*” (emphasis added throughout).

That is so often the issue: You say you will do something, but then circumstances change and you realize there is inconvenience involved that you didn’t anticipate. Suddenly, what you said you would do doesn’t seem worth it. But think about the long-term cost of losing your credibility. Think about the high cost of developing a reputation for being unreliable. Think about the high cost of compromising your character.

“He hadn’t the timber, the character fiber, to stand up and do the thing he knew to be right and that he had promised to do,” Marden continued. “The world is full of these jellyfish people who have not lime enough in their backbone to stand erect, to do the right thing. They are always stepping into the spotlight in the *good-intention stage*, and then, when the reckoning time comes, *taking the line of least resistance*, doing the thing which will cost the least effort or money, regardless of later consequences. They think they can be as unscrupulous about *breaking* promises as they were about *making* them. But sooner or later fate makes us play fair, or get out of the game.”

What does God think? Well, He keeps His Word (Numbers 23:19). When He says He will do something, He does it. When He gives a promise, He keeps it. We can count on Him to fulfill His every word—every time. Not one jot or tittle of God’s Word will pass away before *all of it* is fulfilled (Matthew 5:18).

In the Old Testament are laws saying that if you make a vow, you’d better keep it (Numbers 30:2; Deuteronomy 23:21-23). They tell us that it’s better not to say something than to say it



When you say, I will do it, you are signing your name to the contract and committing your reputation and your character.

and not do it. When you think about it, breaking your word is actually breaking the Ninth Commandment, which forbids bearing false witness (Exodus 20:16). When you give your word, failing to follow through makes you a LIAR.

We can say all kinds of potential lies without really thinking twice: *I’ll do it; I’ll be there; I’ll pick you up; I’ll bring it over; I’ll help you out*. Don’t say those things if you aren’t willing to do them even when it’s inconvenient. Jesus Christ said that “*every idle word that men shall speak, they shall give account thereof in the day of judgment*” (Matthew 12:36). When you say, *I will do it*, you are signing your name to the contract and committing your reputation and your character. Only a few decades ago, many if not most significant business transactions were sealed with a man’s word and his handshake. No forms. No lawyers. No contracts. The man *saying* it *was* the contract. But modern society has gotten further and further from lives of honesty, uprightness, integrity, truth and trustworthiness. Now, agreements must be bound by carefully worded, signed, notarized contracts because people can’t be trusted to *keep their word!* If everyone struggled and fought to keep his word, no matter the obstacles, we wouldn’t *need* contracts and lawyers!

How can you become a person of your word? 1) *Be careful what you promise*. If you’re not sure you can deliver, don’t commit (James 4:13-14). 2) *When you can’t do it, admit it*. Learn to say no. 3) *Once you’ve said it, do it*. Do whatever you must to remember and then fulfill what you said, without excuse or hesitation. 4) *If you blow it, admit it*. Don’t lie or make up an excuse. When you make a mistake, apologize and do what you can to fix it.

“A man is already of consequence in the world when it is known that we can implicitly rely upon him,” Lord Edward Bulwer-Lytton said. “I have frequently seen in life a person preferred to a long list of applicants for some important charge, which lifts him at once into station and fortune, merely because he has this REPUTATION—that when he says he knows a thing, he knows it, and when he says he will DO a thing, he WILL DO IT.”

What is *your* reputation? Keeping your word should be as important as the Ten Commandments! Because it *is* keeping the Ten Commandments. It is, actually, the LOVE OF GOD. ■

EUROPE

Elections in **Germany** are officially set for February 23. The Free Democrats quit **Olaf Scholz's** unwieldy three-year-old coalition on Nov. 6, 2024, then President **Frank-Walter Steinmeier** announced the dissolution of the legislature on December 27. Now the race for new German leadership is officially underway.

Migration and terrorism are key themes in this election. An immigrant from **Saudi Arabia** deliberately drove a car into a crowd at a German Christmas market in Magdeburg on Dec. 20, 2024, killing six and injuring almost 300. The attacker, **Taleb al-Abdulmohsen**, was a 50-year-old doctor who campaigned against Saudi Arabia and was described as anti-Islam. He had been reported to authorities several times, but they did nothing. The attack has increased Germans' anger toward the political establishment and intensified their desire for change.

The **Christian Democratic Union** holds a strong lead in the polls, but is projected to win only 30 percent of the vote. To have a governing majority, it will have to form a coalition. The far-right party **Alternative für Deutschland** is likely to win second place, but the CDU and most political parties say it is too extreme to bring into a coalition. Yet polls reveal no other easy coalitions, so Germany could find itself still in political paralysis after the election.

We already have a hint of what this could look like. **Austria's far-right Freedom Party** won national elections on Sept. 29, 2024, but lacked a majority. Other parties did not want to give any power to a party founded by ex-SS Nazis. They

spent months trying to form a coalition government that could exclude the FPÖ. By January 1, they had failed, and Austrian Chancellor **Karl Nehammer** resigned to pave the way for the Freedom Party to form Austria's ruling coalition.

The *Trumpet* has long watched for a strong German leader to appear. Editor in chief Gerald Flurry has warned for years that this man could "take advantage of a weak coalition." The weeks ahead will see plenty of opportunities for that. Read our **Trends article*** about a European strongman.

The European Union and the Latin American trade bloc MERCOSUR signed a free-trade deal on Dec. 6, 2024, after 25 years of negotiations. It has taken so long that many gave up on it ever getting across the finish line. Mr. Flurry wrote, "This trade agreement will impact the whole world! It is going to affect your life dramatically" (*Trumpet, March 2019*). The deal creates a free-trade area of nearly 800 million

people and gives the German industrial machine access to cheap raw materials. In time, it will bring Latin America and Europe much closer politically and will give Europe another reason to unite behind a strong leader and coalesce as a superstate.

MERCOSUR includes **Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Paraguay and Uruguay**, with **Venezuela** currently suspended, plus several associate members. The EU does more trade (\$115 billion annually) with this bloc than the United States does, second only to China. Before the agreement can go into effect, it must be ratified by EU member states. "Before Europe can be closely tied to Latin America, something will have to change," wrote Mr. Flurry. "The current politically and religiously disunified EU will have to become a politically, militarily and religiously unified Holy Roman Empire. Latin America is already quite united in its religion; the Holy Roman Empire will have to become united in its religion as well. And the only way to remove

the division is by reducing that union to 10 nations" (ibid). He also wrote, "If this massive trade deal is finalized this year, then I believe we will see the current 28-nation European Union pared down to the prophesied 10-nation superpower this year as well" (ibid). They failed to finalize the deal in 2019, but it is finalized now and awaiting ratification. Could we see the 10-nation superpower emerge in 2025?

Herbert W. Armstrong and his *Plain Truth* magazine also forecast that Latin America would work with a revived European Holy Roman Empire. The October 1957 issue stated: "Latin American nations will join in with the European revival of the old Roman Empire." In 1962, it warned, "The United States is going to be left out in the cold as two gigantic trade blocs, Europe and Latin America, mesh together and begin calling the shots in world commerce."

The MERCOSUR deal paves the way for that to happen. ■

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MIDDLE EAST

China has been secretly supplying Yemen's Houthi rebels with weapons, I24NEWS reported on January 2. China supplies components for constructing ballistic and cruise missiles, and the Houthis refrain from attacking ships in the Red Sea that are flying the Chinese flag. This quid pro quo has been going on for some time. According to a diplomatic source, "Houthi officials have visited China several times last summer and fall, probably for meetings with high-ranking officials of the regime."

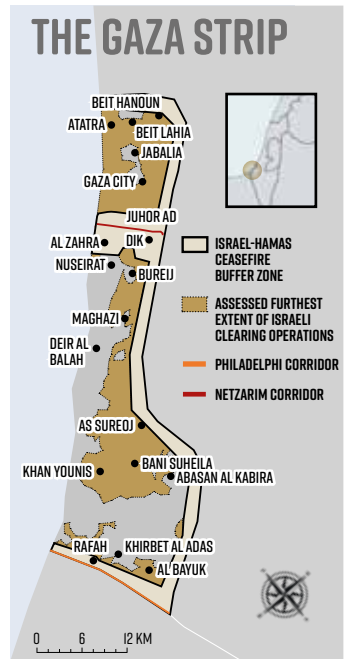
A prophecy in Isaiah 23 describes "a mart of nations" that will gain control of world trade. Verse 1 introduces *Chittim*, the ancestral name of modern China, as a major participant.

As we wrote in our Trends article "Why the Trumpet Watches the Development of a Massive Anti-American Trade Bloc," China's increasing control of the world's most important shipping lanes positions China "to play a lead role alongside a German-led Europe in this colossal mart of nations." Other prophecies show that this alliance will control maritime trade routes like the Red Sea to shut English-speaking peoples out of world trade. This makes China's influence with gatekeepers like the Houthis—to the point of even supplying them with weapons—all the more concerning.

On January 19, Israel and Hamas entered a ceasefire. Brokered by then United States President Joe Biden and President-elect Donald Trump, the ceasefire is divided into three stages. The first stage mandated that Hamas would release

33 hostages, including the bodies of some who have been murdered, in exchange for Israel releasing hundreds of Palestinian prisoners, including notorious terrorists. Mahmud Abu Varda, for example, was sentenced to 48 lifetimes in jail for the murders he planned, including a 1996 bus bombing that killed 45 people. The second stage involves a full Israeli withdrawal in exchange for the release of all remaining hostages. The third stage involves the reconstruction of Gaza as supervised by the United Nations, Egypt and Qatar. This effectively means an Israeli surrender rather than a Hamas surrender.

"Israel is at a crucial decision point right now," Mr. Flurry wrote in February 2024, "and for many reasons, it is extremely vulnerable. It is actually walking into a deadly trap! ... The Jews are desperate for peace, but the way of peace they know not.



Who knows the way? Only God! Peace cannot be obtained by negotiation and surrender, nor by ignoring warning signs and trusting your historic enemies." Read more about the danger in this hostage deal in Mr. Flurry's article on page 9.

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ASIA

No one can stop China's "reunification" with Taiwan, Chinese General Secretary Xi Jinping asserted in his New Year's address. He made clear that the Chinese Communist Party will stop at nothing to take control of Taiwan. China's military buildup means it can force its small island-nation neighbor into submission, one way or the other. The United States has long been the main defender of democratic Taiwan and the only force that has kept China from conquering it. But America's commitments to the island nation are increasingly in doubt, and Bible prophecy warns us that America has lost its will to stand up to aggressors like China. In his 1998 article "Taiwan

Betrayal," Trumpet editor in chief Gerald Flurry wrote, "How could anyone fail to see that Taiwan is destined to become a part of mainland China? These 21 million people [now 23 million] are going to be forced into the Chinese mold; and it is going to happen for one reason: because of a pitifully weak-willed America."

Indonesia was officially welcomed on January 6 as a full member of BRICS, the anti-Western organization named after its first five members: Brazil, Russia, India, China and South Africa. Last year, Egypt, Ethiopia, Iran and the United Arab Emirates joined the coalition, making Indonesia, the world's fourth-most populous nation with an annual gross domestic product of \$1 trillion, the bloc's 10th full member. BRICS struggles with unity and

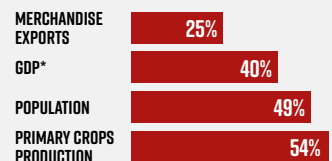
lacks an effective mechanism for fostering economic or military cooperation among its members, but it has the potential to transition into a more meaningful and powerful group in the years ahead. Thus it could play a considerable role in an economic alliance that Bible prophecy calls the "mart of nations," which will block the United States out of world trade. Read "China Is Steering the World Toward War."

A January 8 investigation by the Insider and Der Spiegel confirmed that Vladimir Putin's Russian military intelligence agency paid Taliban forces and other terrorist groups in Afghanistan tens of millions of dollars to attack U.S. and coalition forces. E-mails between Russian agents and Taliban terrorists show that Russia paid up to \$200,000 per

U.S. soldier killed and provided some terrorists with documentation for asylum in Russia. Retired CIA officer Douglas London said, "Russia's intent with the Taliban evolved from minimal assistance and cooperation to proactively bleeding the United States." Mr. Flurry was right when he wrote that Putin is "a vengeful, monstrous friend of the devil with all sorts of anti-God policies."

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BRICS Countries' World Share



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ANGLO-AMERICA

The level and extent to which American media are manipulated was further revealed in a Dec. 19, 2024, *Wall Street Journal* report, “How the White House Functioned With a Diminished Biden in Charge.” After four years of officials and journalists claiming the contrary, the report acknowledges that **Joe Biden** was indeed physically and mentally weak while in the White House, and he was not in control.

The report stated that there “were limits over who Biden spoke with, limits on what they said to him, and limits around the sources of information he consumed.” Senior leaders surrounding Biden, including many loyal to **Barack Obama**, made presidential-level decisions. Toward the end, this included National Security Adviser **Jake Sullivan**, senior counselor **Steve Ricchetti**, and National Economic Council head **Lael Brainard**. Biden was president in name only, his senior officials were carrying out Obama’s agenda, and the media hid these facts from the American people.

Now that **Donald Trump** has returned to the presidency, the

corporate media are reevaluating their collusion with radical leftists. Facebook founder **Mark Zuckerberg** contributed \$419 million to Biden’s 2020 campaign and victory and used Facebook, Instagram and WhatsApp to interfere in U.S. elections by censoring information critical of the Biden crime family and the COVID-19 vaccine. Yet after **Elon Musk** took over the Twitter platform (now called X) and restored free speech, Zuckerberg announced on January 7 that Facebook is replacing its censorship system. Gerald Flurry has written about Bible prophecy that an end-time afflicter of Israel would be silenced. It appears Zuckerberg and other key media figures are no longer listening to Obama (article, page 34).

As free speech becomes more common, however, many people are waking up to the obvious fact

that pornography, which is often advertised as a form of “free speech,” is destroying people’s lives. State representatives in Florida passed a new law that requires online pornography viewers to verify that they are adults by uploading government ID, such as a driver’s license. Rather than comply with this new rule, the largest pornography site in the world, **Pornhub**, disabled its website completely in that state. This makes Florida the 17th state that Pornhub has boycotted in protest of laws designed to protect those too young to protect themselves.

Terrorism also continues to be a problem in America. On January 1, an **Islamic State** terrorist accelerated a pickup truck into a crowd of pedestrians in New Orleans, Louisiana, exited the vehicle, and began shooting at police, murdering 14, and injuring 35 before being killed. Later that day, an active-duty U.S. soldier blew up a truck in front of the Trump International Hotel in Paradise, Nevada. The explosion injured seven bystanders. Leviticus 26:16 lists “terror” as one of the curses God will send against His people if they turn away from His law. Attacks like the New Orleans massacre show that this curse has come to America. ■

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Four years ago, when you wrote “Why Donald Trump Will Remain America’s President,” I wrote a scathing letter in rebuttal citing the Deuteronomy test for a false prophet. Well, he was reelected after that four-year break. You were right, and I was wrong.

Dennis Ott VACAVILLE, CALIFORNIA

For a good part of my life, I have been trying to read and understand the Bible. Nothing worked. About three years ago, I acquired your magazine. It has been the best three years of my life.

John Borgardt AMBOY, ILLINOIS

Your book *America Under Attack* explained to us what is happening. You were right when you told us that God was going to save Israel (for a while) by a modern-day Jeroboam, Mr. Trump.

Loretta KINGWOOD, WEST VIRGINIA

PORNHUB

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GOD IS SILENCING OBAMA



ON JANUARY 20, THE WORLD WATCHED AS DONALD J. TRUMP was inaugurated president of the United States. The crowd seated to one side included his family members, tech billionaires and cabinet nominees. On the other side were former presidents, including Barack Obama. What an amazing scene: This once powerful figure was forced to watch, in person and up close, the inauguration of the man he has tried to destroy. And *immediately* afterward, Mr. Trump began rebuilding what Obama destroyed and destroying what Obama built!

At the beginning of his speech, President Trump greeted Obama by name. He then went on to rightly describe America's time under Obama and his "radical and corrupt establishment" as unsovereign, unsafe, unjust, empowering foreigners and oppressing Americans. He said, "My recent election is a mandate to completely and totally reverse a horrible betrayal and all of these many betrayals that have taken place and to give the people back their faith, their wealth, their democracy and, indeed, their freedom."

Barack Obama had to sit and listen. The world was watching what you could say was the official *silencing* of this man.

Trump had "warred" to recover the presidency (2 Kings 14:28). In the 2024 presidential election, Democrats *lost that war*. Commentators said the Democrats were *annihilated*. In that election, they were led not by Joe Biden or Kamala Harris, but by Barack Obama. This man had been working for years, mostly behind the scenes, to *destroy* America from the top! He fulfilled a prophetic type of Antiochus IV Epiphanes, a man who used deceit to destroy God's people from within—from the top. (I explain this in *America Under Attack*.)

In Amos 7, the first six verses show that God is very angry. The context shows the anger is directed against the destructive work of this political Antiochus. Barack Obama had considerable power with the big corporations, Hollywood, academia, the media and more. He gained that power "by reason of transgression"—that is, because of *the sins of the people* (Daniel 8:12). That is why God allowed the curses of the Obama and Biden years: because of the sins *not only* of the radical left, but of *ALL* the people. Sin is rampant in America, and God will correct that!

In Amos 7:1-6, two times Amos pleaded with God for mercy for Israel, and God relented. But beginning in verse 7, there

is an abrupt change, and the leader is clearly Jeroboam, or Donald Trump.

This is what I wrote in my September 2024 *Trumpet* article about this passage: "When you understand who the modern fulfillment of Jeroboam is, the fact that the first part of this chapter is discussing Barack Obama is clear. But it is conspicuous that *this man is never mentioned directly* in the prophecy, though that is exactly who it is talking about. Why the omission?"

"I have come to realize that the reason God does not mention this modern-day type of Antiochus in this passage is that HE IS BEGINNING TO SILENCE THIS MAN! Barack Obama's power is *diminishing* before our eyes. ... A big part of silencing Obama will be the return of Donald Trump to the presidency, which I have forecast ever since the 2020 election coup."

How true that forecast proved to be. Before the election, Obama campaigned hard for the Democrats. But people didn't listen. They abandoned his pick for president in droves, and huge numbers of voters who had once supported Obama ended up backing Mr. Trump.

After the election, the Democrats, who had wielded so much power to do such radical and destructive things for so long, suddenly appeared very weak and leaderless. "Democrats are a lost party," Axios wrote on Nov. 8, 2024, describing its shrunken power in federal government, courts, states and media. *American Greatness* wrote, "The presidential election was as much about Barack Obama as it was about Kamala Harris and the Democrats, revealing that the former president holds little sway over voters" (Nov. 14, 2024).

Obama wielded power beyond any other figure in recent memory. Many people *still* don't realize how much of America's self-destruction traces back to him. But now he is a shell of what he was!

Perhaps the easiest way to see this was Joe Biden's impotent efforts in his final days in office. He spent the two months after the election doing everything he could to hamper the incoming administration. He submitted a plan to the United Nations to reduce U.S. greenhouse gas emissions as part of the Paris Climate Agreement; Donald Trump pulled out of the whole agreement on day one. Biden banned oil drilling in 625 million acres of U.S. coastal waters; Trump immediately signed an executive order to reverse it. Biden agreed to a dangerous deal with Cuba and the Vatican, removing Cuba from the list of state sponsors of terror; Trump put Cuba back on the list days later. Biden refused to sell weapons to Israel; Trump immediately overturned the weapons ban.

Eight years ago, Barack Obama used the end of his presidency to spring the Russia-gate trap, ensuring that Mr. Trump's first term was consumed in legal fights and allowing Obama to cover up his own illegal attempts to steal the 2016 election. This time, he appears toothless.

We will see just how decisive and permanent this loss of influence is. As I wrote in *America Under Attack*, from Amos 7:7 on, we see no hint of Barack Obama. When Jeroboam returns, "[w]ill that be the end of the political Antiochus's real power?" I wrote. "God does not say definitely, but I believe Amos 7 strongly indicates it. There are certain to be some big changes."

It appears those "big changes" are exactly what America and the world have just witnessed. ■

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St. Louis KDNL-NEST 6:00, Sun; KUMO-LD-RETRO TV 7:30, Sun; KPLR-TV-COMET TV 7:00, Sun; KSDK 5:00, Sun; WBGU-BUZZR 5:30, Sun; WPXS-RETRO TV 7:30, Sun

MONTANA

Billings KSVI 10:00, Sun; KTVQ-DT 6:30, 8:30, Sun; KQHD-LD-RETRO TV 9:30, Sun
Bozeman K04QX-D-RETRO TV 9:30, Sun; KBZK-DT/KXLF-DT 8:30, Sun
Butte K04QX-D-RETRO TV 9:30, Sun; KBZK-DT/KXLF-DT 8:30, Sun
Glendive KWZB 8:30, Sun
Great Falls KRTV-DT 8:30, Sun
Helena KTVH-DT 8:30, Sun
Missoula KPAX-DT 8:30, Sun

NEBRASKA

Hastings KWBL/KCWH-LD 8:30, Sun
Kearney KWBL/KCWH-LD 8:30, Sun
Lincoln KWBL/KCWH-LD 8:30, Sun
Omaha KPTM-COMET TV 7:00, Sun; KXVO-NEST 6:00, Sun; WOWT 6:00 Sun
North Platte KIIT-LD2/KWPL 8:30, Sun
Scottsbluff KGWN-DT 8:30, Sun

NEVADA

Las Vegas KGNB-BUZZR 3:30, Sun; KVCV-COMET TV 5:00, Sun; KVGA-LD-FAMILY TV 7:30, Sun; KVGC-NEST 7:00, Sun; KVGA-LD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun
Reno KCNL-LD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun; KNSN-TV-COMET TV 5:00, Sun; KNSN-NEST 7:00, Sun; KOL03/KREN-DT 9:30, Sun; KRMF-LD-FAMILY TV 7:30, Sun

NEW MEXICO

Albuquerque KCHF-RETRO TV 9:30, Sun; KOB 4:30, Sun; KRTR-LD 4:30, Sun; KYNM-CD-FAMILY TV 8:30, Sun; NRQE 5:30, Sun
Santa Fe KCHF-RETRO TV 9:30, Sun; KOB/KOBF 6:30, Sun

NEW YORK

Albany WCWN-NEST 7:00, Sun; WNGX-LD-FAMILY TV 7:30, Sun; WRGB-COMET TV 8:00, Sun; WYBN-BUZZR 6:30, Sun; WYBN-LD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun
Binghamton WBNG-DT 9:30, Sun
Buffalo WBXZ-BUZZR 6:30, Sun; WBXZ-LD 6:30, Sun; WBXZ-LP-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun; WNYO, 12:00 p.m., Sun; WNYO-NEST 7:00, Sun; WNYO 9:00 p.m. Sun; WNYO-TV-COMET TV 8:00, Sun; WUTV 10:30, Sun
Elmira-Corning WENY-DT 9:30, Sun
New York City WLNY-NEST 7:00, Sun; WPIX 11:30, Sun; WWOR, 8:00, Sun; WWOR-TV-BUZZR 6:30, Sun
Plattsburgh WPTZ-DT 9:30, Sun; WYMA-CD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun
Rochester WBGT-CD 6:30, Sun; WUHF-COMET TV 8:00, Sun
Schenectady WCWN-NEST 7:00, Sun; WNGX-LD-FAMILY TV 7:30, Sun; WRGB-COMET TV 8:00, Sun; WYBN-LD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun

Syracuse WONO-CD 6:30, Sun; WSTM-TV-COMET TV 8:00; WSyr 9:00, Sun
Troy WCWN-NEST 7:00, Sun; WNGX-LD-FAMILY TV 7:30, Sun; WYBN-LD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun
Utica WKTV-DT 9:30, Sun
Watertown WWTI-DT 9:30, Sun

NORTH CAROLINA

Anderson WASV-LP-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun; WNGS-LD-FAMILY TV 7:30, Sun
Asheville WASV-LP-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun; WLOS-NEST 7:00, Sun; WNGS-LD-FAMILY TV 7:30, Sun; WYCW 9:00, Sun
Bowling Green WBKO 12:30, Fri
Charlotte WAXN 3:00, Sun; WAXN-10:00, Sun; WCCB 5:00/10:30, Sun; WHKY-TV-COMET TV 8:00, Sun; WMYT-BUZZR 6:30, Sun; WVEB-LD-NEST 7:00, Sun
Durham WDRH-LD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun; WLFL-NEST 7:00, Sun; WNCB-BUZZR 6:30, Sun; WRDC-COMET TV 8:00, Sun; WTVB 6:30, Sun
Fayetteville WDRH-LD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun; WLFL-NEST 7:00, Sun; WTVB 6:30, Sun
Greensboro WMYV-COMET TV 8:00, Sun; WXLV-NEST 7:00, Sun
Greenville WCTI-TV-COMET TV 8:00, Sun; WJGC-LD-FAMILY TV 7:30, Sun; WJGC-LD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun; WNCT-DT 9:30, Sun; WYDO-NEST 7:00, Sun
Hickory WHKY-TV-COMET TV 8:00, Sun
High Point WMYV-COMET TV 8:00, Sun; WXLV-NEST 7:00, Sun
New Bern WJGC-LD-FAMILY TV 7:30, Sun; WJGC-LD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun; WCTI-TV-COMET TV 8:00, Sun; WNCT-DT 9:30, Sun; WYDO-NEST 7:00, Sun
Raleigh WDRH-LD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun; WLFL-NEST 7:00, Sun; WRDC 10:30, Sun; WRDC-COMET TV 8:00, Sun; WNCB-BUZZR 6:30, Sun; WTVB 6:30, Sun
Salem WMYV-COMET TV 8:00, Sun
Washington WJGC-LD-FAMILY TV 7:30, Sun; WJGC-LD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun; WNCT-DT 9:30, Sun; WYDO-NEST 7:00, Sun
Winston-Salem WXLV-NEST 7:00, Sun
Wilmington WECT 6:00, Sun; WSFX-TV 6:30, Sun
Winston WMYV-COMET TV 8:00, Sun

NORTH DAKOTA

Bismarck KXMD 8:30, Sun
Dickinson KXMD/KXMC-DT2 8:30, Sun
Fargo KCPM-RETRO TV 7:30, Sun; KXJB 8:30, Sun
Minot KXMD/KXMC-DT2 8:30, Sun
Valley City KXJB 8:30, Sun

OHIO

Akron W27DG-D-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun; WTVX 8:30, Sun; WTVX-LD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun
Chillicothe WWHO-COMET TV 8:00, Sun
Cincinnati WKRC-NEST 7:00, Sun; WOTH-BUZZR 6:30, Sun; WSTR-TV-COMET TV 8:00, Sun
Cleveland W27DG-D-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun; WEKA-LD-BUZZR 6:30, Sun; WIVM/WTVX 8:30, Sun; WTVX-LD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun; WJW-TV-COMET TV 8:00, Sun; WUAB 7:30, Sun
Columbus WOGB-BUZZR 6:30, Sun; WSYX-NEST 7:00, Sun; WWHO-COMET TV 8:00, Sun
Dayton WKEF 10:00, Sun; WKEF-NEST 7:00, Sun; WRGF-TV-COMET TV 8:00, Sun
New Philadelphia WIVD-LD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun
Steubenville WBWO 9:30, Sun
Toledo WNNW-TV-COMET TV 8:00, Sun
Youngstown EYTV 11:30, Sun

OKLAHOMA

Ada KTNB-DT 8:30, Sun
Lawton KAUZ-DT 8:30, Sun
Oklahoma City KBZC-LD-BUZZR 5:30, Sun; KOCB-COMET TV 7:00, Sun; KOKH-NEST 6:00, Sun; KWRW-LD-RETRO TV 7:30, Sun
Tulsa KMYT-TV 5:30, Sun; KQCW 9:30, Sun; KTUL-COMET TV 7:00, Sun; KTUO-LD-RETRO TV 7:30, Sun; KUOC-LD-BUZZR 5:30, Sun

OREGON
Bend KTVZ-DT 9:30, Sun
Eugene K44JP-D-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun; KMTR-COMET TV 5:00, Sun
Medford-Klamath Falls KTVL-COMET TV 5:00, Sun; KTVL-DT 9:30, Sun
Portland KATU-COMET TV 5:00, Sun; KUNP-NEST 7:00, Sun
Yakima-Pasco-Richland-Kennewick K20MJ-D-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun

PENNSYLVANIA

Altoona WHVL-BUZZR 6:30, Sun; WJAC-TV-COMET TV 8:00, Sun
Erie WSEE-DT/WICU-DT 9:30, Sun
Johnstown WHVL-BUZZR 6:30, Sun; WJAC-TV-COMET TV 8:00, Sun
Philadelphia WDPN-TV-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun; WPSG-COMET TV 8:00, Sun; WPSG-NEST 7:00, Sun; WTXF-TV-BUZZR 6:30, Sun
Pittsburgh WOSB-BUZZR 6:30, Sun; WPKD 9:30, Sun; WPNT-COMET TV 8:00, Sun; WPNT-NEST 7:00, Sun; WPTG-CD 6:30, Sun; WPTG-CD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun
Scranton WSWB-COMET TV 8:00, Sun; WSWB-NEST 7:00, Sun
State College WANT/WWCP 8:30, Sun; WHVL-BUZZR 6:30, Sun; WJAC-TV-COMET TV 8:00, Sun
Wilkes-Barre WSWB-COMET TV 8:00, Sun; WSWB-NEST 7:00, Sun

RHODE ISLAND

Providence WJAR-COMET TV 8:00, Sun

SOUTH CAROLINA

Anderson WLOS-NEST 7:00, Sun; WYCW 9:00, Sun
Charleston ECIV 8:30, Sun; WCBD-DT 9:30, Sun; WCIV-NEST 7:00, Sun; WLOW-LD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun
Columbia WACH-COMET TV 8:00, Sun
Florence WPDE-TV-COMET TV 8:00, Sun; WTNG-CD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun; WWMB-DT 9:30, Sun; WWMB-NEST 7:00, Sun
Greenville WASV-LP-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun; WLOS-NEST 7:00, Sun; WNGS-LD-FAMILY TV 7:30, Sun; WNGS-LD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun; WYCW 9:00, Sun; XXXX-BUZZR 6:30, Sun
Hardeeville WTGS-COMET TV 8:00, Sun
Myrtle Beach WPDE-TV-COMET TV 8:00, Sun; WTNG-CD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun; WWMB-DT 9:30, Sun; WWMB-NEST 7:00, Sun
Rock Hill WMYT-TV-BUZZR 6:30, Sun
Spartanburg WASV-LP-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun; WLOS-NEST 7:00, Sun; WNGS-LD-FAMILY TV 7:30, Sun; WNGS-LD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun; WSPA 12:00 p.m., Sun; WYCW 9:00, Sun

SOUTH DAKOTA

Rapid City KLCO-DT 8:30, Sun; KRCP-LP-FAMILY TV 8:30, Sun; KRCP-LP-RETRO TV 9:30, Sun
Sioux Falls-Mitchell KRCP-LP-RETRO TV 7:30, Sun; KSFY-DT 8:30, Sun

TENNESSEE

Chattanooga WDNB-CD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun; WOOT-LD-FAMILY TV 7:30, Sun; WOOT-LD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun
Jackson WNBj 8:30, Sun
Jacksonport-Johnson City WLFG-BUZZR 6:30, Sun
Knoxville WKNX 1:30 p.m., Sun; WKXT-LD-FAMILY TV 7:30, Sun; WKXT-LD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun

Memphis KPMF-BUZZR 5:30, Sun; WHBQ 5:30, Sun
Nashville WJNK-BUZZR 5:30, Sun; WNB-NEST 6:00, Sun; WWHL-LD-RETRO TV 7:30, Sun; WUXP-TV-COMET TV 7:00, Sun; WWHL-LD-FAMILY TV 6:30, Sun
Spring City WOOT-LD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun

TEXAS

Abilene KTXZ-DT 8:30, Sun; KVII-TV-COMET TV 7:00, Sun
Amarillo KLKW-BUZZR 5:30, Sun; KVII-DT/KVIH-DT 8:30, Sun
Austin KGBS-CD-NEST 6:00, Sun; KTBC-BUZZR 5:30, Sun
Beaumont KAQB-LD-RETRO TV 7:30, Sun; KBTV-TV-COMET TV 7:00, Sun; KBTV-TV-NEST 6:00, Sun; KFDM-DT 8:30, Sun
Brownsville KCWTK/KNVO-DT 8:30, Sun; KGBT-TV-COMET TV 7:00, Sun
Corpus Christi K33QP-D-RETRO TV 7:30, Sun; KIII ABC 9:30, Sun; KRIS-DT 8:30, Sun
Dallas KDAF 7:00, Sun; KDFI-BUZZR 5:30, Sun; KFWD-RETRO TV 7:30, Sun; KTXD-NEST 6:00, Sun; KTXD-TV-COMET TV 7:00, Sun
El Paso KFOX-NEST 9:00, Sun; KFOX-TV-COMET TV 7:00, Sun; KTSM 7:00, Sun
Fort Worth KDFI-BUZZR 5:30, Sun; KDFW 5:00, Sun; KFWD-RETRO TV 7:30, Sun; KTXD-TV-COMET TV 7:00, Sun; WFAA 5:30, Sun
Harlingen KCWTK/KNVO-DT 8:30, Sun; KGBT-TV-COMET TV 7:00, Sun; KTFV-CD-NEST 6:00, Sun
Houston KIAH-COMET TV 7:00, Sun; KTXH 10:30, Sun; KTXH-BUZZR 5:30, Sun; KVQT-LD-RETRO TV 7:30, Sun
Laredo KLDO-TV-NEST 6:00, Sun; KYLX 8:30, Sun
Longview KDKJ-BUZZR 5:30, Sun; KLNLM-LD-FAMILY TV 6:30, Sun; KLNLM-LD-RETRO TV 7:30, Sun; KYTX-DT 8:30, Sun; KLNLM-LD-RETRO TV 7:30, Sun; KYLM-BUZZR 5:30, Sun
Lufkin KLNLM-LD-FAMILY TV 6:30, Sun; KLNLM-LD-RETRO TV 7:30, Sun; KTXH 10:30, Sun; KTXH-BUZZR 5:30, Sun; KYLX 8:30, Sun
Midland KWAB-DT/KWES-DT 8:30, Sun; KWES 10:00, Sunday
Nacogdoches KLNLM-LD-FAMILY TV 6:30, Sun; KLNLM-LD-RETRO TV 7:30, Sun; Odessa KWAB-DT/KWES-DT 8:30, Sun; KTXH 10:30, Sun; KTXH-BUZZR 5:30, Sun
Port Arthur KAQB-LD-RETRO TV 7:30, Sun; KBTV-TV-COMET TV 7:00, Sun; KBTV-TV-NEST 6:00, Sun; KFDM, 2:05, Sat/8:30, Sun
San Angelo KTXE 8:30, Sun
San Antonio KMYS-NEST 6:00, Sun; KOBZ-BUZZR 5:30, Sun; KRTX-LP-FAMILY TV 6:30, Sun; KRTX-LP-RETRO TV 7:30, Sun
Sherman KTEB-DT 8:30, Sun
Sweetwater KTXS-DT 8:30, Sun
Tyler KDKJ-BUZZR 5:30, Sun; KLNLM-LD-FAMILY TV 6:30, Sun; KLNLM-LD-RETRO TV 7:30, Sun; KTRF 11:30, Sun; KYTX-DT 8:30, Sun
Victoria KVCT-DT3/KWVB 9:30, Sun
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Weslaco KCWT/KNVO-DT 8:30, Sun
Wichita Falls KAUZ-DT 8:30, Sun; KFDX 6:00, Sun

U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS
Charlotte Amalie WVXF 6:30, Sun

UTAH

Salt Lake City KBTU-BUZZR 4:30, Sun; KJZZ-TV-COMET TV 6:00, Sun; KMTI-LD-RETRO TV 9:30, Sun; KUTO-LD-FAMILY TV 8:30, Sun
Paute-Richfield KSVL-LD-RETRO TV 9:30, Sun

VERMONT

Burlington WFFF 10:00, Sun; WPTZ-DT 9:30

VIRGINIA

Abingdon-Meadowview WLFG-BUZZR 6:30, Sun
Bristol WCYB-TV-COMET TV 8:00, Sun
Charlottesville WVMR-DT 9:30, Sun
Dryden-Big Stone Gap-Norton WLFG-BUZZR 6:30, Sun
Grundy-Vansant WLFG-BUZZR 6:30, Sun
Hampton-Norfolk WSKY 9:00, Sun
Harrisonburg WVMR-DT 9:30, Sun; W29DH-D-COMET TV 8:00, Sun
Lynchburg WSET-TV-COMET TV 8:00, Sun
Newport News WTKR 6:30, Sun
Norfolk WAVY-NEST 7:00, Sun; WTKR 6:30, Sun; WTVZ-TV-COMET TV 8:00, Sun; WVBT 6:30/10:00, Sun
Richmond WRLH-TV-COMET TV 8:00, Sun; WUPV 6:00/10:30, Sun; WWBT 1:30, Sat
Roanoke WSET-TV-COMET TV 8:00, Sun
WASHINGTON D.C.
WJLA-TV-COMET TV 8:00, Sun; WMDE-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun; WTTG 6:30, Sun; WTTG-BUZZR 6:30, Sun

WASHINGTON

Kennewick KORX-NEST 7:00, Sun; KUNW-CD-NEST 7:00, Sun; KVVK-CD-COMET TV 5:00, Sun; KVVK-CD-NEST 7:00, Sun
Pasco KEPR-DT 9:30, Sun; KORX-NEST 7:00, Sun; KUNW-CD-NEST 7:00, Sun; KVVK-CD-NEST 7:00, Sun
Richland KEPR-DT 9:30, Sun; KORX-NEST 7:00, Sun; KUNW-CD-NEST 7:00, Sun; KVVK-CD-NEST 7:00, Sun
Seattle KCPQ 7:00, Sun; KUNS-NEST 7:00, Sun; KYMU-LD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun
Spokane KREM 6:00, Sun
Tacoma KUNS-NEST 7:00, Sun; KYMU-LD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun
Yakima KEPR-DT 9:30, Sun; KORX-NEST 7:00, Sun; KUNW-CD-COMET TV 5:00, Sun; KUNW-CD-NEST 7:00, Sun; KVVK-CD-NEST 7:00, Sun

WEST VIRGINIA

Beckley WVA-DT 9:30, Sun
Bluefield WVA-DT 9:30, Sun
Charleston WTPZ-BUZZR 6:30, Sun; WVAH-NEST 7:00, Sun; WVAH-TV-COMET TV 8:00, Sun
Fairmont WVUX-LD 6:30, Sun
Huntington WVAH-NEST 7:00, Sun
Oak Hill WVA-DT 9:30, Sun
Parkersburg WCWP/WOVA-LD2 9:30, Sun
Wheeling WBWO 9:30, Sun

WISCONSIN

Appleton WCWF-NEST 6:00, Sun
Eau Claire WXOW-DT/WQOW-DT 8:30, Sun
Green Bay WCWF 10:00, Sun; WCWF-COMET TV 7:00, Sun; WCWF-NEST 6:00, Sun
La Crosse WXOW-DT/WQOW-DT 8:30, Sun
Madison WKOW 5:30, Sun; WMSN-TV-COMET TV 7:00, Sun
Milwaukee WTAS-LD-FAMILY TV 6:30, Sun; WTAS-LD-RETRO TV 7:30, Sun; WTSJ-BUZZR 5:30, Sun; WVTV 10:30, Sun; WVTV-DT2-COMET TV 7:00, Sun
Rhineland WAOW/WYOW 8:30, Sun
Superior KDHL-DT 8:30, Sun
Suring WCWF-COMET TV 7:00, Sun
Wausau WAOW-DT/WYOW-DT 8:30, Sun
WYOMING
Casper KCWY-DT 8:30, Sun
Cheyenne KGWN-DT 8:30, Sun
Jackson Riverton KCWY-DT 8:30, Sun

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NATIONWIDE

American Crimes Network Nationwide 10:30, Sun

BUZZR Nationwide 6:30 ET, 5:30 CT,
4:30 MT, 3:30 PT, Sun

GETTV Nationwide 6:30, Sun

TBD 8:30 ET/PT, Sun

NATIONWIDE CABLE

CHARGE 6:30 ET/PT, 5:30 CT, 7:30 MT, Sun

COMET 8:00 ET, 7:00 CT, 6:00 MT, 5:00 PT, Sun

CW PLUS 9:30, 6:30 ET/PT, Sun, 8:30,
5:30 CT/MT, Sun; 5:30, ET/PT, Mon-Thurs,
4:30 CT/MT, Mon-Thurs

FAMILY 7:30 ET, PT, 6:30 CT, 8:30 MT, Sun

NEST 7:00 ET/PT, 6:00 CT, 9:00 MT, Sun

RETRO 8:30 ET, PT, 7:30 CT, 9:30 MT, Sun

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NATIONWIDE CABLE

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CHCH 11:30 ET, Sun

ALBERTA

Medicine Hat CHAT 8:30, Sun

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Kamloops CFJC 9:00, Sun

Prince George CKPG 9:00, Sun

Vancouver CHEK 8:30, Sun; CHNU 11:30,

Sun/10:00, Tues; KCPQ 7:00, Sun

Victoria CHNU 11:30, Sun/10:00, Tues

MANITOBA

Winnipeg CITT Joy TV 11:00, Sun

ONTARIO

Toronto WUTV 10:30, Sun

Windsor WKBD-TV-COMET TV 8:00, Sun

QUEBEC

Montreal WVNY 10:30, Sun

CARIBBEAN

BAHAMAS FOX W Chan. 216, 10:30, Sun

AUSTRALASIA

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FIJI

Nationwide MaTV 9:00, Sun

PHILIPPINES

Nationwide GMA 5:30, Sun

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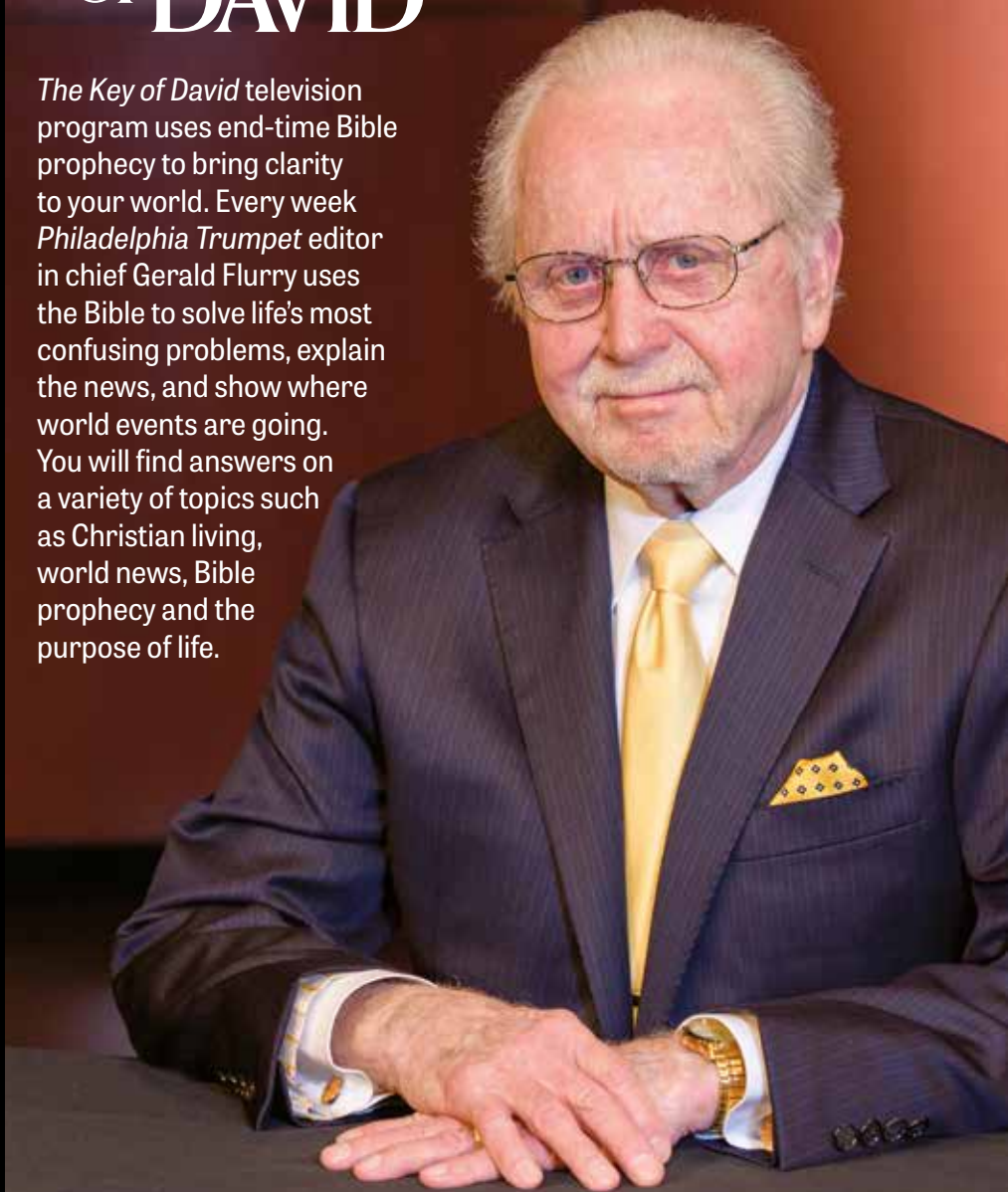
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