THE BRIDE OF SATAN

Chapter Four

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As we review all that God has said, it becomes patently obvious that Jerusalem is the prize that the bride of Satan hopes to control. Jerusalem is the City of God, and will be so forever! God intends to establish righteousness there, and from there the Kingdom of God will be administered for all eternity. This obsession of Satan's, in trying to control Jerusalem to his own ends is typified in his ruthless bride today who want control of the Holy Land. Satan began his existence as the highest of nobility and filled with Godly Wisdom, only to see his aspirations shattered following his rebellion, and all his glory stripped away. No longer does he possess Godly Wisdom, instead he has become a cunning, crafty manipulator.

Similarly, many people began to see a need to worship the Great Creator, and were filled with the joy of discovery as they began to peruse His Sacred Word. The Bible describes this as a 'first love'. During this initial period, many students saw God's Sacred Word as the key to life and a joy to behold. Frequently, they sought out others of like interest and began to congregate with them. In all too many cases, their enthusiasm was dampened by a doctrine that was extremely, narrowly focused, and what emerged was a doctrine of emotionalism. The love of discovery was replaced with emotional, symbolic worship of Almighty God to the total exclusion of the form of worship required by God Himself. No longer did it seem necessary to search out God's hidden Wisdom, instead they began to believe that they were already 'saved' immediately after 'accepting Jesus as their personal Saviour'. It became a foregone conclusion and a done-deal. Everything else had no relevance.

After a while it became obvious that their church was not unique in that many other churches were teaching the same thing, so the manipulators went to work to fabricate doctrines that made them exclusive, or at least, made them feel exclusive. As an example of this, Mormons seized on a Scripture in 1Cor 15 in an effort to show that all their followers must be 'baptized for the dead'. In fact, what Paul was saying is, that we are not to be baptized for the dead. Paul made the point that the Son of God came as a man and died, but more importantly, He was raised from the dead and now sits at the right hand of God the Father. In summary Paul was saying that 'if Jesus was not raised from the dead, then why are we being baptized for a dead man?' So Mormons do exactly the opposite to what Paul was saying! They go around baptizing for dead people. And where does the Bible ever suggest this? Millions of Mormons cannot read a single chapter of the Bible and understand its meaning.

Paul made the point strongly that Jesus was <u>raised from the dead</u>, otherwise our faith is worthless: **1Cor 15:12-19** "But if it is preached that Christ has been <u>raised from the dead</u>, how can some say that there is no <u>resurrection of the dead</u>? If there is no <u>resurrection of the dead</u>, then not even Christ has been raised. And if Christ has <u>not</u> been <u>raised</u>, <u>our preaching is useless and so is your faith</u>. More than that, we are then found to be false witnesses about God, for we have testified about God that <u>He raised Christ from the dead</u>. But He did not raise Him if in fact the dead are not raised, <u>then Christ has not been raised either</u>. And <u>if Christ has not been raised</u>, your <u>faith if futile</u>; you are still in your sins. Then those who have <u>fallen asleep in Christ are lost</u>. If only for this life we have hope in Christ, we are to be <u>pitied more than all men</u>." Paul makes the point that if Christ was <u>not raised from the dead</u>, then our faith is futile and we are to be pitied above all men. And if we join a '<u>dead man</u>' in the burial of baptism, then it's little more than a charade if Christ has <u>not risen from the dead</u>. Paul explains this in <u>1Cor 15:29</u> "<u>Now if there is no resurrection</u>, what will those do who are <u>baptized for [a dead man]</u>? <u>If the dead are not raised at all</u>, <u>why are people baptized</u>

for [Him]? And as for us, why do we endanger ourselves every hour? I die every day – I mean that, brothers—just as surely as I glory over you in Christ Jesus our Lord. If I fought wild beasts in Ephesus for merely human reasons, what have I gained? **If the dead are not raised**, "Let us eat and drink, for tomorrow we die". Do not be misled: "Bad company corrupts good character". Come back to your senses as you ought, **and stop siming**; for there are some who are **ignorant of God** – I say this to your shame."

Baptism is a symbol that we believe that Christ arose from the dead, but it's also a commitment that we are prepared to submit ourselves to God in the same way that His Son did. It's our commitment that we are prepared to give up our lives, just as Christ did, in *the hope of a better resurrection* (see Heb 11:35). This is certainly not a commitment we can make on behalf of those who have already died, and who remain dead! And if anyone thinks they can be baptized for departed loved ones, or for anyone who is now dead, then they truly are **ignorant of God**.

It's always amusing to see those who are appallingly ignorant of God, in this case, the Mormons, leveling criticism against others about things they don't understand, and for which they have no knowledge. The amusing side of it all is they are trained to *ask* questions, but are also trained to *ignore* the answers. They flat-out refuse to acknowledge God's Word, or to accept that God's Way is right. And to supplant God's Word, they quote the book of Mormon – a silly fabrication from the mind of a deranged man. Reading it is like a descent into madness! And what does this crazy book teach? It weaves an unsupported mish-mash of 'Arabs and Islam', and 'Indians of the Americas', and tries to induce people to believe that these are the 12 Tribes of Israel. Of course, there is nothing in the entire Bible that remotely supports their view – hence, the book of Mormon!

On the meaning of baptism Christ made it very plain: Luke 12:49 "I have come to bring fire on the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! But I have <u>a baptism to undergo</u>, and how distressed I am <u>until</u> <u>it is completed!</u> Do you think I have come to bring peace on earth? No, I tell you, but division." This is the baptism of death that must be completed. Christ completed it, and so must the living Body of Christ!

Paul then goes on to detail Christ's purpose after going through the baptism of death, and being raised from the dead, and of course, it's in the same chapter that speaks of baptism and the resurrection of the dead:

1 Cor 15:20-23 "But Christ has indeed been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. For since death came through a man, the resurrection of the dead comes through a man. For as in Adam all die, so in Christ all will be made alive. But each in his own turn: Christ, the firstfruits; then, when He comes, those who belong to Him." Apparently, the 'wisdom of the Greeks' was beginning to gain hold in Corinth. They were beginning to teach that Christ was not raised from the dead because He didn't die in the first place. According to them, He was in some form of suspended animation from which He awoke. They weren't denying that Jesus is the Christ; they were denying the need for Him to die and be resurrected. To them, it mattered not that Jesus had to die and give up His life to prove His faithfulness to God. (The same thing happened in the days of Abraham. God required Abraham to sacrifice his son. God had to know if he would qualify to be the father of the faithful. Abraham passed the test!)

Of course, it didn't have to be this way! Jesus could have called the whole thing off! He plainly said so: Matt 26:53 "Do you think I cannot call on my Father, and He will at once put at my disposal more than twelve legions of angels? But how then would the Scriptures be fulfilled that say it must happen this way?" The Scriptures Christ refers to are the only ones that existed at that time, and these same Scriptures are the ones that many Christians reject as being irrelevant today. Had Christ requested the twelve legions of angels to rescue Him, the request would have been granted at once, but prophecy would have failed and so would have Jesus' mission, and the hope of Jesus' offspring would have been aborted. It had to happen this way, or Jesus would not have been the Christ or Ruler to replace Satan. It was all or nothing! Christ understood this clearly.

When Christ spoke of this baptism of death and its fulfillment, He immediately warned that He had not come to bring peace – but division! (Luke 12:49-51) In the same verses, He spoke of bringing fire to the earth. Of particular interest is the fire that has been prepared for *the devil and his angels* (Matt 25:41). The prophet speaks of this in the **Song of Moses**: **Deut 32:22** "For a fire has been kindled by my wrath, one that **burns to the REALM OF DEATH below**. It will devour the earth, its harvests and set on fire the **foundations of the mountains**." Satan and his brood think they can hide away from God and do whatever they choose, but God's wrath is going to bring to a swift end all their achievements.

Paul knew what Christ's purpose was and plainly states it in the chapter on death and resurrection:

1Cor 15:24 "Then the end will come, when He hands over the Kingdom to God the Father after He has destroyed all dominion, authority and power. For He must reign until He has put all His enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is DEATH."

All these things should be elementary to true students of the Bible, but it seems that many people who claim to be Christians have an entirely different agenda to God. They don't see the need for prophecy to be fulfilled, or as Christ put it: 'It must happen this way!' They couldn't care less whether prophecy is fulfilled or not, just as long as they finish with a long suit and everlasting glory. The things that are important to God are not factored in at all! Is this the attitude that God expects of His servants?

Is seems that thousands of Moslems are prepared to die as suicide bombers, maiming and killing thousands of innocent victims, yet they believe that God is going to reward them and raise them from the dead. Even Satan is unable to form any sort of rationale for this behaviour, but then he doesn't need to as long as the Moslems continue to be mindless degenerates who require no form of rationale. They believe that killing the people of God – the 12 Tribes of Israel – will qualify them for everlasting glory in heaven. Islam knows they are not the 12 Tribes of Israel, and they also know they have descended from, and have their origins in Ishmael and his children – the 12 tribes of Ishmael. All Arabs claim Ishmael as their common ancestor.

Similarly, we have the irrational, illogical conduct of Christianity today, who believes that God requires nothing of them except to believe they are to be rewarded for doing *nothing* that <u>God requires of them</u>. They speak contemptuously of the Laws of God, which God describes as <u>GREAT AND GLORIOUS</u>, and attempt to force God's hand to accept them just as they are.

Paul went on to speak about the resurrection following his explanation concerning Christ's death. He points out that if there is to be a resurrection, then God has in mind a hierarchical structure, and this has nothing to do with the hierarchical structure that Christians have devised among themselves. To the contrary, it is not permitted in the Churches for anyone to elevate themselves over others (Matt 20:25). God will decide who is elevated over others and what level of glory they will possess – not human beings! In a kingdom there are hierarchies, in the Church there are none! And while some might like to argue to the contrary, you will soon learn that it isn't so!

Paul makes it clear that in the Kingdom of God there is to be a hierarchical structure, and over all will be the Father and His Son. Apparently, the question was raised concerning the resurrection, and Paul exp lained it: 1Cor 15:35 "But someone may ask, "How are the dead raised? With what kind of body will they come? How foolish! What you sow does not come to life unless it dies. When you sow, you do not plant the body that will be, but just a seed, perhaps of wheat or something else. But God gives a body as He has determined, and to each kind of seed He gives its own body." Paul then goes on to more fully explain that different seeds have different purposes just as the animals have different purposes. V39 "All flesh is not the same: Men have one kind of flesh, animals have another, birds another and fish another. There are also heavenly bodies and there are earthly bodies; but the splendour of the heavenly bodies is one kind and the splendour of the earthly bodies is another. The sun has one kind of splendour, the moon another and the stars another; and star differs from star in splendour. SO WILL IT BE WITH THE RESURRECTION OF THE DEAD." Notice the difference in splendour comes after the resurrection – not before! And while some like to stand out among the crowd in earthly splendour, their chances of heavenly splendour is extremely remote. God detests arrogant people!

Paul uses the example of the <u>sun, moon and stars</u> to explain what will be in <u>the resurrection of the dead</u>. He points out that one star will differ from another in splendour. It should not go unnoticed that <u>Jacob</u>, <u>Rachel and the 12 sons of Jacob</u> are described as the <u>sun, moon and stars</u> (<u>Gen 37:9-11</u>). Well, there is only <u>one sun</u> and there is only <u>one moon</u> in <u>earthly</u> terms, but there are <u>many stars</u>. These stars differ from each other in splendour just as the holy seed will differ in splendour, and this splendour is <u>reward-based</u>. Rewards are handed out according to what <u>each has done</u>, <u>not</u> what each <u>has said!</u> Earthly beings have a penchant for promoting their own egos. And the bigger the ego, the more inflated their assessment of themselves. God's purpose becomes greatly diminished in their minds as they promote their own interests. Those who seek their own glory become spiritually stone-dead! Their glory is in this life only! All those who think they are some great one, enjoy yourselves, because this life is the only reward you will ever receive!

Jesus our Christ is the great example. He was humiliated and beaten and finally killed as a Lamb going to the slaughter. For reasons known only to themselves, many Christians today *refuse to believe* that Jesus is *the example they are to follow*. In their twisted minds they believe that Jesus was *their proxy* who did it all in their stead, and that nothing is required of them but to believe this. They say, '*Don't do anything – Jesus did it all for you! Don't obey God – it's totally unnecessary!*' Is this really what God has in mind? Well, this is what He says: Rev 20:12 "And I saw the dead, great and small, standing before the Throne, and **books were opened**. Another book was opened, which is the **Book of Life**. The dead were judged according to **what they had done** as recorded in the books. The sea gave up the dead that were in it, and **Death and Hades** gave up the dead that were in them, and each person was judged according to **what he had done**." As an aside, this

is when **Death and Hades** (see **Rev 6:8**) are hurled into *the fire reserved for the devil and his angels*: **V14** "Then **Death and Hades** were thrown into the **lake of fire**. The **lake of fire** is the *second death*. If anyone's name was *not* found written in the **Book of Life**, he was thrown into the **lake of fire**." God wants to make it plain to all that those who have left their first estate and returned like cockroaches to their filth, and the filth of this world, will be like the angels who also left their first estate and corrupted themselves. Both the angels and all those who have tasted of the heavenly gift and turned away will face the same fate.

In support of this, Jude wrote a very interesting letter to the saints. He prefaced his comments by identifying the recipients of his letter: Jude 1:1 "... To those who have been called, who are loved by God the Father and kept by Jesus Christ...". V3 "Dear friends, although I was very eager to write to you about the salvation we share, I felt I had to write and urge you to contend for the faith that was once and for all entrusted to the saints. For certain men whose condemnation was written about long ago have secretly slipped in among you. They are godless men, who change the grace of our God into a license for immorality and deny [the only Sovereign God and our Lord Jesus Christ] (NKJV)." In a church setting today, you don't have to look far to see many godless men; men who have nothing in common with all that God has done throughout the ages. In fact, by their teachings, they condemn the Almighty God Himself. They agree with nothing He did, and commonly present arguments that their righteousness exceeds that of God. Jude uses the example of the Exodus from Egypt: V5 "Although you already know this, I want to remind you that the Lord delivered His people out of Egypt, but later destroyed those who did not believe." Of course, the Exodus occurred some fifteen hundred years before Jude wrote this, but he determined to remind them as if they had already forgotten. It's a common trait today that people refuse to acknowledge that those God led out of Egypt are **His people**! It's probably the perfect example for our time because the world is determined to extinguish any acknowledgement of God's people Israel. Even many in the Churches of God have fallen victim to the corruption of the rulers of the heavenly realms, and have acceded to the belief that God's people Israel are no longer important in their 'salvation stakes'. To them, God's promises to Abraham are no longer applicable today. These Churches, nestled among the richest and most productive nation on earth, have no desire to give up their present home and migrate to the Holy Land. To them, the Holy Land is a hellhole of treachery and terrorism – who'd want to live there? 'So, no thank you, God, we are perfectly happy living right where we are! From their perspective, it's better that the Jews live there than them. Not only this, but it also provides a platform for them to conduct their 'holier than thou' attitudes towards God's people of Judah, and to side with the enemies of God. I can tell you this: those who do such things will suffer terribly for their lack of judgment!

While the Holy Land, which God gave to His friend Abraham, may not seem desirable now, it will be! God calls it the Glorious Land and a most desirable land, and it's here that God will bring His people Israel in the great and final exodus. Never again will they be uprooted from this Land. But this is yet in the future – a few years hence. And doesn't the Book of Hebrews confirm that the people of God are looking for *a country of their own*? Heb 11:13 "All these people were still living by faith when they died. They did not receive the things promised, they only saw them and welcomed them from a distance. And they admitted that they were aliens and strangers on earth. People who say such things show that they are looking for a country of their own. If they had been thinking of the country they had left, they would have had opportunity to return. Instead, they were longing for a better country — a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God, for He has prepared a city for them."

Jude likened the conduct of those he was condemning to the angels who rebelled against God: V6 "And the angels who did not keep their positions of authority but abandoned their home – these He kept in darkness, bound with everlasting chains for judgment on the Great Day. In a similar way, Sodom and Gomorrah and the surrounding towns gave themselves up to sexual immorality and perversion. They serve as an example of those who suffer the punishment of eternal fire." Again, Jude uses a good example of those who are already condemned.

About 20 years ago, Britain legalized homosexuality among consenting adults. A certain celebrity, when interviewed, said that he was leaving Britain. When asked why, he replied, "Because parliament has legalized homosexuality." His interviewer said, "Surely this is no reason for leaving your home land!" "Yes it is!" he said, "I'm getting out before they make it compulsory!" While it's legalized in most Israelite nations, it's not yet compulsory; but if homosexual behaviour is mentioned, it's almost mandatory to add 'not that there is anything wrong with it'. Apparently, God is wrong in their eyes. Of course, Jude was speaking of Sodom and Gomorrah as an example of those who suffer the punishment of eternal fire. This is exactly what happened to Sodom and Gomorrah! And this is exactly what will happen to all those who have abandoned their first love.

It's worth noting a few things about Sodom and Gomorrah. In the days of Abraham, the king of Babylon and his cronies swept through the region destroying every nation that didn't yield to them. The cities of Sodom and Gomorrah were plundered and Abraham's nephew Lot was taken captive. This is when Abraham mounted up and rode out with 318 of his servants. Against overwhelming odds, he cut down the four kings and slaughtered their armies, and returned from the slaughter to be greeted by the Mighty Prince Himself and was blessed by Him. The kings of Sodom and Gomorrah were allied with Abraham and saw all these things. Abraham restored all their property to them, and for a few years they were grateful. These kings acknowledged that Abraham was far greater than them and revered him as a servant of Almighty God. But, sure enough, the rabble amongst them began to introduce abominable practices, and this came under the notice of the Great God of Heaven. He determined that these insolent dogs should die, but discussed the matter with Abraham first. It was determined that Lot and his family should be brought out of there and this was done. Then God brought fire down from heaven and set the whole region ablaze, which utterly consumed all trace of these cities – even to this day! It should be noted that the very old and the very young were probably not guilty of homosexual behaviour, but they were all found guilty. Readers may like to ponder the reasons why. The same situation exists today, and Sodom and Gomorrah are, as Jude said, the perfect example of those who suffer the punishment of eternal fire.

All this brings into question the slanderous beliefs of those who despise God's authority, and Jude didn't shrink back from indicting them: V8 "In the very same way, these dreamers pollute their own bodies, reject authority and slander celestial beings. But even the archangel Michael, when he was disputing with the devil about the body of Moses, did not dare to bring a slanderous accusation against him, but said, "The Lord rebuke you!" Slanderous accusations are the devil's forte (Job 1:9-11, Rev 12:10), and it's not something that celestial beings engage in, nor the servants of God. And neither did Jude! There was nothing slanderous or libelous in what he said – it was the truth! For the record the word 'celestial' is a reference to stars.

Some in the Churches of God may still remember the *slanderous accusations* (usually called '*evaluations*') by some of the dreamers who occupied '*positions of authority*' and who conducted themselves in the same manner as the Gentiles (Matt 20:25). They rejected Christ's authority, and gave themselves a whopping big helping of power to lord it over everyone – just like the Gentiles! The slightest challenge to their '*authority*' was enough to turn them into foaming maniacs.

It seems that Jude was of the mind that these were *godless men* also. He refers to them as <u>shepherds</u> — who feed only themselves! <u>Jude 1:12</u> "These men are blemishes at your love feasts, eating with you without the slightest qualm — <u>shepherds</u> who feed only themselves. They are clouds without rain, blown along by the wind; autumn trees, without fruit and uprooted – twice dead. They are wild waves of the sea, foaming up their shame; <u>WANDERING STARS</u>, for whom blackest darkness has been reserved forever." Remember what Paul said in <u>1Cor 15:41</u> "The <u>SUN has one kind of splendour</u>, <u>the MOON another</u> and <u>the STARS another</u>; and <u>STAR DIFFERS FROM STAR IN SPLENDOUR</u>. So will it be with the resurrection of the dead."

There are plenty of movie stars around today, and there are plenty of stars in the sky, but the <u>real</u> <u>STARS</u> are not so abundant. Jude's *condemnation* was for <u>wandering stars</u>. He was of course, comparing them to the angels or stars who left their first estate, and for whom <u>a raging fire has been reserved</u>. It's prepared for the devil and his angels. So what is the significance of comparing the different stars? Firstly, the <u>wandering stars</u>, referred to by Jude, are set for the same punishment as the wretched angels who rebelled against God.

Paul makes it clear that <u>each star</u>, that is, <u>each real STAR</u>, will differ in splendour in the resurrection. This is where the reward-system comes into play. Each will be rewarded for <u>what he has done</u>. If they have tasted of the heavenly gift and have not done that which was required of them, then their names will not be found in the Book of Life, and if not, then there is no place for them on earth! They will be dispatched to the Lake of Fire. Those who have received God's Holy Spirit and have *wandered* from the straight path can only expect to face the raging fire.

Peter spoke of this very thing, and what he said closely parallels what Jude said. **2Pet 2:15** "They have left the straight way and have <u>wandered</u> off to follow the way of Balaam son of Beor, who loved the wages of wickedness." So here we see what a <u>wandering star</u> is! These are the ones who have wandered off from *following God's Way*. These <u>wandering stars</u> take comfort from the fact that they will have plenty of company, largely because they have been taught that God is to resurrect everyone who has ever lived – <u>and it's just not true!</u> Billions of people have lived and died and will never live again!

The resurrection of the dead is for those people *who had the Spirit of God at some point in their lives*. It should be pointed out that Satan once had the Spirit of God – he was filled with the Wisdom of God, until sin

was found in him. He no longer has the Spirit of God, and therefore cannot understand the things of God. Pride-filled, arrogant boasters never grow spiritually, and that's a fact, and this applies whether they once had the Spirit of God or not! At the judgment they will face either life or death. Daniel made this very clear! Dan 12:1 "At that time Michael, the great prince who protects your people, will arise. There will be a time of distress such as has not happened from the beginning of nations until then. But AT THAT TIME YOUR PEOPLE – everyone whose name is found written in the Book – will be delivered. Multitudes who sleep in the dust of the earth will awake: some to everlasting life, others to shame and everlasting contempt. Those who are wise will shine like the brightness of the heavens, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the STARS for ever and ever." So even Daniel refers to STARS and he also confirms that many people will arise from the dust, some to everlasting life and some to everlasting contempt. All this at the time of the greatest distress that ever was, or will ever be! And it shouldn't go unnoticed just whom God was talking about. It was Daniel's people – the people of Israel. Can we be sure? This is what Daniel said in his prayer to God: Dan 9:7 "Lord, you are righteous, but this day we are covered with shame – the men of Judah and people of Jerusalem and all Israel, both near and far, in all the countries where you have scattered us because of our unfaithfulness to you." These are Daniel's people – all Israel!

Of course, Paul was careful to confirm that not all Israel will be saved. He was confirming what Isaiah had said: Rom 9:27 "Isaiah cries out concerning Israel: "Though the number of the Israelites be like the sand of the sea, only a remnant will be saved. For the Lord will carry out His sentence on earth with speed and finality." And notice that the Apostle Paul confirms that Isaiah was speaking of the last days.

Isaiah actually gives more clarity: Isa 10:20 "In that day the <u>remnant of Israel</u>, the <u>survivors of the House of Jacob</u>, will no longer rely on him who struck them down but <u>will truly rely on the LORD, the Holy One of Israel</u>. A <u>remnant</u> will return, <u>a remnant of Jacob</u> will return to the Mighty God. Though your people, <u>O Israel</u>, be like the sand of the sea, <u>only a remnant will return</u>. <u>Destruction</u> has been decreed, <u>overwhelming and righteous</u>. The Lord, the LORD Almighty, will <u>carry out the destruction decreed upon the whole land</u>." This time around, God will use a small army, much smaller than anciently, to defend the Holy Land. Prior to this, God will use overwhelming power to bring destruction to His enemies and to clear the Holy Land – the same kind of power used against Pharaoh in Egypt. There will be a small number of <u>STARS</u> trained for this very purpose. These will be purified, trained and *taught by God Himself*. These are the ones who have been chosen to prepare the Way for the Christ (Mal 3:1-3).

Returning again to the Book of Romans, we find that Paul adds more: Rom 9:29 "Is is just as Isaiah said previously: "Unless the Lord Almighty had left us descendants (most translations: seed), we would have become like Sodom, and we would have been like Gomorrah." Yes, Isaiah said it all right, and it's found in Isa 1:9. Paul confirms that it will be just as Isaiah said! It's the rest of what Isaiah says in this chapter that should set alarm bells ringing throughout the House of Israel. Remember that Paul was speaking of a time when the Israelites would be like the sand of the sea in number when only the remnant would be saved (Rom 9:27), and he was speaking of a future time, and was confirming all that Isaiah said. So let's also confirm what Isaiah said: Isa 1:7 "Your country is desolate, your cities burned with fire; your fields are being stripped by foreigners right before you, laid waste as when overthrown by strangers. The Daughter of Zion is left like a shelter in a vineyard, like a hut in a field of melons, like a city under siege. Unless the LORD Almighty had left us some survivors, we would have become like Sodom, we would have been like Gomorrah." And Isaiah also adds this in V29 "You will be ashamed because of the sacred oaks in which you have delighted; you will be disgraced because of the gardens you have chosen. You will be like an oak with fading leaves, like a garden without water. The mighty man will become tinder and his work a spark; both will burn together, with no-one to quench the fire." And we all know whom the oak tree represents, don't we?

In the very next verse, Isaiah says this: Isa 2:1 "This is what Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem: In the last days the mountain of the LORD'S Temple will be established as chief among the mountains; it will be raised above the hills, and all nations will stream to it. Many nations will come and say, "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the House of the God of Jacob. He will teach us His Ways, so that we may walk in His paths." The Law will go out from Zion, the Word of the LORD from Jerusalem. He will judge between the nations and will settle disputes for many peoples. They will beat their swords into ploughshares and their spears into pruning hooks. Nation will not take up sword against nation, nor will they train for war any more." This is the passage of Scripture that absolutely demolishes mainstream Christianity's pathetic doctrinal theories.

□ *Firstly*, the Mountain of the LORD will tower *above the hills*, and it's on this Mountain that the LORD'S Temple will be located. God will form a great plateau around the present Temple Mount

(Zech 14:4) and then raise this plateau. This is the Mountain which will replace the Mountain of God that formerly existed and was destroyed. Just a remnant of this former Mountains still exists in the area of the Holy of Holies (now located under the Mosque of Omar). Omar deliberately located this mosque over the *very site* of the Holy of Holies after making enquiries of the Jews still in the area as to its exact location. Such is the evil of these degenerate Moslems! They want to control all areas that are sacred to God. In days of old, God gave very specific instructions to the Levites on how He was to be worshipped. The Temple (or the Tabernacle for that matter) was a model of the great care that must be taken in our worship of Almighty God. The Levites scrupulously followed the instructions given by Almighty God and set the example for all Temple worship.

Today, we have Christianity claiming to be the Temple of the Living God, *and they could be*, but not unless they worship God with the same dedication as the Levites. The Temple was a place of sacrifices, just as the Temple of Christ's body was. The Temple of Christ's body – the Church – must come to the realization that they too, like Christ, are sacrifices.

Christ described the Temple that existed in His day as His 'Father's House'. Immediately after this He was asked for authority for cleansing His Father's House and gave a mysterious answer: John 2:18 "Then the Jews demanded of Him, "What miraculous sign can you show to prove your authority to do all this?" Jesus answered them, "Destroy this Temple, and I will raise it again in three days." The Jews replied, "It has taken forty-six years to build this temple, and you are going to raise it in three days?" But the Temple He had spoken of was His body. After He was raised from the dead, His disciples recalled what He had said. Then they believed the Scripture and the words that Jesus had spoken." (This is one of those prophecies that the disciples remembered but didn't understand until after it was fulfilled – more about this later.) This Scripture is yet another confirmation that Christ would be in the grave for three days, not the day and a half that Gentile Christianity has taught for generations. They admit that Jesus was the Passover Lamb, but refuse to believe He was sacrificed on the Passover, which was a Wednesday in 30ce. This is easy to check! Just use an online Hebrew Bible to calculate the day of the week for this year and you will know. And incidently, this will also prove that the Hebrew Calendar is accurate even today. But leaving all this aside, Christ clearly identified His own body with the Temple – His Father's House – and He wasn't lying!

Secondly, this is after the **Temple** is built according to the instructions that God gave to Ezekiel (Eze Ch. 40-48). It's from this <u>Temple</u> that the <u>Living Waters</u> (the <u>River of Life</u>) will flow (Eze 47:1-12, Rev 22:1-2). It's in this Temple that the Mighty Christ will reside forever: Eze 43:7 "Son of man, this is the place of my throne and the place for the soles of my feet. This is where I will live among the Israelites forever." It really is blasphemy, for those who should know better, to deny that this Temple will be built, or to suggest that it is not necessary in this present age. Notice what else the Mighty Christ said to Ezekiel: V10 "Son of man, describe the Temple to the people of Israel, that they may be ashamed of their sins. Let them consider the plan, and if they are ashamed of all they have done, make known to them the **design of the Temple** – its arrangements, its exits and entrances – its whole design and all its Regulations and Laws. Write these down before them so that they may be faithful to its design and follow all its Regulations. This is the Law of the Temple: All the surrounding area on the top of the mountain will be most holy. Such is the Law of the Temple." Remember how Christ compared His body to the Temple that then existed, and said He would raise it up in three days? And remember how He spoke to the Samaritan woman about Living Waters (John 4:10-14)? Ezekiel confirms that the Living Waters will flow from the threshold of the Temple – the Temple that represents Christ's body! And since this Temple has not yet been built, the time is yet future when the people of Israel will be ashamed of their sins and all they have done! And this is an indictment against all those in the Churches who shabbily disregard the Law of the Temple and its meaning today! They are rejecting Christ and the purpose for which He came! They really are without excuse! Since they have rejected knowledge, God will also reject them! God hates half-hearted, *lukewarm* people. He despises those who corrupt others with worthless teachings and meaningless platitudes, and especially those who deny that Jesus is the Mighty Christ - the Commander of the Armies of the Living God. He loves those who are filled with zeal, who search the Scriptures and hold to everything He has taught. He loves those who are able to recognize the enemies of God and who stand firm against them. He also loves those who prepare His people Israel for the terror that lies ahead. Not in your wildest imagination could you begin to understand what lies ahead unless you have totally surrendered to God's Way and believed everything He has said. Whatthe House of Israel and the Churches now face is a time of distress unknown since the foundation of the world. It's a time

that is more horrific than any time in the history of the nations or ever will be – just as Daniel said (Dan 12:1), and just as Christ confirmed (Matt 24:21).

When all hope is gone, it will become evident that those only who are still standing (and standing firm, I might add), will be the representatives of the Kingdom of God. Christianity loves to quote Jesus' prayer outline and the words '*Thy Kingdom come*', yet have no idea of what to expect. Starting out as a tiny mustard seed it will burgeon to become an invincible force and the hope of all Israel. And the Mighty Commander of Armies will be at its head. From its inauspicious beginnings, this Kingdom will eventually fill the whole earth.

God gives fair warning that all Israel (and the Churches) had better start fearing Him (Mal 3:5) and stop taking Him for granted. They should cringe with fear at the very thought that they may have misled someone concerning His Truth. God confirms that He hasn't changed, and His promises to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob are set in stone, so He won't entirely destroy Israel, but the call will go out to return to God when all hope is gone: V6 "I the LORD do not change. So you, O descendants of Jacob, are not destroyed. Ever since the time of your forefathers you have turned away from my decrees and have not kept them. Return to me, and I will return to you," says the LORD Almighty." God goes on to give instructions on how to return to Him. God expects faithfulness to His Kingdom and it should be foremost in the minds of the whole House of Israel and also the Churches of God to long for that Kingdom and to truly mean it when the words 'Thy Kingdom come' are spoken. The House of Israel is riding high (though not as high as it was before Sept. 11), and there is a degree of national pride in the invincibility of Israel's armies against Islamic terrorists, but all this will soon change. God gave them this great power, and He expects them to use it against His enemies. He has decreed that a deadly wound will be struck against the forces of evil – Satan's brood. When this is accomplished, all hell will break loose! And that day is tragically near!

☐ *Thirdly*, those who are left alive of the nations will stream to it to learn <u>God's WAYS</u> and <u>His LAW</u>. Not everything will be peachy among the nations – there will be **disputes to settle**. These people will be regular human beings who will be on a giant learning curve, and in order to have peace, they must follow God's Ways and His Law. Regardless of what Gentile Christianity did to Paul's manuscript or how the translators decided to render it (and there are subtle alterations), things are wholly different to that which is taught by mainstream Christianity! It stands out like 'a dunny in a field of melons' as being out of place and extremely vulnerable – a description God gives in Isa 1:8. The predominant view in mainstream Christianity today is that God's Laws are no longer applicable. How could disputes be settled according to Law if there was no Law? Many religious scholars acknowledge that a certain beast, who will appear, will try to change times and the Laws: Dan 7:25 "He will speak against the Most High and oppress His saints and try to change set times and the Laws. The saints will be handed over to him for a time, times, and half a time." Oddly enough, this strategy began over a thousand years ago. Islam decided they wanted to supplant God's Sabbath, yet the Jews had claimed the Seventh Day and mainstream Christianity the first day, so they decided on the sixth day. And believe it or not, Friday was called the 'Islamic Sabbath' right up to the early part of the twentieth century. (It mattered not to them that the word 'Sabbath' means seventh. Just ask any Italian what they call the seventh day, that is Saturday – it's Sabato!). Confirmation of the 'Islamic Sabbath' and the demonic fervor that surrounded it can be found in a book by Thomas Thornton 'Present State of Turkey', Vol. ii, (1802). Islam celebrated their 'sabbath' from sundown Thursday to sundown Friday (same source), and anyone who violated their 'sabbath' was as good as dead! So don't imagine that Satan's brood will not try to change set times and Laws - it's already in the pipeline! So if you are weak-minded and faithless, then you'll probably be willing to observe the **Islamic** 'sabbath' when the time comes.

Most people cannot conceive that America could fall and be conquered by foreigners. It's presently true that they're invincible because the LORD Almighty is still their God. But have you seen the growing trend among the left-wing loonies as they try to appease Islam? Have you noticed the *oak-like* appearance of many of them? Since the House of Israel no longer keeps any day holy, it's no great leap to honour the day chosen by Islam. The left-wing loonies wanted to disengage the war in Afghanistan *during the period of Ramadan* out of *respect for Islam*, however wiser heads prevailed. But it shows the growing trend.

For years Islam has been speaking of a Jihad against the western nations, with particular emphasis on their hatred for America and Israel. Everyone knew what the Jihad meant, but chose to blame isolated extremists rather than whole nations. Jihad means a holy war – a crusade against 'infidels' who don't support

Islamic views. With satanic fervor, Islam has promoted their objectives – the desire to destroy the whole House of Israel. To their great disdain, they have had to learn the hard way that *Allah the Oak* is not the only super power; in fact, Allah is not a super power at all.

Islam believed that their father the devil would give them dominion over the people of God, but their god doesn't have the power to overrule the Almighty God. The backlash against Islam by all sound-thinking Westerners has caused the Islamic spin-doctors and their cronies to come out in force. Now they're presenting the meaning of Jihad' as a personal struggle for personal improvement – and there are some who actually believe them! For hundreds of years prior to Sept. 11, there is not a single reference anywhere in any Islamic literature that describes 'Jihad' as a personal Islamic struggle of selfimprovement, as the subversives are now suggesting. After years and years of talk of an Islamic holy war by Moslems all over the world, they've started their lying propaganda to deny it all. The amusing side of it all is that no-one in the Western world is permitted to speak of a holy war or a crusade, and if they do the knives come out immediately. Apparently, only Islam is allowed to speak of such things in this politicallycorrect mad world!



In late 1998, this calendar was handed out to millions of Moslems so they would be reminded daily what Jihad (Jehad) means! No Moslem doubted the meaning of the word 'Jihad'! Only left-wing loonies in the Western World have put a different spin on it. The words say 'JEHAD IS HOLY WAR AGAINST AMERICA'. The semi-circular inscription says 'ALLAH IS ONLY SUPER POWER'.

If you understand clearly what God was telling Daniel concerning the 'time of distress' unequalled since the beginning of nations, you will understand why all Israel will not be spared. This is speaking of a slaughter than could not be envisaged. If you don't now understand how much the whole world hates the whole House of Israel, then you have learnt nothing!

Presently, when Ephraim speaks men tremble – he is the exalted one of Israel. There never was a nation like the United States of America, but God foresees trouble ahead and gives the reason why: Hos 13:1 "When Ephraim spoke, men trembled; he was exalted in Israel. But he became guilty of Baal worship and died." And who is Baal? It's Satan the devil (Matt 12:26-27) (Beelzebub, Baalzebub, or Baal are the same being). And just a reminder that if any worship apart from God's Way, then they are worshipping Satan the devil. There are thousands of religions, but only one Way to worship God. Almighty God anticipated the foolish doctrines that would be taught in the final days and speaks of a Ministry of repentance that would appear, teaching repentance from the foolish nonsense that is currently being taught. The Churches of God believed they had nothing to repent of! They were firmly convinced that their entire doctrine, including all the fanciful 'prophecies' they had invented would get them over the line. They demonized God's people Israel with their abominable lies, and twisted everything so that God's Purpose would be unrecognizable. For the most part, the collective minds of the Churches are filled to the gunwales with appalling blasphemy against God and His Great Plan. And God's Great Plan is foolishness to those who are about to perish. By their fruits you will know them – provided you are prepared to believe and obey God!

Left to their own devices, it becomes very obvious what level of degradation people descend to. You just have to look at the primitive races of this earth and their former and present conduct to understand what can result from a total void of Godly wisdom. History is awash with atrocities all of which seems to be affiliated with devil-worship in one form or another.

The Queen of Sheba wrote the Song of Solomon. What is curious about this book is that no one in the New Testament ever quotes it. On this basis, it is never confirmed as Scripture. This is one of the tests of Scripture: whether or not all the books were quoted by men of God. The Song of Solomon fails this test, but it's not the only test! For instance, was the writer of this book mentioned favourably at any time in Godly terms? We find that she was, and by none other than the Christ Himself! A long time ago, I formed the opinion that the *Song of Solomon* (some versions: Song of Songs) didn't represent Scripture because none of the men of God ever quoted it. There seemed to be nothing in this Book that gave any understanding of

anything of God. It seemed to portray the devotion of a love-sick woman for the love of her life – Solomon. She mentions in the Book that the watchmen of the city beat her up (SoS 5:7) – other sources translate it as the palace guards. But in spite of this, her love for him was undiminished. At the time, Solomon had sixty wives (SoS 6:8), and this young queen was becoming a real drain on him. Perhaps out of all his women, she was the only one that really loved him. Well, it's now become evident that the Song of Solomon is Scripture and very important Scripture for this endtime.

What of the Queen of Sheba? And what did Christ have to say in her regard? Matt 12:42 "The Queen of the South will rise at the judgment with this generation and condemn it; for she came from the ends of the earth to listen to Solomon's wisdom, and now one greater than Solomon is here." Three things here! Firstly the **Queen of the South** is the **Queen of Sheba** who came to hear **Solomon's wisdom**. She will rise at the judgment! And she will condemn 'this generation'. And which generation is this? Christ explains in the next three verses: V43 "When an evil spirit comes out of a man, it goes through arid places seeking rest and does not find it. Then it says, 'I will return to the house I left.' When it arrives, it finds the house unoccupied, swept clean and put in order. Then it goes and takes with it seven other spirits more wicked than itself, and they go in and live there. And the final condition of the man is worse than the first. That is how it will be with this wicked generation." This wicked generation will wander around seeking a home in a man! This is how it will be with the wicked demons hordes - the wicked generation! This is the same wicked generation that Christ accused of killing Adam's righteous son Abel four thousand years before (Matt 23:35-36). And finally, this wicked generation, which existed in the days of Adam (and long before), plotted and killed Jesus Christ Himself. Remember Paul saying "Don't you know that we will judge angels?" (1Cor 6:3). Well, the devil's angels will certainly be judged, and as Paul says, human beings will judge them. One of whom will be the Queen of Sheba.

An interesting aside to all this is *Candice Queen of Ethiopia* who, in all likelihood was a descendant of the Queen of Sheba. In the Book of Acts, Luke makes mention of her by name (Acts 8:27). There is a long tradition of the Ethiopian royalty claiming descent from Solomon – Haile Selassie being one example. He not only claimed descent from Solomon, but also called himself the 'Lion of the Tribe of Judah'. He lifted this title from Rev 5:5, which also linked him to the Root of David. Modesty wasn't his long suit. One point that bears mentioning is that the Israelis were convinced of the ancestry of some of the Ethiopians and actually 'purchased' some of them from the Ethiopian government and secretly air-lifted them to Israel:

'During 1955, twelve Jewish children were brought to Israel from Ethiopia. They were followed a year later by fifteen more. <u>These children were black</u> – members of the Falasha community tens of thousands strong whose history has been traced back to the fourteenth century, and some believed much earlier than that. Certainly, they had preserved Jewish practices dating back at least a thousand years. Various emissaries and made contact with them and were confident that they were Jewish by belief, tradition and <u>descent</u>.' (From a book called 'Israel, a History', pp 303, by Martin Gilbert.) The 'descent' part of this report is widely accepted as being from the union of Solomon and the Oueen of Sheba, who bore Solomon a son.

It should be pointed out that the Israelis airlifted most of the Jewish Ethiopians to Israel, but the rest of the nation is divided, almost equally, by Christians and Moslems – about 40% each.

More migrations of the Falasha community continued in 1977 (pp 484). By 1985, some 14,305 of these people had reached Israeli shores (pp 498). In 1990, negotiations were conducted with the ruler of Ethiopia for the migration of more Falashas. But this time, Colonel Haile Mariam Mengistu (a Muslim)



Yassar Arafat, following his comment, 'This food stinks' at the lavish banquet given at the White House in his honour. Diplomatically, Clinton takes him aside and asks him what sort of fish bait he uses

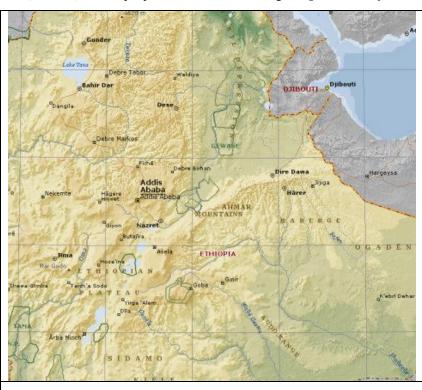
demanded money, and the sum of \$30,000,000 was agreed to for 15,000 Falashas (pp 537).

Most of these migrations were done with the utmost secrecy because the Ethiopian government didn't want the Arab world to know about it. But the Palestinians noticed the influx of these people and reacted. Immediately, a mangy dog called Yasser Arafat issued an interfada, which was reported in the Lebanese newspaper Al-Moharer, published in Paris: "I want to say clearly," he declared, "Open fire on the new Jewish immigrants, be they Soviet, Falasha or anything else. It would be disgraceful of us if were were to see herds of immigrants conquering our land and settling our territory and not raise a finger." Arafat added, "I want you to shoot, on the ground or in the air, at every immigrant who thinks our land is a playground and that immigration to it is a vacation or a picnic. I give you explicit instructions to open fire. Do everything to stop the flow of

immigration." (pp 544). These are the words of Bill Clinton's buddy Yasser Arafat, the one whom he accepted as 'a partner for peace' in the region. How quickly people forget that Yasser Arafat is a terrorist! It makes nonsense of the U.S. policy of 'refusing to negotiate with terrorists'. Yet he forced the Israelis to do just that!

Concerning the Falashas, all of this would be insignificant except for one thing. God also makes mention of these people and describes them as a *tall*, *smooth-skinned race of people* who would come to Jerusalem with gifts for the LORD (Isa 18:7). These people are described as living along the rivers of Cush

V2 "...Go, swift messengers, to a people tall and smooth-skinned, to a people feared far and wide, an aggressive nation of strange speech, whose land is divided by rivers." The Great African Rift divides Ethiopia and is filled with rivers. As a point of interest the Blue Nile (not the White Nile) has its origins in Ethiopia at Lake Tana (Ref. Microsoft Encarta Atlas, subject: Ethiopia). country is also divided almost equally between Coptic Christians Muslims. who each represent about 40 percent of the total population. There has been some horrific slaughter Christians in this country by fanatical Muslim lunatics. The same thing is true today



of Egypt. There is massive persecution of Christians living in Egypt, and the government does nothing about it. So much for the farce of 'anti-terrorism' they claim to support. But when did Islam ever represent sincerity?

We have a description of these people in V7 "At that time gifts will be brought to the LORD Almighty from a people tall and smooth-skinned, from a people feared far and wide, an aggressive nation of strange speech, whose land is divided by rivers – the gifts will be brought to Mount Zion, the place of the Name of the LORD Almighty." Notice the words 'At that time....'. Which time is this? God explains in V3 "All you people of the world, you who live on the earth, when a banner is raised on the mountains, you will see it, when a trumpet sounds, you will hear it. This is what the LORD says to me: "I will remain quiet and will look on from my dwelling-place, like shimmering heat in the sunshine, like a cloud of dew in the heat of harvest." For before the harvest, when the blossom is gone and the flower becomes a ripening grape, He will cut off the shoots with pruning knives, and cut down and take away the spreading branches. They will all be left to the mountain birds of prey and to the wild animals; the birds will feed on them all summer, the wild animals all winter." Yes, there is quite a bit of symbolism here, but importantly, when the banner is raised the whole world will see it. At this time, the Vineyard of God is going to undergo some pruning and just before the harvest when the grapes are ripening. And which vinevard is this? It's just as Isaiah said: 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." Isaiah had a few more things to say in this regard: V1 "I will sing for the One I love a song about His vineyard: My Loyed One had a vineyard on a fertile hillside. He dug it up and cleared it of stones and planted it with the choicest vines. He built a watchtower in it and cut out a winepress as well. Then He looked for a crop of good grapes, but it yielded only bad fruit." Now here's a shock for a lot of people: God tells the dwellers in Jerusalem and the men of Judah to judge between Him and His vineyard: V3 "Now you dwellers in Jerusalem and men of Judah, judge between me and my vineyard. What more could have been done for my vineyard 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 destroyed; I will <u>break down its wall</u>, and <u>it will be trampled</u>. *I will make it a wasteland*, neither pruned nor cultivated, and briers and thorns will grow there. I will command the clouds not to rain on it." It should be noted that God makes a distinction between the <u>dwellers in Jerusalem</u> and <u>the men of Judah</u> in <u>Zech 12:5</u>. It's these two groups who will understand why plans to turn the House of Israel into a wasteland and to sent them far away into strange lands. And it's through these two groups that God will communicate with the whole world and bring them to heel – or else! That's when a spade will be called a spade! In that day, there will be no more pussyfooting around.

Jeremiah also spoke of God's vineyard and confirms what God has said: Jer 12:7 "I will forsake my house (Israel), abandon my inheritance; I will give the one I love into the hands of her enemies. My inheritance has become to me like a lion in the forest. She roars at me, therefore I hate her. Has not my <u>inheritance</u> become to me *like a speckled bird of prey* that *other birds of prey <u>surround and attack</u>*? Go and gather all the wild beasts; bring them to devour. Many shepherds will ruin my vineyard and trample down my field; they will turn my pleasant field into a *desolate wasteland*. It will be made a wasteland, parched and desolate before me; the whole land will be laid waste because there is no-one that cares. Over all the barren heights in the desert destroyers will swarm, for the sword of the LORD will devour from one end to the land to the other; no-one will be safe." And lest we forget, the Song of Moses tells us who God's inheritance is: Deut 32:9 "For the LORD'S portion is His people, Jacob (Israel) His allotted inheritance." And haven't many <u>shepherds</u> (pastors in some versions) ruined the vineyard? Did anyone <u>really care</u> about God's Truth – or did they only care about their own image? These shepherds used whatever means possible to deceive people in order to enhance their own well-being. They didn't care about God's overriding purpose to establish a Kingdom that would last forever! They've made excessive demands of God; yet have offered nothing but lies and deception in return! Since the whole House of Israel has cared nothing for God's great purpose, God will care nothing for them - until they come to their senses! And in their distress, they will seek Him early.

What does it all mean? Some of this type of symbolism (Isa 5:1) is reflected in the *Song of Solomon*, which just happened to be written by the *Queen of Sheba*. What is peculiar about all this is, the *Queen of Sheba* came <u>bearing gifts</u> of immense value to Solomon and his kingdom. And now we find a prophecy about some <u>tall, smooth-skinned people</u> from the Cushite land of Ethiopia, which is divided by rivers, and they will <u>bring gifts to Zion</u>, the <u>place of the Name of the LORD Almighty</u>.

When speaking to the House of Israel (the descendants of Jacob) in Mal 3:6-7 God tells them to *return to Him* and He will *return to them*. He details to them, that is, the whole nation of Israel, to bring their tithes into the storehouse, that there might be food in His House. It's obvious that the whole nation of Israel is not now prepared to do this. God knows this, and is preparing a <u>tall, smooth-skinned people</u> to do just this! And all this at a time when the *pruning knives* come out.

To give us a better idea of why God will do this, we have the account of Paul to the Gentiles: Rom 11:13 "I am talking to you Gentiles. Inasmuch as I am the Apostle to the Gentiles, I make much of my ministry in the hope that I may arouse MY OWN PEOPLE to envy and save some of them. For if their rejection is the reconciliation of the world, what will be their acceptance be but life from the dead? If part of the dough offered as firstfruits is holy, then the whole batch is holy; if the root is holy, so are the branches. If some of the branches have been broken off, and you, though a wild olive shoot, have been grafted in among the others and now share in the nourishing sap from the olive root, do not boast over those branches. If you do, consider this: You do not support the root, but the root supports you. You will say then, "Branches have been broken off so that I could be grafted in." Granted. But they were broken off because of unbelief, and you stand in faith. Do not be arrogant, but be afraid. For if God did not spare the natural branches, He will not spare you either."

God will use Gentiles (both Jews and Christians) from the very heartland of Muslim Africa to set an example of faithfulness. In the land of Ethiopia, God has blessed the Coptic Christian regions and has cursed the Islamic regions. And this has not gone unnoticed by the slimy Muslims of the region. The Hutu (Muslims) have been killing the Tutsis (Jews and Christians) for years in a mindless slaughter that is almost unknown in this day and age. The great majority of them were hacked to death with machetes; women or children or the aged; it made no difference to these black, Muslim beasts. It was a pitiless slaughter of defenseless people! The Tutsis for centuries, have been the ruling class and controlled most of the wealth. These are the tall, smooth-skinned people of the region, and it's their height that differentiates them from the murderous Hutu (Muslims). At a future time, when a banner is raised (Isa 18:3), these people will be rescued amid a slaughter of the Hutu in accordance with 'an eye for an eye, and a tooth for a tooth'. We all know the importance of

raising the *banner*, and the banner raised will be that of the <u>Kingdom of God</u>. It's this banner that will strike fear into the hearts of all Satan's detestable offspring.

In the days of Solomon, rulers came from all over the world to hear the wisdom of Solomon, yet only the Queen of Sheba is spoken of in great detail. And to reaffirm these things at a much later time, we have the account of Philip with the Ethiopian eunuch who was the *first lord* under <u>Candice Queen of Ethiopia</u>. This eunuch *controlled her treasury*. The <u>angel of God</u> (Acts 8:26) specifically sent Philip to explain the Book of Isaiah to him, and then he was baptized and became a Christian. And what is more, the eunuch had come (or was sent by Candice) for the specific purpose of worshipping at the Temple. It appears that the eunuch had a royal chariot there, and there were others with him because he was *reading aloud* when Philip <u>heard</u> him. Immediately after the eunuch was baptized, the Spirit took Philip away, and nothing further is mentioned about this. It must have had some importance if the <u>angel of God</u> directed Philip to contact him in the first place. The account is found in Acts 8:26-40. Of particular interest is the passage of Scripture the eunuch was trying to understand. It was Isa 53:7-8. Importantly, the eunuch knew that he couldn't understand it unless someone explained it to him. Many Christians have thought they understood it and have come to completely wrong conclusions.

So what did Isaiah say? Firstly, Isa 53 begins with this verse: V1 "Who has believed our message and to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed?" The next few verses describe the Son of God. And then we come to the part the eunuch was trying to understand: V7 "He was oppressed and afflicted, yet He did not open His mouth; He was led like a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before her shearers is silent, so He did not open His mouth. By oppression [margin: arrest] and judgment, He was taken away. And who can speak of His descendants? For He was cut off from the land of the living; for the transgression of my people He was stricken." Well, all those who believe God and receive His Holy Spirit and believe the message can speak of His descendants. The first step is to repent of the lies and deceptions that have kept you captive, and to begin to believe the message, and then you will receive the down-payment of God's Holy Spirit. You will then be required to adopt unswerving obedience to God – just as Jesus did! He was obedient to the very end. If you exercise the Holy Spirit in this manner, then God will give you another Spirit – the Counsellor – the very Spirit of Christ. Then you will have the full measure, and then you can truly call yourself the Seed or offspring of Christ. These are Christ's descendants because they truly have the same Spirit as God's Mighty Son.

Students of the Bible should know what **John 14:25-26** has to say. Those who can't bring themselves to *believe* God insist that there is no offspring of Christ because they insist that offspring can only be born through a human sperm. Are they so stupid that they don't understand that Mary was a virgin and was impregnated by the Holy Spirit? **THIS IS HOW CHRIST WAS CONCEIVED**, and **THIS IS HOW HIS OFFSPRING IS CONCEIVED!** *What's so difficult to understand about this?*

But the 'spiritual' bantam lightweights understand nothing because they don't even have the *down-payment* of the Holy Spirit, and they can't conceive of anyone having the <u>Spirit of Christ</u> – <u>the Counsellor</u> – <u>that teaches all things</u>.

So it was left to Philip to explain to the eunuch the meaning of Christ's *descendants*. No doubt the eunuch hoped that being of the line of Judah (through the union of Solomon and the Queen of Sheba) would qualify them to be called '*descendants*'. As a true servant of God, Philip went on to explain from the Scriptures what these verses meant. He only needed to go to **V10**: "Yet it was the LORD'S will to crush Him and cause Him to suffer, and though the LORD makes <u>His life</u> a *guilt offering*, He will see <u>His offspring</u> and *prolong* <u>His days</u>, and the <u>Will of the LORD</u> will <u>prosper in His hands</u>." God could not have been clearer! Christ has offspring on this earth – these have the very <u>Spirit of Christ</u> – <u>the Counsellor</u>! And by this <u>Spirit of Christ</u> they have been conceived as <u>Christ's offspring</u>.

No doubt Philip also explained the rest of the chapter of Isaiah, and this is what it says: V11 "After the suffering of His soul, He will see the light of life and be satisfied; by His knowledge my Righteous Servant will justify many, and He will bear their iniquities. Therefore I will give Him a portion among the great, and He will divide the spoils with the strong, because He poured out His life unto death, and was numbered with the transgressors. For He bore the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors." Perhaps Philip went on to explain many things concerning these Scriptures, and the markers and pointers here are almost endless. Let's just hit a few of the highlights: For instance, 'He will divide the spoils with the strong'. This is mentioned in Zech 14:1 "A day of the LORD is coming when your plunder will be divided among you." And we learn who 'the strong' are who 'divide the spoils' in V14 "Judah too will fight at Jerusalem. The wealth of all the surrounding nations will be collected – great quantities of gold, silver and clothing." Yes, it's Judah! They too will be there!

And what about the statement He was 'numbered with transgressors'? Who are these 'transgressors'? Perhaps these are the 'wicked ones' who wield a deadly sword. In fact, these are the very disciples of Christ! In order that this be fulfilled while He was still on earth, Christ ordered swords to be purchased: Luke 22:36 "He said to them, "But now if you have a purse, take it, and also a bag; and if you don't have a sword, sell your cloak and buy one. It is written, 'And He was numbered with the transgressors, and I tell you that this must be fulfilled in me. Yes, what is written about me is reaching its fulfillment." The disciples said, "See, Lord, here are two swords." "That is enough," he replied." So who are the 'transgressors' that Christ was numbered with? It was His disciples! These were the ones that received the Counsellor—the Spirit of Christ—and these were the offspring of Christ. So amid all the other false accusations that emanated from the rulers of the heavenly realms when they sought to arrest and convict Christ, His disciples were also considered to be 'transgressors'. And all those who have the Spirit of Christ today are considered to be transgressors by those who are not Christ's offspring, those who don't have the Spirit of God, not even the down-payment of that Spirit. They are twice dead because they have not been justified by the knowledge of God's Righteous Servant (Isa 53:11).

The 'transgressors', in fact, are those who are constantly being accused by Satan the devil, just as Satan's henchmen accused Christ. These are the brothers who are considered to be 'transgressors' by Satan and his agents: Rev 12:10 "Then I heard a loud voice in heaven say: "Now has come the salvation and the power and the Kingdom of God, and the authority of His Christ. For the accuser of our brothers, who accuses them before our God day and night, has been hurled down. They overcame him by the blood of the Lamb and by the Word of His Testimony; they did not love their lives so much as to shrink from death." The 'blood of the Lamb' is a reference to the Passover, and the 'Word of His Testimony' is a reference to the Spirit of Prophecy. You can research these things for yourselves.

Importantly, the 'transgressors' are Christ's disciples, but more importantly, <u>His offspring</u>, just as Christ was the Root and Offspring of David. It was this, that Christ send His angel to explain to the Churches; it is a vital part of the <u>Testimony of Jesus</u>: <u>Rev22:16</u> "I, Jesus, have sent my angel to give you this <u>Testimony for the Churches</u>. <u>I am the Root and Offspring of David</u>, and the <u>Bright Morning Star</u>." (See also God's warning about disregarding <u>prophecy</u> in the next five verses).

All those who have the Spirit of Prophecy (the Brothers who are accused of being *transgressors*) find it somewhat amusing to hear the dinky doctrine of *Satan's little helpers*. *Satan's little helpers* can't understand the most *elementary* Scriptures, yet still inflate their egos by pretending to be wise. After a while, it becomes positively nauseous to see these very elementary Scriptures being quoted ad nausea. The writers of the Book of Hebrews felt the same way: Heb 5:12 "In fact, though by this time you <u>ought to be teachers</u>, you need someone to teach you *the elementary truths of God's Word all over again*. You need milk, not solid food! *Anyone who lives on milk*, being still *an infant*, is *NOT* ACQUAINTED with the TEACHING ABOUT RIGHTEOUSNESS." If all you ever do is quote *elementary* Scriptures you are *not* acquainted *with the teaching about righteousness*! And V14 "But solid food is for the mature, who by constant use have trained themselves TO DISTINGUISH GOOD FROM EVIL." And this is a far cry from those who call evil 'good', and accuse good of being 'evil'. *Satan's little helpers* love to talk *about* Christ, *yet ignore His message*!

The *infants* spoken of here are those who have not grown up. In the next verse, we find an exhortation to leave aside the *elementary* teachings *about* Christ and to *go on to maturity* and then lists a whole lot of things that fall into the category of being *elementary* (Heb 6:1-3). These *elementary teachings* have been hammered to death in the Churches of God for nearly seventy years, and they are *still infants*! There is nothing wrong with teaching these things to *infants* who have *never heard of them*, but at some stage, these infants will need to *go on to maturity* (Heb 6:1). Do the Churches really need to be reminded over and over again? If they do, then there is something wrong with their minds! They need to be *enlightened*, and that *light* comes from the *Light of Life* (Isa 53:11) and *by His knowledge* (same verse). And as the angel said to the Churches (Rev 22:16), He is the *Bright Morning Star – the Light of Life*.

And in the next verse of the Book of Hebrews, we hear a little about those who were once <u>enlightened</u>: V4 "It is <u>impossible</u> for those who have once been <u>enlightened</u>, who have <u>tasted the heavenly</u> gift, who have <u>SHARED IN THE HOLY SPIRIT</u>, who have <u>tasted the goodness of the Word of God</u> and <u>the powers of the coming age</u>, if they <u>fall away</u>, to be brought back to repentance, because to their loss <u>they are crucifying the Son of God all over again</u> and <u>subjecting Him to public disgrace</u>." Many of <u>Satan's little helpers</u> delight in <u>subjecting Christ to public disgrace</u>, and <u>warmly support all others who do the same</u>. And some of these have the audacity to call themselves 'Christian'. Is it possible for these people to come to their senses and repent? God says no! It is <u>impossible</u>! There is no way back! Make sure you don't commit the

unforgivable sin against the **Spirit of Christ!** Otherwise, you will never be forgiven. If you don't know what you are talking about, then learn to shut your mouth! **You'll be so glad you did!**

And as for the 'powers of the coming age', they are already here, and you are unlikely to learn anything about them from *infants* – that is, those who continue to promote *elementary teachings*. Sonextime you say 'Thy Kingdom come...' it would be a good idea to understand exactly what it means. Christ Himself gave many examples.

It should be noted that Christianity generally teaches a simple message that anyone can understand, and they do this by quoting *elementary* Scriptures and ignoring the true message that Christ brought. There is certainly nothing *secret* about their *elementary* doctrine, and it requires virtually no *knowledge* about anything. So what did Christ have to say about all this? Matt 13:10 "The <u>disciples</u> came to Him and asked, "*Why do you speak to the people in parables?*" He replied, "The *knowledge* of the *secrets* of the <u>Kingdom of Heaven</u> has been given to you, but not to them." So here we see that the *knowledge* of the *secrets* of the <u>Kingdom of Heaven</u> has been given to.....whom? *The disciples!* These are the very ones considered to be *transgressors* by the enemies of God – the ones who wield the sword of Christ. These are the ones who were promised and received the *Seed or Spirit of Christ* – the Counsellor – and they became His offspring.

Christ continues His explanation in **V12** "Whoever has will be given more, and he will have an abundance. Whoever does not have, even what he has will be taken away from him. *This is why I speak in parables*: "Though seeing, they do not see; though hearing, they do not hear or understand. In them is fulfilled the *prophecy* of Isaiah: "You will be *forever hearing but never understanding*; you will be *forever seeing but never perceiving*. For this people's heart has become calloused; they hardly hear with their ears, *and they have closed their eyes*. Otherwise they might see with their eyes, hear with their ears, understand with their hearts and turn, and I would *heal them*." It's very obvious that the only ones *healed* were Christ's disciples—the ones who were *conceived* by the *Spirit of Christ* and *born again as His offspring*. Those who are *not* born again as His offspring are easily identified as those who have *no knowledge of the secrets of the Kingdom of Heaven*.

And why would this be? Jesus explains: Matt 13:52 "He said to them (the disciples), "Therefore every teacher of the Law who has been instructed about the Kingdom of Heaven is like the owner of a house who brings out of his storeroom new treasures as well as old." There's not too much new treasure emanating from the Churches of God, or mainstream Christianity for that matter, and there is precious little old treasure either. The scant little they had is systematically being dumped. I'm reminded of an 'evangelist' in one of the Churches of God a couple of years back. He proclaimed an 'astounding new revelation' in an article. He proclaimed the word 'barbeque' is pagan and shouldn't be used. He omitted to mention that the names of the days of the week and the months of the year also have pagan origins, but he still uses them! Its yet another example of the pathetic teachings that have continued for many years! I'd mention a very funny joke about straining at a gnat and swallowing a camel, but it's already been done.

We mentioned some of the highlights from Isa 53, which were discussed between Philip and the eunuch, and the theme continues in Isa 54. Speaking of Israel – God's vineyard – Isaiah wrote this in V5-8 "For your Maker is your husband – the LORD Almighty is His Name – the Holy One of Israel is your Redeemer; He is called the God of all the earth. The LORD will call you back – as if you were a wife deserted and distressed in spirit – a wife who married young, only to be rejected," says your God. For a brief moment I abandoned you, but with deep compassion I will bring you back. In a surge of anger I hid my face from you for a moment, but with everlasting kindness I will have compassion on you," says the LORD your Redeemer." Significantly, this rejected wife will be brought back, but not until the Seal of God is placed on them: Rev 7:3 "Do not harm the land or the sea or the trees until we put a seal on the foreheads of the servants of our God. Then I heard the number of those who were sealed: 144,000 from all the Tribes of Israel." These are the ones who will be redeemed by the Holy One of Israel, our Redeemer.

Then we have a mention of Noah's flood: V9 "To ME (the Holy One of Israel) this is like the days of Noah, when I swore that the waters of the Noah would never again cover the earth." The Redeemer of Israel also said this when He was on earth: Matt 24:37 "As it was in the days of Noah, so it will 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 of what would happen until the flood came and swept them away. That is how it will be with the coming of the Son of Man." You begin to understand just how the shepherds ruined God's vineyard. They taught unsubstantiated lies with great promises of well-being, and encouraged eating and drinking with great rejoicing as if they were offering something of value. In truth, they taught nothing of value, and certainly no new treasures, and will know nothing of what will happen until the flood sweeps them away. The flood is a reference to war, and its

following this war, that Israel will be redeemed. All those who never understood the Scriptures, who never had the Spirit of Christ, might get a little alarmed at the next verse in **Isaiah 54**. It speaks of the **people of Jerusalem** (those mentioned in **Isa 5:3**), and says **they will all be taught by God**. **Isa 54:11** "O afflicted City lashed by storms and not comforted, I will build you with stones of turquoise, your foundations with sapphires. I will make your battlements of rubies, your gates of sparkling jewels, and all your walls of precious stones. **All your sons will be taught by the LORD**, and great will be your children's peace." Yes, this is speaking of the **sons of Jerusalem**! Jesus confirmed this: **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**."

So it's the *sons of Jerusalem* who are *taught by the Father*. Christianity may have noticed that there are now thousands of differing Christian doctrines; it seems that none can agree on anything. Were they all taught by the Father? Did the Father promulgate thousands of differing doctrines? Are they all <u>teachers of the Law</u>? Are they all <u>bringing new treasures as well as old out of the storeroom</u>? What they do bring out of their storeroom is silly, pathetic stories they have made up (2Pet 2:2-3), and they bring the Truth into disrepute! Most of them willingly *transgress the Law*, and yet have the gall to call the <u>teachers of the Law</u> 'transgressors'. They've certainly identified themselves.

Apparently, the <u>teachers of the Law</u> are *transgressors* because they are *numbered with Christ* – <u>the Mighty Commander of Armies</u>. And didn't Christ say that if <u>His Kingdom</u> were of that age (Heb: aion), that is, when He was on earth, <u>His servants would have fought</u>? (John 18:36). But He said His Kingdom was for another time. Rev 12:9-10 tells us when the <u>Kingdom of God</u> will be established. And what follows this is Satan's great fury on all the earth (V12). It's after this that the beast and the false prophet will arise – and billions will die!

At that time, the <u>leaders of Judah</u> will see that the <u>Sons of Jerusalem</u> are strong, and will become like firebrands themselves: <u>Zech 12:4</u> "On that day I will strike <u>every horse with panic and its rider with madness</u>," declares the LORD. "I will keep a *watchful eye* over the <u>House of Judah</u>, but I will blind all <u>the horses of the nations</u>. Then the <u>people of Judah</u> will say in their hearts, 'The <u>people of Judah</u> are <u>strong</u>, <u>because the LORD Almighty is their God</u>.' On that day I will make the <u>leaders of Judah</u> like <u>a firepot in a woodpile</u>, like <u>a flaming torch among sheaves</u>. They will <u>consume</u> right and left <u>all the surrounding peoples</u>, but Jerusalem will remain in her place."

When all the <u>horses of the nations</u> see <u>the banner</u> unfurled against the bow, they will go into a panic and go mad. Then they will fully understand why the <u>House of Judah</u>, and particularly the <u>leaders of Judah</u>, will believe that the <u>people of Jerusalem are strong</u>, and <u>why the LORD Almighty is their God</u>.

Now I wonder know why the Churches believe that God will save them *first*? There is no such suggestion in the entire Bible! The Churches surely know that the Kingdom of God is going to be established on earth, and Jerusalem will be the Headquarters. So what will God do first? Zechariah recorded it in V7 "The LORD will save the dwellings of Judah first, so that the honour of the House of David and of Jerusalem's inhabitants may not be greater than that of Judah. On that day the LORD will shield those who live in Jerusalem, so that the feeblest among them will be like David, and the House of David will be like God, like the Angel of the LORD going before them. On that day, I will set out to destroy all the nations that attack Jerusalem."

It was the <u>teachers of the Law</u> (<u>the Levites</u>) and the <u>Tribe of Judah</u> that chose to remain faithful to the <u>Holy City</u> and the <u>House of David</u> after Solomon's death. The other ten Tribes were taken into captivity and were removed from the land and became '*lost*' in history. In the finish, they didn't know who they were. Christ called them the '*lost sheep of Israel*'. Even today, very few of them understand who they were historically, and the shepherds that ruin <u>God's vineyard</u>, are at the forefront of ensuring they remain blind to their origins.

But there is good news for the <u>Daughter of Zion</u>. <u>Micah 4:6</u> "In that day," declares the LORD, I will gather the lame; I will <u>assemble the exiles</u> and those <u>I have brought to grief</u>. I will make the lame a remnant, those <u>driven away a strong nation</u>. <u>The LORD will rule over them in Mount Zion from that day and for ever</u>." Everyone should understand that this has not happened yet. Is God currently ruling in Mount Zion? When He does it will be <u>forever!</u> V8 "As for you, <u>O watchtower</u> of the flock, <u>O stronghold</u> of the <u>Daughter of Zion</u>, the former dominion will be restored to you; <u>kingship will come to the <u>Daughter of Jerusalem</u>." We've covered the <u>Sons of Jerusalem</u>, but now we have the <u>Daughter of Jerusalem</u> (or <u>Daughter of Zion</u>). And <u>kingship</u> will come to this <u>Daughter of Jerusalem</u>. Let's read the end of the story first: Rev 2:26 "To him who overcomes and does my Will to the end, I will give <u>authority over the nations</u> – 'He will <u>RULE them with an iron scepter</u>; he will <u>dash them to pieces like pottery</u>' – just as I have received authority from</u>

my Father. I will also give him the <u>Morning Star</u>. He who has an ear, let him hear what **the Spirit says <u>TO</u> THE CHURCHES**."

Now back to the Prophet Micah and what he says about the <u>Daughter of Jerusalem</u>: V9 "Why do you now cry aloud – have you no king? Has your *counsellor perished*, that pain seizes you like that of a woman in labour? Writhe in agony, O <u>Daughter of Zion</u>, like a woman in labour, for now you must leave the city to camp in the open field. <u>You will go to Babylon</u>; there you will be rescued. <u>There the LORD will redeem you out of the hand of your enemies</u>. But now *many nations* are *gathered against you*. They say, "Let her be defiled, *let our eyes gloat over Zion*!" But they do not know the thoughts of the LORD; they do not <u>understand His Plan</u>, He who gathers them *like sheaves to the threshing-floor*. "Rise and thresh, O <u>Daughter of Zion</u>, for I will give you <u>horns of iron</u>; I will give you <u>hoofs of bronze</u> and <u>you will break to pieces many nations</u>. You will devote their <u>ill-gotten gains</u> to the LORD, their <u>wealth</u> to the LORD of all the earth." The <u>Daughter of Jerusalem</u> will become strong just like the <u>Sons of Jerusalem</u>, and they too, will break to pieces many nations.

Rest assured that those who do God's Will to the end will understand God's Plan – those who don't do God's Will will not! The faithful Daughter of Jerusalem must suffer for a while, but they will be rescued. These people will receive the Morning Star (Rev 22:16) – the very Spirit of Christ. These are the offspring of the House of David – and they will hold to the Commandments of God and have the Testimony of Jesus (Rev 12:17). You will suffer for a little while, but God has appointed your Mother to rescue you. Your Mother is Jerusalem and her sons. These have been taught by God. Even though you don't have the faintest idea of what God's Plan is all about, it will soon become clear. Most of what you are now reading sounds totally alien to all you've been taught. But just because you have never understood anything to do with prophecy (although you may think you have), it doesn't negate anything that God has said. God is the author of all prophecy, and He is the Teacher of all His sons. Right now you must determine whether God's sons are transgressors or servants of the Almighty God. Your life depends on it!

Satan the devil has been very active lately. He's preparing vast hordes to strike a death blow to all the House of Israel. He knows he is about to be deposed and locked away for a thousand years, and he is not going to go quietly. He will never lay his crown at God's feet; instead he will attempt a great coup against the very throne of God. Even in this, he knows he won't succeed; firstly, because he is hopelessly outnumbered and outgunned (Rev 12:7-8), and secondly, God the Father alone has immortality dwelling in Him (1Tim 6:16), so he can never be rid of his Father. But now Satan sees a war in heaven as his only option.

It seems the Muslims are very *envious* of Christianity and the House of Israel. This is not something that has just developed in the past few years, it's been going on for thousands of years. Natural hostilities developed between Ishmael and Isaac shortly after Isaac was born, and later, the same hostility developed between Esau and Jacob. Rom 9:10 "Not only that, but Rebecca's children had one and the same father, our father Isaac. Yet, before the twins were born or had done anything good or bad – in order that God's purpose in election might stand; not by works but by Him who calls – she was told, "The older will serve the younger." Just as it is written: "Jacob I loved, but Esau I hated." It's written in Mal 1:2,3. How did God make the determination to love one and hate the other before they were even born? Well, it had to do with the seed that was present in each one, and whom each represented. It would seem a little unfair to hate an unborn child unless there was a sound reason for doing so. On the face of it, God loved one and hated he other, and it had to do with the **purpose in election**. Right at the outset, God set the **election of His Seed**. He spoke of two lines of seed, and put enmity or hatred between them. It might have been overlooked by some, but there was definitely hostility between Christ and Satan. When Christ said to Satan, "Get away from me, Satan, you're an offense to me!" it was the start of a whole lot of derogatory remarks towards him. On Satan's side, his hatred was even more intense – he tried to kill the Christ the moment He was born, and then plotted and schemed until he succeeded!

It should surprise no-one that the most ruthless of degenerates always seem to gain control over third-world countries. And by their rulership they ensure that the country remains poverty-stricken. They rule by ruthless terror and exhibit the most appalling cruelty against their subjects. In such circumstances, their subjects don't know any different way of life and accept it as a normal course of events. To those who have trained themselves to *determine good from evil*, it's hard to believe that any intelligent person would tolerate it. But the great mind-bender is religion in all its bizarre forms. The desire to worship something greater than oneself is almost universal among humanity. In the absence of normal standards of decency, there is no yardstick to determine right from wrong or evil from good. Life becomes cheap, and death inevitable. Among the nations that have never known the atrocities of conquest by war, it's sometimes difficult to imagine the

consequences. Some tend to draw some comfort from the Geneva Convention and feel there is enough support to enforce it in all situations. The Geneva Convention or any convention means nothing to the vast majority of people on this earth. These people demands such rights only when applied to them, but totally ignore it when



Another ziggurat - also in Cambodia. were usually located close to the rulers palace, and were frequently adorned with horrific torture scenes. So were all the pagan temples. There many countries that features abominations, though in different styles, but all of them served the same purpose.

they have the control. The Guantanamo camp for terrorists in Cuba is not the sort of camp envisaged by the enemies of God. Most rational people will understand this and not delude themselves. They should understand that among most of the Gentile nations on earth, monstrous cruelty is the norm – not the exception! And always, the vilest of human misconduct is associated with Satan's style of

worship – unconditional devotion through fear of death.

Abandon all hope anyone who falls into the hands of

Satan's hordes. Satan has spent centuries preparing them for the final assault, and he subjects them constantly to graphic reminders of what he expects of them. He can drive them like herds of cattle to do his will and they are powerless to resist him.

Mindless killing sprees are typical of most Gentile nations. Death is commonplace and life is cheap. Under the Pol Pot regime in Cambodia, millions were needlessly slaughtered, but what is so remarkable about all this is, Pol Pot and the Khmer Rouge did it to their own people. Even his own parents and brother finished up in one of his death camps without ever knowing that their son and brother Pol Pot was the ruler responsible.



Cambodian ziggurat. So typical of Satan's ruthless nations and a symbol of the rule of many

of rulers of the satanic realm

Feeding children to Komodo dragons was acceptable religious practice among Orientals. These dragons were kept in many oriental pagan temples for

Tearing out a victim's tongue with pliers, in this case a girl, is typical of the general motif of the many depictions on these oriental pagan

In Cambodia, death and destruction was everywhere. Every field, every river was littered with carcasses. In the finish, people scarcely even noticed the stench. To the Cambodian peasants, those who were dead were the lucky ones.

Temple depictions testify to the satanic character of their pagan beliefs.

Many people in the western world hold a strange fascination for far-eastern

Cambodian monks. During the 'killing field' era of the Khmer Rouge, these people took good care of themselves, as did all the religious hierarchy...

religions. In their hallucinating minds they delude themselves into believing they are seeking peace and understanding of some spiritual goal. It's amazing

remains were everywhere as died at the hands of their own people.

how much depravity and cruelty they are willing to overlook in the pursuit of their religious experience. On the face of it, some of these pagan monks may project a peaceful demeanor, but appearances mean nothing. They live in, and are surrounded by, some of the most horrific depictions of cruelty that one could imagine. And they choose to venerate the temples of their gods. During the Khmer Rouge era, the safest place to be was in one of these pagan temples, because the



..but quickly fled with as much food as they could carry when American bombs

terrorists were reluctant to enter them for fear of the gods. Why any westerners would hold any fascination for these disgusting places is beyond

belief.



Boiling people alive in a giant pot was typical of the punishment for earning the rulers displeasure. This is part of a feature depicted on a Cambodian temple. All the depictions are equally horrific.

Almighty God warned His people Israel to have nothing to do with heathen practices. His instructions were that wherever Israel settled, they were to rid the land of all these abominations. Whenever Israel followed God's instructions, all went well for them; whenever they didn't, disaster stalked and befell them. And this is the way the fortunes of the 12 Tribes of Israel ebbed and flowed during the past three thousand years. At times, they were barely distinguishable from the pagan hordes that surrounded them. The Tribes of Israel learnt some bitter les sons and suffered many things during the course or their existence.

The House of Israel has become so sleek and fat, and so self-confident that they no longer see any real need to serve their Creator – and certainly not in the manner

that God prescribes. But God wants the House of Israel to know that He has the power to rescue them when they are driven far away into strange lands.

Bill Clinton was a great believer in *affirmative action*. In this he was perfectly aligned with his vice-president Al Gore who was totally off the wall in his socialist views. Through their efforts, *affirmative action* reached monstrous proportions. Everyone was given carte blanche to ridicule and denigrate the House of Israel at will – but cast any aspersions against the gentile population, regardless of how true it might be, and there was an instant, negative response. *Political correctness* has become a festering evil today.

If there was any news or a point in history that needed to be discussed, it was customary to accentuate the evils of Israelite nations first, and then proceed with minor criticisms of Gentiles. Wherever possible, the evils of Gentiles were always blamed on white Israelites.

A couple of years back, a documentary appeared on television called 'Human Sacrifice'. The first item on the agenda was to claim that God required human sacrifice of Abraham. They wanted everyone to know that the God of Israel is the author of human sacrifice, and by extension, all future acts could be blamed on God because it was His idea in the first place. As an afterthought, they did, however, mention that Abraham didn't actually sacrifice Isaac after all. Now if they wanted a real example, they could have mentioned that God sacrificed His only begotten Son at the hands of the rulers of the heavenly realms. But this would have required explanations of the virtues of Christianity as required by God, and they weren't about to get into that! Far better just to take a swipe at God and leave it at that! Having identified God as the author of human sacrifice, they felt justified in discussing the spread of these abominable practices. But a little more conditioning was necessary, so they labored to connect human sacrifice with the peatbog 'mummies' found in NW Europe in recent years. Some of these had been garroted or their throats cut, so obviously they had died prematurely. With no evidence at all of any religious ceremony or any other ceremony, they pronounced that these were obviously human sacrifices because they had been killed. The inference being that those 'wicked, white Europeans' started it all, and like God, are also the authors of human sacrifice. The script could have been written by Satan himself!

With the conditioning process complete, they felt justified in bringing criticism against Gentiles, but peppered throughout this criticism is a constant reminder that white Europeans are just as evil. They spoke of human sacrifice among the Aztecs and the atrocities committed by them, but emphasized that the Spanish slaughtered these people mercilessly, *killing men, women and children*. This last phrase was given with great emphasis! The inference being that the Spanish were worse than the Aztecs. To the *ungodly* mind, this may seem to be true! It has certainly gained momentum in the past few years. (An example of this is the recent book called 'Conquistadors' by Michael Wood. The only atrocities mentioned in it are those by the Spanish. He portrays the Incas and the Aztecs as highly sophisticated, virtuous nation-builders and attempts to refute their human sacrifices as baseless gossip. For a man who did such great work in his book 'In the Footsteps of Alexander the Great', he has become pathetic! A victim of the suppression generated by affirmative action and political correctness.)

It's a great pity that they never bothered to mention that God <u>ordered</u> the House of Israel to slaughter all the dis gusting Canaanites that were living in the Holy Land at the time of the Exodus. These Canaanites were *practicing the same evil as the Aztecs*, and God ordered Israel *to slaughter*

men, women and children, and to rid the earth of them. They failed to do the job properly, so now Almighty God is going to finish it. This is God's earth, and He will decide who will populate it! Long ago, God decided on who was His allotted inheritance, when He chose the sons of Israel.

Never before has the

House of Israel stood out from the rest of the world as a beacon of hope as it does today. If the U.S. had not taken the fight against terrorism to the world, the world would have continued to tolerate it. To the rest of the world, terrorism is a way of life. Terror is the natural ally of most of the nations of the earth, and the means by which they achieve their objectives of power over the Let's not kid masses.



Yasser Arafat sacrifices his own people as suicide bombers to achieve his goals.



Saddam Hussein. He kills his own people to hold onto power. He murdered 50,000 Kurds in his own country. Every time he uncovers 'another plot' against him, he kills his own advisors. Eleven more died on Feb. 20,



He House of Israel and the Jews in particular. Of the German people he said they didn't deserve to live because they lost the war.



Osama bin Laden. Total destruction of the 'great satan' (U.S) and 'little satan' (Israelis) was his objective, and he too, used sacrificial 'suicide bombers' to achieve it.



Idi Amin. This cannibal slaughtered his own people, and reveled in torture. Today, he lives comfortably in Saudi Arabia.



Mugabe. This slavering beast has incited death and mutilation to all white settlers in his country.



Mubarek Hosni some this foul creature plotted three times with others for the destruction of Israel and each time he saw his country decisively and humiliated. beaten He dreams of the day when the Israelis slaughtered.



Kim Jongil. There are 37,000 U.S. troops stationed in South Korea to keep this monster from crossing the border and slaughtering his own people. He is part of the 'Axis of Evil' that pervades this earth.



one that better typfies the 'rulers of the heavenly realms' than this man. What he did to his own people defies description. See some of the other pictures later in this article that represent this culture of evil that permeates the entire country of Cambodia.



Slobadan Milosovich. A power-mad demagogue who had visions of world conquest. His mentor was Adolph Hitter. He had one thing in his favour – he didn't like Muslims. A Greek-Macedonian, who will come, will be of a similar view, but like Alexander the Great, will conquer them and then use them to his advantage.

ourselves! We have many examples in recent memory of evil rulers using terror to seize and hold power.

The big difference between the Americans and the rest of the world is that they don't make war to benefit themselves, but to deliver justice to the world. Frequently, their enemies are greatly benefited with the rebuilding process that the U.S. always institutes; it's a costly exercise from which the U.S. gains nothing. It's the conquered nation that is the benefactor. The satanic hordes in this world cannot believe that the Americans could be so stupid to not take advantage of a conquered people. In their satanic minds such actions are unforgivable. Perhaps in one sense they are right. It really makes no sense to reward evil with good. Presently, God wants the world to see His son Ephraim as being *blameless*, and yet *hated without cause*. This reflects the qualities of His Mighty Son the Christ, the One after whom Israel was named. The world demands the highest possible standards of God's people Ephraim, and is quick to find fault with any real or imagined transgression on their part.

The problem with most people today is they have short memory spans. They think that history will never repeat itself. They are convinced that scholarly, humanistic viewpoints will prevail, and all demagogues will be transformed into virtuous rulers and everyone will live happily ever after. After Sept. 11, it became obvious that there are terrorists in this world, and all that's necessary is to round them up and lock them away, and that will be the end of it. But then we learn *officially*, that it's not just a few terrorists, but whole nations that form an *axis of evil*. So we're forced to reassess our views and realize that it's not just a few dissidents but *millions of people*! So now there are two barrows being pushed, and both going in opposite directions. On the

one we're told that it's *not Islam* – but *only a few dissidents*, and on the other hand, we're being told that it's *whole nations* who are **terrorists**. I guess the lesson here is, never try to understand foreign policy.

The U.S. is divided almost equally between Republicans and Democrats. It's like the ten virgins—five were wise and five were foolish. And it's becoming increasingly evident which five are foolish. The Ten Tribes of *virgin* Israel (as God describes them) are soon to find themselves in trouble as they drift further and further from God's objectives; led to the realm of insanity by the looney-left side of politics. God hates the weak mendicants who bend like reeds shaken in the wind. Christianity always tries to gain the high moral

ground, but in each stage they weaken the moral values of the people. When Christian leaders speak you know what to expect. Of John the Baptist, Christ said "What did you expect to see? A reed shaken in the wind?" Some people were a little disturbed that John didn't come in their image – their perceptions of what he should be like! Perhaps they expected to see a sniveling, groveling mendicant blown around by every wind of doctrine. No, this is what you will see among the Church leaders today! The Kingdom of God is considerably different from the Church, and with a different set of instructions, but both should have the same objectives. The

Sons of the Kingdom have cast aside the sleazy, self-

righteousness so evident among Christians today; they've settled the <u>elementary</u> <u>teachings</u> in their own minds and have moved on to the important issues – <u>the</u>



Arafat hijacked three planes and landed them in Jordan before blowing them up. It was the last straw for King Hussein of Jordan, who turned his army on them and slaughtered thousands of them, driving them out of his country and in to Lebanon. Arafat was lucky to escape with his life. In contrast, little Israel is required to negotiate with these Palestinian swine.

Bebe Netanyahu has always viewed Arafat with great suspicion. He knows he cannot be trusted in anything! Strikingly, Arafat appears jovial and friendly in the presence of Western leaders and he generally deceives them into believing he's genuine. But he's also unpredictable, and prone to wile culture.

fulfillment of prophecy. And while this brands them as 'transgressors' in the view of the mindless lightweights who think they speak for God, God is vindicating the teachings taught by God Himself, and with ever-increasing frequency.

Before September 11, the Churches were inflating their egos with talk of

Before September 11, the Churches were inflating their egos with talk of peace accompanied by weak platitudes. Now they are speaking of war, and fully subscribe to the need for it. When it all hit close to home, there was an instant transformation. War is necessary to protect them, but a 'peace process' is good enough for the Israelis – even though the Israelis have suffered far more from the treacherous hordes of millions that surround them. Those who have any enlightenment at all should understand that their salvation depends on the

Israelis, and God has determined that it will be so. Salvation is of the Jews, and it's by this means that you may be *rescued*. The <u>Daughter of Zion</u> will be *rescued* – either in the flesh or from the grave. That's God's promise to them. After they are rescued, rulership will come to them. Some will be killed, and others taken into captivity and this will require great patience on the part of the saints (Rev 13:8-10, Dan 7:21, 25). Most students of the Bible have read these things, but simply never *believed* them. They've all fallen into the trap of believing God's only purpose is to get them saved. And when you see Christians straining over *elementary teachings*, it's a dead give-away that they have no enlightenment. Remember Heb 5:14 "But <u>solid food</u> is for the <u>mature</u>, who by <u>constant use</u> have <u>trained themselves to distinguish good from evil</u>." And those who have not trained themselves to distinguish good from evil, will soon find themselves in deep trouble. The tiny bit of enlightenment they have received from their milk diet will cause them to fall away if not strengthened with solid food (Heb 6:4). These things cannot be emphasized enough as we barrel down to the fulfillment of all prophecy.

After years of straining over elementary issues, it's not surprising that most Christians have no depth of understanding. There is no Christian group on earth that understands prophecy. You can continue to search if you want to, but it should be obvious that none of them know what they are talking about. Most church leaders feel they have to make some sort of show of understanding prophecy, so they invent their own from their own imaginations. Always they fail to identify the enemy because they lack the ability **to distinguish good from evil**. For instance, how many church leaders have, for years, claimed the U.S. is the beast? Or for that matter some other Israelite Tribe, for instance, Germany? Based on their perceptions of what is evil, why don't they choose Vietnam, Cambodia, Somalia, China, Japan, Russia (particularly in the days of Joseph Stalin)? Why Germany? Is it because Germany killed six million Jews? If this was the only criterion, then Islam has sworn to kill six million Jews as well as 275 million Americans. If you want to speak of evil nations, why not look in black Africa? There's dozens of nations there – all of which could be classified as evil. But if

you really want to see evil, just look at the nations that surround the Holy Land. These are the ones that God speaks of in prophecy more than any other nation! And all these are Moslem nations. And the avowed purpose of Islam is the destruction of the Americans and the Israelis. Satan's forces of evil know who their enemies are, but the Tribes of Israel don't! They seem to believe that it's just pockets of Islamic terrorists that will eventually be rooted out.

Christianity has taken another tack. They think their responsibility is to see no-one as the enemy. And certainly not a religion as powerful as Islam. At least one mainstream Christian religion has made it their life's work to promote the descendants of *Ishmael* (the father of the Arabs) as the people of God. In order to get their theory to fly, they had to write their own scriptures, because the Bible doesn't support their views.

Among the most vocal about defending the book of Galatians are the Mormons. They believe the

canon of the New Testament to be *correct*. It's odd though, that they *don't* believe it to be *complete*, so they *added* the *book of Mormon*, and later, the 'Doctrine and Covenants'. The book of Mormon, Smith claimed, was given to him by two angels, who directed him to dig on a nearby hillside. "With the help of the Urim and Thummin" he claims he was able to dig and find them. Lo and behold, the book was found written on two plates of pure gold. Smith ran out and showed them to everyone....no, he didn't! In fact, later, after he was arrested for armed rebellion (he and his militia attacked a newspaper and destroyed it, because they criticized him), he faced questioning in court under oath. He gave the same story about the gold plates and his various visions and the encounter with the two angels. He was asked if he could produce the two gold plates. The answer was 'no'. He continued to squirm in the witness box when asked if he could produce any witnesses that had seen the gold plates, and had to admit that no-one else had



with the American people when he decided to run for president. His 1000-strong militias were considered to be terrorists. They later proved this to the complete satisfaction of all Americans.

seen them. His mythical gold plates, it seems, existed only in his own mind. Under questioning, he claimed that they were written in Egyptian, and he had to personally translate them! *Then he was forced to admit he couldn't read Egyptian*. His testimony in the courtroom under oath would probably rank as one of the most lying testimonies of all time. To the American people, for whom Joseph Smith displayed open contempt, this lying testimony was the last straw. They stormed the prison in 1844 and shot Joseph Smith and his brother Hiram and killed them. But his legacy lived on through Brigham Young. It's the lifestyle of Joseph Smith who wrote these additional 'books of Scripture' that bears closer scrutiny. And what this reveals would make your head spin! He refused to acknowledge the Commandments of God, the Annual Holydays, and of course, God's Seventh Day – the Sabbath! Here is a man who believed himself to be a servant of God, but he chose to keep the Gentile 'sabbath' holy – the first day of the week – Sunday! This in itself disqualifies him as a man of God – by refusing to obey God's identifying sign! What he's done is to identify with the 99% of Christianity that repudiates God's Laws. But all this pales in comparison with the man's own credentials. The 'Doctrine and Covenants' is another of Joseph Smith's fabrications to prop up the Bible so that it reflects more closely his own perceptions.

Not only did he write his own scripture to reinforce his faulty teachings, he formed his own militia to deal with those who opposed him. The Mormons were outspoken and highly critical of anyone outside their own ranks. All others were sneeringly called 'Gentiles', and their constant harangue of the American people saying that Christ would return at any moment and burn them alive was beginning to wear a bit thin.

Joseph Smith, Mormons and Massacres

Around the time when Joseph Smith wrote his second book, the 'Doctrines and Covenants', he began to develop messianic visions of himself. He founded his church and then transformed it into a kingdom with himself as the head of state. Tiered below him was a hierarchical structure that consisted of those of the 'Melchisedecs', who were the highest ranking order, and included apostles and elders, and below them the Aaronic priesthood, which was responsible for all things temporal in the affairs of the church. It became clear to Joseph Smith that he had to establish Zion (which means Jerusalem – these names are used interchangeably in the Bible – a fact that seems to have escaped Joseph Smith).

As far as the 'Melchisedecs' are concerned, Smith reasoned that the Prince of Peace endowed the Melchisedec priesthood to Abraham, who passed it on to his son – not Isaac – but <u>Ishmael</u>, the father of the Arabs. What follows this reasoning is the most bizarre mish-mash of lies imaginable. He invents a people living in Arabia, and also a city, neither of which can be found mentioned anywhere in the annals of history,

and then attempts to link these people to himself. The meandering, incoherent nonsense continues as he claims the American Indians are the lost Tribes of Israel! His agenda was that he and all the Church were the descendants of Ishmael, and carried on the tradition of the Melchisedec priesthood, which he presumed was passed from Abraham to Ishmael, and finally to him.

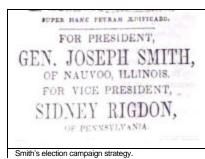
Then in another bizarre twist he decided, as a good 'Ishmaelite', to establish Zion (Mormons considered all others to be 'Gentiles'). Zion became Nauvoo, Illinois. It was in Nauvoo that he launched his bid for President of the United States. All this was, supposedly, under the inspiration of Jesus Christ whom he alleged appeared in America after the ascension - according to Joseph Smith. Contrary to the expectations of his church, he failed to win the presidency.



It was just prior to this time when he formed his armed militia, believed to be over a thousand strong, and gave himself the rank of 'General'. Central to the beliefs of 'General' Joseph Smith and the Mormons was the perception that Christ would return at any moment – just as soon as they had established Zion. Well, as it turned out, Nauvoo, Illinois, was not Zion. They later decided that Zion was not in Nauvoo, but in Utah, which prior to the American

conquest of the Mexicans, was in Mexican territory. So they trekked 1,000 miles across the central plains,

over the Rocky Mountains, and set up in Salt Lake City, freeing them from their *enemies* – the American people. All this was done under the auspices of Brigham Young, Smith's successor, who was 'told in a vision' to proceed with this plan to flee from their enemies. The very next year in 1848, America conquered Mexico, and Utah became a state (or territory at that time) of the Union. In the same year, gold fever struck in California. Hordes



flocked to California, and the Mormons found they were no longer isolated. The Mormons resented the influx of people, and there were soon reports of Mormon raiders attacking and plundering wagon trains and stealing horses and cattle. In almost all documented cases of these raids, the Mormons enlisted the help of the Peyote Indians as their allies, and shared the plunder with them. In this way they were able to mask their own activities and blame the Indians. The plundering and slaughtering of victims was always blamed on marauding Indians in Utah.

Meanwhile, the Mormons had developed a militia of 3,000 armed and trained men and were considered an even greater threat to the region because in addition to their militia of 3,000 men, they had an expressed hatred of everything American. The American government decided that the Mormons must allow American officials to administrate the Utah Territory. The U.S. appointee was William Drummond,

Chief Justice of the Territory. Almost immediately, the Mormons set out to persecute Drummond, whom they considered the agent of the enemy. They began a campaign of hatred and gossip,



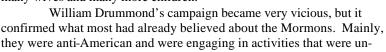






Joseph Smith's wife No. 1

and finally death threats. William Drummond fled to California, and then sailed to New Orleans where he began his campaign to alert the Americans of the Mormon hatred and rebellion against authority and laws of the nation. He again confirmed their sexual depravity which had formerly been observed in Joseph Smith, when in 1842 'General' Smith had announce that he had married three wives, and encouraged others to do the same. Drummond told of ugly old men who were marrying young girls, of men with many wives and many more children.

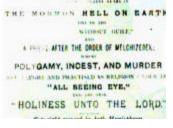




American. As Chief Justice of the Utah Territory, he was able to give firsthand accounts of the lawless

depravity in the Mormon Community. While it's acknowledged that he may have been excessively colorful in his descriptions, he was soon to be vindicated as one of the worst atrocities committed on American soil became known. And this began just a day before the U.S. Military arrived to restore law and







In September, 1857.

a wagon-train led by Alexander Fancher

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William Drummond. Appointed Chief Justice of the Territory. His vicious campaign carried a lot of weight because of his position, and also because he was

Even William Drummond could not have envisaged the full extent of the evil savagery of these people a couple of vears later, when the slaughter of the Fancher wagon train

an eve witness to so much lawlessness

Hoping to avoid conflict with Mormon marauders, Fancher chose an old Spanish trail. But Mormon spies alerted Brigham Young's militia and carnage soon followed.

this rich wagon train, and planned an attack. On September 8, 1857, early in the morning, while camped in Mountain Meadow, shots rang out and 10 men of the Fancher camp fell dead. The Mormons underestimated the strength and determination of these men, who circled their wagons, and fought back furiously. There was a stand-off. The Mormons realized they had a real fight on their hands, and failure to win would leave too many witnesses. So the Mormons chose lying deception, and on September 11, John Doyle Lee approached under a white flag of truce, and began his lying deception. He told them they were surrounded by Indians, and would be killed or starved to death unless they enlisted the help of the Mormon Militia. He insisted that if they laid down their arms and filed out peacefully, his militia would fight

off the Indians. They agreed. They trusted their fellow white men would protect them from the Indians. No sooner were they filing out to safety, and unarmed, when the Mormons opened fire.

What followed was a ruthless slaughter that could scarcely be believed. Unarmed and some distance from the camp, the Mormon Militia opened fire on them, killing every man instantly. Then the carnage began on all the women and children. They wanted the women and children alive for their own pleasure, before they beat them to death. Every corpse was found naked (they later blamed the Indians for 'stealing their clothes'). Only six children survived. Only these were spared because they were under six years old and too young to identify the attackers. One of these surviving girls, Nancy Hough, did recall these events and gave testimony in court years later of the horrific carnage and slaughter. A Mormon predator had killed her mother right before her eyes.

On September 12, 1857, the day after the slaughter, three of Brigham Young's lieutenants, Isaac Haight, John Doyle Lee, and William Dane visited the site of the killings again to work out a strategy for covering up the crime. They conspired to ensure that no-one would find out about it - especially President James Buchanan and the U.S. Congress.

On that very day of the Fancher party massacre, the U.S. military was arriving in Utah, and preparing to restore law and order among the Mormons. After they set up camp, they marched towards Salt

Lake City, where they halted to send an advance envoy to request a peaceful surrender. Brigham Young replied that the saints would never yield to tyranny. He then commanded his followers to fight to the death. Noting that the U.S. Military camp and all their supplies were unprotected and some miles away, he ordered an attack on it. Using a circuitous route to avoid detection, they encountered minimal resistence. The raid was successful, and the whole wagon train was plundered and destroyed. They destroyed or stole all the supplies and rustled all the horses and cattle. Word reached the U.S. Military commander, and they turned to rush back to the camp, but it was too late. There was nothing left but smoking ruins. With all their



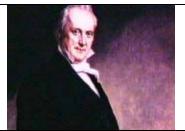
Brigham Young Mormon leader and successor to Joseph Smith.

provisions gone, the U.S. army was forced to retreat back to Kansas. Many died from snowstorms, Indian attacks, and starvation.

In advance of the U.S. military's arrival, Brigham Young composed a battle song:

Up, awake ye, defenders of Zion A foes at the door of your home Let each heart be the heart of a lion Unyielding and proud as your own. Remember the trials of Missouri, Forget not the courage of Nauvoo When the enemy hosts before you, Stand firm and be faithful and true.

Yes, he wanted each to have the *heart of a lion* to *destroy his foe* – <u>the American people!</u> And all this immediately after Brigham Young had ordered his lieutenants to murder the 140-strong Fancher party – <u>men, women and children</u> – and plundered them. *Some lions, eh*?



President James Buchanan. In 1856, he became President of the U.S., and decided that the Mormon rebellion must be brought to an end, and U.S. law enforced in the region.

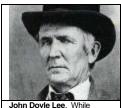
The American people were outraged, and fearing a greater force arriving, Brigham Young sent Thomas Caine to negotiate a peace deal. Apparently Caine suitably impressed President Buchanan with his sincerity, and so the President agreed to pardon them for treason against the U.S. In exchange for the pardon, Brigham Young now agreed to U.S. military forces being set up in



Thomas Caine Appointed negotiator by Brigham Young to seek a pardon for treason

Utah, with the proviso that none would occupy Salt Lake City (*where he lived*). This was agreed to, and the U.S. military took control of the State of Utah.

Then disaster struck for Brigham Young and the Mormons! The slaughter of the Fancher wagon



John Doyle Lee. While deeply implicated in the slaughter of the Fancher party, there were many more who were just as guilty.

train became known. The American public was outraged and an inquiry was launched in 1859. Brigham Young stonewalled the inquiry, and personally feigned innocence. His lieutenants, Isaac Haight, John Doyle Lee, and William Dane fled, following Brigham Young's oath that they would be protected at all costs. But the evidence continued to mount, and fearing his own arrest, Brigham Young sought a scapegoat – 'a holy sacrifice' as he called it, and named John Doyle Lee as the sole perpetrator. In the twisted mind of Brigham Young, a human sacrifice would solve the problem.

It was obvious to the inquiry that Lee hadn't acted alone, yet under pressure, they indicted him to stand trial alone. But it was nearly 20 years before he was found. In 1877, he stood trial. The prosecutor led evidence against Brigham Young to

implicate him, and eight Mormons jurors refused to convict Lee for fear of indicting Young. A hung jury resulted. The prosecution ordered a re-trial, and agreed to prosecute *only* John Doyle Lee. The all-Mormon jury quickly condemned him to death. The human sacrifice was complete, and all Mormons felt exonerated.

John Doyle Lee was taken back to the scene of the massacre and was executed by a five-man squad. Brigham Young rejoiced that the ordeal was over, and then died himself five months later. He left a fortune of \$2,500,000 to his seventeen surviving wives – an enormous amount of money in those days, and from a man who joined the Mormons in 1832 with nothing. Just before he died, he expressed regret that Christ had not returned and ratified the Mormon 'Zion'. He said he believed it to be because the Mormons themselves were not 'good enough'. In view of their conduct, this should have been a foregone conclusion.

Of course, Joseph Smith and Brigham Young were both wrong about Christ's sudden return, and their *Zion* never became <u>Jerusalem – the City of God!</u> And though 150 years has now passed, none of their prophecies have come true, and their understanding of the Bible is just as appalling as the lies



John Doyle Lee seen here sitting on the coffin that would soon hold his body. He was executed by firing squad at the scene of the massacre. This place of execution was chosen so that future generations could not deny these attrocties.

that Joseph Smith spun, and the atrocities that his followers committed.



Alexander Fancher's descendant sought to put the past behind him, and approached one of the Lee family.



John Doyle Lee's descendant willingly cooperated to heal the rift.

The footnote to this whole dreadful saga is that in 1990, the descendants of both Alexander Fancher (the wagon-train leader) and John Doyle Lee came together to make amends and to put the past behind them. Jointly they erected a memorial of all those who died in the massacre.

The names of all the victims were inscribed on the plagues, and positioned overlooking the Mountain Meadow site. Peaceful and serene today, it commemorates the closing stages of the Mormon's

long and vicious rebellion against the U.S. and its citizens. While nothing can erase the former wicked conduct of Joseph Smith, Brigham Young and their followers, it stands as a reminder for all those who think they can pervert the Word of God to their own ends. Even today, if you ask a Mormon about these things, they launch into lying corruption of history, and attempt to blame everyone except the Mormon leaders. In view of the history of the Mormon Church, it's difficult to abide any Mormon who, knowing of these atrocities, believe that such things could be



The record of the Mountain Meadow massacre stands today in memoriam of the tragic events of **September 11**, 1857. Its been described as America's worst atrocity between church and State. It may be a complete coincidence that this massacre was committed against Americans by their avowed enemies on this very day, but then again, it mightn't.



The names of all the victims are recorded, including all the little children that met their deaths on this day of **September 11**. It was a ruthless, mindless slaughter so typical of Satan's evil brood today. **Can a leopard change its spots?**



Mountain Meadow Valley – now a peaceful grazing area. It sits as a memorial of all those who corrupt God's Word to cover their crimes and lawless behaviour.

done under the banner of such a presumptuous name as 'The Church of Jesus Christ of the Latter-day Saints.' God makes a point of whether a leopard can change its spots: Jer 13:23 "Can the Ethiopian change his skin, or the leopard its spots? Neither can you do good who are accustomed to do evil". In other words, you are what you are by what you believe. If your beliefs are rooted in evil, then your life is the fruit of that evil.

It should be pointed out that the *reorganized Church* of Jesus Christ of the Latter-day Saints, headquartered in Independence, Missouri, has been separate and distinct, since the Mountain Meadow Massacre became public, when they tried to distance themselves from the Mormons headquartered

in Salt Lake City. Both, however, hold to the spurious teachings of their former leader Joseph Smith. It's one thing to claim a separate and distinct organizational structure, but both are built on the same faulty foundation, and no amount of rationalizing will diminish this! And while today they may respect the laws of their former enemy – the United States of America – they still don't respect the Laws of Almighty God!

All this serves to show how ruthless and depraved people can become when they self-righteously extol their own virtues, while perverting and adding-to the Scriptures. Joseph Smith's testimony in court just before his death exposed him as a lying swindler, but he is still upheld as a prophet by his followers, even though none of his 'prophecies' ever came true.

Most people should understand from history the conduct of the Gentiles. They know by example the ruthless, murderous behaviour of the African blacks, they know all about the Aztecs, Incas, and all the degenerates of South America. They know perfectly well the vicious cruelty of the Orientals, burning people

alive, the 'death of a thousand cuts' – you've heard it all. And you surely know that the fastest growing religion in all the world is Islam – and Islam is represented in all these regions. This religion is sweeping the world (estimates are one and a half billion people), and it's presently unstoppable. And in many ways it's more evil than the others, because while they are just as cruel and ruthless, they masquerade as a 'peaceful religion' and deceive many people. Those who haven't learned to distinguish good from evil will eventually cave-in to Satan's siren song. Numerically, on earth, Satan has the advantage! Eleven-twelfths of all earth's inhabitants are his to do with as he pleases. This is his right, and this is his responsibility. However, he doesn't discharge his responsibilities with any degree of righteousness. He is a murderous, ruthless liar and has been from the very beginning.

Satan views mainstream Christianity almost like a gift from heaven. Here they are preaching peaceful co-existence and refusing to accede to war. While Satan has been preparing his people and getting them battlehardened, Christianity has been weakening the resolve of the House of Israel to offer any defense. The House of Israel long ago refused to believe themselves to be the 'Armies of the Living God' even though many prayers were offered in the hope of victory in the long annals of conflict. It served Satan's purpose to weaken the nations of Israel, and mainstream Christianity became his reluctant ally. What is more, there was plenty of selective Scriptural support for this, so it was a logical progression provided that a clear distinction could be made that would distance them from the House of Israel. The shepherds who destroy God's vineyard saw to that. They vehemently argued that the House of Israel is lost forever, and their whereabouts unknown. So any link-back to historical roots was refuted by any means possible! And to further cover their tracks, the Old Testament has been virtually abolished as Scripture that should be studied. Long ago, the Gentiles doctored the book of Galatians to make it unrecognizable as Scripture, but only to those who have grown beyond elementary teachings and developed maturity, and have trained themselves to distinguish good from evil. In complete contrast, it's become the frontispiece for all those infants who favour lawlessness and disobedience to God. In the Book of Malachi, God says <u>He has not changed</u> (Mal 3:6). These treacherous people claim He changed everything. James had something to say about this: James 1:16 "Don't be deceived, my dear brothers. Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of heavenly lights WHO DOES NOT CHANGE like shifting shadows. He chose to give us birth through the Word of Truth, that we may be a kind of firstfruits of all He created." Yes, and it was a real birth through the Christ – the Word of Truth! It's really a misnomer to call those of mainstream Christianity 'infants' since they never really came to the moment of birth, Scripturally speaking! The amusing side of all this is, they actually claim to have been 'born again'! Their appalling ignorance is an offence to Almighty God.

Those same people, *who despise God's authority*, should know that for many years after Christ's departure, the only Scriptures that existed were the Ones that He used – known as the Old Testament. It was hundreds of years before the New Testament was selectively canonized – *and it was done by Gentiles!*

It pleased Satan the devil to introduce corruption, particularly since he needed to disarm the House of Israel and make them vulnerable. While the House of Israel may not know who they are, Satan certainly does, and his treacherous brood act accordingly. Everyone knows that the whole world hates America and the Israelis – and without cause! Is it mere coincidence that this is the way it is? If the world wanted rational reasons for hating any nations, they would find plenty in Africa or in the Orient. If they were making their preferences based on evil, almost any nation on earth would overshadow America and the Israelis as prime candidate!

The question could be asked 'Why does God intend to punish His own people Israel?' The reason is that God set far higher standards of conduct for Israel than Satan has for his treacherous brood. This was done through perfect Laws, which have held the House of Israel in good stead for centuries. While they don't uphold God's Law in the manner that He prescribes, they have upheld principles of righteousness that reflect the teachings of God's Law. Every courtroom has a copy of the Bible, and up until recently, every school had religious teaching available to all students. But it's also true that many shepherds have ruined God's Vineyard, and have managed to alienate God's people Israel from their Maker. Despite all this, God's hand is still upheld, for just a little longer.

God Himself has identified <u>Satan's brood</u> as those <u>who slaughter their own people</u>. This is the trademark of Satan. Everyone who doesn't listen to him must be slaughtered. Those who have been thoroughly deceived by Satan (and by their fruits you will know them) will continue to defend Satan's lawlessness. Those who, in the past, have reacted with such furious slaughter against the people of God—the United States of America—are already conditioned to do the same against the offspring of Christ. Their own lawlessness condemns them and makes them vulnerable to Satan's manipulation. Jesus had this experience with the religious leaders of His day. Unlike Christianity today, these Scribes and Pharisees had vast

knowledge of the Bible, after all they were the official custodians of it (Rom 3:2), but they understood none of it. Christ constantly showed them their ignorance, and on occasion told them they 'erred not knowing the Scriptures'. He made the point that their father was the devil. John 8:43-44 "Why is my language not clear to you? Because you are unable to hear what I say! You belong to your father the devil, and you want to carry out your father's desire. He was a murderer from the beginning, not holding to the Truth, for there is no Truth in him. When he lies, he speaks his native language, for he is a liar and the father of lies."

Christianity today takes very little interest in events occurring in the world. They've believed Satan's lies that they are already 'saved' and will escape any disaster that may occur. They believe that all they have to do is to maintain an outward display of righteousness, and God will be obligated to spare them. As long as they have said the magic words 'I accept Jesus Christ as my personal Saviour' God the Father has no option than to whisk them away and spare them, and all prophecy is meaningless and unimportant. The fact is, that prophecy is so important to God that He delivered a whole Book of it to the Prophet John around seventy years after Christ's departure, but this means nothing to them! In their minds, as long as they believe Jesus was the Christ, and that He arose from the dead, they have fulfilled all obligations to the Father.

They seem unaware that the Jewish leaders acknowledge that Jesus existed. They were also forced to admit that He had arisen from the dead because so many people saw Him. Even a large number of their own – the priests – were converted to Christianity (Acts 6:7). But those who were in the grip of Satan the devil and his lies could not acknowledge the Truth - regardless of any amount of evidence that was available to them. Instead, they plotted a campaign to kill all the people of God. Some counseled against this (Acts 5:3340), but trying to reason with Satan's demons is usually futile. And while some of these perpetrators believed themselves to be rational, intelligent and in full control of their faculties, any sound-reasoning had been blocked in their thought processes. Satan's rationale seemed right and logical. By starting a terror campaign and killing a few Christians, they would quickly swing the battle back in their favour; at least this is how they reasoned.

On September 11, 2001, this same modus operandi was adopted. But Satan received a real shock because he doesn't understand the Scriptures. America fought back, and began to deliver a deadly blow, one that will take a lot to recover from. All his rulers of the heavenly realms were forced to remove the sneering, insolent looks from their faces, and back off. They needed a scapegoat, and hoped to sacrifice just a few of their people in Afghanistan and settle the matter. But gradually it emerged that 19 of the hijackers were Saudi Arabians, and the pool was starting to become very muddy. The Saudis adopted all sorts of diplomatic

initiatives. First it was a ten million dollar check, then a 'solution' to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. Suddenly, these degenerates were being transformed into envoys for peace



The weapons shipment arrived on this ship and was ordered by Yasser Arafat



Even President Bush was staggered at the prospect of this amount of weaponry falling into Palestinian hands



Huge numbers of mortars, surface-to-air automatic truckloads of explosives were uncovered.

at least to those silly enough to believe them!

Satan reasoned that if he couldn't get through America's defensive firewall, he would concentrate his





efforts on wiping out the Israelis. Dutifully, his evil brood went to work. An enormous shipment of arms was transported by ship secretly, with many containers of weapons

capable inflicting horrific carnage on the Israelis. But once

Trained Palestinian suicide parade in the streets as heroes. They are highly esteemed, particularly if they successfully kill many innocent Israeli men, women and children

Satan's plot was foiled when U.S. intelligence agencies intercepted details of the shipment. Immediately afterwards, Arafat denied all knowledge of it, then the CIA released details of a conversation between the ship's captain and Arafat personally, as the ship was docking. President Bush was said to be very angry at the brazen lies of this little weasel, and has not had contact with him since.

Following his foiled plan, Satan set out in fury, marshalling thousands

of mindless automatons as suicide bombers. Suicide bomber training camps have since sprung up everywhere. They publicly parade themselves with impunity – for just a little while longer.....

The Israelis are getting stronger, but not nearly strong enough! They have yet to learn what it means to be really strong! They haven't yet learnt to distinguish good from evil. They still think it might be possible to conclude a peace deal. But there is good news ahead! There will be peace, and it will be enforced with such devastating power, that Islam will wish they had never heard of Jerusalem!

The present ruler of this world is becoming very frustrated. Nothing seems to be going according to plan. All his best laid plans are constantly being thwarted. His battle cry is 'Death to the Americans and the Israelis' but his incompetent generals keep failing him. He has been training all his own people to do evil, so it's hardly surprising that they can't get anything right. They are all lying deceivers, just like their father the devil, so even Satan shouldn't be surprised that they are incapable of rational thought. Satan's beginnings were just as appalling as his offspring.

Isaiah writes this: Isa 14:12-17 "How you have fallen from heaven, O morning star, son of the dawn! You have been cast down to the earth, you who once laid low the nations! You said in your heart, 'I will ascend into heaven; I will raise my throne above the stars of God; I will sit enthroned on the Mount of Assembly, on the utmost height of the Sacred Mountain. I will ascend above the tops of the clouds; I will make myself like the Most High." But you are brought down to the grave, to the depths of the pit. Those who see you stare at you, they ponder your fate: 'Is this the man who shook the earth and made kingdoms tremble, the man who made the world a desert, who overthrew cities and would not let his captives go home?" Is this speaking of a man or the one who formerly held the title of 'morning star'? Well, when this is finally fulfilled for the second and final time, it will be both. In the final Book of Scripture given to the Prophet John around seventy years after Christ's departure, we find the details: Rev 13:2 "The beast I saw resembled a leopard, but had feet like those of a bear and a mouth like that of a lion. The dragon gave the beast his power and his throne and great authority. One of the heads of the beast seemed to have had a fatal wound, but the fatal wound had been healed. The whole world was astonished and followed the beast. Men worshipped the dragon because he had given authority to the beast, and they also worshipped the beast and asked, "Who is like the beast? Who can make war with him?"

Just like Alexander the Great, this beast will appear on the scene, and whip the mindless Moslems into shape. He'll knock down three of the Islamic nations, and begin parceling out territory to his own rulers. He'll seize control all the energy reserves of the world, and no nation will do any business without his approval. And God has confirmed that a new World Trade Center will operate from the newly-built city of Babylon. The beast, like Alexander the Great, will take up residence in Babylon. God has spoken!

And what about Satan – the morning star? Continuing in Isaiah, we find this: Isa 14:18 "All the kings of the nations lie in state, each in his own tomb. But you are cast out of your tomb like a rejected branch; you are covered with the slain, with those pierced by the sword, those who descend to the stones of the pit. Like a corpse trampled underfoot, you will not join them in burial, for you have destroyed your land and killed your own people." Bible students should know who the kings of the nations are (Eph 6:12). And Ezekiel adds a footnote to what Isaiah wrote: Eze 28:18 "By your many sins and dishonest trade you have descrated your sanctuaries. So I made a fire come out [at] you, and it consumed you, and I reduced you to ashes on the ground in the sight of all who were watching. All the nations who knew you are appalled at you; you have come to a horrible end and will be no more."

All the other rulers are small fry compared to Satan. All the rulers of the heavenly realms will be quickly dispatched to their tombs, but not Satan! Many of the rulers of the heavenly realms are presently languishing in prison (the Abyss), but not Satan! Satan is under a thousand-year sentence, but he has yet to serve a single day of it. He is guilty of many sins, dishonest trade, lies and murder, the destruction of the earth, and *killing his own people*, yet he is still free. Have you ever wondered why? The phrase '*killing his own people*' is the key. He is the <u>ruler of the earth</u>, and everyone, with the exception of those God chose as His own, belong to Satan. He must continue to rule until he is replaced, and the new Ruler is the <u>Bright Morning Star</u>, the begotten Son of God – Jesus Christ! And just so we know what is meant by '*Morning Star*', He is also called the <u>Sun of Righteousness</u> in Mal 4:2. And in the Psalms is a very profound description: Ps 19:1 "The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of His hands. Day after day they pour forth speech; night after night they display knowledge. There is no speech or language where their voice is not heard. Their voice goes out into all the earth, their words to the ends of the world. In the heavens He has pitched a tent for <u>the Sun</u>, <u>which [is the] Bridegroom coming forth from His pavilion</u>, <u>like a Champion rejoicing to run His course</u>." His <u>course</u> is clear, and is fully explained in 1Cor 15:24-28. If you expected anything else, then you have erred, not knowing the Scriptures.

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