## THE GREAT PLAN OF ALMIGHTY GOD

Chapter 12 – Part 4 By Neville V. Stevens

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Most people now understand that they are dealing with a treacherous enemy; and it's the same age-old enemy that has continued to commit the same treacherous and grievous evil that has dominated their very existence. Even today in Africa and throughout the Moslem Middle East they traffic in slaves. There have been recent accounts of Moslems in North-West Africa who have multiple wives, and they actually breed children to be sold into the slave trade. These degenerates actually breed their own children to be sold as slaves. Islam has been an evil blight on all humanity from its very inception. They are evil loathsome creatures that are undeserving of the very air they breathe. It's become very obvious just how *ruthless* they are. By sheer coincidence, the word '*ruthless*' is also used by God in describing them in Hab 1:6.

And being ruthless, they don't hesitate to blow up the innocent and create mayhem and terror. The West is only just learning how to prevent these terror attacks, but with limited success because they seem to lack certain understanding of the problem. The Israelis were able to solve the major part of the problem by building a wall to keep them out. The Israelis reasoned that if these murderous maniacs couldn't get near the Jewish people, then they couldn't do them harm. The problem is, the rest of the world doesn't like it – they seem to believe that the rights of murderous insurgents are more important than the protection of human life! When authorities condone the murder of innocent people, then they forfeit all rights to everything. And when the world condones the type of evil exhibited by the Palestinian authority, then they too, lose their rights to give impartial advice. But it seems that it doesn't stop them from giving bad advice.

Yet another ingenious solution adopted by the Israelis, and which the rest of the world doesn't like, is targeted assassinations. Every time Israelis are killed by assassins, the Israelis target the leadership of Hamas, Islamic Jihadists, or other terrorist killers condoned by the Palestinians, then suddenly a carload of these swine gets vaporized by targeted assassination, and the U.S. State Department criticizes the Israelis. It's hard not to be cynical of the State Department when they seem to believe that it's better for Israelis to be targeted than the authorities of the Palestinian Authority who actively promote these atrocities. We constantly hear such terms as 'cutting the head off the snake' from the State Department in relation to bin Laden and his Al Qaeda cronies as a means to destroy the leadership of terrorist organizations, but in their view, the Israelis cannot do the same.

It seems that the Godly principle of *an eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth* is no longer condoned by the West. In regard to the Holy Land, the U.S. always seems to get it wrong! So does the rest of the world, but that is not the point. The point is that it's America that has proposed the 'roadmap for peace' in the region, and this is heavily weighted against the Israelis. It seems that the Israelis must concede everything before any Palestinian obligations under this roadmap are required. And so the mindless killing of the innocent continues unabated, and without protest from the West! Is it justice to be placating such evil creatures as the Palestinians? The passive acceptance of such conduct is a serious mistake, and America is about to find this out. Almighty God plans to help them to realize their mistakes. Mind you, it's going to take a while! But once they've lost the war and lost their nation, the much needed post-mortem can begin. Perhaps then they will realize just how important the Holy Land is to God!

There are a few things they could be doing now. Firstly, the U.S. should realize that they are a nation, and <u>not</u> a church. They must come to the realization that when someone 'smites' them, they don't need to turn the other cheek. As a <u>nation</u>, the principle is '<u>an eye for an eye</u>, <u>and a tooth for a tooth</u>.' This is the principle that applies when God is dealing with the House of Israel and through <u>the Armies of the Living God</u>. As for the instruction concerning this, you only need to read the story of King David's life, <u>who was a man after God's own heart</u> (Acts 13:22). One thing that can be said of David with stark realism is that <u>he knew who the enemy was!</u> No-one was given a free pass to go on killing Israelites as long as David was in charge. No wonder God loved David! He really was a man after God's own heart!

So it's time to learn something of David's ways and apply them in the present circumstances. Would a life for a life seem reasonable? If Moslem swine kill Israelis, Australians, Brits or Americans, is it reasonable to require a life for a life? Not only is it reasonable, *but God demands it*! Obviously, if a suicide bomber kills a hundred people when he detonates himself, then, at a bare minimum, a hundred lives must be forfeited in recompense for the outrage. Now try to think like David; so who should forfeit their lives? Take a moment or two to decide. Obviously, the killer's family would be a viable target, but they probably wouldn't number a hundred, so others must be found. Where are these plots

hatched? Isn't it in the Mosques? Aren't these Mosques the breeding ground of these ruthless killers? Moslem bookshops are another target, but how many work there? Usually, not a hundred!

OK. Times up! The answer is the Mosques. Yes, this is all somewhat speculative because no-one in the Western World is going to target these killers in the manner prescribed by David and God. But we could speculate on what David would have done in such circumstances. Now David was a wise man, and he loved justice - the type of justice that acts as a deterrent. Being a man of God, David would have applied 'an eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth' principle. David would have targeted the very core of their religious belief system that motivated the outrage. Hence the mosques and everyone in them would have been destroyed. It's in these synagogues of Satan that hatred of Jews and Christians is actively promoted. Islam has a long history of trying to emulate the Jews outwardly. They promote Friday as their 'sabbath' in defiance of the teachings of God. They've selectively chosen many things to appear Jew-like in their conduct, like abstaining from pig meat. Yet the ones they appear to emulate, and whose land they want, are the very ones they seek to kill. What is more, they want Jerusalem and the Holy Mount, and they refuse to concede that they have no rights to either. In fact, their idea is to murder all the Jews and take their place. But then, I expect the whole world already knows this! The 'fake Jew' syndrome has been spreading rapidly in recent years as more and more people actively attempt to appear outwardly as Jews. More and more these people are becoming the spokesmen of the Jews, but they are <u>not</u> Jews <u>inwardly</u>! In fact, by their comments, they place themselves in the camp of the antichrist, and the Islamic religion is the foremost advocate of this philosophy. So it's not hard to guess which side these fake Jews are on. God has something to say about fake Jews in Rev 2:9 and 3:9.

Remembering what the Moslems did to the Christian children in the Beslan school in Russia; how they blew them up with bombs and then shot them in the back when they tried to escape, David would have liberally applied the same methodology in retaliation. He would have blown up the Mosque when it was full of Moslems, and then shot them in the back as they tried to escape. David knew how to get the job done! And David knew the meaning of an eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth. I suspect the Russians who captured the Moslem killers of the Beslan massacre have a better idea of how to deal with such people than the bleeding-heart brigade of the U.S. justice system. I suspect the Russians have a better handle on the meaning of 'an eye for an eye, and a tooth for a tooth'!

Obviously, this couldn't happen today - at least not officially sanctioned by any Western government, who would rather see their own people killed than retaliate in an effective manner. Mind you, it has happened in the recent past, but not against Moslems. It happened in Waco, Texas, but this was Christians (and Sabbath keepers at that), rather than Moslems, so they were considered fair game. After bringing in tanks and heavy artillery, together with snipers, they besieged the compound in which the Branch Davidians were seeking refuge. Considering the arsenal arraigned against them, one might be forgiven for believing these were ruthless killers and suicide bombers. They were neither! They were merely Sabbath-keeping Christians, who were no more culpable of any crime than the Pope. After years of hassassment by the authorities and a constant barrage of unfounded allegations, it was decided to teach them a lesson. Unfortunately for the authorities, the eye for an eye principle couldn't be applied – because they had committed  $\underline{no}$  crime. But the authorities believed that at some future time, they just might. So they reasoned that they should kill them all then and there, and so assuage future sins. With a careful use of rhetoric, they could make their slaughter seem justified. The plan went into action - they would burn them out. Now comes the bizarre part. They fired incendiary bombs from a heavy weapons carrier into the end of the building and turned it into a fireball. They later claimed they fired teargas, but no-one ever reported smelling it. These murderous fools burned scores of men, women and children to death - and all based on a hunch that they might be guilty of something. It wasn't until the charred bodies of these people – including women and children – were removed that the whole saga of this monstrous act was revealed for what it was. Cold-blooded murder! As God puts it, they 'killed those who should not have died, and spared those who should not live'. The hunch was that there might have been sexual impropriety against the children, so the solution was to kill all the children and everyone else in the building. Some solution! What demented mind orchestrated this? It's true that they might have expected a different outcome, but what was the purpose of besieging a Christian church in the first place, and especially with heavy military equipment? Did they really need an armoured tank to fire tear-gas as they claimed? But all this acts as a reminder of the ferocity displayed when dealing with Christians by authorities, but baulk at depriving murderous Moslems of their rights.

So now we have the same self-righteous hypocrites who won't even enter a mosque to capture killers of the innocent. There is an avalanche of evidence against mosques all over the world, but for reasons understood only by lunatics, mosques are safe-havens for murderous Moslem terrorists. I

wonder why the authorities don't apply the same reasoning to the mosques as they did to the Branch Davidians. At least those in the mosques are collectively guilty of something under the eye for an eye principle – whereas the Branch Davidians were not! You may argue that the Branch Davidians were guilty of misusing or misunderstanding the Scriptures, but this is true of every single church on the face of the earth – including the Churches of God. All are guilty of flagrantly perverting the Scriptures, and all will pay the price! But it's the monumental hypocrisy that is so galling to the observer. The authorities had a snout on the Branch Davidians because of some perceived sexual dalliances; so acting on this hunch, every man, woman and child had to be destroyed, and this was the end result!

# THE SAGA OF THE ANTHRAX SCARE

And now on the fourth anniversary of 9-11, we've gotten further information on the anthrax scare. This has only come about because Dr. Steven J. Hadfield is suing the FBI and related

government agencies for destroying his life with false accusations against him, which were based on <u>absolutely no</u> evidence whatsoever.

When the wakeup call came on 9-11, everyone knew that Islamic terrorists had finally hit Americans. Immediately after this attack on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon, the anthrax letters were mailed out, saying 'This is next' as the letter in the caption shows. This started the mad scramble by the CIA to find out which Muslims had been taking lessons in flying *crop-dusters*. Sure enough, there were plenty of them. Some were questioned, others escaped. investigation of these 'crop-dusters' stalled because of a lack of 'probable



Dr. Steven J. Hadfield is now suing the FBI for their mindless rampage on his integrity. And he does know how to spell Penicillin.

cause' and civil rights issues. The perception was that illegal aliens must not be subjected to search warrants. It was the FBI that raised these 'political correctness' issues, because they didn't want the CIA to look smarter than them, and they didn't want Moslems accused while they were in the middle of stitching up a white man and getting heaps of publicity for doing so.

Meanwhile, back at FBI headquarters, a scheme was being hatched to accuse a normal, hardworking American – preferably one who couldn't spell Penicillin (see caption) and had childish handwriting. Being an educated man and a laboratory research scientist, Dr. Hadfield didn't fit these criteria, so the FBI decided to ignore these criteria and savagely accuse him anyway. Quick as a flash, they got the media onside by announcing they were going to search his bedroom and seize his computer. They announced they were going to do the same to his lady-friend. At the mention of searching his bedroom, the salacious implications were enough to get the media into a feeding frenzy. Perhaps the FBI might have hoped to find some condoms so they could accuse him of trying to protect himself – an obvious sign of guilt in their view. Well, in all their investigations they found nothing to implicate him whatsoever. But they continued to dogged pursue him for years in the hope that they just might.

And while these super-sleuths from the FBI were engaged in this fiasco, aviation inspectors were uncovering details on Muslims who were trying to hire or buy crop-dusters to use as weapons to distribute anthrax over cities. To add to their own stupidity, the head of the FBI tried to convince the American people that a crop-duster would not be effective in distributing anthrax. What did this lying fool imagine crop-dusters are used for? They are purposely designed to spread dust and powder over crops!

In the wake of all that had happened on 9-11, you would have thought that the anthrax letters sent out would have been the first point of inquiry. 'Death to Americans' and 'Death to Israel' that appeared on all the letters should have sparked some sort of cognizance of what they were dealing with. The response in the Islamic world was one of incredulity. They must have thought the FBI were a bunch of dopes and amateurs. I certainly did! And nothing that has happened in the interim has changed my mind! Had it not been for diligence of the aviation industry in hunting down Muslim insurgents with an interest in crop-dusters, there may have been millions of dead in the cities of America. Through the diligence of the CIA and the Aviation Industry, the plot was defused, and perhaps millions of lives were spared. As for <u>bearing false witness</u> (<u>The Ninth Commandment</u>) it has

almost become the national sport! And you may be surprised to know just how much God has to say about this evil conduct! He is particularly sensitive against this type of behaviour.

In order to destroy an individual or a group, it's only necessary to make accusations of sexual misbehaviour, and the self-righteousness of authorities sets the action in motion. But it seems that these same self-righteous authorities give a free-pass to homosexual behaviour and consider that there is nothing wrong with it. Perfectly acceptable they insist! Do you think that God was not aware that homosexuality would become rife in the end days? And that it would be widely accepted as normal and actively encouraged? He knew the type of strategy that would be employed to justify it. And right on cue it has emerged. They have chosen to claim the high moral ground over God and actively pursue heterosexual offenders, while homosexual deviates are free to pursue their disgusting lifestyle unabated. Meanwhile the courts are rife with accusations of sexual impropriety against heterosexual celebrities. But never do they probe the activities of homosexual celebrities, and there are plenty of them! All of which goes to show how out of touch they are with God's instructions. The obvious sexual depravity goes unchecked. Homosexual behaviour is the evil conduct that God is most vociferous in condemning, and this is the very evil that the Western World has liberalized. And as often as this evil is condoned, the chains get a little heavier for the House of Israel, and their punishment surer.

It was the Great Creator's determination to allow the free rein of human beings to devise their own means of government and to do what they believed was right for bringing everlasting peace and stability. Having six thousand years of human experience, God knows what is best for humanity. He provided the House of Israel with perfect Laws to govern them and lead them in the paths of righteousness, and to be the school-master to all of humanity. But the 12 Tribes have chosen to ignore God's instructions and to barrel along with their own game plan. Having reached the pinnacle of human achievement, and led the world in so doing, the House of Israel is <u>not</u> about to take advice from God's instruction Book. If you understand the Scriptures that the Christ used, you will understand that God fully expected that the House of Israel would refuse to listen to Him. He knew they would seek to go their own way and ignore His instruction. And long ago, God made the determination to allow <u>the</u> <u>sins of the House of Israel to accumulate</u> to the point of no return (Hos 13:12).

The House of Israel has suffered many calamities down through the ages as a result of disobedience to God's Laws. In times of trouble, they were usually quick to return to seek His mercy. It's seems that there is nothing like a good war to get people's thinking processes realigned. Church pews tend to fill up in times of uncertainty, but are quickly vacated in the good times when God's assistance is no longer needed. But in times of calamity, the false prophets had a field day, making wild claims that the end of the world was imminent. And always they were proven to be wrong. They made their predictions based on the elaborate use of their own imaginations, and never from the instruction of the Scriptures. Where they went awry in their thinking was to seek to make a branch of Christianity the enemy – never the generations from the beginning that God speaks of time and again. It's the ancient enemies of God that have incurred His wrath, the very people who provoked God's wrath in the days of Patriarchs, and who continue to be *adversaries to the House of Israel* – the chosen people of God.

From these early beginnings, it was Ishmael and later Esau that became pals with the degenerates of the earth; people like the Philistines and the Amorites with whom they actively interbred. Against God's better judgment, they made allies of God's enemies and joined them in the defeat of the only people God ever chose of all the families of the earth: the Israelites. And it has continued throughout all generations. Incredibly, there have been Christian groups who have tried to form genealogical links to these degenerates of old, finally proclaiming the American Indian to be the 'lost Tribes of Israel'. It's the fiction they generated to arrive at this conclusion that is so bizarre. Sure enough, it was a false prophet that generated this fiction. And it was this false prophet that actually declared war against the American people. Amid all this bellicose meandering, never did the Mormons seek to be obedient to God's Law. Like so many other Christian groups, obedience to God and His Laws was never a consideration. They all wanted to replace God's Laws with their own laws, and their own way of doing things.

While the generations of ancient times became God's enemies, God chose a generation of long ago to serve Him. Firstly, He chose the offspring of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob to be His people, and out of these 12 Tribes, He chose just one Tribe who would serve Him with honour, respect and dedication; the one Tribe who would emulate His Son Jesus – the High Priest forever in the order of Melchisedec. God chose the Tribe of Levi, the Priesthood tribe, and set them aside as His very own. 1800 years after God chose Jacob and his 12 sons, and Levi in particular, He still demonstrated His choice with the calling of John the Baptist – a generational *Levite*, and of the linage of the Priesthood (Luke 1:5-6). While Christianity generally has rejected the Levite Priesthood, and have fabricated

their own way of doing things, God plans to bring them to remembrance with these words: Mal 4:4 "REMEMBER the Law of my servant Moses, the decrees and Laws I gave him at Horeb for ALL ISRAEL. See, I will send you the prophet Elijah before the Great and Dreadful Day of the LORD comes." Some people imagine that the original Elijah is to return. Some even believe that he is still alive in heaven, even though he wrote a letter to King Jehoram 20 years after he supposedly went to live in heaven (2Chron 21:12). If as some suggest that the same physical human Elijah is to return from heaven, then why did Jesus confirm that John the Baptist was Elijah, when John was born of a father and mother? People tend to become very confused about a lot of things, especially when they seek to offer their own opinions. In fact, <u>Elijah is Levi</u> – the same <u>Levi</u> mentioned <u>by name</u> in <u>Mal</u> 2:4-8. At first blush, you would have to wonder why Zechariah didn't name his son 'Levi' instead of 'John'. Under the inspiration of God's Holy Spirit, he detailed many things that his son would fulfill, and even prophesied that his son was the one who would precede the True Messenger. So there is no doubt that Zechariah knew that his son was Levi, but still chose to call him John. And it was no mistake, because God Himself names His own prophets. In the case of the naming of His only begotten Son, God instructed Gabriel to tell Mary His name is to be 'Jesus' (Luke 1:31). To offset the possibility of parents naming their children 'Levi' in the hope they would become Levi the messenger, God chose to conceal the name of His servant Levi in his given names to offset any suggestion of human promotion of the name. God's servant Levi is prophesied to be a victor over God's enemies, and to prepare the way for the Victorious Christ - the Greatest Warrior of all. To the shock and dismay of many of God's enemies, God miraculously named his servant 'Prophet Levi' through a combination of his given names. 'Nevi' means prophet just as 'nevi'im' in Hebrew means all or many prophets. God actually chose His endtime servant before he was born.

It's serves no purpose to elaborate too much on these things, because prophecy is for believers, not unbelievers (1Cor 14:22). Others engage in all types of self-promotion, but we in this Brotherhood promote only God's interests, and have no concern about what others think of us. We know what our role is in relation to establishing God's Kingdom and preparing the way for the King. Others can only be content with their dreaming. And all their dreams and aspirations will not help them in the Great and Dreadful Day of the LORD, and especially if they fail to remember the Law of God's servant Moses. But it's worth remembering that the Kingdom of God is likened to the leaven (Levin) that a woman places in three measures of meal (Matt 13:33). The Bible margin calls it 'three satas' of meal. And contrary to the fiction that Saturday was named after a Greek or Roman god, it was in fact originally named after this word for dough, a large amount of which was prepared in advance of, and for the Sabbath Day. Bread has particular importance in prophecy, and this is further emphasized when Jesus said that He is the *Bread of Life*. David and his men when they were hungry sought bread from the priests – a point brought to remembrance by the Christ! (Matt 12:3-4) In times of trouble and a dearth of food, bread becomes important for survival. People tend to forget that God rained down bread from heaven for His people Israel in times of need – it was called manna. This supply of manna stopped on the very day they entered the Promised Land (Joshua 5:11-12). What most people have failed to understand is that a time is coming when God's people will again need to be fed from the hidden manna. It will be given to those who overcome the madness of this present world, and who come to their senses. Of particular note, it's the Churches mentioned in the Book of Revelation that will be the recipients of some of this manna (Rev 2:17). The rest of the manna will be given to the remnant of the House of Israel, and the third measure or satas will be supplied to people of every tribe, nation, people and language, who will have distinguished themselves in obedience, and been grafted into the Tree of God.

This last group, significantly, are Gentiles to whom God never promised anything. But even Gentiles can distinguish themselves and gain favour from God. In fact, throughout the Bible there are hints of God extending mercy to the Gentiles but not because of what they are, but because of what they do. Against the pressures of their own kinsmen, these people will rebel against Satan himself and show mercy and kindness to the captives of Israel. At the risk of their own lives, they will emulate Rahab the harlot (also mentioned in Heb 11:31 among the faithful) who offered protection and succour to the people of Israel. Oscar Schindler, you will recall, was one of those who protected the Jews from death, and set an example for others to follow. There will come a time when death and torture and unthinkable debauchery will become too much even for some of those among Satan's brood. Sickened by the depravity inflicted on the defenseless, they will seek to right these wrongs, and turn to God for guidance. It will require very great faith and courage!

Mind you, they will see at that time the Holy Land being cleared of Moslem vermin and will recognize this as the actions of the servants of God – specially trained men of brutal force and resolve, and with devastating power. The Jewish leaders will also see this and take heart, and realize that they have been tackling the problem all wrong. Instead of listening to that senseless dove Ephraim, who

believes they have the answer for peace, the Jewish people will understand God's way, and join the Sons of Jerusalem. For the first time in the whole history of the House of Israel, the Promised Land will be cleared of all pretenders, and Satan's brood will be killed or expelled. And for the faint-hearted, *you will recall that this was God's instructions all along*! That land is to be *God's Kingdom*, and He alone decides who will live there. Sure, the sensibilities of some will be challenged as they watch what happens, *but don't pretend not to know what God's instructions were in the days of Joshua*! Satan's brood either gets out of there in advance of the invasion or every man, woman and child of them will be killed. The evil Muslim creatures that live there now among the Israelis (and in Gaza and the West Bank for that matter) know they have no entitlements to this Holy Land. They are trampling on Holy ground and they must pay the ultimate price. Just remember that God makes the rules! And the rules have been in place for a long time, but now is the time of retribution, and the time of the establishment of God's Kingdom.

And just a little clarification on why Jesus likened the Kingdom of God to the yeast or Levin in the three measures of flour: Firstly, Jesus warned of the yeast of the Pharisees, highlighting their self-righteous evil - men who couldn't accept the Truth offered them. The Pharisees could be likened to the vast majority of Christian leaders today who exhibit the same faults. In this regard to the Truth, Jesus was saying don't listen to the cleverly scripted lying nonsense of the Pharisees, or anyone else who patterns themselves after the manner of the Pharisees. But Jesus also likened the yeast or Levin placed in the dough by a woman as being likened to the Kingdom of God. From this example, we know that yeast or Levin represents teachings, and these teachings can be the Truth of God's Word or the fiction of deceptive pretenders. God even appointed a festival of seven days of Unleavened Bread, during which the false teachings of the clergy must be eradicated. It was intended to be a time of searching and clarification of God's Truth. Even in the Churches of God who kept these days, a selfrighteous slant was added. The ministry instructed their congregations to examine themselves for personal imperfections rather than the doctrine taught by the ministry. Having regard for the pompous, self-imposing actions of the ministry in defiance of Jesus' instruction in Matt 20:25-28, it's hardly surprising that they didn't want their teachings modified. It's a characteristic of God that He doesn't call the high and mighty to be His servants, but only flexible, moldable and humble people who don't seek the rewards this world has to offer, and only those whose eyes are fixed on the establishment of God's Kingdom.

All Bible students should know that at the final curtain, there will be few men left (Isa 24:6). In fact, if God didn't intervene, there would be no flesh left alive (Matt 24:21-22). Satan and the rulers of the heavenly realms are hell-bent on ensuring that the Kingdom of God is never established. They don't care how many human beings die, even among their own people. In fact, part of Satan's strategy is to goad his own brood into action, and if this means killing a few of them to get the rest fired up to do his bidding, he doesn't hesitate to do it. And cunningly, he makes it appear that it's all the fault of the Israelis, Americans and Europe. Slowly but surely he's generating hatred and animosity towards the people of God – and his brood is responding!

Even Europe has joined the chorus of blaming America for everything that goes wrong, but this is largely to ingratiate themselves to Islam, and to ward off any further attacks. Behind the scenes though, they have been shutting the door to Islamic immigrants and trying to devise a plan to get rid of those already within their borders. But only Britain actually had the guts to say they planned to deport all Moslems that generate unrest. It's a funny world, isn't it? If these Moslem degenerates hate their host country so much, why would they stay? But it's not the country they hate but the people! And Satan has programmed them *to terrorize and weaken the nations* and ultimately take them over. Islam reflects the mind of Satan, and as brash and incoherent as Satan is, he is also a master strategist who can play human beings like fools. Especially vulnerable are the Tribes of Israel who still believe they can tame the wild beast that is Islam.

While human beings don't seem to understand that 6,000 years of human existence has now transpired, Satan has done the math and is fully aware that his time is short. He knows he must mount an all-out ruthless assault on the only people God ever chose of all the families of the earth. But I expect that all readers will have noticed the vast increase of insurgents wreaking havoc around the earth. The Tribes of Israel are his target wherever they may live. And the truth is that <u>Satan knows</u> <u>where they live</u>, even though the 'Lost Ten Tribes' don't acknowledge who they are. It would be a relatively simple matter to ascertain this, but they are not willing to do it because they want to blend in with Satan's brood. Their expressed desire is to become multi-cultural, and to actually <u>learn and promote the way of the heathen</u>. This is a gross insult to God!

As a side issue, it's quite humourous to see pseudo-scientists tracing humanity's ancestry back to swamp slime, together with all their perceived intermediate forms through apes over millions of years – a work of childish fiction – but they *can't* trace ancestry of the House of Israel over a couple of

thousand years. If as they think that apparent likeness of apes and humans is evidence of evolution, then they would be real suckers for counterfeit money. And now we have people who claim to be spokesmen for God's Word suggesting that God may have created mankind through an evolutionary process. How do they reconcile God speaking with the Logos, and saying "Let's make man in our own image"? Or, that then and there, they formed man from the dust of the ground, and called him 'Adam'. Anyone who claims to be a spokesman for God's Word had better speak according to what is written in it! If through intellectual vanity such self-proclaimed spokesmen seek to demean God's words, then they can never be spokesmen for God. Henceforth, don't believe a word they utter. There seems to be a craving in such people to be considered intellectuals – a craving to be seen as intelligent, and to be well-received by those who hate God, and would do or say anything to discredit God's existence. Paul made a good point in this regard when he wrote 'Professing themselves to be wise they became fools....' (Rom 1:22).

God's instructions were always *not* to befriend his enemies, because this makes one a traitor. In fact, God says "Learn not the way of the heathen". And anyone who doesn't serve their Creator is a heathen! There will be no place for heathens on this earth as God's Kingdom expands to fill the entire earth. There will be neither place nor purpose for them, and the quicker they depart the better. They've had their one shot at life and that's all they can expect before they face the blackness of eternal death. In contrast, it really is amazing just how many people today have nominated themselves for *eternal life* – especially those who have this expectation even though they have lived *lawless* lives. By lawless, I mean those who refused to obey God's Law - the Laws they've been instructed to <u>remember</u>! The very same Laws that will be applicable in the Great and Dreadful Day of the LORD (Mal 4:4-5). Returning to God in that day will be a whole lot harder than it is presently (Mal 3:7-9). If you don't want to pay God's tithe, then you will pay with your life! If you rob God, then you have robbed yourself, and you only have yourself to blame. Recalling again the subject of manna from heaven, what do you suppose God meant when he speaks of returning to Him, and receiving the reward He offers by opening the floodgates of heaven and pouring out a blessing? (V10) In prosperous times it means good seasons of rain in due season and a time of plenty. But in the harshness of failing seasons and failed crops and famine, and there is no food for man or beast, and when foreigners surge over the borders by the million, devouring and destroying, something other than rain in due season is called for. And God has made provision for those who have returned to Him. As in days of old, God will open the storehouse of heaven and pour out the bread of angels - manna! And when it's really needed, it will be the greatest blessing anyone could receive. It will mean the difference between life and death. But there is a requirement! Only those who overcome will receive the hidden manna (Rev

As the previous few verses show in **Rev 2**, <u>overcoming</u> means divesting yourself from the <u>faulty teachings</u> or <u>leaven of satanic puppets</u> who don't share the views of the '<u>woman</u>' – who prepares the <u>Bread of Life</u>. Jesus is the <u>Bread of Life</u>, and the '<u>woman</u>' <u>prepares the way for Him</u>. The <u>woman</u> is also <u>the first sheaf of the harvest</u>, or <u>first-fruit</u> (Num 8:13-14) or <u>seed</u> of the Bride of Christ. God chose the Levites as His very own (V16) to be <u>the first fruit of the harvest</u>. And that is also what the Kingdom of God is about – <u>the harvest of all the Tribes of Israel</u>. But the harvest and the migration to the Promised Land is destined to be by a tortuous route for the rest of the House of Israel. And whether you want to believe it or not, you must become <u>a type of firstfruit</u> – just like the Levites, and perhaps to the shame of some, you must become <u>the offspring of the woman</u> (Rev 12:17) or you will die forever! Yes, I know. The local parson has told you differently and you believe him. So it's your choice, but don't come whining to us when the stark reality of Bible prophecy descents on you.

No-one believes the Christ anymore – if in fact they ever did. Christ's words are life, and He came to impart this life to anyone who was willing to listen and search the Scriptures for understanding. We're hearing a lot today of the fantasy of the Da Vinci Code, and how people believe it to be some sort of prophecy. And of what value would such 'prophecy' be if it's only understood *after* the event? Apart from the bizarre manner in which they frame the text to acrostically form the words and discover *their* hidden text – of what value is it? Do we need to be told that President Kennedy was assassinated? If the believers of this bizarre game want to claim this type of information as Bible prophecy, then why don't they tell us something in advance; something that will impart understanding of future events? Or as Paul put it: even some reproof, correction, and instruction in righteousness. The Da Vinci Code may be an entertaining parlor game, but it's worthless for anything else!

But God has a taunt for all those who like to prophesy from their own imaginations, and who like to conjure up dubious 'prophecies' from such things as the Da Vinci code while ignoring God's revelations of prophecy from the Bible: **Isa 41:21-24** "*Present your case*," says the LORD. "Set forth

<u>your arguments</u>," says Jacob's King. "Bring in your idols to <u>tell us what is going to happen</u>. Tell us what the former things were, so that we may consider them and know their final outcome. <u>Or declare to us the things to come</u>, <u>tell us what the future holds</u>, so we may know that you are gods. <u>Do something</u>, whether good or bad, so that we will be dismayed and filled with fear. <u>But you are less than nothing and your works are utterly worthless; he who chooses you is detestable</u>." And it does come down to a question of choice – the choice of what you want to believe!

Jesus' words, however, are a completely different story. Through His words (which in fact are the Father's words), He laid out the groundwork for understanding prophecy. And Jesus words were encoded with a hidden message! But not in the form of a silly, acrostic game! Throughout all His teachings, the Christ constantly referred to **the Scriptures** – **the only Scriptures that existed at that time**. He was constantly saying things like 'it is written' or 'haven't you read in the Scriptures' – thereby constantly referring people back to the Holy Scriptures. Humanity had already existed for 4,000 years at that time, and the only Scripture available to them during the course of this period was that which was referred to by the Christ. And it was these writings that held the key to life – everlasting life! But everlasting life is imparted only to those who are modeled after God's Son Jesus. Like Jesus, they must be obedient, law-abiding, and faithful to God and all His instruction. And they must revere God's Word, which itself is a **pattern** of God's Son Jesus (**John 1:1-3**).

In fact, the Scriptures that Jesus used begin with the creation of mankind in the image of God. It details the re-creation of the earth's environment in a manner suitable for the existence of mankind. This creation was specifically designed for mankind for the very purpose of producing humans according to the very specifications of the Christ Himself. Right at the outset, God had in mind to produce a family who would forever be the ruling class of all humanity, and this special family would be patterned after God's only begotten Son Jesus. In the final analysis, all of those who don't meet these specifications need not apply.

All Bible students should know (though many of them don't!) that Jesus was the God of the Old Testament. It was He who was with all those who gained God's favour, who led and guided them through the many trials and tribulations and coached them in righteousness. Jesus is the Logos or Word of God, and it was He who imparted the words that lead to life. Those who served the Almighty God faithfully realized that they were mere clay to be molded and shaped to conform to the image of the Son of God. Just like little children growing up, they had to learn, sometimes by their own mistakes, but they all had one thing in common: they all *believed* God and were *commended by God*. Heb 11:1-2 "Now faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see. *This is what the ancients were commended for*." And with this commendation came a gift; the downpayment of God's Holy Spirit to guide them along the path of righteousness. Those who *lacked* the faith to believe God, and who consequently were *never* commended by God, *never* received the downpayment of God's Holy Spirit. These returned to dust – never to live again. These had their one shot at life and they blew it.

Jesus also had one shot at life as a human being, but He remained faithful to the end. In so doing, He set a pattern for others to follow; and those who did follow this pattern lived by faith, and they too were commended by God. As the Book of Hebrews, chapter 11 tells us, hordes of people died in faith believing that God was able <u>to raise them from the dead</u> (V39). A quick reading of this chapter of the Book of Hebrews details the severe trials of those commended by God, and makes us mindful of the type of faith that God requires. It's the same faith that Jesus exhibited when He went to His death. It's the pattern of Jesus that we must emulate. In other words, we must be like Him if we are to be commended by God.

You will notice that some of those mentioned in this chapter of the Book of Hebrews <u>endured</u> <u>torture and refused to be released</u> (V35), choosing death <u>in the hope of a better resurrection</u>. And this exactly fits the pattern of God's Son Jesus. There were others of course, <u>who distinguished</u> <u>themselves in other ways</u>, but still <u>lived by faith</u> and were <u>commended by God</u>: V33 "...<u>who through faith conquered kingdoms</u>, <u>administered justice</u>, <u>and gained what was promised</u>, who shut the mouths of lions, quenched the fury of the flames, and escaped the edge of the sword, <u>whose weakness was turned to strength</u>; and <u>who became powerful in battle and routed foreign armies</u>." These were truly men of vision and faith; men like <u>Samson</u> and <u>David</u>, and <u>Samuel and the prophets</u> (V32). God is the Master Potter who molds and shapes our lives to be what He decides. Some are molded and shaped for <u>a noble purpose</u>, others for <u>a common purpose</u> (Rom 9:21). And God decides what each will be. Those who lack faith must face their worst fears, and hopefully emerge victorious. As Jesus said: Luke 18:8 "I tell you, <u>He will see that they get justice</u>, and <u>quickly</u>. However, when the Son of Man comes, <u>will he find faith on the earth</u>?" I'm afraid that Godly faith in that day will be very thin on the ground, and it will be the rare exception among those in whom God will find faith. The type of faith required will be like that of <u>the ancients who were commended by God</u>.

Those whom God has created for <u>a noble purpose</u> will deliver justice, and they <u>will gain what</u> <u>was promised</u> by becoming <u>powerful in battle and routing foreign armies</u>. They will be like <u>Samson</u> and <u>David</u> and like <u>Samuel and the prophets</u>. But they will also be like Abraham – the father of the faithful. Didn't Abraham <u>rout foreign armies</u>, and deliver <u>justice</u>, and rescue his family members? (Gen 14:14). With just 318 members of his own household he launched the battle against four foreign kings, including the king of Babylonia (see margin: Shinar = Babylonia). He routed them and destroyed them <u>through the mighty hand of Almighty God who gave him the victory</u> (Gen 14:19-20). It was then that Melchisedek King of Salem arrived to bless him. This same Melchisedek is the One and only High Priest serving at the altar in heaven, <u>and will be the High Priest of God forever</u> (Hebrews chapter 7). He blessed Abraham for believing God would grant him victory over his enemies. And this is the type of <u>faith that the ancients were commended for</u>.

According to the falsified doctrine of Christianity today, all of this is totally unnecessary. It's generally believed by all of them that they are already 'saved' and have free passage to heaven. In such circumstances, what possible need would they have for someone to come and *save them from their enemies*? They have a completely different view of the meaning of the word 'saved', and they don't want anyone to tell them differently. Such Godly information could potentially cause a stampede in the churches, and this would never do. With all the congregations slumbering nicely, why wake them up with such suggestions *as nations rising up against nations* and *kingdoms against kingdoms*, and a huge increase in earthquakes and natural calamities proliferating everywhere? After all, they don't want to hear bad news – only good news, even if it's not true. These natural calamities bring loss of food and provisions and the resulting famines. And on the heels of famine comes disease epidemics.

And suddenly we're seeing a demand of the Western World to feed Satan's starving brood. It all seems so noble to the unwary. Jesus warning came in a completely different context in Matt 24:6-7 "You will hear of wars and rumours of wars, but see to it that you are not alarmed. Such things must happen, but the end is yet to come." What end would this be? Jesus is speaking of Satan's rule, which will come to a crashing end. But not before unthinkable calamities, and unspeakable atrocities are inflicted on the people of God in a last ditch stand to eradicate them from the earth. Satan has in mind to ensure there are no survivors among the House of Israel. But the end will come in this fashion: V7 "Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be famines and earthquakes in various places. All these are the beginning of BIRTH PAINS." It doesn't really sound much like the joy of a birth delivery, does it? But Jesus was speaking of the birth of the Kingdom of God – the replacement of all the kingdoms on the face of the earth. When the world is in utter turmoil with death and destruction everywhere - a time unequalled from the beginning of the world until now, a woman will start the birth pains to give birth to new life. The hard labour of birth will result in a new life and a new hope and a rebirth for the nations of Israel, but only after they are rescued from the hands of their enemies. The men who will do this will be like Samson and David, and Samuel and the prophets. In fact, the men who do all these things will also be like Abraham and like all of those commended among the ancients. But most of all, they will be patterned after the Mighty Christ Himself.

Do you believe that Jesus the Christ was kind and compassionate, willing to help and merciful? <u>He was and is all of these things and more!</u> It's a mistake to believe, however, that He would favour anyone who sought to destroy God's people Israel – who are <u>destined to inherit God's Kingdom</u>. Sure the nations are angry and jealous that God has so favoured His people as He said He would. Satan's brood are not so fortunate since Satan is not so lavish with generosity. To the contrary, Satan is a hard master, and holds his people in subjection with poverty and fear, which is why they constantly need to be bailed out of the specter of famines and disease epidemics. He even appoints tyrants to rule over his people and hold them in subjection by fear. Compassion and mercy are not Satan's qualities.

Unfortunately, the 12 Tribes of Israel are about to find this out the hard way. At the time of the end, God greatly elevated the House of Joseph, and more specifically, the second born son of Joseph, that is *Ephraim*, to be a prince over all his brother nations. He was to be the greatest and mightiest, and *the scourge of the nations to the ends of the earth*. *When Ephraim speaks, men tremble*, because they know the mighty power of this nation – and who can stand against it? God gathered representatives of all the Tribes of Israel to this nation, and in this time of the end, which is about to begin, Ephraim is in charge. The United States of America is the mightiest nation on earth today, and God calls this nation Ephraim, and He also calls Ephraim His son (Jer 31:20), and confirms that He wants Ephraim to return to the Kingdom of God (V21-22). But there is a problem! It was not unforeseen, but a problem nevertheless. You see, *birth pains* have come to the nation of Ephraim – a glorious opportunity to do what God has appointed the 'woman' to do, but Ephraim muffed it! He started befriending the enemies of God, trying to build them up. They know only too well that

Babylonia has in mind to overrun God's Promised Land and to wipe out the Jewish people, but still they insist on trying to buy their favour. For a variety of reasons, all of which have been elaborated on in our previous articles, Ephraim has failed in their duty to God. So Ephraim's birth pains will yield nothing! Hos 13:12 "The guilt of Ephraim is stored up; his sins are kept on record. Pains as of a woman come to him, but he is a child without wisdom; when the time arrives, he does not come to the opening of the womb. I will ransom them from the power of the Grave; I will redeem them from Death. Where, O Death, are your plagues? Where, O Grave, is your destruction?"

And just to confirm that the end has come, <u>Death</u> and <u>Grave</u> are two particularly nasty rulers of the heavenly realms, and are <u>mentioned by name</u> in the Seven Seals (Rev 6:8). Naturally enough, these two creatures have not been laying around doing nothing. They have expertise in <u>plagues</u> and <u>destruction</u> and have been given power over a fourth of the earth to wreak havoc by war, famine and plague. It should come as no surprise that their target is the whole House of Israel, and Ephraim in particular. The Tribes of Israel living in Europe are a soft target compared to Ephraim, and Satan has enough manpower living directly to the south to literally flood Europe with insurgents – all of them thoroughly indoctrinated to kill and maim anyone they consider to be infidels.

But the same applies to Ephraim – the United States of America. Satan has massive hordes of ancient allies living just over the southern border and extending all the way through continental South America. Prepared and primed, this ancient scourge, who anciently had their roots in the Holy Land, have been building up for the assault on Ephraim. They were collectively called the Amorites in Abraham's day (Gen 15:16, but review V12-20), and later, were called the Phoenicians. You can call them Indians, Latinos, or whatever you like, but Satan is calling these same people from ancient times to serve his purpose. And Satan spent centuries training these people for the type of carnage he envisages against God's people Ephraim. If you've read any of their history, then you will realize just how evil these people are. As a point of interest, this news item has just crossed the airwaves: 80% of crime in Arizona is being committed by illegal aliens crossing the border from South America (Fox News). The American people had better hope that the borders are slammed shut to all this illegal traffic – now!

So there is danger in the south. But God has a message concerning the <u>east</u>. Zech 8:7 "This is what the LORD Almighty says: "<u>I will save my people from the countries of the east and the west</u>. I will <u>bring them back</u> to <u>live in Jerusalem</u>; they will be <u>my people</u>, and I will be faithful and righteous to them as their God." I think most people today know who the countries of <u>the West</u> are. They know this is a reference to America and Europe. The very fact that God plans to bring them back to live in Jerusalem shows them to be Israelites – His people!

But living far away, and of Israelite descent are the eastern Israelites living in the great land down-under and far to *the east*. In fact, the *only* Israelite nation living to the east of Jerusalem! Which is the most easterly nation of Israelites on earth today? It's the Australians. And the next major landmass crossing the longitudinal path across the Pacific brings one to the Americas, the northern continent of which is the most populous Israelite nation on earth. It also happens to be called *the West*, being the big brother of the European-American sphere of influence in the world, and the spokesman for all things global.

With commiserations to the New Zealanders who are further east than the Australians, but after all, aren't we the same people? Weren't our ancestral settlers mostly British Celts – Welsh and Scots – and didn't the Anglo-Saxons devise all sorts of reasons to deport us to the colonies? Thanks Anglo-Saxons; you actually did us a favour. We managed to get out before atheism became compulsory in Britain. You've got to admit that Christianity is largely ceremonial in Britain today, and well below the scale in America where some 80% of the people still believe in God. Mind you, they don't actually *believe* God, but that's another story.

So from a relatively small base of some 25 million Aussies and New Zealanders far to the east of Jerusalem, and from a direct line from <u>the original British Celts</u>, <u>who were the Levites of the Bible</u>, God has called a servant. Isa 41:2-3 "Who has stirred up <u>one from the East</u>, <u>calling him in righteousness to His service</u>? He hands nations over to him and subdues kings before him. He turns them <u>to dust</u> with his sword, <u>to windblown chaff</u> with his bow. He pursues them and moves on unscathed, <u>by a path his feet have not traveled before</u>. Who has done this and carried it through, <u>calling forth the generations from the beginning</u>? I, the LORD – <u>with the first of them and with the last</u> – I am He." Isa 46:10 "I make known THE END from the beginning, from <u>ancient times</u>, what is <u>still to come</u>. I say: <u>My purpose will stand</u>, and I will do all that I please."

God's purpose will stand regardless of what anyone thinks. He has declared <u>the END from</u> <u>the beginning</u>, but it seems to have fallen on deaf ears among the churches and the Tribes of Israel. They see visions of peace for Jerusalem and the Israelis through the devising of road maps for peace, and which don't work! The reason why they don't work is because they don't include the expulsion of

God's enemies from God's Holy Land. And <u>from the beginning to the end</u>, God has declared that the Holy Land is for the House of Israel and no others. These Moslem hordes want to drive out Jews and Christians, calling them infidels, but they don't just want to drive them out, they want to slaughter them! But God has different ideas, and He has said that <u>His purpose will stand</u>. <u>And His purpose has been unchangeable from ancient times and is still the same today!</u>

Bible students surely must know that God plans to establish the Kingdom of God on <u>earth</u> – <u>not in heaven</u> as many seem to want to believe. The Kingdom is to be handed over to the Father after the Christ has put down all rebellion: 1Cor 15:24-25 "Then <u>the end</u> will come, when He hands over <u>the Kingdom</u> to God the Father <u>after He has destroyed all dominion</u>, <u>authority and power</u>. For He must reign <u>until He has put all enemies under His feet</u>." And just to reinforce what is meant by <u>putting all enemies under His feet</u>: Mal 4:1-3 "Surely the day is coming; it will burn like a furnace. <u>All the arrogant and every evildoer will be stubble</u>, and the day is coming that will set them on fire" says the LORD Almighty. <u>Not a root or branch of them [will remain]</u>. But for you <u>who revere my Name</u>, <u>the Sun of Righteousness</u> will rise with healing in its wings. And you will go out and leap like calves released from the stall. Then you will <u>trample down the wicked</u>, they will be <u>ashes under the soles of your feet on the day that I do these things</u>," says the LORD Almighty."

Obviously, the end is a long process to establish the Kingdom of God, and it will be born of fire and great destruction, and always it was destined to come at the appointed time. The greatest atrocity ever committed against the American people occurred on **September 11, 2001** – the very year of the seventh millennium of human existence. Exactly seven days later, the trumpet was sounded on the Day of Trumpets (**September 18**) – *the traditional warning of war*. From that day forth, America knew they were at war! And that war has continued to escalate as Satan continues to marshal his forces for more and more assaults. To their dismay, America has come to realize that they have not tamed the savage beast which is Islam, and neither have they cut off the head of this viper. No amount of platitudes or philosophies is going to change this. In short, their efforts have been pathetically minimal, and changes are called for. The Mighty Christ intends *to destroy all dominion, authority and power* – *not placate them*! And so God has called to service His servants to *prepare the way* and begin the task. Naturally enough, God has commended those who are patterned after His own Son Jesus, and who share the same objective in *destroying all dominion, authority and power*.

And one of the first objectives will be the Palestinian <u>Authority</u> – which is the logical place to start if the Kingdom of God is to be established, howbeit like a tiny mustard seed. But from the Seed will grow an enormous tree with branches spreading outward. In time, the Holy Land will become a <u>Place of Rest</u> for all those who are weary and downtrodden by Satan and his brood. It will be a time of rescue: <u>rescue from the hands of their enemies</u>. And if you have learned anything about Satan and his brood, you will know that platitudes, and concessions to their evil resolve, will <u>not</u> work. The only way to deal with Islam is to <u>make them ashes under your feet</u> – <u>and God has made this very plain!</u>

So if your sensibilities are challenged by such remarks, then rest assured that God will not call you to His service. You still have too much to learn, and God in His mercy will teach you – *the hard way!* Who knows that with the passage of time, you may be commended by God as the *offspring* (Rev 12:17) of the 'woman' *who gave birth to Christ* – *the House of David*. Jesus is the *Root and Offspring* of *David* (Rev 22:16).

God has declared that the end has come, and it's time to set about establishing His Kingdom. Obviously, God is calling to His service people who are like David, who was patterned after his most famous Son Jesus. Jesus freely acknowledged that *He was the Son of David*. God knows that it's a big ask for those who have been indoctrinated by false Christianity to step up to the plate in active service to Him. God also knows that this *type of faith* would *not* be present on earth except among the very few. So before you raise objections to this type of determined behaviour among God's servants, be aware that after you have learned the hard way (and remained faithful), you too, may possibly join the ranks of God's servants: Rev 2:26 "To him that *overcomes* and *does my will to the end*, I will give *authority over the nations* – 'he will rule them with an iron scepter; he will dash them to pieces like pottery' – just as I have received from my Father." And what authority has Jesus received from the Father? He will dash the nations to pieces like pottery – and so will you if you overcome and do God's will to the end! Perhaps it's not how you have envisaged the Christ, but this is because you have probably never known Him. You should have enquired about what the titles 'Christ' and 'Messiah' mean. They both mean Mighty Warrior or Mighty Conqueror. How else would the Mighty Christ dash the nations to pieces like pottery if He were not the Mighty Warrior that He is.

Have you read Isa 63:1-6? Why do you suppose the Mighty Christ would be entering the land of Edom in the Arabian peninsular and trashing these nations? Especially in the area of Mecca and Medina! Surely you must know! Surely you must know who the enemy is that God finds so offensive! If you find this passage offensive, then you have never known the Great God of heaven, and neither do

you know the nature and character of His Mighty Son Jesus. And if you fail on all these points, then you will <u>never overcome and do God's will to the end</u>, and neither will you receive <u>authority over the</u> <u>nations</u>.

Having said all that, it's time to make the decision on whether you will serve God or not. Serving God results in becoming alienated from friends and family, and also being hated by all those who refuse to worship the One True God of heaven – *the Father*. Didn't Jesus instruct you to pray to the Father and worship Him – as Jesus Himself did? Jesus made it clear that the Father is greater than He. To put this into context, both the President and the Vice-President in the U.S. are worthy of honour, but the President is worthy of greater honour. So it is with God the Father and His Son Jesus.

It's not unusual for God's servants to be hated. As the servants of God we are hated by those who don't share God's views on how to bring peace to this earth. The people who hate us are narrow-minded bigots and weaklings who would do anything to protect their reputations. God's reputation means nothing to them! They have never known God and God has <u>never known them</u> (Matt 7:23). But it's a terrible thing to fall into the hands of the Living God: Heb 10:26-31 "If we <u>deliberately keep on sinning</u> after we have <u>received</u> the <u>Knowledge of the Truth</u>, <u>no sacrifice for sins is left</u>, but only <u>a fearful expectation of judgment</u> and of <u>raging fire</u> that will <u>consume the enemies of God</u>. Anyone who <u>rejected the law of Moses died without mercy</u> on the testimony of two or three witnesses. How much <u>more severely</u> do you think a man deserves to be punished <u>who has trampled the Son of God under foot</u>, who has treated as an unholy thing <u>the Blood of the Covenant</u> that <u>sanctified</u> him, and <u>who has insulted the Spirit of grace</u>? For we know him who said, "<u>It is mine to avenge; I will repay</u>," and again, "The Lord will judge his people." <u>It is a dreadful thing to fall into the hands of the living God</u>."

Don't think for one moment that God doesn't know how to <u>avenge</u> and <u>repay</u>! Those who rejected the Law of Moses died without mercy, and you will find that so did those who rejected God's servant Moses (Num 16:28-35). God avenges His servants, and especially at the most crucial time in all human history, <u>and they will die without mercy</u> – <u>so says Almighty God</u>! Their days are numbered! And I just want to confirm, as Moses did in Num 16:28, <u>that this is not my idea</u>. God does the <u>avenging</u> among those who have rejected the <u>Knowledge of the Truth</u> and it won't be pretty!

Almighty God hates weaklings who are blown around by every wind of doctrine, like reeds shaken in the wind. These have unstable minds that are blown around in the wind like chaff. They seem to believe there is safety in numbers, and that if enough of them club together to reject the *Knowledge of Truth*, then God will be forced to reconsider His position. They seem to believe that they can force God to change the whole course of Bible prophecy to favour them. They want to worship God as they see fit, and they want nothing to do with *the Law of God's servant Moses* (Mal 4:4). They consider it vital to their interests to ensure that no-one else does either. Well God understands their dilemma, but unfortunately for them, He doesn't excuse them. People make their own choices, and God makes His, but God holds the casting vote. It's just as well that God holds all the power of the universe and not human beings. Unlike human beings, God has a rational Plan for bringing utopia to this earth and beyond.

People who commit acts against the community are locked up and isolated in jails, and the worst crimes draw the death penalty. Not surprisingly, this is very close to God's way, and humanity came close to getting it right. But not close enough. But at least there is common ground for believing that laws must be obeyed and the innocent protected from the lawless. And although court-rooms throughout the Western world usually have a Bible present as a symbol of God's justice, they don't uphold the laws expressed in it, yet they consider it the ultimate Law Book. Sometimes they even place their hand upon it when taking an oath, which is strange indeed, considering that they refuse to uphold the Law written in it, which was established forever by the Creator God.

Almighty God has much to say against the lawless – those who exhibit contempt for God's Laws and seek to go their own way! Long ago, God predicted that *the Babylonians would arise and be a law to themselves* (Hab 1:6-7). It's this same Babylonian mentality that is presently at war with the House of Israel. And Ephraim's philosophy of peace doesn't work with these degenerates. Satan doesn't want his brood at peace – he wants them to make war! He wants them to arise and wipe out the whole House of Israel. He doesn't appreciate the competing factions that try to enact Ephraim's philosophy for peace through westernized constitutions, and is becoming madder by the moment. He doesn't want democratic laws and constitutions, he wants Islamic law; he wants to stain the earth red with the blood of his enemies. He wants the law of the Babylonians to override all else. And incidentally, the law of the Babylonians is to kill the innocent, and to empower the guilty to wreak retribution against all who oppose him.

Some may imagine that the Western powers are winning the war against terrorism. The evidence shows they are not! To some extent, they may have crippled the efforts of terrorists by

greatly increasing security, but they have utterly failed to defeat the overriding philosophy behind the attacks. Satan's mouthpieces continue to proliferate all over the world, generating hatred and plotting disaster for all Westerners – and this continues unabated. There is a trend in the Western countries to hold talks with Moslem leaders living within their borders, and to try to persuade them to react against any who espouse the Islamic philosophy of the destruction of the West. Satan and his minions consider this hilarious, and a sure sign that his insurgency is starting to bite. The sight of Western leaders pleading for an end of hostilities is a sure sign he's winning. He now knows he's weakened the nations of Israel and have them on the run. Every outrage committed serves to further his cause. Now we have lily-livered cowards in the Christian movement trying to cover for Islamic extremists and justify their actions. Cries for religious tolerance, multi-culturalism, and human rights continue to echo in the hallways of Christendom, and the subliminal message is "We're really nice chaps, so don't hurt us". Like mendicants they grovel at the feet of the enemies of their own parishioners, and are too gutless to take a stand!

Does the world need Islam so much that their culture must be preserved? God's answer is no! But the Western world has yet to find out why. A few isolated terrorist acts are nothing compared to what is in the planning stage of Satan and his brood.

How things have changed since WW1, when a Muslim assassin killed Austrian Arch-Duke Ferdinand and plunged the whole world into war. We all know what happened on the Western Front, but what happened to the Eastern Front was that the Islamic Ottoman Empire was reduced to rubble. So decisively was the Islamic world beaten and humiliated that it seemed they would never arise again. But Satan has been hard at work trying to rally his troops for a final all-out push to destroy the House of Israel. It's taken him generations to reactivate his unstable brood and get them thinking as he does. Naturally enough, Satan's prime objective was to control Jerusalem and the Holy Land. Again and again he has mounted major offensives to destroy the Israelite occupants of the Land. And again and again he's been driven back and defeated. But his hatred for the people of God is unabated, and he continues to demonstrate his hatred by wreaking havoc through suicide bombers and indiscriminate killings. What the Tribes of Israel are facing is the mad and destructive strategy of the arch-rebel of the universe. And human psychology and philosophy certainly don't work on Satan. He treats with contempt all efforts by the West to benefit his people. And such efforts are considered a personal affront to him.

Meanwhile, in the Far East trouble is brewing. The rulers of the heavenly realms in this region don't want to get involved with Satan's Middle Eastern squabbles. The westernization of the Far East has led to unprecedented prosperity and is starting to act as a spoiler to Satan's philosophy. Satan is determined to bring them to heel as a future backup for his aspirations. He's been trying to stir up trouble in the Far East for years, but the various spirit rulers of the region refuse to relinquish their authority over their sphere of influence, and the usual result is that the different factions fight each other to a standstill. What Satan envisages is a single, unified powerbloc, which is receptive to his ideas, and can be held in reserve for an overwhelming strike against the Holy Land. The numbers he envisages is in the order of 200 million combatants. And in time to come, the battle lines will be drawn and the engagement will commence. Almighty God has declared the outcome, but Satan doesn't believe it. That battle will be decisive in destroying Satan's aspirations for a thousand years. At the end of which Satan will emerge <u>as a man</u> – just like his Brother Jesus did when He appeared on earth.

At that time, Satan will seek out the dragon-worshippers of the Far East and become their god. He'll then rally this numerous force to prepare to assault the Holy Land and its people who will have long since forgotten the art of war and lived in peace for generations. To Satan, the holy people will seem like sitting ducks ripe for slaughter, and he will convince his ruthless hordes that victory will be theirs. While the holy nations may have forgotten the art of war, the Family of God, and particularly the 144,000-strong Bride of Christ, will have not! They will do as they were trained to do: *to dash the nations of the earth to pieces like pottery*, and to deliver death and defeat to Satan – a death from which he will never be resurrected. Unlike his famous Brother Jesus, he will never live again. But Satan remains unconvinced of this outcome, and continues headlong with his plans for the destruction of all who will inherit the Kingdom of God.

In creating intelligent beings, God knew the danger of them becoming hostile to their Creator; He foresaw it all and made provision to teach some everlasting lessons. Human beings became all the things that God detests, and they explored the depths of depravity to engage their own indulgence. Greedy, slavering beasts arose to seize power and set out to crush all those who opposed them. They wanted more than mediocrity, and by the very nature of their greed and ambition, they determined to have more regardless of who suffered in the process. To Satan, this seemed like normal behaviour, and he imagined that he could corrupt the Lord Christ when He appeared on earth. He promised Him wealth and power and cities and anything He wanted if He would fall down and worship him. Satan

was all but shell-shocked that the Christ couldn't be influenced by an offer of such wealth and power. Satan had never encountered anyone like this – at least among his own brood! Here was Satan trying to corrupt the greatest Being under God with power and influence, only to be rebuked. Satan couldn't understand it! It had always worked in the past, he reasoned, so why not now?

The simple truth is that those who seek all that this world has to offer and who seek unearned wealth and power are unfit for the Kingdom of God. Jesus clarified this with these words: "Seek first the Kingdom of God and all these things will be added to you." He also said, that "He who puts his hand to the plough and then looks back is unfit for the Kingdom of God." So Satan made a colossal blunder in attempting to offer the Christ established kingdoms. The kingdoms of this world do not represent any likeness of the Kingdom of God. In fact, all these earthly kingdoms are destined to be swept away and engulfed by the Kingdom of God. They'll all fall like dominoes, one after the other, until the Kingdom of God fills the entire earth. So what value is anything mankind has done in relation to the Kingdom of God?

And here's the enigma! Christianity has no regard for the Kingdom of God at all, but rather, they have devised their own rewards for eternal bliss and contentment by bypassing God's determination to establish the Kingdom of God. Instead, they have set their sights on going straight to heaven as some sort of undeclared reward. Undeclared, because there is nothing in the Bible to suggest such a thing! Do these people seek the Kingdom of God? If they do, then their concept of the Kingdom of God is severely lacking, and they would do well to understand what the Kingdom of God is. The Bible history of the 12 Tribes of Israel and the trials and hardship they endured to enter the Promised Land is the precursor to the last days and the struggle that will ensue to establish God's Kingdom on earth. In fact, all that happened to the House of Israel anciently are *examples for us on whom the fulfillment of the ages has come* (1Cor 10:11). If God ensured that all these things were written down as *examples*, then clearly He intended for us to follow those *examples* to determine the right and the wrong way of doing things. But the examples stand as a monument to God's determination. And all who would enter God's Kingdom *must stand firm* by these examples and prepare themselves for the hard road ahead and the assured outcome.

But I can tell you this: The vast majority of human beings, and particularly the 'lost sheep of Israel', don't seek the Kingdom of God, and neither have they any interest in it – yet! For the most part they are too busy shaping their own destiny and seeking their own interests. Wealth and power tends to corrupt people, and once the fixation begins, there is no stopping it. In such circumstances, seeking the Kingdom of God becomes a very low priority except in the extreme minority. It's so easy to get caught up in the head-spinning intellectualism that predicts great outcomes and prosperity for all. But with it all comes *the warnings* mentioned in 1Cor 10:11 quoted above. Right now we are in the calm before the storm, an ominous time of imminent cascading events, a time of retribution for the ungodly manner in which the House of Israel has conducted itself. God doesn't intend to wait until the Bible-burning starts. He has already seen enough of the protracted attempt to remove His Name from all public places. Contempt for His Laws was thoroughly illuminated with the removal of the Ten Commandments plaque in the courthouse, and the ongoing battle to eradicate any reference to God's Law. If this is the trend, and it certainly is, then what hope is there that the House of Israel is going to seek the Kingdom of God?

As for the calm before the storm, in time of war no-one should be complacent. Prior to September 11, 2001, people were complacent, but now this is beginning to diminish as people begin to realize how vulnerable they can be. And now we see the mightiest nation on earth demanding that their President keep them safe and secure. Almost daily now, demands are being made concerning the preparedness of Homeland Security to cut off access of insurgents. So far, they have prevented another 9/11 tragedy, but all this can be destabilized in a moment when natural calamities strike. And this is exactly what the Christ warned of in Matt 24:37-39 "As it was in the days of Noah, so will it be at the coming of the Son of Man. For in the days before the flood, people were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, up to the day Noah entered the ark; and they knew nothing about what would happen until the flood came and swept them away. This is how it will be with the coming of the Son of Man." So expect storms and flooding as a prelude to the overwhelming scourge of insurgents, and don't think for one moment that Homeland Security will prevent it happening!

Isa 28 is dedicated to Ephraim, the mightiest nation on earth, and this chapter has much to say about the future of the United States of America. It details events that will lead to their demise as a nation and the vulnerabilities they will face as God sets out to establish His everlasting Kingdom. God predicts that a remnant of them will seek the Kingdom of God eventually, and will seek to return to God and be granted rest –  $\underline{God's Rest}$  – from their misery. Isa 28:1-6 "Woe to that wreath, the pride of Ephraim's drunkards, to the fading flower, his glorious beauty, set on the head of a fertile valley –  $\underline{to}$   $\underline{that city}$  (Washington), the  $\underline{pride}$  of those  $\underline{laid low by wine}$ ! See, the Lord has one who is powerful and

strong. Like <u>a hailstorm</u> and <u>a destructive wind</u>, like <u>a driving rain</u> and <u>a flooding downpour</u>, he will throw it forcefully to the ground. That wreath, <u>the pride of Ephraim's drunkards</u>, will be <u>trampled underfoot</u>. That fading flower, his glorious beauty, <u>set on the head of a fertile valley</u>, will be like a fig ripe before harvest – as soon as someone sees it and takes it in his hand, he swallows it. In that day the LORD Almighty will be a glorious crown, a beautiful wreath <u>for the remnant of his people</u>. He will be <u>a Spirit of justice</u> to him who sits in judgment, <u>a source of strength to those who turn back the battle at the gate</u>."

God will strengthen those who turn back the battle at the gate. Naturally enough, God has appointed these people to this task, and these are the people who have not been laid low by wine – the wine of Satan's deception. These are the people who know who the enemy is, and will turn them back in battle! This is a little different from Ephraim, who has a habit of turning back in the day of battle (Ps 78:9) – of retreating and allowing the enemy to gain strength! Not so with God's servants, whose God is their strength (Zech 12:5). How alien all this must be to mainstream Christianity who long ago lost sight of the identity of God's enemies, and actually sought to embrace them, and make excuses for them. God foresaw this mamby-pamby attitude developing long ago, and called His servants to duty – forceful men who would turn back the battle at the gate.

These are men who are not besotted by <u>Satan's wine of deception</u>, and who have no regard for Satan's brood of vipers, now posing under the auspices of Islam. God's servants know only too well that Islam was established by a vicious and evil false prophet called Mohammed, who had nothing in common with God's Truth. The entire philosophy of Islam has always been to destroy the House of Israel and to seize all their possessions. But Islam had to bide their time until they had the numbers to do it. Who has spent years threatening the Holy Land and demanding ownership of the Holy City Jerusalem? It's Islam! And who will be driven out of the Holy Land and unceremoniously dispatched to oblivion for their treachery? It's Islam! And who will do it? God's servants – those forceful men who turned back battles at the gate!

Islam has spawned many followers, and the more hatred they exude for the House of Israel, the more followers they receive. Islam is now the fastest growing religion on earth, with a whole lot of Roman Catholics now converting to Islam. This is true throughout Africa, and also now in South America, where Islam is displacing Christianity on a wholesale level. Satan's brood consists largely of the have-nots of this world, and secretly they want it all! The threats and violence proposed by Islam against the richest nations has become attractive to them, and Islam has offered them hope of destroying the wealthy nations of Israel. Collectively they have the numbers to realize their dream of destroying America and Europe, but until Islam provided the strategy, they couldn't penetrate the defenses of the Tribes of Israel. Fear of the mightiest power on earth crippled their ambition.

All these heathen willingly received the handouts from foreign aid, but were quick to spit in the faces of their benefactors. Their hatred was barely concealed, but the Western nations continued to make excuses for them. Ephraim continued to believe that eventually prosperity would change their attitude, and hatred would turn to love and respect. Everyone knows that it has been America's generosity that has done most to enrich the lives of poorer nations. As a matter of fact, it was always America's philosophy that *prosperity would ensure righteousness*. I wonder where they got that idea from? I imagine that evangelical marketing on television has encouraged this view, with the opulent lifestyle many of these evangelists enjoy. The wealthier they become, the more righteous they appear to the uninitiated as they watch their stage act with all its opulence and gimmickry.

So with this type of deceit so widespread, it's hardly surprising that the nation as a whole would adopt a similar philosophy, and believe that <u>wealth brings righteousness</u>. Quite apart from the evidence of declining morals in the community, and the tolerance of all things evil, God predicted that this attitude would prevail: Hos 12:8 "<u>Ephraim boasts</u>, "<u>I am very rich</u>; I have become <u>wealthy</u>. <u>With all my wealth they could not find within me any iniquity or sin</u>." With such widespread accent on defaming the Great Creator God, and denying His existence, it seems somewhat inappropriate to be claiming to be <u>without iniquity or sin</u>. Mind you, the weight of evidence is against the looney-left side of politics, but this doesn't justify the other side refusing to take a stand against their madness. What has happened is that decent men are being indoctrinated to believe anything regardless of how base it might be, and the moral strength of the nation has been eroded chip by chip.

To all those who listened to the proliferating bunch of evangelical marketers, you need to know that you have been listening to propaganda about a *false* Jesus – *not* the Lord Christ, the Mighty Warrior! But there is some consolation: If you never obeyed God, then you never received His Holy Spirit. God gives His Spirit *only* to those who *obey* Him! The vast majority of Christianity has never known God's Holy Spirit, and neither did they ever receive it. But there is a minority of Christians who did, and these are the ones who either keep, or once did keep, God's Commandments. If they have stood firm in obedience, then they will see salvation and be rescued. Those who once received

God's Holy Spirit and then turned away are flat-out doomed to, not just to one death, but two. The first death is likely to be more tolerable than the second. It's given to all men once to die, and all return to dust. That is the fate of all the living, and when they depart in death, then all memory of them is blotted out. But it's not the end for those who once received God's Spirit. Death doesn't free them of obligations under the **Blood of the Covenant** they agreed to as a prelude to receiving God's Spirit. That contract will be completed for better or for worse. You'll be held to all pledges and obligations of obedience to God, and the penalty for breaking that contract is death. All who fell away and refused to continue in this life or death contract will face the ultimate penalty - twice! Certain former members of the Churches of God have some funny ideas about repentance. They seem to believe they can make a last minute bid for forgiveness following years of disobedience to God after receiving His Holy Spirit. A sort of 'road to Damascus' repentance is what they envisage! Almighty God, they believe, is obligated to forgive them! I'm afraid they err not knowing the Scriptures. Heb 6:4 "It is **IMPOSSIBLE** for those who have *once been enlightened*, who have *tasted the heavenly gift*, who have shared in the Holy Spirit, who have tasted the goodness of the Word of God and the powers of the coming age, if they fall away, to be brought back to repentance, because to THEIR LOSS they are crucifying the Son of God all over again and subjecting Him to public disgrace." And the door has now slammed shut on them all! There is neither repentance nor forgiveness for any of them now. There is no way back!

<u>The heavenly gift, God's Holy Spirit</u> was given for <u>enlightenment</u>, to allow those who received it to understand <u>the powers of the coming age</u>, and to prepare for it. <u>The Word of God</u> has everything to do with <u>the powers of the coming age</u>, that is, <u>prophecy</u>! Surely you must have read **Rev** 19:10!

But when the Seed fell on barren ground and withered, so did the hope of the recipient. Unfortunately, *many were called but few were chosen*. Those who were chosen had special unshakable qualities that are patterned after the Christ Himself. These are men and women who are not easily shaken by every wind of doctrine, and neither are they like reeds shaken in the wind. Like Peter, they are rocks, just as Jesus is the Rock of all Ages. And contrary to all that you have heard from the television evangelists, God doesn't favour sniveling cowards, but men and women of determination and resolve. There is nothing more repulsive to me than seeing people *subjecting the Christ to public disgrace* by implying that He's a weakling. What a shock these people will get to see what a Mighty King He is! David was a mighty king and warrior, and the Christ was happy to call Himself the *Son of David*, but the Christ is everything David was and *more*! He is magnitudes greater, and He has declared that He will rule the nations with a rod of iron! You may not agree with His methods, but rest assured that future generations will be thankful for the result – especially when the ashes of the wicked are trampled underfoot.

Satan knows where the Holy Land is, and he wants to control it. Human beings who live on earth today have only been around for only a few score years, so no-one has the experience of Satan who has been around for millennia. Without God's Holy Spirit to guide them, human beings are like babes in the woods. From time to time the Tribes of Israel find righteous reasons to engage in wars, especially when they are attacked. At such times they firmly believe that God will be with them in battle and ensuring the outcome. And in the *past*, *He always was*. The Tribes of Israel have continued to believe that their enemies must be killed and their cities destroyed. As long as they retained this attitude, God did give them the victory they sought. And the reason for this is that God condoned what they did. And being unchangeable, Almighty God plans to do the same to His enemies. And this is where Christianity has baulked. It seems that they believe that God is supposed to forgive everyone, and never defend His reputation. What possible reason would God have to preserve *the children of the devil*? (1John 3:10). The Children of Israel are the only people God ever chose of all the families of the earth (Amos 3:1-2, Deut 7:6, 14:2, 2Sam 7:23). And just to remove all ambiguity, God instructed the House of Israel, after they emerged from Egypt, to attack and destroy all the surrounding nations and to wipe out all memory of them. He further instructed the Israelites *not* to *learn their ways*!

You can see the drift today, where the House of Israel has chosen to be friend God's enemies and to ratify their belief systems. The House of Israel actually honours the beliefs of these evil creatures, and seeks to prosper them. Do they really believe that this is God's intention? The Middle-Eastern hordes that surround the Holy Land are God's ancient enemies – *the predicted Babylonians* – the very enemy that will be ashes under the feet of the righteous when God demonstrates '*the power of the coming age*'.

Throughout the period of human existence God has never departed from the overall goal of establishing His people Israel in the Promised Land – the land He gave to <u>Abraham His friend</u>: <u>Isa</u> 41:8 "But you, O Israel, my servant, <u>Jacob, whom I have chosen</u>, <u>you descendants of Abraham my friend</u>...." It's bad luck for the rest of humanity that God never chose them or cared about them. But

why should He? They are <u>the children of the devil</u>, and after all, didn't the Christ come specifically to <u>destroy the devil's work</u> (1John 3:8) together with all his children and reduce them to ashes? If as the Scriptures confirm, the Kingdom of God will spread to fill the entire earth (Dan 2:35, 44), what possible reason would God have to include the children of the devil in His Kingdom? God has specifically said that <u>not a root or branch of them will remain</u> (Mal 4:1).

It's funny that so many religious organizations have written epic sagas on the Book of Daniel, but apparently never believed any of it. It's obvious they don't share God's resolve to eradicate the children of the devil, and neither could they understand something as fundamental as who the Babylonians are. Instead, they believed that Daniel was writing about the Catholic Church and the Vatican. How they could believe that the Babylonians were anything other than the territory that Nebuchadnezzar ruled over is totally beyond belief. Daniel stated beyond any ambiguity whom they are, but Christianity has refused to believe it. So perhaps the reader can understand why God chose servants who believe Him in order to illuminate the Testimony of Jesus, which is the Spirit of Prophecy (Rev 19:10). Why would God leave such a responsibility to lying deceivers – to people who fail in the most fundamental way to understand prophecy?

And contrary to what the reader may have formerly believed, prophecy is for believers, not unbelievers. So don't expect to be fully appraised of all that is about to happen, because unless you believe God, then you are undeserving of any warning of specifics. Why would God have any regard for those who treat the Word of God with contempt? The contemptuous way that some people, who should know better, have treated God's Word with their own fanciful fabrications and actually promoted their lying deception to others, leaves them with no excuse. God has declared the end from the beginning, but such people have refused to listen and understand. Hence, God has confirmed that prophecy is for believers, and not unbelievers. At the very least, in order to be a believer, you must recognize who God's enemies are - His ancient adversaries, whom He wants to eradicate from the earth. And from beginning to the end, these adversaries have surrounded the Holy Land and made numerous attempts to possess it, and dispossess God's people. The territory possessed anciently by Nebuchadnezzar is Babylonia today, and these hordes, collectively called Babylonians, will do anything to prevent the Kingdom of God being established. They've been sweeping across the earth setting up bases in all the House of Israel, and plotting for their destruction. And because of political correctness, the House of Israel seems powerless to do anything about it. Prime Minister Tony Blair has taken a stand to deport the troublemakers, but because of the deceptive nature of Islam, it may prove to be a difficult task with the burden of proof being on the government to prove their case. Not an easy task considering the madness that prevails today through political correctness.

Satan has been very active in trying to <u>weaken the nations</u> of Israel, but also this Brotherhood. His pathetic attempts to destroy us have been countered every time. Satan knows the identity of most of us in the Brotherhood, and through devious means has sought to kill some of us. Out of fear of God he attempts these things in a way that makes him appear blameless (after the same manner that he plotted the death of the Son of God). If he could kill us, then he would be in a position to claim that God had not protected us. But his cunning schemes have all failed. Of particular note is the fury of the storms he generated for this purpose. For anyone who is not aware that this type of activity is a part of his repertoire of tricks, then you only need to read the account of the Prophet Job (Job 1:19) and you will know that he has the power to generate mighty winds. An interesting inclusion of this account in the Book of Job is that Satan's wind <u>struck all four corners of the house</u> – so it was buffeted from all sides.

Satan got wind of some of God's servants living in Florida, and attempted a coup de grace. You'll recall in the account of Job that Job's children were all together in the oldest brother's house when disaster struck. Satan set out to kill them all out of hatred for God's faithful servant Job. At that time, God permitted Satan's excessive and murderous behaviour in order to identify his tactics. Satan will go to any lengths to destroy God's servants – and with him it's an obsession. When God said to Satan: "Have you considered my servant Job?" – it was like red rag to a bull! Satan's whole priority was then to destroy Job, and he was prepared to go to any lengths to do it. He was, however, forbidden to take his life.

Anyway, three mighty winds hit Florida in the space of just weeks, striking from both sides and criss-crossing at a central point. Such frequency and ferocity is virtually unheard of, and especially the targeted focal point of these three hurricanes. But all three failed to achieve Satan's hoped-for result. So he generated yet another hurricane, steering it directly towards his target. This was Hurricane Katrina headed straight towards the heartland of Florida, but this time it was turned away at the last minute, circumventing Florida, and heading straight for the heartland of the Louisiana coast – New Orleans. This time God was watching and He granted the request of His watchman (Hos 9:8) who is *the watchman over Ephraim*.

As it happened, Katrina turned away from Florida and into the Gulf Coast, and then slammed into a city that has a high ratio of aliens living in Ephraim, and in the aftermath, we all saw firsthand

the conduct of these people in times of peril. We all heard the reports of looting, raping and killing conducted by these people. Even when they were in the safety of the Superdome, and while others were still stranded in the ruins and dying by the hundreds through the inability of rescuers to get to them, these wretched people continued the raping and killing in the safety of their refuge. How different it was from the after-effects of the 9/11 tragedy, when men of goodwill did everything possible to relieve the suffering of others. Not so among the savages in this disaster. Like animals they turned on the weak and defenseless. Immediately an orchestrated attempt was made by prominent blacks to justify it all and to blame the



Katrina turns from the heartland of Florida and heads towards New Orleans.

U.S. government for everything. What mangy dogs they showed themselves to be! They made no attempt to appeal to their own people to stop the ruthless carnage, but only to justify their actions by saying that hunger and thirst drove them to looting. The looting started the very next day, so how hungry and thirsty were they after only one day? These apologists failed to mention the looting of every jewelry shop and gun shop in the entire city. So the message is: Don't be too quick to entertain these aliens who live among the House of Israel. They've shown themselves to be children of the devil. These are a lawless and cursed breed, and their true nature is concealed just below the surface. It only takes a disaster like this to reveal them for what they are. What it also reveals is the phoneyism of political correctness in defending the wanton behaviour of these strange people whose true nature lurks just below the surface. (This criticism excludes those of this race who have lived decent and honourable lives, and who don't engage in civil lawlessness. Howbeit, they are thin on the ground as the evidence shows).

America is the richest nation on earth, and so they have more reason than any other nation to be thankful to God for His bountiful blessings, which the founding fathers of the nation acknowledged. But this thankful attitude has declined in recent years, and instead of being thankful, half the American people have become cynical. They no longer give thanks to God, but have gone headlong into denying His very existence. It gives added meaning to these words: Rom 1:21 "For although they knew God, they neither glorified Him as God nor gave thanks to Him, but their thinking became futile and their foolish hearts were darkened." It's funny how such people seem to think they have been enlightened when they become infidels and unbelievers. Well, not surprisingly, God foresaw it all from the beginning, and warned the whole House of Israel what would befall them when they turned away from Him. The blessings and the curses are enumerated in **Deuteronomy 28** and **Leviticus 26**. You'll need to read these chapters for yourself, but here are a few selections: Lev 26:14 "But if you will not listen to me and carry out all these Commands, and if you reject my Decrees and abhore my Laws and fail to carry out all my Commandments and so violate my Covenant, then I will do this to you: I will bring upon you sudden terror, wasting diseases and fever that will destroy your sight and drain away your life. You will plant seed in vain, because your enemies will eat it. I will set my face against you so that you will be defeated by your enemies, those who hate you will rule over you, and you will flee when no-one is pursuing you." V25 "And I will bring the sword upon you to avenge the breaking of the Covenant. When you withdraw into your cities, I will send a plague among you, and you will be given into enemy hands." Just a word of caution here! Don't think for one moment that all this applies only to the distant past - the fact is that it is a hundred times more applicable today as the Kingdom of God starts its small beginnings to blossom and grow to fill the earth. Just remember that all that happened anciently to the House of Israel were examples for us on whom the end of the

Both these chapters have horrific forebodings, and we find this in **Deut 28:43** "The alien who lives among you will rise above you higher and higher, but you will sink lower and lower." **V47** "Because you did not serve the LORD your God joyfully and gladly in time of prosperity, therefore in hunger and thirst, in nakedness and dire poverty, you will serve the enemies the LORD sends against you. He will put an iron yoke on your neck until he has destroyed you. The LORD will bring a nation against you from far away, from the ends of the earth, like an eagle swooping down, a nation whose

<u>language you will not understand</u>, a fierce-looking nation <u>without respect</u> for <u>the old or pity for the young</u>." V44 "Then the LORD will <u>scatter you among all the nations</u>, <u>from one end of the earth to the other</u>. There you will worship other gods – gods of wood and stone, which neither you nor your fathers have known. <u>Among the nations</u> you will find no repose, <u>no resting place</u> for the sole of your foot. There the LORD will give you an anxious mind, eyes weary with longing, and a despairing heart. <u>You will live in constant suspense</u>, <u>filled with dread both night and day</u>, <u>never sure of your life</u>. In the morning you will say, "If only it were evening!" and in the evening, "If only it were morning!" – <u>because of the terror that will fill your hearts</u> and <u>the sights that your eyes will see</u>. The LORD will send you back <u>in ships</u> to <u>Egypt</u> on a journey I said you should never make again. There you will offer yourselves for sale to <u>your enemies</u> as <u>male and female slaves</u>, <u>but no-one will buy you</u>."

Did you notice who <u>your enemies</u> are, to whom you will offer yourselves as slaves? Surely not good ol' Egypt, that 'moderate' Islamic nation held in such high esteem by Washington! <u>Yes, that same Egypt!</u> And slimy ol' Mubarek, who has thoroughly twined Washington for years is just about to win his first 'democratic' election after being a tyrant president for decades. Yes, it's the same Egypt that has waged three major wars against the Israelis in order to seize the Holy Land. Nebuchadnezzar would be so proud of his <u>offspring puppet nation</u>. I expect that the Israelis will be able to advise on the seating arrangements of <u>the ships</u> that will transport these desperate people of Israel. The Jewish people were transported from the ends of the earth to concentration camps and suffered just as the rest of the House of Israel is about to. And God has decreed that they have suffered enough: <u>Isa 40:1-2</u> "Comfort, comfort <u>my people</u>, says your God. Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and proclaim to her that her <u>hard service has been completed</u>, that her <u>sins have been paid for</u>, that she has received from the LORD'S hand double for all her sins."

Perhaps you noticed that the next verse (V3) refers to the beginning of the Ministry of John the Baptist in the Holy Land. The time scale is quite significant, and the leaders of Judah will get plenty of <u>comfort</u> from <u>the strength of the servants of God</u> appointed to establish the seed of the Kingdom of God in the Holy Land: Zech 12:5 "Then the <u>leaders of Judah</u> will say in their hearts, "<u>The people of Jerusalem are strong</u>, <u>because the LORD Almighty is their God</u>." It was John the Baptist, who was <u>an</u> Elijah to come, just as Jesus confirmed, and of whom He also said, Matt 11:12-15 "From the days of John the Baptist until now, the Kingdom of Heaven <u>has been forcefully advancing</u>, and <u>forceful men lay hold of it</u>. <u>For all the Prophets and the Law prophesied until John</u>. And if you are willing to accept it, <u>he is the Elijah who was to come</u>. <u>He who has ears, let him hear</u>." The words '<u>he who has ears, let him hear</u>" is an indication that there is <u>a hidden meaning</u> to these words. Since Jesus spoke these words to people <u>who did have ears</u>, and He had the expectation that <u>they did hear</u>, His meaning was that not all would understand what He was telling them.

John the Baptist did the work of the Prophet Elijah, just as it was prophesied of him, but he knew another Elijah would come in the distant future, immediately before the Great and Dreadful Day of the LORD begins (Mal 4:5). And he freely admitted that he was not that Prophet! John 1:21 "They asked him, "Then who are you? Are you Elijah?" He said, "I am not." "Are you the Prophet?" He answered, "No." Naturally enough, this left his enquirers somewhat baffled. And it has left generations baffled ever since.

And this is the meaning of Jesus' statement. Yet Jesus was quite adamant the establishment of the Kingdom of God was yet in the future. Because John the Baptist was <u>not</u> the Church (Jesus built His Church <u>after</u> John's death), but a Brotherhood of believers, Christianity has generally disregarded John the Baptist, and considered him as being unimportant to their aspirations. Mind you, many have laid claim to being Elijah, while trying to promote their own church. Funny people!

While John the Baptist admitted that he was <u>not that Prophet Elijah</u>, he certainly came <u>in the Spirit and power of Elijah</u> (Luke 1:17), and proclaimed the same message of <u>the Kingdom of God</u> and he did it in <u>a forceful way</u>, and he was not averse to being thoroughly insulting to the crowds coming out to be baptized by him (Luke 3:7-9). You'll notice that John was <u>not</u> politically correct! And if you read his comments in this verse, you will notice that he was not receptive to any who wanted to muscle their way into the Brotherhood with specious claims of rights and privileges. In other words, they must divest themselves of the fake leaven they had grown up with, <u>or face the axe</u> (V9). No one in their right mind is going to put new wine into old wineskins, because if they burst all the wine will be lost – a point made by Jesus. John was determined that anyone who came to him for baptism first repent and cast off the old baggage of the leaven of the brood of vipers posing as Scribes and Pharisees and Sadducees

Jesus also made the same point concerning the yeast of the Pharisees: Matt 16:6 "Be careful," Jesus said to them. "Be on your guard <u>against the yeast of the Pharisees and Sadducees.</u>" You'll recall that at that time, the Pharisees and Sadducees played the starring role as Satan's look-alikes. Their boasting, arrogant behaviour had placed them in the camp of the children of the devil (Matt 23:5,

15, 23, 25, 33). The Apostle Paul was of the same mind when he said to cast out the old leaven: 1Cor 5:6 "Your boasting is not good. Don't you know that a little yeast works through the whole batch of dough? Get rid of the old yeast that you may be a new batch without yeast – as you really are. For Christ, our Passover Lamb, has been sacrificed. Therefore let us keep the Festival, not with the old yeast, the yeast of malice and wickedness, but with bread without yeast, the bread of sincerity and truth." This Festival is a prelude to the rest of the Annual Holy Days and at time for dumping the fake nonsense of false teachings and practices that lead one to be pharisaical in nature, which leads to wanting to eliminate others who don't share their views or else making them twice the sons of hell as they are (Matt 23:15). Obviously, no one wants this type of person around, and this is what John the Baptist had in mind when he made his comments to the crowds coming out to meet him, and seeking baptism.

Concerning putting new wine into new wineskins, which Jesus commented on, the passage actually confirms all that we have been saying – and more! Here it is: Luke 5:33 - 6:5 "They (Scribes and Pharisees) said to him, "John's disciples often fast and pray, and so do the disciples of the Pharisees, but yours go on eating and drinking." Jesus answered, "Can you make the guests of the Bridegroom fast while he is with them? But the time will come when the bridegroom will be taken from them; in those days they will fast." He told them this parable: "No one tears a patch from a new garment and sews it on an old one. If he does, he will have torn the new garment, and the patch from the new will not match the old. And no one pours new wine into old wineskins. If he does, the new wine will burst the skins, the wine will run out and the wineskins will be ruined. No, new wine must be poured into new wineskins. And no one after drinking old wine wants the new, for he says, 'The old is better." One Sabbath Jesus was going through the grain-fields, and his disciples began to pick some heads of grain, rub them in their hands and eat the kernels. Some of the Pharisees asked, "Why are you doing what is unlawful on the Sabbath?" Jesus answered them, "Have you never read what David did when he and his companions were hungry? He entered the house of God, and taking the consecrated bread, he ate what is lawful only for priests to eat. And he also gave some to his companions." Then Jesus said to them, "The Son of Man is Lord of the Sabbath."

I won't go into all the ramifications of this parable, but just remember what Jesus said at the <u>Passover</u> with His disciples: "I will no longer drink of this wine until I drink it new in my Father's Kingdom." But He told His disciples to continue to do it in remembrance of Him. Bread and wine are the symbols of the new Passover instituted by the Christ, the Lord of the Sabbath or Seventh Day. David ate the consecrated bread of priests. In the Father's Kingdom (which Christ will hand over to Him – 1Cor 15:24) others will eat of it too. And just one other point: Did you notice that Jesus spoke of the guests of the Bridegroom? The Bride is actually 12,000 from each of the Tribes of Israel (Dan is omitted, and a double portion to Joseph). The guests will be present as guests at the Wedding of the **Lamb**. The Kingdom of God is also likened to the Wedding of the Lamb as the parable indicates in Matt 12:1-14. As the parable indicates, God's servants are sent to invite the guests, and those not suitably attired will be cast out. As for being suitably attired, the Book of Revelation specifically mentions this in these terms: Rev 19:6-9 "...Hallelujah! For our Lord God Almighty reigns. Let us rejoice and be glad and give Him glory! For the Wedding of the Lamb has come, and the Bride has made herself ready. Fine linen, bright and clean was given her to wear." (Fine linen stands for the righteousness of the saints.) Then the angel said to me, "Write, 'Blessed are those who are invited to the Wedding supper of the Lamb". And he added, "These are the true words of God." The Bride has already made herself ready when the guests are invited. She is already dressed in fine white linen and waiting in the Mothership under the Altar; she is waiting for her fellow-servants and brothers to be killed as she was (Rev 6:9-11). I know the term 'Bride' is a bit confusing when it refers to faithful servants and brothers, but it's these who are eminently qualified to be *one with Christ* because they died in faithful obedience to the Father, just as Jesus did. In order to be grafted into the Family of God and bear His Family Name, they had to become family through marriage. A bride takes her husband's name.

And just to confirm that these <u>fellow-servants and brothers</u> are <u>prophets who hold to the Testimony of Jesus</u>, we find this in the <u>very next verse</u> in Rev 19:10 "At this I fell at his feet to worship <u>him</u> (the angel of the Lord). But he said to me, "Do not do it! <u>I am a fellow servant with you and your brothers</u> who <u>hold to the Testimony of Jesus</u>. Worship <u>God! For the Testimony of Jesus is the Spirit of Prophecy."</u> It never seems to occur to Christian groups that they <u>don't</u> have <u>the Testimony of Jesus!</u> They like to make absurd, stupid 'prophecies' from their own imaginations, and even decide for themselves what their reward will be. But never do they teach that they must be prepared to be killed by God's enemies – the children of Satan – and go to their deaths as Jesus did. Amazingly, their prophecies circumvent what the Bible has to say, and all their 'prophecies' are concocted out of self-interest. But they never draw attention to their many failed prophecies, nor

understand that their 'prophecies' were <u>not</u> inspired through <u>the Spirit of Prophecy</u>, which is <u>the Testimony of Jesus!</u>

No, the builders of the Kingdom of God will not tolerate the nonsense of pathetic and twisted doctrine generated by the imaginations of men. There must be purity in the Kingdom of God from the very outset. The Levitical Laws will be stringently enforced, and the new nation established in righteousness and according to those Laws. Only those who have divested themselves of the old leaven or yeast will enter *the Place of Rest*, and they will be instructed according to the new Levin or teachings of God. It will be just as Jesus said concerning the woman kneading the dough with the Levin of purity to produce the bread of righteousness. This is what the Kingdom of God will be like. Only in God's Kingdom will people live happy, safe and stable lives, and poverty, terror and uncertainty will be far from them. Surely the Bible is clear enough on the type of Kingdom God has envisaged and planned! It's humanity that has devised the harsh laws – not God! *Obedience* to God's Law brings *no* penalties at all; *only transgressors suffer penalties*!

As for <u>man's</u> laws, you could spent a lifetime trying to familiarize yourself with these voluminous tomes of the law, and never be sure of what is being said. Indeed, Supreme Court judges can never agree on what the law says as the inevitable 5-4 rulings in the U.S. Supreme Court show. Yet citizens are advised that ignorance of the law is no excuse. If nine Supreme Court judges can't agree on what the law says, what hope is there for the average citizen to blamelessly regulate their lives according to those laws? <u>It will not be this way with God's Laws!</u> Citizens of God's Kingdom will be taught the wonder and glory of God's perfect Laws, and the meaning and purpose behind them all. This will be the role of the Levitical priesthood, just as it was long ago. In that day there will be no need for nine Supreme Court judges to be arguing over what the law says. In the fullness of time, <u>God's Laws will be written into the hearts and minds of all the citizenry</u>. And all the citizenry will be of the House of Israel, whether of pure stock or grafted stock, they will be of one mind, and will serve one God – the <u>Creator</u> God.

One could easily write a whole book on the events that lead up to God granting the House of Israel a new Spirit and writing the Laws in their hearts (Eze 36:26-27). But the lesson is that after they have been scattered across the earth (V19) and lived under the harshness of the slavery of Satan's brood, they will be only too happy to honour God and His Laws once more. It will be just as Jeremiah wrote (and which is also <u>confirmed</u> in Heb 8:10): Jer 31:33 "This is the Covenant that I will make with the House of Israel <u>after that time</u> (<u>after they are brought back from captivity</u> – V23)" declares the LORD. "<u>I will put my Law in their minds</u> and <u>write it on their hearts</u>. <u>I will be their God</u>, <u>and they will be my people</u>." Well, it should be very obvious that this has not happened yet!

But perhaps one of the most monstrous presumptions of some of these false prophets is that God has no enemies, and that He will resurrect everyone that has ever lived in a second chance at life. The purpose of this is to broaden the base of their potential converts, even though a blatant lie. It simply couldn't possibly be an honest mistake on their part! In view of the Scriptures, how could they believe that God will deliberately provoke a showdown with the nations of the earth for a great battle of slaughter, if He plans to resurrect them for a second shot at life? The Great God of Heaven is a practical God, and He has already determined the type of people that will populate this earth for evermore. In fact, these are the only people God ever chose from all the families of the earth, and it was to these very people to whom He sent His Son Jesus: Matt 15:24 "He answered, "I was sent <u>only</u> to <u>the lost sheep of Israel</u>." And it's these very people who will comprise the Bride of Christ. And these will be the ruling class for everymore.

The Great Creator God does as He pleases with His creation, and it pleases Him to create a righteous Kingdom free of tyrants and evil, and free of murderers and liars and others (**Rev 22:14**). For six thousand years Satan has ruled on this earth, and has done what he pleases to his own brood. And whenever the opportunity presented itself, he used them to provoke and destroy God's people. At the appointed time, God planned to act to turn the tables and <u>deliver justice</u>. But by their own admission, the children of the devil have hated God's people Israel, and have rejoiced whenever adversity struck. In the interests of justice, God plans to bring down on their own heads all the atrocities they have committed from the very beginning – beginning with the very people – the Babylonians – that started the rebellion against God at the Tower of Babel, and at the very place where this object of rebellion against God was first constructed.

The mighty Ephraim has taken first charge of the retribution against these evil people. There might have been a rebirth of the Holy Land if Ephraim had knocked them down like dominoes and set out to kill every man, woman and child of this detestable brood of vipers, but they failed! We now know that it wasn't <u>only</u> Saddam Hussein and his sons who were evil; <u>it was the whole nation of them and beyond</u>. And they've spread their evil throughout the world, and the world is beginning to feel the results of the failure to bring a comprehensive solution to an age-old problem. It's common knowledge

that the Saddam Hussein regime funded terror against the House of Israel – most notably against the Israelis. Saddam Hussein was the major contributor to the Palestinians, and openly funded the killing of innocent Israelis – men, women and children. He rained 39 Scud missiles down on the Israelis during the first Gulf War, even though the Israelis had no part in it. So only the blind could fail to see who it is that God is speaking of when He speaks of Babylon and the Babylonians. And the Babylonian mentality has spread throughout the world.

I hope everyone understands the difference between <u>a Bride</u> – <u>who is at one with her Husband</u> – and a <u>prostitute</u>, because God just happens to mention <u>the wine of deception</u> of a certain <u>prostitute</u> <u>who corrupts the inhabitants of the earth</u>: Rev 17:2 "With her the kings of the earth committed <u>adultery</u> and <u>the inhabitants of the earth were intoxicated with the wine of her adulteries."</u> For your own peace of mind, you need to understand what is happening now, and shed all former illusions of the meaning of it all. <u>Satan's wine</u> and <u>Christ's wine</u> are completely different! <u>Satan is the prostitute</u> who has <u>deceived the nations</u> with his <u>wine of deception</u>, and <u>the inhabitants of the earth have drunk his wine and gone mad with intoxication</u>. Satan and his intoxicated brood have gone all out to seize the Holy Land and the Holy City Jerusalem. Although he controls most of the landmass of the earth, he wants God's property and His City. And in the past, he has come tantalizingly close to achieving this.

But the tables will be turned when the Sons of Jerusalem forcefully take control of Jerusalem and drive out Satan's intoxicated brood. So being the strategist that he is, Satan will choose the city which symbolizes the rebellion against God anciently at the Tower of Babel, and the very city where this outrage occurred: *Babylon on the Euphrates River!* And despite all the irrational reasoning of so many false prophets who refuse to believe the Bible, *Babylon on the Euphrates River in Iraq today*, will be his *only* option! It's vitally important to Satan *that the oil and the wine are protected* (Rev 6:6) *just as the Apostle John heard the cryptic voice say*. And in case you haven't noticed, the control of energy resources through the oil-rich Middle East is becoming the lynchpin of controlling and corrupting the world. But you will notice that the cryptic voice heard by John also describes slave-like conditions of employment with minimum wages. And Satan's wine of delusion is actually being protected by the desire for the oil of the Middle East. And it all started in *the realm* of Nebuchadnezzar, *king of Babylon*, *who represents the head of gold in Daniel's image*. And it's no coincidence! It was all prophesied!

The wine and bread of Jesus, instituted at the Passover, is the first step for eradicating the wine of Satan's deception, and preparing for a life of purity, and obedience to God. The Passover is followed by Seven Days of Unleavened Bread – <u>the time to get the mind straightened out</u>, and for sobriety to return. Having achieved this, you will come to the next Annual Holy Day – the Feast of Pentecost or Firstfruits. The firstfruits you will recall are the Tribe of Levi: Num 8:13 "Make <u>the Levites</u> stand in front of Aaron and his sons and then present them as <u>a wave offering</u> to the LORD. <u>In this way you are to set the Levites apart from other Israelites</u>, and <u>the Levites will be mine</u>." V16 "They are the Israelites who are given wholly to me. I have taken them <u>in place of the firstborn</u>, the first male offspring of every Israelite woman." The wave offering is the firstfruits of the harvest.

Almighty God has a habit of referring to the House of Israel as virgin Israel in order to make a distinction between a prostitute and virtuous woman. At the time when God called His son Ephraim to rule over the 'lost Ten Tribes of Israel', there was supposed to be a rebirth, but there was no delivery. Nothing came to the opening of the womb! What went wrong was that five virgins were wise and five were foolish. In other words, the nation of Ephraim became hopelessly divided, with half the nation hell-bent on protecting Satan's oil and becoming drunk on his wine. These drunken lunatics actually stated that America went to war to steal the oil of the Middle East! And now these blatant hypocrites are whining and howling because of oil prices at the gas pumps. It's the cretinous Democrats that are behind all the madness. You only have to look into the deranged and hypocritical character of Senator Ted Kennedy (we mustn't mention Chappaquiddick). The whole Kennedy family has been under a curse for their efforts to corrupt their nation. They've certainly done their Irish heritage proud! I almost forgot to mention that it was the Irish Republican Army (IRA) that trained Yasser Arafat in insurgency techniques and financing in the early days of his terrorist activities, and actually provided him with Semtex plastic explosives to kill Israelis through suicide bombers. The long history of the Irish has been one of hostility to the rest of the Tribes of Israel, and for this reason, they will not be represented in the Tribes that make up God's Treasured Possession - the Bride of Christ. The Tribe of Dan has been omitted and a double portion given to the Tribe of Joseph (Rev 7:4-8). The Tribe of Dan will, however, be granted an allotment in the Holy Land (Eze 48:1), and they better behave themselves when they get there! Their existence is tenuous at best, and except for God's promise to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, they would have nothing!

Now back to the oil and wine and the ramifications for this present era. America's dependence on Islamic oil is largely the product of the Democrats efforts to block the development of new oil fields in such places as Anwar in Alaska because it might upset the caribou. You'd be forgiven for believing this crazy reasoning emanated from a drunken orgy at the Democrat headquarters, but it now seems that it's emanating in the cold light of day. These deranged lunatics are serious that the lifestyle of the caribou overrides the welfare of their nation.

Right on cue, they've just had a wake-up call! Along came Hurricane Katrina and has just savaged the heartland of petroleum production and refining in the Texas Gulf region, and the Democrats logic bounced off the wall and landed on another of their philosophies: <u>the protection of looters, rapists and murderers</u>. Lo, and behold, it was all the fault of President Bush! Drink up and have another one, Democrats, <u>drink some more wine</u>, because <u>tomorrow you die</u>! (1Cor 15:32, Isa 22:13). Enjoy your state of delusion while you can.

God expects those who watch over His people to watch over them for their best interests; to shepherd and guide them to righteous living. But the Democrats have done the diametric oppose, and gone headlong to develop chaos and confusion and madness of mind. And every adversity that comes along is always someone else's fault. And God has passed His judgment: Isa 56:10-12 "Israel's watchmen are blind, they all lack knowledge; they are all mute dogs, they cannot bark; they lie around and dream, they love to sleep. They are dogs with mighty appetites; they never have enough. They are shepherds who lack understanding; they all turn to their own way, each seeks his own gain. "Come," each one cries, "let me get wine! Let us drink our fill of beer! And tomorrow will be like <u>today</u>, <u>or even far better</u>." No, it won't! It will be as the Apostle Paul said in his quote: 'Tomorrow we die'. The vista the Democrats have painted of everlasting debauchery and eternal sexual promiscuity and the redistribution of the wealth to the undeserving is not what God has in mind. Tomorrow is <u>not</u> going to be better than today <u>but far worse</u> - <u>only then will the dawning of a new</u> day seem desirable. And the New Dawn will bring massive changes to the House of Israel and the whole world – and according to prophecy, just as the Apostle Peter said in 2Pet 1:19-21. The term 'dogs' in the above verse is Jesus-speak for unbelieving infidels (Matt 15:26). Mute dogs that cannot <u>bark</u> don't make good <u>watchdogs</u> and their only purpose would be to satiate <u>their mighty appetites</u>. And this is how the shepherds who lack understanding are described here. And let me suggest that there are plenty of them! And they are very good at promising favourable outcomes! These dogs are again mentioned unfavourably in Rev 22:15. God has a habit of using very descriptive terms!

But in complete contrast to these <u>dogs</u>, there are others who are mentioned most favourably. Continuing in the next verse in Isaiah: <u>Isa 57:1-2</u> "The <u>righteous</u> perish, and no one ponders it in his heart; <u>devout</u> men are taken away, <u>and no one understands that the righteous are taken away to be spared from evil</u>. <u>Those who walk uprightly enter into peace</u>; <u>they find rest as they lie in death</u>." It is of no concern to God <u>when dogs die</u> and when they run out of tomorrows, but the <u>righteous</u> and the <u>devout</u> are a different story! <u>Psalm 116:15</u> "<u>Precious in the sight of the LORD is the death of His saints."</u>

By sheer 'coincidence' this Psalm follows the <u>Levite</u> Psalm (Ps 115), the Psalm immortalized by the Knights Templar – the Knights of the Holy Temple of Jerusalem – the passage that is always open in all their meetings. Why Psalm 115? Well, the first clue is in the opening verse: V1 "Not to us, O LORD, not to us but to your Name be the glory, because of your love and faithfulness." This is in marked contrast to others who seek their own glory rather than God's. What typifies a true Levite is that they don't care what others think of them, but they seek only God's glory. Because they believe and know their God, the Levites fear Him and honour His Name (Mal 3:16). They know only too well not to provoke God by compromising His Word just to please men. Levites don't seek to be honoured by men but have utter contempt for any honours that men could bestow on us. Its God's Name we honour – not our own! Therefore, neither do we honour church groups that peddle their own spurious nonsense for their own glory. In other words, we are not menpleasers (Eph 6:6, Col 3:22) but God pleasers. All honour is to God – not to us! If anyone finds anything in all our writings that makes them feel good, then I can't imagine what it could be – except if they suddenly decide to believe, obey and fear Him; only then will they feel good. Only then will God acknowledge that He knows them, and perhaps then they will be numbered among God's Treasured Possession (Mal 3:17).

**The saints** are those **who are led by God's Holy Spirit**, and the very people who will **inherit God's Kingdom** (**Dan 7:27**) after all the horrific events described by Daniel are fulfilled following the sitting of the Heavenly Court when the final judgments are made. As you would expect, it will be no cakewalk for the saints, and so their reward will be richly deserved in accordance to the sacrifices they will make. But to God, **their deaths will be precious**. Remember the old gangster comeback from the movies: 'I'd take a bullet for him'? I wonder how many would be prepared to 'take a bullet' for their

Creator God. From what I've seen – not many! The closest you get today to this type of character are the soldiers who obey the command to go into battle and are prepared to give their lives for the cause for which they are fighting. I imagine that some of these are the *type of men* who numbered in Abraham's 318-strong army when he went to battle the four kings – including the king of Babylon. And who, on returning from the slaughter of the kings were met by the Logos Himself – the High Priest after the Order of Melchisedec, who blessed Abraham for his faithfulness. I wonder if it would be possible today to assemble an army of 318 fighting men to charge an enemy of tens of thousands? I would want to be sure such men had the Spirit of God before I led the charge! I wouldn't want weaklings like some of these television evangelists at my back. Turning back on the day of battle was never an option for the armies of the Living God, and now the odds of God's enemies number in the billions.

Since the whole world is now staging for battle, with nation rising up against nation and kingdom against kingdom, and with death and destruction destined to be everywhere, there are some serious battles to be fought. But the army of the Living God must begin in Jerusalem and firstly secure the Holy Land, establish the base and then turn on the surrounding nations. *This is the promised rebirth*, and there will be a *delivery*. Offspring will be born, figuratively speaking, and they will be a kind of first-fruit like their Mother who has the Testimony of Jesus. The Woman's *offspring* will keep the Commandments of God and they will also have the Testimony of Jesus to guide them on their tortuous route to the *Place of Rest*.

What we are presently seeing today is a proliferation of Islam rapidly spreading around the world. But what you will also see developing from a tiny seed (*like a mustard seed*) is a Kingdom of saints who will take the fight to God's enemies, and this Kingdom will grow to fill the whole earth.

Jesus made some comments concerning the Kingdom of God which should be noted: Luke 13:18-30 "Then Jesus asked, "What is the kingdom of God like? What shall I compare it to? It is like a mustard seed, which a man took and planted in his garden. It grew and became a tree, and the birds of the air perched in its branches." Again he asked, "What shall I compare the kingdom of God to? It is like yeast that a woman took and mixed into a large amount of flour until it worked all through the dough." Then Jesus went through the towns and villages, teaching as he made his way to Jerusalem. Someone asked him, "Lord, are only a few people going to be saved?" He said to them, "Make every effort to enter through the narrow door, because many, I tell you, will try to enter and will not be able to. Once the owner of the house gets up and closes the door, you will stand outside knocking and pleading, 'Sir, open the door for us.' "But he will answer, 'I don't know you or where you come from.' "Then you will say, 'We ate and drank with you, and you taught in our streets.' "But he will reply, 'I don't know you or where you come from. Away from me, all you evildoers!' "There will be weeping there, and gnashing of teeth, when you see Abraham, Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets in the kingdom of God, but you yourselves thrown out. People will come from east and west and north and south, and will take their places at the Feast in the Kingdom of God. Indeed there are those who are last who will be first, and first who will be last."

In all our writings, I don't believe we've ever explained the meaning of this last sentence concerning the last being first. So let's have a mini-study: Firstly, this statement is made in response to the question: What is the Kingdom of God like? Jesus went on to explain that it's a narrow door by which people enter, showing that it is a restrictive process. Some will try to enter only to find themselves thrown out and not welcome. And Jesus own words to them will be 'Away from me, all you evildoers.' And who will already be in the Kingdom of God at that time? The answer is Abraham, Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets. A prophet is someone who holds to the Testimony of Jesus, which is the Spirit of prophecy. It should be obvious to all that the churches of this world, and the television evangelists, are not teaching the *Testimony of Jesus*. All these people have long imagined the Testimony of Jesus to be an emotional experience to be enjoyed in a carnival atmosphere in anticipation of an after-life. In the *minds* of all these people, God is a pushover and Jesus is a wimp. Well, they are about to find out that God is <u>not</u> a pushover, and the power and might of Jesus is to be immortalized forever by His actions to wipe out Satan's brood. And all those who have emulated Satan's brood and their hostility to God and His Law will find no rest; rather they will be thrown out to face certain death! It's these cunning, crafty manipulators who will be the first to arrive believing they are entitled to entry because of their elaborate lip-service to the gullible.

They will argue that they <u>ate with Christ</u> and <u>listened to His message in the streets</u>. An obvious reference to this is found in <u>Jude 1:12</u> "These men are blemishes at your love <u>feasts</u>, eating with you without the slightest qualm – <u>shepherds who feed only themselves</u> (notice the reference above to the righteous who do: "take their places at <u>the Feast</u> in the <u>Kingdom of God</u>"). They are clouds without rain, blown along by the wind, autumn trees, without fruit and uprooted – <u>twice dead</u>. They are wild waves of the sea, foaming up their shame, wandering stars, for whom the blackest

darkness has been reserved for ever." As Jesus said, those who proselyte others with their lies make their disciples twice the sons of hell as they are. Since Jesus said, whenever two or three of His disciples are gathered together in His Name, He is right there in the middle – which shows that these greedy parasites were right there eating with Jesus by proxy because of the two or three disciples present.

So it's the arrogant who will think they can swan their way into God's Kingdom, yet they will find themselves turned away! They'll have plenty of company from others who think they are 'bornagain' Christians, yet never served God during their entire lives - these <u>also</u> served <u>only themselves!</u> Jesus will tell them also: 'Away from me you evil doers'. These have done no work in the vineyard, and never bore the heat of the day. But others will, and even though they came late, they will be rewarded for their efforts. And this is made plain in these verses: Matt 20:9-16 "The workers who were hired about the eleventh hour came and each received a denarius. So when those came who were hired first, they expected to receive more. But each one of them also received a denarius. When they received it, they began to grumble against the landowner. 'These men who were hired last worked only one hour,' they said, 'and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the work and the heat of the day.' But he answered one of them, 'Friend, I am not being unfair to you. Didn't you agree to work for a denarius? Take your pay and go. I want to give the man who was hired last the same as I gave you. Don't I have the right to do what I want with my own money? *Or are you envious* because I am generous?' "So the last will be first, and the first will be last." So here again, in this context, the last will be first and the first will be last. Since the whole emphasis is getting into the Place of Rest by working in God's vineyard, those who are late-comers will have suffered far more in *God's vineyard*, and are possibly only capable of one hour's work, figuratively speaking.

And just to clarify the meaning of the parable concerning <u>God's vineyard</u>, it's a reference to <u>the House of Israel</u>: <u>Isa 5:4-7</u> "What more could have been done for <u>my vineyard</u> than I have done for it? When I looked for good grapes, why did it yield only bad? Now I will tell you what I am going to do to <u>my vineyard</u>: I will take away its hedge, and it will be <u>destroyed</u>; I will <u>break down its wall</u>, and it will <u>be trampled</u>. I will make it <u>a wasteland</u>, neither pruned nor cultivated, and briers and thorns will grow there. I will command the clouds not to rain on it." <u>THE VINEYARD OF THE LORD ALMIGHTY IS THE HOUSE OF ISRAEL</u>, and <u>THE MEN OF JUDAH ARE THE GARDEN OF HIS DELIGHT</u>. And <u>He looked for justice</u>, but saw <u>bloodshed</u>; for <u>righteousness</u>, but heard <u>cries of distress</u>." Even here God makes a clear distinction between <u>THE HOUSE OF ISRAEL</u>, who lack <u>justice</u> and the type of <u>righteousness</u> that God desires, and <u>THE MEN OF JUDAH</u> (the Jewish people) who have suffered much, and are THE GARDEN OF HIS DELIGHT.

With all the might and power of Ephraim – the homeland of the 'lost Ten Tribes', they've utterly failed to deliver justice! Yet the <u>men of Judah</u> – the Israelis – have had to fight the same scourge for the past sixty years against seemingly insurmountable odds, but God was with them and delivered the enemy into their hands and strengthened them. What is more, during this time the Israelis have turned the Promised Land into a virtual <u>garden</u> of Eden.

Interestingly, the former King of Jordan, Abdullah (the grandfather of the present king) wrote a book praising the Israelis for turning their land into a garden of Eden, and noted the contrast to the adjoining nations. This so inflamed Islam that they assassinated him! Older readers may recall that his son King Hussein turned his armies against the 3 million Palestinians living in his borders in retaliation, and slaughtered thousands of them, driving them into Lebanon and the West Bank. It was in Lebanon that they again assassinated the national leader; this time the Christian President Bashir Gemayal, starting a civil war. Gemayal's brother became president and turned on the Palestinians slaughtering a thousand of them in retribution. Then in the most bizarre of reversals, the UN intervened to protect the Moslems, and Americans and French were stationed there as peace-keepers. It didn't last long though. When 300 American and French troops were killed by terrorist bombs at the military base, they turned tail and evacuated, and left the problem to the Israelis. It was about this time that the U.S. fell in love with the Palestinians (who were allied with the southern Lebanese Islamic militias) and became very vocal about supporting them to the detriment of the Israelis. America couldn't understand why the Palestinians didn't love them, and why they had actively engaged in killing their troops. So they apparently concluded that they needed more 'lovin', and to make them happy, Washington hardened against the Israelis. This, they imagined, would win them plenty of friends in the Middle East.

By 1990, Syrian and Iranian Hezbollah had defeated the Christian Government forces and virtually seized control of the country. In 1993, the Islamic Government of Lebanon announced a 13 billion dollar recovery plan, and President Clinton obliged them with funding – reportedly the only foreign nation that did. But it was enough to fund the continuous rain of missiles lobbing in Northern Israel, forcing the Israelis to continue the fight for years. As usual, the UN had a 'refugee' camp in

Qana in Lebanon, a safe haven for terrorists. When the Israelis bombed it, killing a hundred terrorists, all hell broke loose in the UN with accusations against the Israelis. But with all the vitriol, the Israelis have continued to survive, howbeit, under the most extreme of conditions. What all of this does is to illustrate the difference between *the House of Israel as the vineyard*, and *the men of Judah as the garden of God's delight*.

When it comes to war against God's enemies, I know who I would prefer to be fighting with me <u>under God's banner</u>. And God has something to say about <u>His Banner</u>: Ps 60:1-4 "You have rejected us, O God, and burst forth upon us; you have been angry – now restore us! <u>You have shaken the land and torn it open</u>; mend its fractures, for it is quaking. <u>You have shown your people desperate times</u>; you have given us <u>wine that makes us stagger</u>. But <u>for those who fear you</u>, you have <u>raised a banner to be unfurled against the bow." Selah</u>

And who did Almighty God appoint to unfurl the banner against the bow? Who else but His appointed prophets who understand the Scriptures and knew what to expect! Without understanding what God's intentions were, or without understanding how God's Kingdom would be established, who else is qualified to act as God's servants? God's servants are qualified by God's Holy Spirit dwelling within them, and only God's Spirit will lead to understanding the Scriptures. Anyone who has perused the Book of Revelation will understand the importance of prophecy in the endtime. And this Book is in fact confirmation of all that is written in the Law of Moses, the Prophets and the Psalms, just as Jesus confirmed: Luke 24:44 "He said to them (the Apostles), "This is what I told you when I was still with you: Everything must be *fulfilled* that is *written* about me in *the Law of Moses, the Prophets and the* <u>Psalms.</u>" <u>Then He opened their minds so they could understand the Scriptures.</u>" (See also V27). The fact is that all prophecy must be *fulfilled*, and as distasteful as it may be for some who have never believed the Law of Moses, the Prophets and the Psalms, the whole world will be affected by its fulfillment. But the good news is that the outcome can be known, and anyone who endures to the end can be <u>rescued</u> – which is the promised <u>salvation</u> to <u>all the faithful</u>. The faithful will be a part of the remnant of the House of Israel that will return to the place God promised - the Promised Land. There the faithful will be nurtured and protected in the Kingdom of God.

As a continuation of the theme of <u>Abraham, Isaac and Jacob and all the prophets</u>, all those who serve God faithfully <u>will receive a prophet's reward</u>. It's a fact of history that God's prophets were always the target of assassination <u>by Satan's invisible rulers</u> – just as Jesus said (<u>Matt 23:35</u>), and who masterminded every murder of the prophets – even right back to <u>Adam's son Abel</u> (same verse). How different a prophet is to Satan's agents! Satan's agents like to exhibit a self-righteous façade and appear as angels of light. But beneath their exterior lies their evil plotting nature that has resulted in the killing of the prophets down through the ages. Their whole lifestyle is to promote their image and receive the praise of men. The slightest challenge to their glorious image of themselves turns them into foaming maniacs.

Remember the Scribes and Pharisees who appointed themselves as leaders of the Jewish people? When Jesus said they were <u>trying to kill Him</u> (John 7:19), they retorted, "Are you demonpossessed? Who is trying to kill you?" (V20). And what happened? <u>They killed Him</u>! The Scribes and Pharisees had been proselyting, and had made many in the crowd <u>twice the sons of hell as they were</u>. This is true of all who teach a lying doctrine, and all too often they are money-hungry, self-serving hypocrites – just as they were in Jesus' time, and just as Jesus duly pointed out: Luke 16:14-15 "The Pharisees, <u>who loved money</u>, heard all this and <u>were sneering at Jesus</u>. He said to them, "You are the ones who justify yourselves in the eyes of men, <u>but God knows your hearts</u>. <u>What is highly valued among men is detestable in God's sight</u>." And these faults are a poor combination if anyone hopes to become a servant of God! If love of money and lifestyle issues becomes the overriding factor in anyone's life, then they are not the type of people that emulate Jesus, and consequently cannot please God.

Yet another desirable quality is the <u>willingness to forsake all</u>, particularly family, if this inhibits service to God. Matt 10:37-42 "Anyone who loves his father or mother more than me is <u>not worthy of me</u>; anyone who loves his son or daughter more than me is <u>not worthy of me</u>; and anyone who does not take his cross and follow me is <u>not worthy of me</u>. Whoever finds his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life for my sake will find it. He who receives you receives me, and he who receives me receives the One who sent me. ANYONE WHO RECEIVES A PROPHET BECAUSE HE IS A PROPHET WILL RECEIVE A PROPHET'S REWARD, and anyone who receives a righteous man because he is a righteous man will receive a righteous man's reward. And if anyone gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones because he is my disciple, I tell you the truth, he will certainly not lose his reward." So the time will come when giving a cup of cold water to one of Jesus' disciples will indeed qualify someone for a reward in the Place of Rest. This is an indication that Jesus'

disciples will be having a hard time of it. All of which goes to illustrate one thing very clearly, entering the Kingdom of God will be no cake-walk, and many people are going to learn this the hard way.

There'll be a lot of people pounding on the door when the 'mustard seed' begins to grow into a 'mighty tree', and there is no rest for man or beast. The door will be slammed shut to the 'Johnny-come-latelys' who, although they heard what Jesus taught in the streets, continued to swan their way through life totally unaware that the sword was at their throat. It was then that they made a last minute dash to awaken the Owner of the House, only to be told 'Away from me, you evildoers!' Remember that Jesus is the Door (John 10:7 KJV, NIV says 'gate' which means basically the same thing), and that Door is the Testimony of Jesus. Rev 4:1 "After this I looked, and there before me was a door standing open in heaven. And the voice I had first heard speaking to me like a trumpet said, "Come up here, and I will show you what must take place after this." 'What must take place after this' is a reference to prophecy. And prophecy is the Testimony of Jesus.

Prophecy is for *believers*, *not unbelievers*, a point confirmed by Paul (1Cor 14:22) and so if you *don't believe God* then you are an *unbeliever*. When Almighty God framed His Plan long ago, it was intended to culminate in God's chosen people believing Him and trusting in Him to do all that He has commanded. God chose to reveal Himself through prophecy for better or for worse. *For better if you believe Him or worse if you don't*. But to offset the pathetic themes of men like Billy Graham, Martin Luther King and the Pope, God planned to put His people to the test, just as He did His Son Jesus, whom He used to set the example. But no-one, it seems, wants to follow Jesus' example. Mind you, they did in the early days of Christianity (Heb 11:35), but today a new level of sophistication has developed which precludes any suggestion of testing and suffering as the early Christians endured. Christianity's message is all about a free ride on the gravy train to glory. This is the reward they expect for repudiating God's Laws and Decrees, which they've conveniently remembered to *forget* when they were specifically told to *remember* them (Mal 4:4). But this verse is found in the Scriptures that Christ used, and these are the Scriptures they've rejected. Apparently they don't like what is written in *the Law of Moses, the Prophets and the Psalms*! Jesus, they insist, did it all for them, so they are off the hook.

Not surprisingly, the Apostle Paul disagrees with them! So does the Prophet Jeremiah and the Book of Psalms. Paul wrote this: Rom 8:35 "Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword? As <u>it is written</u>: "For your sake <u>we face death all day long</u>; <u>we are considered sheep to be slaughtered</u>." And of course, <u>it is written</u> in <u>the Psalms</u> (Ps 44:22). But this Psalm adds more: Ps 44:9 "<u>But now you have rejected and humbled us</u>; <u>you no longer go out with our armies</u>. You made us <u>retreat before the enemy</u>, and <u>our adversaries have plundered us</u>. You gave us up to be <u>devoured like sheep</u> and have <u>scattered us among the nations</u>. You sold your people for a pittance, gaining nothing from the sale. You have made us <u>a reproach to our neighbours</u>, the <u>scorn and derision of those around us</u>. You have made us a byword among the nations; the peoples shake their heads at us."

The Apostle Paul knew the importance of these Scriptures as prophecy, and accordingly quoted it as instruction to those he was teaching. They knew that the Christ had been led like a sheep to the slaughter (confirmed by Luke in Acts 8:32-33, and which is a quote from the Prophet Isaiah: See Isa 53:6-8). It's in Isa 53:10 that we see a reference to Christ's offspring — a point raised in Acts 8:33. Contrary to all the myths, Jesus never had children in the usual way, just as He Himself was not conceived in the usual way. He was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and became the Son of God Jesus. Christ's offspring are not conceived in the usual way either, but are conceived of the Holy Spirit. This should be evident to all who know that Jesus referred to the Apostles as his children: John 13:33 "My CHILDREN, I will be with you only a little longer. You will look for me, and just as I told the Jews, so I tell you now: Where I am going, you cannot come."

O dear! Now that's a stick in the eye to all those who think they are going to be with Jesus in heaven! He said to <u>His own Children</u>: <u>Where I am going, you cannot come</u>! But those who are <u>not</u> His own children, who were <u>not</u> conceived by God's Holy Spirit, and <u>who refuse to believe Jesus</u>, have other ideas! And they like to help themselves to rewards they have conspired to have, even though it contradicts <u>the One whom they claim to serve</u>. As the <u>children of disobedience</u>, how can they have anything in common with the Christ? Eph 2:2 "Wherein in time past ye walked according to the course of this world, <u>according to the prince of the power of the air</u>, <u>the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience</u>." (NKJV). One can only hope these people understand the meaning of <u>disobedience</u>, because they sure as hell don't understand the meaning of faithfulness and loyalty to Jesus – <u>whom they claim to serve</u>! It's not hard to link the <u>prince of the power of the air</u> to the presumptive aspirations of those who think they <u>drift up in the air to heaven</u> after they die. And this while those <u>who have God's Holy Spirit must wait for the resurrection!</u>! It's the <u>children of disobedience</u> that have a hard time explaining the meaning of the resurrection. Jesus set the example

for this! He died and was resurrected in bodily form, and His body was no longer there in the tomb. He even retained the scars of His ordeal. But the children of disobedience believe that their body is buried, and returns to dust just as God said, but they themselves live on through an 'immortal soul'. According to their reasoning, they never actually die. *Jesus did*, but they don't!

## CHIEF JUDGE NOMINATION FOR SUPREME COURT

Some may be aware that the U.S. President has just nominated a Chief Judge of the Supreme Court. As procedures go, the nominee must be vetted by a partisan committee. Senator Edward Kennedy sits on this committee, and it was he who literally savaged the nominee over comments he made 20-odd years ago. Just to illuminate the hypocrisy of Kennedy, and the reasons why the whole Kennedy family is under a curse (as in **Exodus 20:5** – *the sins of the fathers...*), what this disgusting creature did during this same period on Chappaquidick Island in Massachusetts, still haunts the memory of some. Every time I see his craven face, I'm reminded of the girl (Mary Jo Kapechne) he left to drown after plunging his car into a river while in a drunken stupor. They had just left a bedroom after an evening of clandestine debauchery when the girl died; her body was recovered the next day after Kennedy had concocted a lying account of what had happened.

And now in this vetting committee, Kennedy accuses Judge John Roberts, the nominee, for judgments he had written all those years ago. I couldn't help thinking what a perfect example Kennedy is for the face of the Democrats and their craven hypocrisy.

But something else came out during the course of this charade of hypocrites - the other wanton hypocrite being Joseph Biden, whose demeanor and hypocrisy is on a par with Kennedy. It was actually the comments of a Republican that stunned me. He enumerated a number of Supreme Court judgments that were fashioned on the laws of other countries - notably African and Islamic countries. It seems it was Madame Ruth Bader Ginsburg (Democrat Supreme Court judge) that was credited with writing these judgments fashioning them using examples from the laws of hostile and <u>radical nations</u>. The intent seemed to be that the U.S. Supreme Court should fashion their judgments, not on the basis of legislated law of their own country, but on the global views of other nations. In short, Democrat judges want to legislate on the basis of the laws of heathen nations. No wonder the Democrats don't want a Republican majority on the bench! The Democrats secret agenda seems to be to turn the U.S. into an Islamic republic or at very least, a nation of atheists. What sort of debauched mind would even consider the laws of such evil nations? All of whom are utterly hostile to the U.S. and have never delivered any form of justice to their own people! But it's the cowardice of the Democrats in the face of the enemy, and their constant attempts to placate evil that marks them for what they are. Justice to them is anything that favours the lawless, and the face of the lawless was clearly shown in the looting, murder and rape that occurred in New Orleans. Not surprisingly, the Democrats have come out in force in justification of all these vile acts. And through various degrees of convolution, they've blamed the President for everything.

The radical and irrational behaviour of judges, especially at the state level, is well known to all observers. Again and again they have sought to defy the *Separation of Powers* provision of the laws and to legislate from the bench – overriding the will of the legislators appointed by and for the people. Radical judges seem to forget they are there to uphold *existing* law – not to assume powers not granted them!

### (Update: Judge John Roberts has just been confirmed by a Senate vote of 78 to 22)

How we think determines what we are. And it's for our thinking processes that we are judged by God. He is the ultimate Law-giver and Legislator. And what His people have sought to do at all levels is to prorogue His intentions and legislate their own laws even though loosely fashioned on two or three of the Ten Commandments. In fact, *only two* of the Ten Commandments (6 and 8 – murder and stealing) are upheld with any degree of validity today. Even so, looting, murder and rape are on the agenda for justification by the Democrats. They see nothing wrong with it as long as the rest of society can be blamed and not the individual – and the Democrats are experts in the blame-game! Everything that happens at street-level or at a national level is always someone else's fault. They never fail to castigate someone else, but take no responsibility themselves. It's called *hypocrisy* – a term favoured by Jesus in relation to those who favour, and conduct themselves, according to the will of Satan. The Ten Commandments, school prayers, and the oath of allegiance are all under attack by the Democrats, and their secret agenda has been exposed!

It's God's purpose to show that 'a little leaven leavens the whole lump', and the foolish and wanton behaviour of even the minority can affect the whole nation. And this is exactly what has happened in recent years as madness pervades the whole nation through legislative and judicial activism. All this licentiousness has favoured the lawless, and left the law-abiding citizens as a subclass. Well, where does law and order go from here? The answer is that it's all downhill! When the lawlessness of Satan becomes more attractive to the masses, and hostility to God continues to mount,

then the Almighty God, being a practical God, is quite prepared to *hand them over to Satan* to do as he pleases. Just remember Satan's treatment of Job when God granted him permission to go after him. Satan hated Job because God favoured him! People tend to forget that God is a jealous God, and there is no quicker way to provoke God than to favour Satan's ways. The general concept of Satan is a little different from the reality. Satan is a powerful being, and an accomplished magician who practices deceptive magic arts. His bag of tricks and the consequences they can reap holds even his rulers in submission because they fear what he can do. Human beings are less concerned because they can usually provide explanations of natural phenomena for what they see. But what they don't see are the invisible rulers of the heavenly realms who are not flesh and blood (Eph 6:12). It's this vast array of spirit beings that control the activities of most of the world. Their overriding ambition is to destroy the people of God, the House of Israel – all 12 Tribes. But although they've engineered many attempts, their efforts have been thwarted by God - until now! Now things have changed, and now all the prophecies uttered to the days of John the Baptist are set to roll like waves of the sea. You'll recall that all these prophecies are from the Scriptures that Christ used, and which Christianity has generally ignored and even discredited. And just as John the Baptist came proclaiming the Kingdom of God, and issuing dire warnings to the lawless with calls for repentance (Luke 3:3), he also declared that the Glory of God will be revealed and all mankind together will see it (Isa 40:5). Perhaps you don't understand what the Glory of God is, but you will see it, along with the rest of mankind. Ezekiel saw it, but we won't go into that now.

Perhaps the most bizarre of statements come from the false prophets who have castigated the U.S. as the most evil of nations. As any rational observer would see, the U.S. is the most righteous nation this world has to offer in comparison to the other nations. Some, acting on a figment of their demented minds, have even suggested that the U.S. is the prophesied beast. And Almighty God considers this to be a gross insult towards His chosen people. As far as God's people are concerned, it was never a question of how they stack up against other nations, but how they stack up according to God's instructions to them. God never blessed the heathen nations except to give them rain for their crops, but even then He turned their land into desert wasteland when it suited Him. This is true of Esau and his descendants, whom God hated (Mal 1:2). But Jacob He loved (same verse). And so He blessed the children of Jacob (Israel) and nurtured them down through the ages in anticipation of blessing them with the Land He promised to give to the Patriarchs. Almighty God doesn't need to give reasons why He hates one and loves the other. And neither does God have to justify why He chose the children of Israel. But in fact, He does! They are the children of His friend Abraham, the father of the faithful. God loved Abraham so much that He made a promise to him; a promise that can never be rescinded. In order to fulfill this promise, God had to ensure that the offspring were guided and directed to achieve the righteousness credited to Abraham. And the righteousness credited to Abraham is that he believed God. It's this that has become the bane of the existence of the House of Israel! They don't believe God anymore, and they want to craft their own lifestyle. God's Laws are too archaic for them, and they want to be seen as modern, progressive, civilized and sophisticated, and God's Law doesn't fit into their scheme of things. As knowledge has increased they've become even more independent, and now they don't need God at all. And this is where the term 'drunken stupor' becomes most appropriate.

Ephraim is already engaged in an unwinable war – a war they will lose! In their haste to bless Islam and bring them peace, they walked into a trap set by Satan himself, and he has no intentions of letting them go until he's killed them all. He's presently escalating the violence, and even upping the ante to involve other nations. He wants to see nation rising up against nation and kingdom against kingdom, and he wants to blame the mighty Ephraim for it all. He's been punishing the Far East for their failure to be cooperative with him, and disasters of Biblical proportions have been hammering the region. Plagues, dust-storms, tsunamis, typhoons, earthquakes seem never to end in the region. The buffer zones inhibiting Satan's ambition in the Far East are the nations of Japan, South Korea, the Philippines and Taiwan, who have long and favourable associations with the U.S. China, North Korea, Indonesia and Malaysia are not so compliant with the West, and it's in these nations that Satan is trying to provoke aggression towards those not compliant with him. Satan is seeking unification against a common enemy, namely America, and of course, Australia.

When there is no fear of God and men begin to perish, as God withdraws His favour and protection, then fear itself will become like a widely practiced art-form. Like a choreographed soliloquy of <u>fleeing at the rustle of a leaf</u>. Lev 26:36-39 "As for those of you who are left, I will make their hearts so <u>fearful in the lands of their enemies</u> that <u>the sound of a windblown leaf will put them to flight</u>. They will run as though fleeing from the sword, and they will fall, even though no one is pursuing them. They will stumble over one another as though fleeing from the sword, even though no one is pursuing them. So you will <u>not be able to stand before your enemies</u>. You will <u>perish among</u>

the nations; the land of your enemies will devour you. Those of you who are left will waste away in the lands of their enemies because of their sins; also because of their fathers' sins they will waste away." God also makes this point: "The sins of the fathers are upon the children to the third and fourth generation of those who hate Him, but He shows love to thousands who love Him and keep His Commandments." Deut 20:5. Yes, it will only be thousands who keep His Commandments when all this happens!

But what they don't know, and I'll tell you now, Hurricane Katrina was a mere blip on the radar screen compared to what is coming. The dreamers would have you believe that the fiction of 'global warming' is causing it all. There was a time when people believed the signs they saw and took God's warnings seriously. Now everyone wants to appear 'scientific', and they willingly believe the dopes who are deluding them. Everything that happens is 'natural phenomena' caused by 'global warming', according to them, and America is to blame for it all! The natural progression to all this is to blame the President for everything, and to find fault with everything he does. What did they expect the President to do? Stand on the seashore and calm the wind and the waves, while they themselves stood off and tried to look glamorous? Now would be a good time to look to the founding fathers of their nation and learn something from them. When blame is to be apportioned, the first place to look is at themselves, and examine their own beliefs and conduct; then they might come close to understanding the meaning of it all. Collectively, the whole nation has repudiated God's Commandments, and it's obedience to God's Law that makes one righteous. Therefore, the whole nation is guilty, and it's this guilt that God seeks to redress.

There is no point in comparing themselves with other nations and upholding their own virtue by comparison. God has no interest in other nations apart from the 12 Tribes of Israel. At the time of the founding fathers of the nation, people believed that all their bountiful blessings were God-given, and they even appointed a day of Thanksgiving. But all this is becoming a distant memory as more and more people repudiate God's very existence. Throughout all this, <u>God has deliberately kept silent</u> to allow lack of knowledge to take its toll. It didn't take long for people to abandon God and to accommodate their fantasies. But God knows how to get the attention of His chosen people Israel! In the past, whenever He brought them to ruin they came to their senses and limped back to seek His forgiveness. But this time it will be different!

Concerning God's determination to keep silent until the right time, He says this: Isa 42:13-16 "The LORD will march out like a mighty man, like a warrior He will stir up his zeal; with a shout He will raise the battle cry and will triumph over his enemies. "FOR A LONG TIME I HAVE KEPT SILENT, I have BEEN QUIET and held myself back. But now, like a woman in childbirth, I cry out, I gasp and pant. I will lay waste the mountains and hills (as John the Baptist stated in Luke 3:5, Isa 40:4) and dry up all their vegetation; I will turn rivers into islands and dry up the pools. I will lead the blind by ways they have not known, along unfamiliar paths I will guide them; I will turn the darkness into light before them and make the rough places smooth (another reference to John's ministry). These are the things I will do; I will not forsake them." God has KEPT SILENT until His servants were in place to warn and to detail the outcome. As the offspring of Christ, and having the Spirit of Christ, they too are *a woman in childbirth*. And their purpose is *to deliver children for God* – the Children of Israel. Like Christ, they will also march out like mighty men, like warriors, and they too will raise the battle cry and triumph over God's enemies. It will not be a happy situation for those who were given the opportunity to deliver a faithful nation of children for God - but failed! And who was it that was about to give birth but failed? (Hos 13:13). It's the mighty Ephraim - the prince among his brothers. All their power and might gained them nothing because, although God considers them a son (Jer 31:20), they failed to emulate the Son of God Jesus. So God has made other arrangements.

But let's continue the theme of why God has <u>kept silent</u>: Ps 50:16-21 "But to the wicked, God says: "What right have you to recite my Laws or take my Covenant on your lips? You hate my instruction and cast my words behind you. When you see a thief, you join with him; you throw in your lot with adulterers. You use your mouth for evil and <u>harness your tongue to deceit</u>. You speak continually against your brother and slander your own mother's son. These things you have done and <u>I KEPT SILENT</u>; you thought I was altogether like you. But I will rebuke you and accuse you to your face. CONSIDER THIS, you who forget God, or I will tear you to pieces, with none to rescue: He who sacrifices thank offerings honors me, and he PREPARES THE WAY so that I may show him the Salvation of God." I hope you did consider God's warning here concerning His servant who sacrifices and prepares the way for rescue – the Salvation of God. If you want to be torn to pieces, then just keep it up, because God has yet another message for you: Hos 6:4 "What can I do with you, Ephraim? What can I do with you, Judah? Your love is like the morning mist, like the early dew that disappears. Therefore I cut you in pieces with my prophets, I killed you with the words of my mouth;

my judgments flashed like lightning upon you. For I desire mercy, not sacrifice, and acknowledgment of God rather than burnt offerings." Ephraim and Judah are not the priesthood, and only the priesthood is authorized to make sacrifices. What God required of Ephraim and Judah was mercy and outgoing concern for their brothers. Instead they speak continually against their own brothers, and even slander their own mother's son. Their mother, whether they realize it or not, is a certain Woman whom God has appointed to give birth to a nation. When Ephraim is cut to pieces by God's prophets, it is by the words of God's mouth that these judgments flash upon them. God's servants the prophets don't make up their own prophecies but simply state God's judgments. And God carries them out! Jesus made it very clear that the words He spoke were not His own but the Father's. And God's servants the prophets are just like Him in this regard. We don't participate in the 'wow' factor that false prophets engage in, but we speak the words of God. And what we state comes true, because we have been taught by God, and all His sons have been taught by Him, including Jesus. John 6:44 "No-one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws him, and I will raise him up at the last day. It is written in the Prophets: They will all be taught by God. Everyone who listens to the Father and learns from Him comes to me."

Has all of Christianity been taught by God? It should be obvious to all that what they teach are not the Father's words. And this should be embarrassingly obvious to them, but their consciences were seared long ago! They simply don't want God ruling over them. They are only prepared to worship God if He makes no demands of them. They're prepared to worship God only in their own way, and only by lip-service. The only concession they are prepared to make in addition to this is feigned 'love' for their brothers. But even then they reserve the right to stab their brothers in the back and accuse them over the minutiae of faulty doctrine. If others don't agree with them doctrinally, then they are fair game for slander. And oh boy, the petty things they like to argue about! Then there's pulpit competition, where they like to try to outdo each other with stories they've made up (2Pet 2:3), and with sickening sanctimony. How they love the approbation of men! If only they knew how worthless their efforts have been. What is more, they have played a key role in the demise of their own nation. They should have listened to the Father and learned from Him, then they would have been in a much better position. But no! Through their efforts the whole nation has faltered, and through their proselyting, they have made others twice the sons of hell as they are. The rest of the nation sees the worthless and insincere doctrine of these goofs, and wonders how an intelligent God could possibly be interested in such nonsense. Is God enamored by these pulpit competitions, and the outward appearance of those who claim to be God's ministers?

The words of God contain things of far greater importance; things that will affect the lives of many people. With <u>the axe being laid at the root of the trees</u> (as John the Baptist predicted – <u>Luke 3:9</u>) now's not the time to be complacent. Now is <u>not</u> the time to be taking liberties of God's Word, or choosing which doctrine best fits your lifestyle. It's all about to come crashing to an end, and there will be no favourable lifestyle for man or beast; only horror and despair. It's perfectly natural to wait and see if what we have taught comes true, and it's also perfectly natural for God to allow you to experience it all first hand so you can be <u>reallilly</u> sure that its what was predicted. He really does want you to be sure! Of course, this puts you in a different category to what <u>the ancients were commended for</u>! Heb 11:1-2 "<u>Now faith is being sure of what we hope for</u>, <u>and certain of what we do not see</u>. <u>This is what the ancients were commended for</u>." But then you probably spent most of your life oblivious to what the ancients were like. The ancients <u>believed</u> God's words, <u>and this was credited to them as righteousness</u> (James 2:23).

With the writing of this final chapter, the bar has been set much higher. Those already in this Brotherhood were *like the ancients* when first called. They had *the faith of the ancients* to *believe* God long before it came to pass. Now the evidence can be plainly seen in confirmation of God's Word and Prophecy, and consequently, the faith requirement is far less, but the bar is much higher. Don't even attempt to make contact with us unless you first return to God and quit robbing Him! And how are you robbing Him? In tithes and offerings (Mal 3:7-8). We are not interested in your cute doctrinal knowledge or all the visions you've had where God told you that you were some great one. Neither do we financially support any 'Christian' churches in India, Pakistan, Chad, Yemen, Saudi Arabia, Nigeria or any of the many other nations who keep sending us begging letters. And neither do we care how many 'souls have been saved' by your preaching. Try to understand the term 'twice the sons of hell as you are' and try to get your act together! God didn't call us to be sucker-punched by self-serving hypocrites. If we have to witness the destruction of God's people Israel and the slaughter of millions of defenseless people, please forgive us if we don't care too much about your present lifestyle in Moslem and pagan countries. But still I would encourage you to hang on, because you may still be born out of time like Paul, the Apostle to the Gentiles: 1 Cor 15:8 "And last of all he was seen of me also, as of one born out of due time." (NKJV). I hope you get the message!

We are <u>not</u> the Church! We are a Brotherhood of believers, called by God for a special purpose. Our role and purpose is well documented in the Scriptures. No Church is doing the Work appointed to us, and neither can they! For starters, their doctrine severely lacks in knowledge, and its lack of knowledge that leads to destruction. Almighty God is not interested in their cute doctrinal variations that they think makes them different or more righteous than others. God is only interested in their desire to do something; and that something is to stand firm in the face of adversity and to be prepared to give their lives in honour of the Great God – just as Jesus did. Jesus is the One you must emulate, but first you must understand what He is. He is the Christ, the Messiah, the Mighty Warrior and the Commander of Armies. And it's in the Name of the Mighty One that you will be rescued, either in life or in death, if you remain faithful and believe what He proposes to do. There is no other name under heaven by which you can be rescued from the hands of your enemies.

In the case of the mightiest nation on earth – Ephraim – the enemy is now at your very door, and they are going to come like a flood. It's going to be a long dark night which will last for years. The nations of this world will be shocked at the ferocity of the demise of such a great nation as Ephraim, the United States of America, and this will be accompanied by a degree of satisfaction that their god proved stronger. Satan/Allah will seem like the god of choice. As it is now, so it will be then, that anything goes under Satan/Allah's rule. When they kill God's chosen people, they will actually think they are doing God a service. John 16:1-4 "All this I have told you so that you will not go astray. They will put you out of the synagogue; in fact, a time is coming when anyone who kills you will think he is offering a service to God. They will do such things because they have not known the Father or me. I have told you this, so that when the time comes you will remember that I warned you. I did not tell you this at first because I was with you." In fact it will become a sport, and a competition to devise the most horrible of deaths. But surely now you are aware of what Satan's brood are like; you've surely seen enough to know that they hate God's chosen people Israel.

This time the House of Israel won't limp back to their former homeland; instead they will come limping back to God's Homeland, and the entrance fee will be high! In God's Homeland, <u>His</u> <u>Commandments and Laws will be enforced</u>, so there will be no place for the dreamers and deceivers.

#### 'THE THREE GREAT RELIGIONS'

We constantly hear references in the West to 'the three great religions', which are defined as Christians, Jews and Moslems. And what a checkered history all three have had! From its very inception, Christianity was persecuted by Judaism, and this went on for decades. The odd thing about this is that early Christianity closely paralleled Judaism, keeping the same Holy Days, which included the weekly Sabbath and the Annual Festivals. But the Jewish rabbis insisted there was only one God and Jesus didn't qualify as being worthy of worship. Mind you, the rabbis had no explanation for all the miracles He did, and nor could they explain how He arose from the dead. They had no doubts about the fact that He was dead, because they witnessed it. But remembering that He had said He would arise from the dead, they went to extraordinary lengths to guard His tomb – as was suggested: to prevent His disciples from stealing His body, and then claiming a resurrection.

In their haste to condemn the new religion, the rabbis overlooked many things. Firstly, at the very hour of His death the Temple Veil was torn in two from top to bottom, and secondly, dead saints arose from their graves and were seen by many, including the Jewish leaders. The final blow to their morale came when it was reported that Jesus had risen from the dead, and this was confirmed by the Roman guards who were terrified by what they saw, and duly reported it. Jesus was later seen by many people, namely those who had traveled with Him from Galilee to Jerusalem (Acts 13:31).

In their contorted view of things, the rabbis decided that Christianity would cause the Romans to come and destroy their nation: John 11:45 "Therefore <u>many of the Jews</u> who had come to visit Mary, and had seen what Jesus did, <u>put their faith in him</u>. But <u>some of them</u> went to the Pharisees and told them what Jesus had done. Then the chief priests and the Pharisees called a meeting of the Sanhedrin. "What are we accomplishing?" they asked. "Here is this man performing many <u>miraculous signs</u>. If we let him go on like this, <u>everyone will believe in him</u>, and <u>then the Romans will come and take away both our place and our nation</u>." Two important points here: <u>Firstly</u>, the Romans <u>didn't</u> come and take away their place and nation <u>because of the Christians</u>! They came and did this <u>because of the Jews</u>! It was the Jews who started the insurrection and it continued over several decades. And <u>secondly</u>, <u>the early Christians were Jews</u> – a point often overlooked by many religions in their haste to condemn all Jews.

Well when the Scribes, Pharisees and Sadducees finally provoked Rome with their numerous insurrections, they lost their place and nation, and many Jews had fled to other lands, including Asia and the Mediterranean nations, and also to *Islamic nations* in the Middle East, including Egypt. You

may wonder about the use of the term '<u>Islamic nations</u>' here, since this was about six hundred years before Mohammed appeared in the scene. But we'll get to this in a moment.

Meanwhile, outside of the Holy Land in numerous countries, the Jews were still actively and doggedly persecuting Christians and creating the impression that they were dangerous to established religions. When the pagan Romans began their persecution of them, the Jews cooperated with the pagans on the basis of 'the enemy of my enemy is my friend'. The bizarre part of all this is that many of these Christians were from the Jews' place and nation – and were Jews just like their persecutors. *Killing their own* (as they did to Jesus) seemed perfectly normal to them. When the pagan Gentiles began to convert to Christianity, mainly under the auspices of Paul (who also believed it was honourable to kill Christians in the early stages of his life), great changes began to emerge. Christianity became the State religion and was sponsored by Emperor Constantine in Asia Minor (Turkey today). Pagan shrines were removed, and Christianity was enforced on pain of death. Now the Jews found themselves on the receiving end of the persecution. Over time, the only safe haven for them was in the Middle East and western Europe. Gentile Christians were developing their own ideas about Jews, and believed them all to be the murderers of the Christ. Over the centuries, the Jews were given three options: either convert to Christianity, be killed, or migrate out of there.

Many chose migration, and soon discovered that Islamic nations were more tolerant of them than the Christian nations. What a sad state of affairs it has been with Jews persecuting Christians, then Christians persecuting Jews, and especially since Jesus said, "Forgive them Father, because they don't know what they are doing". Both thought they were doing God service. Yet neither were when they were persecuting each other! But where would we be today if the Jews had not steadfastly preserved the Scriptures that Christ used?

When Gentiles became Christians and gained control of the whole panorama, *the Scriptures that Christ used* were no longer considered to be for reprove, correction, and instruction in righteousness. Yet Christ and all the Apostles quoted from them, and referred to them as the Scriptures. But the Gentile Christians rejected all the great prophets of God and all their teachings, adopting a watered-down view of God's Great Plan and devising their own doctrine of 'salvation'.

Concerning the great prophets of old, we should remember what Ezekiel said: Eze 14:12-14 "The word of the LORD came to me: "Son of man, if <u>a country</u> sins against me by being unfaithful and I stretch out my hand against it to cut off its food supply and send famine upon it and kill its men and their animals, even if these three men – <u>Noah</u>, <u>Daniel and Job</u> – were in it, they could save only themselves by their righteousness, declares the Sovereign LORD." There are very good reasons why these three prophets were chosen in this example, but we won't go into such lengthy explanations now. But all three are significant concerning events that are now unfolding for those <u>on whom the ends of the age have come</u>. Remember when the Christ spoke of events of the end of the age in <u>Matt 24</u>? He mentions two of these prophets, <u>Noah</u> (V37-39) and <u>Daniel</u> (V15). But it's the prophecies of <u>Job</u> that will ring in the ears of many people as the '<u>ends of the age</u>' devours them, and explanations for this will be given shortly.

Satan duly noted the disparity between Jews and Christians, and did whatever he could to exacerbate it from within. But externally, his planning was given special attention in yet another group – a group that liberally favours his philosophy. It's also a group that has served his interests for millennia. It's Islam! Islam is a title for those who worship Allah. Prior to Mohammed coming along, the Arab population worshipped idols of every description just as the Egyptians did. But there was one shrine that dated back more than 1,000 years B.C. This was the Ka'bah in Mecca; a huge black carved rock, which was generally venerated above all other idols. And this rock was called Allah by Mohammed after he banned all other forms of idol worship. This black rock was to be the only object of worship forever. His ideas were surreptitiously based on the teachings of Christians and Jews, from whom he learned that the God of the Israelites was a Rock. What is more, this Rock was a gleaming white Rock represented by the chief cornerstone of a pyramid shape. So Mohammed chose to venerate a black rock. Then he learned that the House of Israel was likened to the branches of an Olive Tree. Not to be outdone, he chose a tree that was bigger and mightier and bore fruit visually similar to an olive. He chose the oak. And his god would be called Allah, and all the branches would be his disciples.

It's not hard to figure out the reasons for the naming of the Islamic god 'Allah'. As you will see in the text box below, the name 'Allah' refers to an oak tree under which Joshua placed a special rock as a witness to the giving of God's Covenant and the Book of the Law: Josh 24:24-27 "And the people said to Joshua, "We will serve the LORD our God and obey him." On that day Joshua made a Covenant for the people, and there at Shechem he drew up for them decrees and laws. And Joshua recorded these things in the Book of the Law of God. Then he took a large stone and set it up there under the oak near the holy place of the LORD. "See!" he said to all the people. "This stone will be a

witness against us. It has heard all the words the LORD has said to us. It will be a witness against you if you are untrue to your God." Then Joshua sent the people away, each to his own inheritance."

For Mohammed, the symbolism found in the Book of Joshua was perfect for the naming of his god Allah. Allah the oak overshadowed the rock that was to be a reminder for the Covenant and the Book of the Law – the symbolism couldn't be more perfect for his ambition. Notice the comments pasted from the Online Bible under the commentary on 'oak'.

#### There are six Hebrew words rendered "oak."

- 1. 'El occurs only in the word El-paran #Ge 14:6 The LXX. renders by "terebinth." In the plural form this word occurs in #Isa 1:29 57:5 (A.V. marg. and R.V., "among the oaks"); #Isa 61:3 ("trees"). The word properly means strongly, mighty, and hence a strong tree.
- 2. 'Elah, #Ge 35:4 "under the oak which was by Shechem" (R.V. marg., "terebinth"). #Isa 6:13 A.V., "terebinth." #Isa 1:30 R.V. marg., "terebinth." Absalom in his flight was caught in the branches of a "great oak" #2Sa 18:9 R.V. marg., "terebinth").
- 3. 'Elon, #Jud 4:11 9:6 (R.V., "oak;" A.V., following the Targum, "plain") properly the deciduous species of oak shedding its foliage in autumn.
- 4. 'Elan, only in #Da 4:11,14,20 rendered "tree" in Nebuchadnezzar's dream. Probably some species of the oak is intended.
- 5. 'Allah, #Jos 24:26 The place here referred to is called Allon-moreh ("the oak of Moreh," as in R.V.) in #Ge 12:6 35:4
- 6. Allon, always rendered "oak." Probably the evergreen oak (called also ilex and holm oak) is intended. The oak woods of Bashan are frequently alluded to #Isa 2:13 Eze 27:6

Three species of oaks are found in Palestine, of which the "prickly evergreen oak" (Quercus coccifera) is the most abundant. "It covers the rocky hills of Palestine with a dense brushwood of trees from 8 to 12 feet high, branching from the base, thickly covered with small evergreen rigid leaves, and bearing acorns copiously." The so-called Abraham's oak at Hebron is of this species. Tristram says that this oak near Hebron "has for several centuries taken the place of the once renowned terebinth which marked the site of Mamre on the other side of the city. The terebinth existed at Mamre in the time of Vespasian, and under it the captive Jews were sold as slaves. It disappeared about A.D. 330 and no tree now marks the grove of Mamre. The present oak is the noblest tree in Southern Palestine, being 23 feet in girth, and the diameter of the foliage, which is unsymmetrical, being about 90 feet."

Reference: Online Bible, article 'oak'.

When Mohammed made the spurious claim that Abraham had made the Ka'bah – the black rock – in order to link it to Ishmael their forefather, the Jews disputed it, rightly making the claim that Abraham never lived or had any interest in the land of central Arabia, and neither was he involved in promoting paganism. Prior to this, Mohammed had instructed his disciples to pray five times a day to Jerusalem, but at this rebuttal, he reversed this. Henceforth all his disciples had to bow down to Mecca and worship their god <u>Allah the oak</u>, thereby making a clear distinction between the Almighty God of the Jews and Christians, and the pagan god of the Moslems.

Mohammed had come to power by bloodshed and cruelty and the merciless treatment of his own people through slavery and torture. Now he wanted to possess God's City Jerusalem in defiance of all Christians and Jews, and show them all whose boss. He had falsified the Israelite teachings passed down through the Scriptures with his own renditions and copycat procedures, but now he needed credibility if his plans of global conquest were ever to be realized. He had conquered all of Arabia, but the problem of hostilities between tribal factions continued to plague the region. He had to unify them, and the obvious means to do this was through a belief system. With the aid of scribes, he began the process of assembling the Koran, perverting the Scriptures with all his own ideas on how the descendants of Ishmael, the father of the Arabs, were the chosen people.

But then he devised his master stroke. Since he needed his warriors to be ruthless in battle and unafraid of death, he needed to offer them something to inspire this. And this took the form of a free passage to heaven for martyrdom in the cause. And the masterstroke of this cunning, crafty manipulator came in the form of a trance, where he claimed to have a vision of the angel Gabriel. In his vision, he was mounted on a white steed called el Buruq, and accompanied Gabriel to Jerusalem. According to his account, he met Abraham, Moses and Jesus, and from there ascended through 'seven heavens' to the very Throne of God. Following this lying account, Mohammed was able to assure his followers of the passage to heaven for martyrdom, because, as he stated, he himself had already been there. What most people don't know is that this lying account of meeting Abraham, Moses and Jesus was <u>not</u> included in the Koran, and remains only oral tradition. Knowing the nature of his followers, he chose to bait them with promises of seventy virgins waiting for them in heaven if they die in martyrdom - and this is what is included in the Koran. To the feeble Moslem mind, the humiliation of seventy young girls holds great appeal. Outgoing concern for others is not a part of their persona. Women are considered objects to be humiliated at will, and you'll learn more about this right here on earth shortly. If the history of Islam is anything to go by, then you should understand the fate of their captives - especially young girls. One of Mohammed's wives, Aisha, was only nine years old, so Mohammed himself set the standards for sexual debauchery. There's an old joke about Moslems: Moslems not attracted to teenagers – they like them younger!

The Jews considered Mohammed's rambling fabrications to be patently absurd. And especially when he claimed affinity with Abraham, Moses and Jesus! When pressed, Mohammed

admitted that Jesus was a prophet, but expressed great reservations about his crucifixion and death. In this he conceded with the Jews that God would not permit such a death of a Son. From then on, the chant became: 'There is one god, and Mohammed is his prophet'. No other prophet has any relevance to Moslems.

As everyone knows today, Muslim martyrdom is purposely designed to kill Christians and Jews, and anyone other than Moslems are considered to be infidels – including those who don't engage in useless, pointless slaughter of the innocent. It seems that Mohammed later realized that the inclusion of his references to meeting Abraham, Moses and Jesus would be counterproductive to his ambitions if included in the Koran, so they left it out. Now we know why! There is only one god as far as Islam is concerned, *and that god is Satan*, *and Mohammed is his prophet*!

There's an aside to all this. At their annual Haj to Mecca, they venerate the black rock as being Allah, but they also have another area where a white rock is set up. And all these mindless, pagan dopes gather around and throw stones at it. They claim to be stoning Satan the devil. This is their subtle way of saying that the God of the Israelites is the devil.

What is clear here is that Satan has been working for a long time to thoroughly corrupt Judaism and Christianity with replacement theology. God calls him the great harlot – the perverter of all truth and *the father of lies*. He entices all with his wine of deception, and the gullible become drunk with his wine. Now it's become an epidemic of perversion as more and more people become convinced that Islam is a peaceful religion. In this, *the god of this world* has claimed a victory.

As for the evidence of the <u>children of Ishmael</u> becoming the <u>enemy</u> of the 12 Tribes of Israel, God did provide some subtle hints when He confirmed to Abraham that <u>Ishmael</u> would become <u>a father of 12 rulers or nations</u>. As for what Ishmael was to become, God makes it clear: Gen 16:11 "The angel of the LORD also said to her (Hagar the Egyptian slave): "You are now with child and you will have a son. You shall name him <u>ISHMAEL</u>, for the LORD has heard of your misery. He will be a <u>wild donkey</u> of a man; <u>his hand will be against everyone</u> and <u>everyone's hand against him</u>, and <u>he will live in hostility toward all his brothers</u>." Abraham, however, did love his son Ishmael and was concerned for his future, but God reassured him, but made <u>a clear distinction</u> between <u>ISHMAEL</u> and <u>ISAAC</u>: Gen 17:19-22 "Then God said, "Yes, but your wife Sarah will bear you a son, and you will call him <u>ISAAC</u>. I will establish my Covenant with him as an everlasting covenant for his descendants after him. And as for ISHMAEL, I have heard you: I will surely bless him; I will make him fruitful and will greatly increase his numbers. He will be the father of twelve rulers, and I will make him into a great nation. But my Covenant I will establish with ISAAC, whom Sarah will bear to you by this time next year." When he had finished speaking with Abraham, God went up from him."

In naming <u>Ishmael</u>, God made reference to a <u>wild donkey</u> (<u>ass</u> in some versions) as a reference to what he would become. The KJV and the NKJV dropped all reference to <u>a wild donkey</u>, opting for merely 'a wild man'. The NIV and the RSV both included this information about <u>a wild donkey</u> or <u>ass</u>. Why did the KJV and the NKJV baulk at this disclosure? The reason is that <u>God's comparison</u> between <u>Ishmael</u> and <u>a wild donkey</u> actually <u>identifies</u> the name <u>Islam</u>. Because it's a lengthy explanation we won't go into it now. There's already enough evidence to show that the <u>12 tribes of ISHMAEL</u>, the <u>wild donkey</u>, established <u>Islam</u>. Perhaps the KJV translators were having a minor attack of 'political correctness' in those turbulent times, and didn't want to offend Islam, who was already a distinct threat to Europe. In fact, Islam already had a long history of hostility towards Christians and Jews.

Tribes of Israel. God made His Covenant with one but not the other! And there has been hostility between them ever since. Today, Islam has made it their life's ambition to hijack this blessing from Israel, not only through perversion of the Scriptures, but also through conquest and terror. And no-one, it seems, foresaw the contest that would develop between Islam and Israel, until Islam's *numbers greatly increased* to become one fourth of the population of the earth. Mind you, Christianity foresaw the threat a thousand years ago, and acted through crusades against them. But today, Christianity sees Islam as a peaceful religion because of a serious epidemic of 'political correctness'. It's all hard to fathom! The Branch Davidians (Sabbath-keepers) were supposedly evil monsters who had to be burned alive, but Islam, who brought down the Trade Towers, killing thousands of people, is a respected and peaceful religion. What are we missing here? If Islam is a peaceful religion, why doesn't someone explain why? I'd like to hear the explanation. We have already offered the counter view from the Scriptures and based on facts – *not* 'political correctness' rhetoric! How much longer do we have to listen to this lie? And what purpose does it serve? The West is never going to tame *the wild donkey that is Islam*! And anyone who thinks that God is so silly as to believe that platitudes and

emotional rhetoric will encourage them to see the light, then they have <u>never known</u> God or <u>believed</u> His Word.

Unfortunately, Christianity today has become too ensconced in lifestyle issues and the desire for the here and now. From pulpits everywhere, sermons are delivered on personal issues of interest with an occasional reference to going off to heaven - which seems to placate the congregation into coming back the next week. Mind you, they never ever quote a Scripture that says that everyone goes to heaven when they die - because there is no such Scripture. Sometimes they mumble Christ's words where He said, 'Where I am, there you will be also'. But they neglect to mention that He is speaking of *His return* in the same verse (John 14:3). *And He will reign on earth*! But never do they quote this Verse: John 13:33 "My children, I will be with you only a little longer. You will look for me, and just as I told the Jews, so I tell you now: Where I am going, YOU CANNOT COME." Of course if these pulpit panderers were to dig a little deeper, they might uncover a reference to martyrs being killed and gathered in Rev 6:9-11, but these were there to wait until their fellow-servants and brothers were killed as they were. These are to return with the Christ for the final showdown with the forces of evil. To Christian congregations today, this would put an unacceptable slant on everything, and it's not something they want to hear! To them, it was never a part of the deal that they be killed for the Testimony of Jesus! So there is a clear distinction between them and the martyrs of God. Heaven for the disobedient? Forget it!

### THE PROPHECIES OF JOB

Years ago, we detailed the many problems that befell Job, and indicated that these were all  $\underline{a}$ parable about someone else. We deferred revealing who this one was until the time was right. All that happened to Job was a warning on those on whom the ends of the age has come. There are many clues to the identity of this one, and we have been emphasizing the problems that have been exacerbating the demise of him. This one has been treated like a son by the Almighty God, and blessed beyond any of the nations of the earth. God overlooked many of his faults until they reached their fullness. And throughout history God has emphasized the consequences of his poor judgment and his outright rebellion against following God's Commands. No other nation has been the recipient of the outrageously bountiful blessings that this nation has received, and other nations have become outrageously envious, and this has led to them expressing unmitigated hostility, and secretly plotting his downfall. Under the inspiration of God's Holy Spirit, the Apostle Paul spoke of this one, and described him as the one who holds back the forces of evil in the world: 2Thess 2:7 "For the secret power of lawlessness is already at work; but the one who holds it back will continue to do so until he is taken out of the way." The reason that Paul knew these things is because they are detailed in the Scriptures, and under the inspiration of God's Holy Spirit, he was able to understand them. He was merely detailing what is already written. There have been many people who have proposed their own interpretation of this verse, and their efforts have been pathetic, and quite frankly, hilarious for their stupidity. You would have thought that the phrase 'the secret power of lawlessness' would have provided the clue, and that these silly people would have known it was speaking of the **Babylonians** rising again: Hab 1:5-7 "Look at the nations and watch – and be utterly amazed. For I am going to do something in your days that you would not believe even if you were told. I am raising up the Babylonians, that ruthless and impetuous people, who sweep across the whole earth to seize dwellingplaces not their own. They are a feared and dreaded people; THEY ARE A LAW TO THEMSELVES and promote their own honour." The Babylonian religion (Islam) doesn't respect anyone else's rights, and nor do the live by even the laws that govern decency and respect for others. THEY ARE A LAW TO THEMSELVES, and are ruthless and impetus and have no regard for any others - particularly those who oppose them. And a secret power motivates them! Well its the mighty Ephraim that has **been holding them back**, together with the lesser nations of the House of Joseph.

Of course we told you of these things many times in previous articles, and typically, just as God predicted, you didn't believe even though you were told. We even had hordes of rank amateurs trying to counter the Scriptures and vehemently denying it. Perhaps they believed that America was invincible and God's predictions couldn't come true. To a man, these dopes refused to believe that the Babylonians were from the territory of Babylon – the region ruled by Nebuchadnezzar – just as the Prophet Daniel said. No wonder they were confused when they refused to listen to God's prophets, whose written testimony was for those on whom the ends of the age has come. They were only too keen to refute the Prophets and devise their own scenarios. Naturally enough, they could find no evidence in the Scriptures to back up their 'prophecies', but this didn't matter! They would invent their own! And now to their utter amazement, they see the nations doing exactly what God predicted they would. And Babylon has risen again. Satan and his minions still hope to seize and control the City of

God – Jerusalem, but God has other ideas. So Satan's plan B is to select the age-old city of rebellion: *Babylon on the Euphrates River*.

It's true that America has tried to tame Babylonia and the Babylonians, but now is actively engaged in rebuilding them. They want Nebuchadnezzar's home base to be the example to the whole region – they want them to prosper and lead the rest of the region in power and influence. It's hoped that Iraq will be the premier nation of Nebuchadnezzar's former realm. And to protect their idealism, America is now breathing fire and brimstone on the Shi'ite Persians (Iran) and trying to provoke a fight with them. This, they imagine, would gain the favour of the Sunni nations of the territory of Babylonia, who, again they imagine, would join them in the fight against Iran. But God has predicted an entirely different outcome, and you would not believe it even if you were told. Now the red horse is about to begin his ride, and *the rider has a very large sword*, and the ability *to cause men to slay each other* (Rev 6:3-4).

God always made it clear that when the sins of Ephraim mount to the point of no return, God would withdraw His protection. In time, Ephraim will realize that they were indeed protected for generations, and then they will also fully understand what happens when God removes His protection. You'll recall that this is exactly what happened to God's servant Job. *Job was literally delivered to Satan to do as he pleased with him*, *short of killing him*. And as we know from the account of Job, Job was severely stricken and in great distress and unable to function in his former stature and fame. Even his three friends were shocked at his demise and couldn't say a word to him for seven days because of how great his suffering was (Job 2:13).

With the withdrawal of God's protection of Ephraim, Satan has been given carte blanche to do as he pleases. Being a wily and cunning creature, Satan had all his plans worked out. First of all he would bring shock and awe to the American people and terrorize them. He would intimidate the whole nation and make them insecure regarding their protection. And as in the case of Job, he would bring grief with mighty winds and hammer the House of Israel, just as he destroyed the house of Job's children. Job was a servant and prophet of God, and as part of his service, he lived out a parable that would describe the foremost nation in the endtime - the United States of America! Job was rich and influential, and he had the familiar characteristic of Ephraim which is described in Hos 12:8 "Ephraim boasts, 'I am very rich, I have become wealthy. With all my wealth they will not find in me any iniquity or sin." (see Job 33:9 and see Elihu's further comments in Job 36:19). I would also point out that America is the House of Joseph (Ephraim and Manasseh were Joseph's sons), and Joseph was a prophet of God. In fact, America bears Joseph's name as the listing of the 12 Tribes of Israel in Rev 7:4-8 shows. Manasseh is mentioned by name, but Ephraim is referred to by the name of his father Joseph. As the mighty Ephraim, America is destined to fulfill a lot of prophecy, and God plans to do them good at the very end after they again acknowledge their Creator God. And this is what happened to Job (Job 42:12).

As Job sat in the dust filled with despair, he discussed his predicament with his *three Arab 'friends*'. These 'friends' were more than willing to pontificate on Job's demise, and to castigate him as God's enemy. It was the hand of God that had destroyed him, they insisted. This was perfectly obvious to them! However, it was also perfectly wrong! It was *Satan* who *instigated Job's demise*. The *secret power* of Satan's bag of tricks is what destroyed Job and brought him to ruin. Satan hated Job merely because he was a righteous servant of God. Satan's strategy has a familiar ring to it. He brought insurgents in to plunder Job, and brought 'fire down from heaven' to burn up his possessions, and mighty winds to kill his children. And finally he brought one of the diseases of Egypt on him to cover him with pustulous sores, leaving him as vulnerable as the day he was born and at the mercy of his enemies. His two-faced 'friends' were only too willing to further depress him with insults and declarations that God had done it all to him. But only *Elihu* (means '*God speaks*') was able to explain God's purpose (Job 32). Elihu's message was to quit blaming God for all adversity they witnessed, and to start taking responsibility for the results of their own actions.

We have emphasized the disgraceful behaviour of Ephraim to promote homosexuality – against God's express instructions. Lo and behold, Elihu also issues a similar warning: Job 36:13-14 "The godless in heart harbour resentment; even when He fetters them, they do not cry for help. They die in their youth, among male prostitutes of the shrines." And America's response is: 'Not that there is anything wrong with it'! Even disregarding God's disfavour, there is something very wrong with it even at a pecuniary level. It costs between \$50,000 to \$100,000 per year to keep them alive from the diseases they contracted in their youth as male prostitutes! And this is money from the public purse! And we all know about the homosexual bath-houses of San Francisco and how many of these male prostitutes died in their youth.

This is just one the symptoms of Ephraim's failure to comply with God's instructions, and others are even more abhorrent to God. The main part of Elihu's instruction to Job was to remind him

that God controls everything in His creation, and not to forget it! In other words, God is the Creator and you are a mere man!

And then God entered the fray: **Job 38:1** "Then the LORD answered Job <u>OUT OF THE STORM</u>..." A timely event to add impact to what He was saying! And what was God's opening statement to Job? (... and Ephraim for that matter!) He begins by describing the landmass of the earth and how it was purposely built with specific dimensions (V4-6). And in V7, we find that this shape was representative of the time when the angels sang together and shouted for joy. This is <u>not</u> the way it looks today. It suffered a cataclysmic event that broke up the landmass and erased all life. The death of all the life-forms is what created the petroleum reserves of the earth. And now, <u>OUT OF THE STORM</u>, Ephraim is seeing its petroleum reserves threatened. Even the partial loss of domestic oil

production will see America crippled as a nation. The cost of fuel will become prohibitively high, and freight costs for all commodities will soar. More and more airlines will go out of business as air travel becomes too expensive. Then America will become even more dependent on their 'friends' in the Middle East, the very 'friends' of Job anciently.

And whose strategy was this? It was the same creature that sought and delivered Job's demise. Satan has hated Ephraim for a long time, and I don't think anyone should doubt that he has made his feelings known to God on many occasions, just as he did with Job. For years God has endured his sneering insults against His premier nation, and endless charges and accusations brought by Satan. Do you remember



All the dots you see here are oil rig platforms in the Gulf of Mexico, and this is precisely the region targeted by the STORM Rita.

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Satan's opening gambit to God when he appeared before Him concerning Job? Job 1:8-12 "Then the LORD said to Satan, "Have you considered my servant Job? There is <u>no one on earth like him</u>; he is blameless and upright, a man who fears God and shuns evil." "Does Job fear God for nothing?" Satan replied. "Have you not put a hedge around him and his household and everything he has? You have <u>blessed the work of his hands</u>, so that his flocks and herds are spread throughout the land. But stretch out your hand and <u>strike everything he has</u>, and <u>he will surely curse you to your face</u>." The LORD said to Satan, "Very well, then, <u>everything he has is in your hands</u>, but on the man himself do not lay a finger." <u>Then Satan went out from the presence of the LORD</u>." ...and began to plan his conquest of Job.

In Job's case, Satan was proven wrong, because Job <u>didn't curse God to His face</u>. And in the case of Ephraim, so far no-one has blamed God for the disasters that are befalling them. The Democrats would like to blame God, but how can they? They've already succeeded in rating God out of existence in their own minds. Invoking God, even to blame Him, would make them even greater hypocrites than they already are.

Mind you, the Islamic world is starting to subtly state that God is against His most favored nation. These are Ephraim's so-called 'friends'. <u>As the disasters escalate</u> – <u>and they will</u>, the nations of this earth will be astounded at the ferocity and suddenness of their demise. To them it will seem that God has demolished them for Islam's benefit, to go forth and conquer, kill and destroy.

As in Job's case, God plans to teach Ephraim a good lesson, and then do them good at the end of their trial. But this will only happen after much soul-searching and repentance. Jeremiah recorded this repentance: Jer 31:18-19 "I have surely heard Ephraim's moaning: 'You disciplined me like an unruly calf, and I have been disciplined. Restore me, and I will return, because you are the LORD my God. After I strayed, I repented: after I came to understand, I beat my breast. I was ashamed and humiliated because I bore the disgrace of my youth.' In response, God says this: V20 "Is not Ephraim my dear son, the child in whom I delight? Though I often speak against him, I still remember him. Therefore my heart yearns for him: I have great compassion for him," declares the LORD."

When Ephraim <u>comes to understand</u>, they will have great cause to beat their breast! Job found himself in the same position: Job 42:1-6 "Then Job replied to the LORD: "I know you can do all things; <u>no PLAN of yours can be thwarted</u>. You asked 'Who is this that <u>obscures my counsel without knowledge</u>?' <u>Surely I spoke of things I did not understand</u>, things too wonderful for me to know. You said, 'Listen now and I will speak; I will question you and you will answer me.' <u>My ears had heard of you but now my eyes have seen you</u>. <u>Therefore I despise myself and repent in dust and ashes.</u>"

<u>God's PLAN</u> is in progress and it <u>cannot be thwarted</u>. <u>God reveals his PLAN to His servants</u> <u>the prophets</u>, and <u>God's watchman is the prophet over Ephraim</u>. The men of Ephraim are far too eager to <u>obscure God's counsel without knowledge</u>, and this is their downfall, just as it was with Job.

And I can tell you this! Their downfall doesn't make the slightest bit of difference to God's servants! The reason is that God's servants the prophets know the outcome, and those who don't survive will not be needed in the Kingdom anyway, but those <u>who come to understand</u> and <u>repent</u> will be welcomed into God's Kingdom and His Place of Rest <u>as the prodigal son who comes home</u>. This is <u>the son in whom God delights</u> and <u>God will restore Ephraim after his hard service is completed</u>.

But Ephraim shouldn't be too surprised. After all, the Jewish people have suffered draconian hardship and slavery prior to returning to the Promised Land. Their hard service is almost complete. Under the auspices of the priests and prophets, and in the absence of Ephraim's influence, the Jewish people can look forward to the establishment of God's Kingdom – <u>and it will arise within their very midst</u>.

In the meantime, Satan has been given permission to attack Ephraim. God considers that Ephraim has been given enough warning about whom God's enemies are, and their determination to protect Islam, and do them good, is now beyond the pale. In fact, it has become insane!

But its Ephraim's lack of respect and acknowledgement of their Creator that is <u>now placing</u> the axe at the root of the tree (Luke 3:9) and God is quick to remind them. In fact, His barrage against Job begins by raising the question of His Creation. When people develop the idea that they are intellectuals, God has ways to bring them to heel. In Job's case, God delivered him into the hands of the devil, and the devil obliged from his bag of tricks and sorcery to thoroughly humiliate Job. Job was a righteous man and a servant of God (Job 1:8), but under severe testing, he began to wane. Job was of the opinion that it's unnecessary for righteous men to suffer. He didn't seem to understand that God disciplines and punishes every son He receives (Heb 12:5-6). Jesus Himself later set that example, and in so doing, fulfilled the prophecy of Isa 53:10.

Ephraim seems to be of the same opinion, and believes that because of <u>his great wealth</u>, <u>noone will find in him any iniquity or sin</u> (Hos 11:8). For years now we have been citing the reasons that will draw down God's abandonment of them. They are presently <u>not</u> fit for the Kingdom of God, but with the loss of children, perhaps the Ephraim that God has loved will reemerge. It's described as <u>Rachel weeping for her children</u> (Rachel was the mother of Joseph, who was the father of Ephraim and Manasseh), and this is what is written: <u>Jer 31:15-19</u> "This is what the LORD says: "A voice is heard in Ramah, mourning and great weeping, <u>Rachel weeping for her children</u> and refusing to be comforted, <u>because her children are no more</u>." This is what the LORD says: "Restrain your voice from weeping and your eyes from tears, <u>for your work will be rewarded</u>," declares the LORD. "<u>They will return from the land of the enemy</u>. So there is hope for your future," declares the LORD. "<u>Your children will return to their own land</u>. "I have surely heard <u>Ephraim's moaning</u>: 'You <u>disciplined</u> me like an unruly calf, and <u>I have been disciplined</u>. Restore me, and I will return, because you are the LORD my God. After I strayed, I repented; <u>after I came to understand</u>, I beat my breast. I was ashamed and humiliated because I bore the disgrace of my youth."

Job was no monster, and neither is Ephraim, but all sons must be disciplined and raised to acceptable standards. And Ephraim as a nation is in need of discipline before they completely become a nation of infidels and unbelievers. And the way things stand now, the faith of the founding fathers that the nation's meteoric rise to wealth and success was the blessing of God, is almost non-existent. But when the discipline starts to bite, with howling winds and floods, fires and earthquakes, followed by disease epidemics, and with livestock dying in the fields, and perhaps people start killing one another for a tank of gas, it's going to seem obvious to some that God is to blame. In other words, God is not credited with the blessings, but He will be responsible for the curses. Then the chains will get heavier (Isa 28:22). In the fullness of time the remnant will come to understand, and then they will beat their breast. They will realize that what the LORD God gives, He can also take away (Job 1:21)

God is determined to teach Ephraim some respect for <u>their Maker</u> – <u>their Creator God</u>. In doing so, He makes mention of something the founding fathers immortalized on the nation's presidential seal and their currency. All of which ties in with the fact that Ephraim is suffering from failing energy reserves and this is hitting everyone in the pocket.

When God mentioned laying the landmass of the earth, He also added this: Job 38:14 "<u>The earth takes shape like clay under a seal, its features stand out like those of a garment</u>. <u>The wicked are denied their light</u>, and <u>their upraised arm is broken</u>." Is is sheer coincidence that the shape of the landmass of the earth was in the shape of a pyramid? Or that its shape stands out like clay under a seal? Or is it a coincidence that the currency of the U.S. exhibits a pyramid? Or that the Great Seal of the U.S. is in the form of a pyramid on the reverse side. No, none of this is coincidence, and neither is

it coincidental that <u>the sygnet ring on God's finger</u> (Jer 22:24, Hag 2:23) displays the Pyramid – the upperstone of which represents His Son Jesus.

When the landmass continents broke up following a cataclysmic attack, the energy reserves of the earth were created from the deaths of animal and plant life, which formed the petroleum reserves and the coal deposits. The shape of the landmass that God so carefully laid out was no longer evident. In fact, none of the continents today reflect a shape on which anyone could <u>stretch a measuring line</u> (Job 38:5), because none of them have straight sides. But they once did, and they will again when they're restored.

And now the petroleum wars are about to begin. But you could see it coming when the Democrats blocked the President's Energy Bill which would have brought Anwar, Alaska on line with an additional 2 million barrels a day in the initial stages of development. But to the self-righteous Democrats, the welfare of the caribou is more important. The Democrats are so obliging as Satan's little helpers. While Satan is busy doing the heavy lifting, his little helpers are actively destroying the country from within.

It was something of a master stroke to direct mighty winds and hurricanes to target the nation's energy supplies in the Gulf of Mexico, and leave them vulnerable to dependence on his Middle East brood and their enormous oil reserves. There is no quicker way to destabilize a mighty nation than to deprive them of the fuel needed for mobilization.

When you see the price of fuel increasing so rapidly at the gas pump, you know that demand is outstripping supply. Satan has chosen to hit the energy resources of America to maximize his power through the control of Middle East oil. Satan plans to make God's people Israel vulnerable and dependent on His Middle East power base of petroleum reserves.

One thing that is emerging very clearly, Satan is targeting the American capacity to produce fuel and he will keep hammering until he succeeds. As with the prophet Job, Satan wants God's people to think that God is to blame. He wants them to question God's motives and invoke His anger.

It's now some years since this Brotherhood spoke of the trials of Job as being a parable for a certain personage. This parable speaks of the same 'one' that the Apostle Paul spoke about – <u>the one</u> <u>who holds back the forces of evil until he is unceremoniously removed from the scene</u>. 2Thess 2:6-8 "And now you know what is holding him back, so that he may be revealed at the proper time. For the secret power of lawlessness is already at work; but the one who holds it back will continue to do so till <u>he is taken out of the way</u>." Only Ephraim, the mightiest power on earth, is holding back the scourge of Islamic lawlessness, and as the Scriptures reveal, Ephraim will be taken out of the way so that <u>the beast can be revealed at the proper time</u>. The beast, which you may recall from our earlier teachings, is the King of Greece – a latter-day Alexander the Great of Macedonia. His Greek/Macedonian Empire conquered the entire Middle East – all of Babylonia today. The entire region that the head of gold – Nebuchadnezzar – ruled anciently! And the only thing holding him back from making his move is the mighty power of the United States of America. With the demise of the mightiest power on earth, the Greeks and Macedonians will begin to make their move. And the Greco-Macedonian Empire that once existed will exist once more. And their power will be derived from the conquest of all the Middle East and the control of all the oil.

Paul's statement was not based on wild speculation, but from Bible prophecy. Even at that time, Paul knew what the final days for Ephraim entailed, which is extensively spoken of in the Bible, and would be fulfilled just as is stated in Bible Prophecy. It's tragic to see the demise of a great nation, but believe me, they will be better off once they come to understand the meaning of their existence.

God chose to remind Job of two beasts that existed which God made along with Job (Job 40:15), and this parable is being played out today. These two beasts are in existence today and cannot be tamed (Job 41:1-9), but Ephraim still believes he can do it. Ephraim doesn't know what they are dealing with; they have yet to learn they are dealing with two very powerful rulers of the heavenly realms – Satan's spirit-being henchmen, who share his views and his hatred for the House of Israel.

I would point out that it's significant that Job had <u>three friends</u> – though pseudo-friends – in the Middle East. But all acknowledged Job as the greatest of all. The beast when he arises will target <u>three nations</u> (Dan 7:20) in the Middle East and parcel out their land to others. But we won't go into all this now, but I would also point out that it will be dangerous at that time to be seen as America's friend. The Book of Job is far more extensive that these brief few words, and the ramifications of it all are far more extensive. Perhaps at some future time a more detailed explanation will be given, but for now, time is very short.

Remember how God said of Ephraim, **Hos 11:8** "<u>How can I give you up, Ephraim</u>? <u>How can I hand you over, Israel</u>?" Just remember that God didn't bring this hell upon you as a nation, Ephraim, you did it to yourselves! <u>As a last resort</u>, God has handed you over to the arch-rebel of the universe, and by now, you should know how much Satan hates you. God overlooked your insolence

towards Him, and provocation against Him, for years, but now you have become as the Gentiles and your beliefs parallel those of the Gentiles. It's the Jews you should be listening to, because salvation is of the Jews. The Jews have fought three major wars against Islam since 1948, and each time they hammered them into the ground! If it hadn't been for America's bungling interference, the Jews would now control the Holy Land extending all the way to the River of Egypt.

### JUST A FEW FINAL WORDS...

We've done what we can to bring God's Truth in perspective. Whether you believe it or not is up to you. It's your choice – you have the free will to do as you please. But bear in mind that no-one else is teaching what we are teaching, because what we teach is <u>not</u> a popular message. <u>And it was never intended to be</u>. Others may offer you false hope and good outcomes, but this is only because they have never understood the Truth. The Apostles and Prophets all warned of dangerous and perilous times in the last days, <u>and that time has come</u>. It's hoped to add an epilogue to all that we have taught before we depart. Understandably, Satan hates us and is soon to come after us (Rev 12:13-14). He has spent years grooming his evil brood for this event, but God is one step ahead of him. It really will be <u>woe</u> to those who opposed us and sneered at God's warnings. It would have been far better to do as Jesus suggested, and tie a millstone around their necks and cast themselves into the sea! (Luke 17:2)

You'll recall that there is to be a famine of the Word of God: Amos 8:1-3 "This is what the Sovereign LORD showed me: a basket of ripe fruit. "What do you see, Amos?" he asked. "A basket of ripe fruit," I answered. Then the LORD said to me, "The time is ripe for my people Israel; I will spare them no longer. "In that day," declares the Sovereign LORD, "the songs in the temple will turn to wailing. Many, many bodies - flung everywhere! Silence!" Which temple would this be? It's the temple Jesus spoke of as His body (John 2:21). Obviously there is something left to be desired even in the Temple of Christ's body - the Church! Their religious feasts don't reflect the true meaning or purpose as prescribed by God. With all their psalm-singing, they've forgotten the purpose of their existence - to actively engage in the fulfilling of God's promise to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. To this end, they must go with God's people Israel into captivity and keep the faith alive until their rescue comes. And they must be prepared to lay down their lives in martyrdom for their friends. This is real love – not the sickening, foolish nonsense you hear today in Churches. Amos 8:10-12 "I will turn your religious feasts into mourning and all your singing into weeping. I will make all of you wear sackcloth and shave your heads. I will make that time like mourning for an only son and the end of it like a bitter day. The days are coming," declares the Sovereign LORD, "when I will send a famine through the land - not a famine of food or a thirst for water, but a famine of hearing the words of the LORD. Men will stagger from sea to sea and wander from north to east, searching for the word of the LORD, but they will not find it." They won't find the Word of the LORD because they never understood it, and there will be no-one left to explain it to them. Of particular significance here is the reference to mourning for an only son and the end of it like a bitter day. This is a reference to the establishment of the House of David from small beginnings: Zech 12:10 "And I will pour out on the House of David and the inhabitants of Jerusalem a Spirit of grace and supplication. They will look on me, the One they have pierced, and they will mourn for Him as one mourns for an only child, and grieve bitterly for Him as one grieves for a firstborn Son.'

You'll see an obvious switch of personal pronouns in these verses. It is absolutely referring to Jesus the Christ - the One they have pierced. But there is also grieving at that time for another son, whom God refers to as a firstborn son. To give a little more perspective, I'll quote the entire passage from Jer 31:7-12 "This is what the LORD says: "Sing with joy for Jacob; shout for the foremost of the nations. Make your praises heard, and say, 'O LORD, save your people, the remnant of Israel.' See, I will bring them from the land of the north and gather them from the ends of the earth. Among them will be the blind and the lame, expectant mothers and women in labor; a great throng will return. They will come with weeping; they will pray as I bring them back. I will lead them beside streams of water on a level path where they will not stumble, because **I AM ISRAEL'S FATHER**, and **EPHRAIM IS MY FIRSTBORN SON**. "Hear the word of the LORD, O nations; proclaim it in distant coastlands: 'He who scattered Israel will gather them and will watch over his flock like a shepherd.' For the LORD will ransom Jacob and redeem them from the hand of those stronger than they. They will come and shout for joy on the heights of Zion; they will rejoice in the bounty of the LORD – the grain, the new wine and the oil, the young of the flocks and herds. They will be LIKE a well-watered GARDEN, and they will sorrow no more." 'LIKE a well-watered GARDEN'! And who is the GARDEN of God's delight? Isa 5:7 "The VINEYARD of the LORD Almighty is the HOUSE OF ISRAEL, and the MEN OF JUDAH are the GARDEN of his delight." It's the MEN OF JUDAH - the Jews! And it's LIKE the men of Judah that they will become!

As hard as it is for Ephraim to accept at this present time, salvation really is of the Jews – just as Jesus said when conversing with a Samaritan woman: John 4:21 "Jesus declared, "Believe me, woman, a time is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. "You SAMARITANS worship what you do not know; we worship what we do know, for SALVATION IS FROM THE JEWS. Yet a time is coming and has now come when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for they are the kind of worshipers the Father seeks. 24 God is spirit, and his worshipers must worship in spirit and in truth." It should not go unnoticed that **Samaria** and the **Samaritans** were the rebellious ten Tribes of Israel that rebelled against God and His Holy City Jerusalem in the days of Jeroboam. God frequently refers to them as Samaria to keep them in remembrance of what they formerly did. Jeroboam was an Ephraimite, and it was Ephraim that led the rebellion. Even today, they continue to dictate what the Jews can and cannot do, and they seem to have far too much respect for the Philistines - the 'Palestinians' today! Samaria has long since been taken over by the Palestinians in the West Bank. And that land, Ephraim, is your tribal homelands. You may even recall these Palestinians dogs desecrating the tomb of your forefather Joseph in Nablus just a few years ago. But because you worship what you do not know, you did not even recognize the tomb of your forefather Joseph! I imagine that if they desecrated the tombs of Jacob and Rachel you wouldn't recognize that either! It's ironic that so much angst is exhibited when an Indian burial site is desecrated in the U.S., but their forefather Joseph doesn't rank a mention when his tomb is desecrated.

So in view of all this, it's hardly surprising that God would choose someone else for the birth of Kingdom of God, and to establish the homeland for the returning remnant of the House of Israel. The whole nation of Ephraim has been worshiping *what they don't know* for a long, long time. Today is no different to when the Christ spoke to the Samaritan women and declared this to her.

People are determined to make their own mistakes, and this is the way they want it to be. They don't want God interfering in their lives. And contrary to their beliefs, God doesn't. They can do as they please, but at the same time, they must bear the consequences that disobedience carries.

Just a little advice: Don't listen to the false prophets who will try to convince you that after every disaster things will get better. 'We'll rebuild, and tomorrow will be better than today!' Don't believe it! Disaster after disaster will follow until the nation is destroyed.



Joseph's tomb in Nablus. Here we see Palestinians swinging picks and demolishing the 3,600 year old tomb of the Prophet Joseph. Joseph's son Ephraim raised no objection whatsoever. It seems their outrage is reserved only for desecration of spotted owls and caribou or pagan Indian gravesites in their own country.

And finally, I just want to say to the Churches of God and the House of Israel, this Brotherhood hopes to see you in our Father's Kingdom. In the months and years ahead, where you will be is anyone's guess, but you'll surely know where we are when all hope seems gone. Perhaps then you will have reason to hope for salvation as you see evidence of a New Dawn. So brace yourselves and get your minds straightened out, and start *believing* God – you'll be so glad you did!

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