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FROM THE EDITOR  
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# The Inspiring Reason Marriage and Family Must Be Defended

When you understand this truth, you know why these foundational institutions are under such brazen attack today—and why it is crucial that we build strong and happy families.

**C**ONSIDER THIS WONDERFUL STATEMENT: “MARRIAGE AND family life is a God-plane relationship.” You will not hear many people, even Christians, talk about marriage or family like that. But the late Herbert W. Armstrong, founder of the Worldwide Church of God and Ambassador College, did. He wrote that in his booklet *Why Marriage—Soon Obsolete?* Millions of listeners and viewers of *The World Tomorrow* heard him teach that. And he got that understanding from the Bible.

Today the war on marriage and family has grown to unparalleled intensity. You will read all about it in this *Trumpet* issue: the assault not only on God-given roles for men and women, fathers and mothers, but even on the very creation of MALE AND FEMALE. We are sacrificing our children to radicalism and pitching modern society into utter confusion and conflict.

Yet as this clash over marriage and family has intensified, even conservatives and Christians have failed to defend these institutions. Why? Because *they don't understand them*. They don't know why God created them and what they mean!

*Marriage and family are God-level relationships.*

Throughout history, philosophers, priests and great minds have used human reasoning to try to understand the meaning of life. Many have devoted their lives to seeking life's purpose, yet have never come to the right conclusion. But the answer is revealed in your Bible. If you really want to work for it, you *can* understand what the Bible reveals.

The Bible not only shows that God created male and female, authored marriage, and commanded laws to protect marriage, but it also reveals that marriage links closely with mankind's incredible purpose and potential, which is to be born into God's Family! In fact, the Bible reveals that those who respond to God's call today and become part of His one true Church will *marry* Jesus Christ when He returns to Earth. That is the greatest opportunity human beings could ever have: to become the Bride of Jesus Christ and sit on the throne of David with Him,

ruling the world, bringing more children into God's Family, and expanding that Family from Earth out into the entire universe!

God wants you to have a happy marriage in this life. But marriage also points to your eternal future!

Whether or not people realize it, THIS IS WHY there has been an ongoing, powerful, coordinated campaign to harm, pervert and *destroy* the very institution of marriage, as well as family. There is a spirit at work that wants to undermine and destroy what God has created. Marriage is under attack *because* it is a God-plane relationship! Until you understand this truth, you cannot understand this attack, and you certainly cannot defeat it.

## The Foundation of a Stable Society

Marriages and families today are suffering terribly from a conspiracy against these pillar institutions! *Forbes* magazine summed it up: “The 1950s notion of the nuclear family with the man as the head of the household is no more.”

Mr. Armstrong wrote *Why Marriage—Soon Obsolete?* in 1968. He warned that failing to understand why marriage would lead to people abolishing marriage. That is exactly what we are seeing today.

In 1973, Mr. Armstrong said, “The very foundation of ANY nation's solidarity, strength and power is a solid and stable family structure.” How true this is! *Can you* recognize it?

Mr. Armstrong warned that if family life breaks down, *civilization* will devolve into anarchy. Our families have been fracturing for decades now, and many people have assumed that this was no great concern. But more and more children are growing up without a father and without family stability. The effects of this trend are proving to be ruinous.

“Since it is a basic truism that a solid family structure is the foundational bulwark of any stable and permanent society,” Mr. Armstrong wrote, “this fact means only one thing—civilization as we know it is on the way down—and out—*unless* that great



‘Unseen Strong Hand From Someplace’ soon intervenes and saves today’s sick society” (*The Missing Dimension in Sex*).

The God who created male and female, marriage, sex and family *is going to intervene!* There is great hope in that. That is our *only* hope. And what will He do? He will establish the authority of the God Family, and He will teach and enforce His commands about the *God-plane relationships* of marriage and family. As a result, children will grow up in happy, stable homes, families will produce dynamic, law-abiding citizens, and all society will enjoy the rich benefits!

## The First Marriage

“In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God” (John 1:1). In the beginning, no people, no angels, nobody existed except for God and the Word. These two God Beings lived for eternity before time even began.

The word *with* signifies that they were *perfectly* unified. They never had a breakdown in their communion. They enjoyed a wonderfully harmonious and loving relationship.

God wants to share that kind of relationship. That is why He created human beings, and particularly why He made these human beings “in our image, after our likeness” (Genesis 1:26). Starting with the first man and woman, God instituted marriage (Genesis 2:18, 21-25). “Therefore shall a man leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave unto his wife: and they shall be one flesh,” He said.

MARRIAGE WAS CREATED BY GOD AND NOBODY ELSE!

“Human men never did think out, devise or institute the relationship of marriage with family and home life,” Mr. Armstrong wrote. “Marriage was ordained by God—not by man. It is governed by the laws of God—and man has no jurisdiction over it, in God’s eyes” (*Why Marriage—Soon Obsolete?*).

Sadly, the human beings in the first marriage and the first family rejected God (Genesis 3). The world that came from them chose darkness, and they sinned against the laws of marriage and family and His other laws that align with God’s eternal, perfect way of life.

Even still, God *continued* with His plan to bring human beings into His Family. As John 1 goes on to show, God actually begat the Word as His own Son, and God became a Family.

“In him was life; and the life was the light of men. And the light shineth in darkness; and the darkness comprehended it not” (verses 4-5). The world was and is *dark*, spiritually. You won’t find light anywhere except in God. But in Him is glory and the only source of life and light, and it is magnificent.

“That was the true Light, which lighteth every man that cometh into the world” (verse 9). God meant for that light to light every man that is born into this world—*every human being!* Other verses in the Bible show that God will give every person who has *ever* lived a chance to know Him and to know this God-plane relationship of marriage and family.

“But as many as received him, to them gave he POWER TO BECOME THE SONS OF GOD, even to them that believe on his name” (verse 12). This says we have power to become the *sons of God*. Human power absolutely cannot do that; it must come from God! And if we will yield ourselves to Him and submit to Him, He will give us that power! That family life is a God-plane relationship: It is on the God level!

Mr. Armstrong said the purpose of being born is to be *born of God*. God wants to give us all of that! We need to understand the *majesty* and the *wonder* of marriage and family!

People who reject the Bible can’t even explain how or why marriage and family started. Even many Christians can’t explain it, and none have explained it as Mr. Armstrong did: *a God-plane relationship*.

If two people are in a God-level marriage, and they work hard at it and use God’s power, it is a marriage full of joy. And that marriage usually produces children. God created “every man that cometh into the world” to have come from such a beautiful relationship! That is what the Creator intended to be the source of every human life.

Today’s young people don’t know how to date properly; they simply haven’t been taught! They are into their technology and things like that, and they aren’t developing the skills to communicate and relate and build quality relationships. They lack the social and moral wherewithal for proper courting, and don’t know how to date toward marriage so they can have the right kind of a mate and then build a family in that marriage.

What a difference the right spiritual understanding makes! It changes everything! Even in this dark world, God shows you in the Bible how to make a beautiful, beautiful marriage, and how to raise your children to have beautiful marriages themselves and grow toward their incredible human potential.

It is all on a God plane. That is what it is like if you understand *the purpose* of marriage and family. We *must* understand that purpose.

## Declaring the Father

“And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth” (John 1:14). When the Word was made flesh—when He became “the only begotten of THE FATHER,” the Son, Jesus Christ, the man—then God became a *Family*.

God the Father begat His Son in the womb of a woman, Mary. Christ was the only begotten Son of God by that method of using a physical woman. The Father begat Christ *in* Mary, and in doing that, He began the God Family. Right here is where it all began! That is when God became the Father, and the Word became the Son. And it involved humanity. This was the beginning of the Family!

And He is opening up that God Family to *everyone* who has *ever* lived, if they want it! This is the way—the only way—that everyone who has ever been born can become a child of God.

Verse 18 calls Jesus Christ “the only begotten Son, which is in the bosom of the Father, he hath declared him.” When the Word became the Son of God, *He declared the Father*. His number one job was and is to declare the Father.

Why is it so important to declare the Father? Because THE FATHER IS THE HEAD OF THE FAMILY! That is His title: Father! And this puts us human beings who believe God, who obey God, who receive His power, on a God level, in a God relationship. If you really understand it, it is dazzling! This is our future!

What was Jesus Christ’s message? He *did not* come to proclaim a message about Himself, as many churches teach. He focused on *His Father*. He taught about THE FAMILY. Never has there been such exemplary family devotion as what they had.

Their relationship abounds with love. In all eternity, these two great Beings have never had a serious argument. *God knows how to bring peace, joy and happiness into a family.* And whether or not you have a physical marriage and family, God can produce joy in our lives through the God Family.

Because of the plan and the sacrifice and the love of the Father and the Son, millions and millions of people are going to be born into the God Family! Still, each person will have to *choose* to seize that opportunity. It is quite possible to be like those in Jesus Christ's human lifetime who were there, interacting with the Son of the living God, but who didn't want what He was teaching. For those who choose it, however, it will transform your understanding of marriage and family and lead you to a majestic, magnificent future!

This world is in *darkness* because men turn away from God and fail to understand this truth.

**Marriages and families today are suffering terribly from a conspiracy against these pillar institutions.**



### **Choosing Darkness**

During His ministry, Jesus taught thousands upon thousands of people. Yet after His crucifixion, a paltry 120 followers remained! (Acts 1:15). Ever since, the true Church has been small and persecuted, while false churches are populous and powerful.

Isn't it astonishing that even when people encounter God's marvelous plan for them, they aren't interested? In truth, they don't understand what they are turning away from. Yet because of their choice, the world is dark. We have had to suffer and will keep suffering until we see that *human* ideas on sex, marriage and family will never bring happiness. You cannot trust man—and that includes yourself (Jeremiah 17:5).

Matthew 11:25 records, "At that time Jesus answered and said, I thank thee, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because thou hast hid these things from the wise and prudent, and hast revealed them unto babes." This explains why the world is so dark and why even the churches are so spiritually powerless. The truth cannot be figured out by men—it must be *revealed* by

God. And He will not do that for people who trust in *their own* wisdom and prudence! Thus, they can learn about what Jesus taught, and even BELIEVE IN CHRIST—yet reject the truth and replace it with their own traditions and religious ideas. Some in Jesus's human lifetime *knew* He came from God. But they refused to give God their assent, so He did not work with them.

When we trust in men and trust in ourselves, we prevent the Father from revealing to us the truth about these precious, God-level relationships. Only those who have teachable, child-like attitudes, will be humble enough to hear and grasp it.

In Matthew 18:1-3, Jesus Christ rebuked His disciples for blocking little children from coming to Him. *Let the little children come to me!*, He said. He made this point to them and recorded and preserved it in the Bible so we could learn this crucial important lesson: WE CANNOT ENTER THE KINGDOM OF GOD UNDER THE ROYAL FAMILY OF GOD UNLESS WE HUMBLE OURSELVES AND BECOME TEACHABLE LIKE LITTLE CHILDREN. How hard Christ tried to show people the importance of this child-like attitude, but so few humbled themselves.

People have human nature, influenced by Satan, and that nature has to *change*. Today, human nature is becoming more and more heavily influenced by Satan's proud, selfish, anti-God, anti-marriage, anti-family nature, and it is growing darker and darker. The Bible shows us where this is leading.

### **The Hearts of the Fathers**

The Prophet Daniel recorded this end-time prophecy: "And at that time shall Michael stand up, the great prince which standeth for the children of thy people: and *there shall be a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation even to that same time:* and at that time **THY PEOPLE SHALL BE DELIVERED**, every one that shall be found written in the book" (Daniel 12:1). We are now heading into this prophesied period of incomparable suffering!

But note: God promises to protect His Family, true Christians who are humble and teachable.

Look at this additional majestic promise: "And many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. And they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars for ever and ever" (verses 2-3).

THIS IS ABOUT A GOD-PLANE RELATIONSHIP—MARRIAGE AND FAMILY! *God Family—God marriage!*

God states in Malachi 4:5-6: "Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the Lord: And he shall turn the heart of the fathers to the children, and the heart of the children to their fathers, lest I come and smite the earth with a curse."

Before the unprecedented "time of trouble" and "great and dreadful day of the Lord" prophesied in Daniel, Malachi and other scriptures, God sent a man to warn the world, largely by teaching about God-plane relationships. This has already happened; that man who was a type of Elijah has come and gone.

God said if the fathers didn't learn this lesson, those members in God's own Family, the little flock, would turn away when





A child passes a Pride Month merchandise display in a San Francisco Target.

# Modern-Day Child Sacrifice

Ancient societies surrendered their children to their gods. Is America any better? **BY RICHARD PALMER**

**A**MERICA'S CHILDREN ARE under attack. Teachers, government officials, police and even parents have all joined a dangerous, sexually charged assault on the most impressionable and vulnerable among us.

It starts at the earliest possible years. Massive department stores from Target to Kohl's market "pride" merchandise—for babies. Target has been selling T-shirts featuring naked adults and pro-homosexual merchandise designed by a literal satanist. Videos on social media show clothing designed to make people look more like the opposite gender—including breast binders and other

items that have potentially lifelong side effects—for sale in kids' sections.

Popular kids' shows like *Sesame Street*, *Blues Clues* and *Peppa Pig* push homosexual propaganda. Disney boasts of its "not-at-all-secret gay agenda." At Disneyland, a man in a dress helps little girls choose princess outfits.

To celebrate pride month in June, Joe Biden invited thousands of homosexual activists to the White House. Transgender men and women stripped off to pose topless in front of children, while the rainbow flag displaced the American flag on the center of the portico.

These activists once claimed a free-speech right to hold pride parades. Now they demand the right to invite children

to watch mostly nude adults perform sex acts on each other. Some parades include a "kiddie korner" where children can play with sex toys. Even small children are invited to "Drag Queen Story Hour" events sponsored by public schools with taxpayer money. At drag events, children are prompted to stuff dollar bills into the underwear of men dressed as women; kids are encouraged to dance like strippers while adults applaud.

School libraries include explicit books on homosexuality for kids. A middle school in Michigan took children pole dancing on a field trip. A New Jersey high school secretly allowed some of its students to perform a drag show for a select group of staff. Homework assignments require students to read or write about masturbation, or describe how comfortable they are with homosexual sex acts.

Parents troubled or angry over these attacks on their children are being silenced and attacked. California's State Senate is considering a bill that would make the state's family code consider anyone who refuses to affirm a child's preferred gender guilty of child abuse and subject to having their kids taken from them. Schools, youth groups, churches and any other organization that deals with children would face charges of child abuse. Last year in Indiana, a court removed a child from his home because his parents refused

to accept that their child had swapped genders. Washington State passed a law in May allowing the state to take a child if his parents won't consent to "gender-affirming care." In plain English, if parents refuse to allow their son or daughter to be chemically castrated and rendered permanently infertile, or to have body parts chopped off, the state will seize the child and do it anyway.

This trend is as plainly, monstrously evil as anything you could imagine. How did modern society reach the point where such wickedness has grown common, acceptable—even a source of *pride*?

### The Kids Are Not Alright

Those who push these policies insist they are doing so for children's benefit. But evidence is rife that this homosexual-transgender push is hurting and even killing children.

In many cases, those promoting these events are literally sex criminals. A school counselor in Tucson, Arizona, who organized a drag queen event, has been arrested for having a sexual relationship with a female student. One "drag queen" allowed to read to children at the Houston Public Library in Texas is a registered sex offender. Performers at some of these events have been arrested for possessing child pornography. Yet these obvious truths are often glossed over.

Some of the individual stories are unthinkably horrific. William and Zack Zulock are a "married" homosexual couple who, in the eyes of the state, share a last name. They adopted two boys, ages 9 and 11, and literally made them poster children for the lesbian-gay-bisexual-transsexual movement. The two men posed for anti-hate campaigns; *Out* magazine often used pictures of the "family" on its website. They presented a glossy, happy facade. The truth, however, was that these two adult men were *raping* "their" boys! Even worse, they allowed other nearby pedophiles to rape them as well. On their devices, right alongside Instagram-bound photos portraying them as wholesome and loving parents, were videos they recorded of themselves sexually attacking these miserable children.

What makes this story all the more shameful is that one of these men had already been accused of child rape—before he and his partner were allowed

to adopt! The two men were surprised at how easy the adoption process was; even they assumed that a criminal charge would make adoption impossible—as well it should have. But this is the kind of tragedy that occurs when authorities are so eager to seem pro-homosexual.

England had a similar tragedy with the toddler Star Hobson. Members of the public reported that Star was being abused by her mother and her lesbian partner. Star's great-grandfather said authorities dismissed them as "troublemakers who made the complaint because we didn't like gypsies or same-sex relationships." Did these officials close their eyes to avoid appearing homophobic? Whatever the reason, because of their failure to intervene, Star's life was snuffed out at only 16 months old.

These are the most extreme, horrific examples. They are clear proof that when it comes to a choice between protecting a child or embracing the homosexual movement, authorities in both Britain and America will embrace the adults and the woke movement—even if children die.

### Lying to Our Children

One of the movement's most prominent children, Jazz Jennings, was one of the first transgender kids thrust into the spotlight. *I Am Jazz* was one of the first in a now-crowded genre: books about transgenderism aimed at preschoolers. Jazz was invited on talk shows, became a brand ambassador, and has his own reality tv show. As a teen, while the world watched, he had his sex organs cut off in a botched operation. He is now 22 years old and miserable. His show is still going. He missed his first semester at college because he was depressed. He's in constant pain from his surgeries. He knows he'll never be able to have a normal romantic relationship. He broke down on air, sobbing, "I just want to feel like myself. All I want is to be happy and feel like me and I don't feel like me ever!"

This is not Jazz's fault. This trauma became inevitable from the time that, when he was a little boy, adults who should have known better told him that being a girl would make his life so much

better. His parents, his doctors, politicians and the media fed him with lies and fawned over him—then, once the damage was done, the news presenters moved on to the next story.

A 1991 study looked at the parents of boys with "gender identity disorders" who thought they were girls. *More than half* had mothers who were diagnosed with depression or bipolar disorder—compared to 6 percent in the control group. This clearly suggests that mentally ill moms are wrecking the lives of their kids while society is applauding. This was a small, inadequate study; it only looked at around 30 people. But remarkably, it is the best we have because the medical industry has no interest in investigating further.

This truly is a matter of critical importance, for our children and our future. The fact that authorities are strenuously preserving fiction about the benefits of "gender-affirming care" is criminal. And young people are suffering for it on a horrifying scale.

Never have our young people been more depressed. One third of high school girls in the United States have seriously considered suicide. One quarter have made a suicide plan. Fifty-seven percent said they felt persistently sad or hopeless.

The homosexual movement is not the only culprit here. But if misery and high suicide rates are caused by intolerance, then why is the most open and tolerant society in history witnessing record levels of misery and suicide?

Suicide statistics go up sharply for those sacrificed to this movement. *Half* of girls who transition to "become" boys try to kill themselves. Altering teens' bodies *does not* solve their mental health problems—it intensifies them.

The trans movement uses emotional blackmail against parents: *Better a living daughter than a dead son*, as one slogan goes. *You must let your child have parts of his body sliced off, or you will be responsible for his death.* In May, a German center that specializes in "gender-affirming care" found that young transgender people who had had surgery were more depressed and lonelier than those who hadn't. A study





in the *Journal of Sexual Medicine* found that kids who had received this “care” required more anti-depressive drugs than before.

It shouldn’t take years of long studies to tell us that chopping body parts off kids doesn’t make them happy. A \$500,000 taxpayer-funded study gave hormones from the opposite sex to 24 young people, ages 12 to 20, to help them “transition.” Two of them committed suicide.

The evils of the transgender movement have become so obvious that some countries are changing course. Sweden and the UK have backed away from chemically castrating children. “Puberty blockers” are no longer prescribed. Britain’s Tavistock clinic, the National Health Service center for transgender children, has been shut down.

Tragically, in so many other areas of society, the movement marches on.

### The Danger of Same-Sex ‘Marriage’

The mass child abuse by the transgender movement has rightly gained some outrage in some circles. But even then, the connection between homosexuality and child abuse is ignored.

A June Gallup poll found that 71 percent of Americans now approve of homosexual “marriage.” What many people overlook is that this living arrangement puts children in danger.

In 2012, the New Family Structures Study interviewed 15,000 Americans ages 18 to 39. For children who grew up within their intact, natural family, 2 percent said they were touched sexually by a parent or a caregiver; 8 percent said they were forced to have sex against their will at some point; 5 percent became suicidal. Those are tragic statistics, but among homosexuals, they are far higher. For those with a lesbian mother, 23 percent said they were touched sexually by a parent or a caregiver, and 12 percent said they became suicidal. For those with a homosexual father, 31 percent said they were forced to have sex against their will, and 24 percent became suicidal.

Many people have worked hard to discredit that study. Again, the sample size is small: Not many people were brought up by a homosexual parent and were

adults by 2012. But the criticisms fail to disprove its findings. They are clearly from scholars who want to suppress conclusions they dislike.

And that study is hardly the only data that exposes the unpleasant truth. A range of studies have found that homosexual men make up around 3 percent of the population, but commit 30 to 40 percent of all sex crimes against children.

Even academics who try to argue that homosexuality has no connection to child rape and sexual abuse admit the opposite. One researcher wrote, “Only 21 percent of the child molesters we studied who assault little boys were exclusively homosexual.” Men who are “exclusively homosexual” are a tiny segment of society, so it is remarkable that they make up 1 in every 5 child molesters.

Many mainstream outlets parrot the lie that there is no evidence of a correlation between homosexuality and child sex abuse. They can only “prove” this by redefining homosexuality. Of course if you define homosexuals as “people attracted to those of the same sex but are not pedophiles,” then you’ll find that very few homosexuals are pedophiles.

In reality, pedophilia has been at the core of the homosexual movement for years.

### LGBT?P?

New York’s Gay Activist Alliance was a key homosexual organization in the early days of the movement to promote the tolerance, acceptance and popularity of homosexuality. It has been called “the most influential American gay liberation activist organization in the early 1970s,” and its headquarters has become a New York City landmark.

In the early 1970s, David Thorstad, Gay Activist Alliance’s president, became a founding member of an organization with a shocking name: the North American Man/Boy Love Association (NAMBLA). This pedophile group was later admitted into several homosexual, bisexual and transgender umbrella organizations. Thorstad

openly stated, “Boy-lovers were involved in the gay movement from the beginning, and their presence was tolerated.” As recently as 2002, the International Lesbian and Gay Association was denied United Nations recognition as a nongovernmental organization because it “did not document that it had purged pedophile groups” like NAMBLA.

In the UK, the Campaign for Homosexual Equality had a similar relationship with the Pedophile Information Exchange. The campaign passed motions in favor of the pedophiles on at least two occasions. In Germany, the Green Party pushed for the legalization of pedophilia in the ’80s and ’90s.

Around that time, Allen Ginsberg used poetry to support the homosexual movement. He won the National Book Award for Poetry in 1974 and the National Arts Club gold medal in 1979. He was a member of and regularly wrote for the NAMBLA.

Gayle Rubin is a professor at the University of Michigan. Her book *Thinking Sex* is considered a foundational text for the homosexual-bisexual-transgender movement. In it, Rubin writes that adult sex with children should be legalized and normalized and that pedophiles have been the victims of an unjust “witch

hunt.” “Like Communists and homosexuals in the 1950s,” she writes, they “are so stigmatized that it is difficult to find defenders for their civil liberties, let alone for their erotic orientation. Consequently, the police have feasted on them. Local police, the FBI, and watchdog postal inspectors have joined to build a huge apparatus whose

sole aim is to wipe out the community of men who love underaged youth.”

Many people within the homosexual movement think like this. More evidence is found in fiction books written for homosexuals: Many are full of pedophilia. The *Weekly Standard* wrote, “Gay fiction is rich with idyllic accounts of ‘intergenerational relationships,’ as such affairs are respectfully called these days.” Several of these end up in anthologies like *The Gay Canon: Great Books Every Gay Man Should Read*.

The *Journal of Homosexuality* was one of the most mainstream publications of

#### PEOPLE WHO SAID THEY WERE FORCED TO HAVE SEX AGAINST THEIR WILL



#### CHILDREN WHO SAID THEY WERE TOUCHED SEXUALLY BY A PARENT OR A CAREGIVER

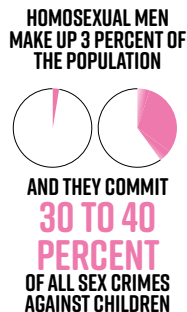




the homosexual movement. In 1990, it produced a series of essays titled “Male Intergenerational Intimacy: Historical, Sociopsychological and Legal Perspectives.” Edited by a pedophile, it praised adult sex with children as a natural right. In 1999, the journal stated, “Man-boy and woman-girl relations without doubt are same-sex relations and they do constitute an aspect of gay and lesbian life.”

The horrific attempts to push perversion on kids is not a new development: It is a fundamental part of the LGBT movement and has been from the beginning. It was just hid for decades while they worked on society to embrace the movement. The next letter added could be “P.”

As the lesbian-gay-bisexual and then the transgender movement became more mainstream, those leading it became more careful about what they said, fearing they would lose support among ordinary voters. Now support is so strong that the movement proudly, brazenly promotes these themes. They know that if forced to choose between supporting the homosexual movement and appearing tolerant or protecting children, those at the top of society will sacrifice the children.



### Sacrificing Children

Society, politicians, educators, churches and more have gone along with this movement—despite the unfathomable harm it is doing to an entire generation. As a society, we have come to accept this as morally acceptable.

But what does God think? We don’t have to debate this question; the Bible tells us directly.

“Ye shall not afflict any widow, or fatherless child,” God commands in Exodus 22:22-24. “If thou afflict them in any wise, and they cry at all unto me, I will surely hear their cry; And my wrath shall wax hot, and I will kill you with the sword; and your wives shall be widows, and your children fatherless.”

Could there be a stronger condemnation? God promises to avenge the defenseless! When a toddler is tortured to death, or a small child is brainwashed with perverse filth, God becomes angry. And He *will* respond.

The homosexual movement preaches love and tolerance. Christians have swallowed this propaganda, adopted this syrupy, counterfeit love, and rejected the clear teachings of the Bible. God calls homosexuality, transgenderism and every part of the “LGBT movement” an *abomination*. When you see its foul fruits, it is clear why: because of the appalling damage it wreaks on those who participate in it, their victims and all society.

In end-time prophecies, God compares such conduct with child sacrifice. He condemns “you who burn with lust among the oaks, under every green tree; who slay your children in the valleys, under the clefts of the rocks” (Isaiah 57:5; Revised Standard Version).

In Ezekiel, God says, “[T]hou hast slain my children, and delivered them to cause them to pass through the fire for them”

(Ezekiel 16:21). This chapter is addressed to “Jerusalem”—yet Ezekiel wrote too late to give any kind of warning to ancient Jerusalem. It is a warning primarily for spiritual Jerusalem—God’s Church—but also the modern descendants of Israel in Britain and America (read our free book *The United States and Britain in Prophecy*).

Our peoples have a history with God. Britain’s common law and America’s Constitution have their roots in the Bible. We, of all people, should know better. Instead we are leading the world into appalling, satanic perversions.

Ancient Israel and Judah did the same thing. The Bible talks about Molech, an ancient Canaanite god, little known to history, that people worshiped with child sacrifice. Jeremiah 32:35 says that Israel and Judah began “to sacrifice their sons and daughters to Molek, though I never commanded—nor did it enter my mind—that they should do such a detestable thing...” (New International Version).

Cleitarchus, writing around 300 B.C., describes a sacrifice to Molech that he saw in the Phoenician colony of Carthage: “There stands in their midst a bronze statue of Kronos, its hands extended over a bronze brazier, the flames of which engulf the child. When the flames fall upon the body, the limbs contract and the open mouth seems

almost to be laughing until the contracted body slips quietly into the brazier. Thus it is that the ‘grin’ is known as ‘sardonic laughter,’ since they die laughing.”

That is gruesome, horrific and hard to read. *Yet what we are doing today is worse.*

Firstly, consider how much more *widespread* is the evil today. How many more confused teens have been driven to suicide by this satanic ideology. From the White House to the schoolhouse, adults are pushing perversion—and the kids who follow it have a 50-50 chance of trying to kill themselves.

The Bible reveals that marriage and family were created by God. He wants children to grow up with a practical vision of their eternal future in the God Family. Marriage and family can be one of the greatest sources of joy and hope to children and adults alike (article, page 1).

The homosexual movement directly attacks God’s plan for His children. It deprives them of hope, poisons their minds, and tries to permanently cut them off from their heavenly Father.

The agenda behind this movement is not simply about destroying physical life. It’s an attempt to blot out God’s plan for these children.

Diodorus Siculus, writing around 50 B.C., also described Carthage’s child sacrifice. He wrote of a crisis where the city “selected 200 of the noblest children and sacrificed them publicly.” What did the parents think as they saw their babies writhing in the flames, creating that gruesome grimace for their bloodthirsty god? Sorrow certainly. But also, they thought of themselves as enlightened and selfless, sacrificing what was most precious to them for the greater good. Are we any better today as we hand our children over to an ideology that destroys minds and lives while patting ourselves on the back and celebrating our “pride”?

God says He will punish “in mine anger, and in my fury, and in great wrath” (Jeremiah 32:37). Surely when we see the way society is accommodating and celebrating this perverse and destructive wickedness, we can understand why.

### How We Got Here

How did we get to a point where society has embraced a cause so evil? It is critical to understand; otherwise we could carelessly embrace such a cause ourselves.

It all begins with a little compromise with sin—breaking God’s law (1 John 3:4). Sin cuts us off from God (Isaiah 59:1-2). As our booklet *Redefining Family* states, sin “distorts the thinking, becoming deeply engraved in the mind (Jeremiah 17:1), and searing the conscience (1 Timothy 4:2; Ephesians 4:19). Sexual sins in particular pervert wholesome thoughts and feelings. They undermine respect and honor for the opposite sex and appreciation for the family as God created it.”

Sexual sins feed on themselves. A little pornography generates a desire for something more perverse. Extreme pornography takes the viewer further into the cesspool. As Pulitzer Prize-winning author Andrea Long Chu wrote, “Sissy porn did make me trans.”

Romans 1 explains *exactly* how society reached this point of depravity.

Verse 18 warns, “The wrath of God is being revealed from heaven against all the godlessness and wickedness of people, who suppress the truth by their wickedness” (NIV). There are things mankind can and should know about God. But they have been suppressed. Man can know that God is his Creator, but we have rejected that truth (verses 19-20). “For although they knew God, they neither glorified him as God nor gave thanks to him, but their thinking became futile and their foolish hearts were darkened” (verse 21; NIV).

Instead we have embraced a purely materialistic education based on evolution. We have completely rejected what God says about marriage and family. We have adopted laws regarding sexual morality that encourage *doing whatever you feel like*—increasingly even if that means preying on children!

The next verses describe this downward slide. Man is conquered by his lusts. The result: “... Even their women exchanged natural sexual relations for unnatural ones. In the same way the men also abandoned natural relations with women and were inflamed with lust for one another. Men committed shameful acts with other men, and received in themselves the due penalty for their error. Furthermore, just as they did not think it worthwhile to retain the knowledge of God, so God gave them over to a depraved mind, so that they do what ought not to be done” (verses 26-28; NIV).

The perversion around us is the natural result of rejecting God’s law—denying biblical morality, and normalizing fornication, adultery, upside-down families, divorce and single parenthood.

What about those who don’t participate in that evil, but don’t oppose it either?

In Leviticus 20 God pronounces the death penalty on anyone who would sacrifice a child to Molech. But He does not stop there: “If the members of the community close their eyes when that man sacrifices one of his children to Molek and if they fail to put him to death, I myself will set my face against him and his family and will cut them off from their people together with all who follow him in prostituting themselves to Molek” (Leviticus 20:4-5). If people didn’t stand up and stop the evil, God said *He would*—and that He would also punish those who did nothing.

And if you think the Old Testament is null and void, Paul writes the same thing in Romans 1:32. God warns that His judgment is coming on those “who, knowing the righteous judgment of God, that those who practice such things are deserving of death, ... approve of those who practice them” (New King James Version).

The Bible has powerful warnings for the homosexual movement. It also gives a powerful warning to those who aren’t part of it, but who do nothing to fight it.

Clearly those who sacrifice children deserve punishment. But what about those who stand by and let it happen? They need their thinking fixed too.

If we just let it go, we compromise with sin. We put ourselves on that same

slippery slope. We soon find ourselves tolerating things that once outraged us.

How did America reach the depths of evil it has today? Yes, a perverse few dragged blatantly evil practices into the mainstream. But beyond that, most stood by and did nothing. God says He is furious with *both* groups.

Does any one of us feel as strongly about this sin as God does?

### You Must Choose a Side

How, then, should we respond? The same scriptures that reveal God’s reaction give us the answer.

God commands in Isaiah 58:1, “Cry aloud, spare not, lift up thy voice like a trumpet, and shew my people their transgression, and the house of Jacob their sins.” God told another prophet, “Son of man, cause Jerusalem to know her abominations” (Ezekiel 16:2).

This is the only way to keep ourselves unsoiled from the sin of society: by backing God’s work that warns about this sin.

There is no standing aside or being neutral in this fight. If you are not fighting for our children, then you are fighting against them—and against God.

There is only one loving response to the homosexual movement: warning about the consequences of what they are doing to themselves and to our children.

Most will not heed the warning. But God, in His love, will not allow society to continue to plumb new depths of perversion. He will intervene as forcefully and painfully as necessary to turn this world around. Those who heed the warning ahead of time will save themselves untold suffering. And so, God has a work that proclaims a message of warning and a message of hope. A message that shows the world their sins and gives them the wonderful vision behind marriage and family—a vision with eternal promise.

God wants all mankind to have the opportunity to join His Family. He will do all He can to turn around even those currently trapped within this evil movement—He does not want *anyone* to perish (2 Peter 3:9). He is full of love. But love does not mean tolerating child sacrifice. It means saving the children, correcting the sin, straightening out minds, and educating the world in a new way of life—one that causes joy, peace and happiness forever. ■

## What is their real goal?

The LGBTQ movement does not aim for tolerance: Its goal is destruction.

To learn the true intent of the movement and how to stand against it, request your free copy of ***Redefining Family***.



A drag queen hosts a story hour for families and children during a Pride festival in Massachusetts.

# Queer Pressure

**LGBTQ propaganda is taking over modern education. Amid this wasteland, a young voice cries out.**

**BY JOEL HILLIKER**

**T**RANSGENDERISM IS SWALLOWING our schools and our children. People with deeply twisted goals for our children know that if they can get them young, they can transform society—and they are getting them young, in our schools.

Flags and decorations celebrating transgenderism and other sexual deviance are dominating classrooms and hallways. Drag queens are performing in school gymnasiums. Children are flipping through graphic books provided by school libraries. Curricula companies are providing masturbation homework and sex manuals to pre-teens. Children who protest are being ridiculed, told they should be forced out of school and threatened with diversity-equality-inclusion propaganda sessions. Faculty members are bragging on social media that they encourage their students to experiment with deviant sexuality and that they help hide it from their parents.

From the middle of this moral wasteland, a young voice has cried out.

On February 8, the *Daily Mail* posted, “What It’s Like to Be a Pupil Today as

Trans Hysteria Grips Schools: One 14-Year-Old Girl Speaks Out.” It is a gut-wrenching, heartbreaking report from the culture war battlefield, in her case a coeducational state secondary school in southeast England.

Here is a glimpse into the reality of our schools.

This girl began by talking about how teachers regularly ask if she is “transitioning.” Girls who wear pants “are often asked if we are transgender, especially if we have short hair, as I do. The fact a girl likes playing video games, or doesn’t like feminine clothes or makeup is enough to be seen as potentially trans.” In this environment that *encourages* gender confusion, *1 in 10* children in her grade now identifies as “trans” or “nonbinary.”

Under continuing “affirmation” and pressure from adults and peers, more and more 14-year-olds are acting like and even trying to become the opposite sex. The minds of a whole generation of youth are falling prey to transgender propaganda inside the classrooms and hallways where they are meant to be developing intelligence and character.

This girl’s mother called out one teacher for referring to her daughter with “they/them” pronouns. “[T]he teacher apologized but explained he was being cautious in case I was transitioning.

He said the teachers are treading on eggshells, scared of being labeled transphobic.”

*Transphobic.* That is the projectile that radicals fire at anyone who does not fully support this radical movement. They define transphobia however they want and force people to comply with their increasingly drastic demands. To protect themselves, teachers are doing all they can to “affirm” any hint of a signal a student might send—and are *finding transgenderism where none exists*. This is creating an unimaginably toxic climate within our schools.

“It feels like trans is all anyone talks about,” this 14-year-old wrote. “The library has a section devoted to LGBTQIA+ books, and there is a display for Pride in the school entrance, with rainbow flags and words and terms such as ‘nonbinary,’ ‘polysexual,’ ‘demiboy,’ ‘demigirl’ and ‘pansexual.’ These words come up in lessons, too. I’m now in Year 10, and the other day a girl in my English class asked if the Greek god Zeus was a man or a woman, and the teacher replied that Zeus could have ‘identified as nonbinary.’ More recently, another teacher said Lady Macbeth was ‘neither a man nor a woman.’ I think most parents will have no clue this is what their kids are being taught.”

Do you know what *your* children are being taught? If this filth is not already flooding your local school, it soon will be.

Many parents are waking up. They see the power these teachers and local school boards wield over their children’s minds. They are attending school board meetings, speaking out, trying to stop it or slow it. But the school board members don’t want to hear it. They act as if *they* have more rights concerning these children than the parents do! They endure the meeting, sometimes eject the parents in some fashion, dismiss the parents’ concerns, and go on pushing this filth.



And the trans-obsessed school environment, like the one that engulfs this 14-year-old girl, intensifies. She wrote that if she said anything at school about parents needing to know what students are being taught, she would *lose her friends*, who are “completely intolerant of anything they think is transphobic.”

She sees that something is terribly wrong, and that the school is hiding it. Yet she won't divulge her identity or even name her school because of *death threats* others have received on social media from students in her school. Think about that: Schoolchildren have been so indoctrinated in this divisive, toxic thinking that

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they will *tear each other up* to enforce a perverse, *fraudulent* moral standard they learned from transgender radicals.

#### The Source of the Trend

You *must* recognize the source of this trend. This anti-human self-destruction comes from Satan the devil. What young people are doing to themselves with the support and even *encouragement* of educators, school psychologists, physicians and often even their parents is so twisted, so devoid of logic and reason, so incomprehensibly unhinged, that it proves there is a god of this world who works in their minds (see 2 Corinthians 4:4 and Ephesians 2:2).

Satan *preys* on children. He *hates* them. He *deceives* them. And he is mutilating and destroying them.

John 8:44 summarizes his character: He is the father of murder and lies. He is the originator of deviance and perversion. The Bible warns us in 2 Corinthians 2:11 not to be ignorant of his devices, or he will gain an advantage over us. The devil is an accuser and a divider. He inspires the worst aspects of our human nature: self-righteousness, vanity, sanctimony. He encourages people to devise their own standards of right and wrong, and to enforce them with religious zeal, ignoring what is actually right and wrong as defined by God.

That is exactly what is happening here. This anti-family, anti-God movement is transforming young people into fanatics, the shock troops of a false religion.

#### Peer Pressure

This girl described how some of her “transgender” peers have simply caved in to pressure. “It felt as if they joined in because it meant they were seen as cool. You get special treatment if you say you are trans or nonbinary and suddenly become the center of attention when you ‘come out.’”

How susceptible teenagers are to such social pressure. They are growing, changing, trying to figure things out, seeking respect, status and inclusion. This is a perfect storm for drawing vulnerable young people into the nightmare of gender dysphoria, of trying to

*defy biology*—of rejecting everything that could actually help them live a happy, healthy, productive life.

*Over 40 years ago*, Herbert W. Armstrong wrote in his book *The Missing Dimension in Sex*: “Some would hush up the naked facts. But the welfare of our youth is at stake. The adolescents, drifting with the immorality tide, are speeding past their elders in the downward plunge. There is a trend. It is an immoral trend. It is speeding up at accelerated pace. It is only natural for young people to follow the trend. They want to belong. It's time to face the facts squarely. People are like sheep. They all follow the leader to the slaughter. But they don't know they are being led to the slaughter. They are just a little stupid. Yes, quite a little! But they still want to belong! It's natural to just go with the group.”

He was talking about premarital sex. But 40 years of moral decline later, his words apply perfectly to the transgender movement. The devil is feeding youths' desire for acceptance and playing them like a fiddle.

If parents aren't vigilant—if their instruction at home isn't strong enough to counteract that—or if they are cowed by school or public officials telling them to embrace their child's “transition” or lose their child—or if they have bought into the abhorrent lie that this abuse is actually *supporting* their child—then they are powerless to prevent this from happening to their own children.

#### 'Constant Talk of Transphobia'

This girl wrote that, among her peers, the terms *lesbian* and *gay* are now “thought to be an insult.” Why? Because those lifestyles—which God condemns as sin and abomination—are rooted in a “binary” view of sex. To be a good, orthodox, transsexual-affirming person, you must believe that gender is fluid.

This is how far down this bizarre abyss we have fallen. This movement will *never* be satisfied. Even if you wanted to, you could never fully comply with their standard, because it is continually shifting into deeper perversity.

“There is a straight boy going out with a straight girl who says she is trans, so he now has to say that he's bisexual,” this girl wrote. “It's often said by my schoolmates that trans girls are ‘better’ girls than ‘other girls.’ I find this insulting. But the teachers don't take any action even if they do hear conversations like this.” Teachers who hear such things fear not only the reaction of the students but of everyone from the school principal to the national government.

“There is constant talk of transphobia and bigotry,” she wrote, “and many of the students who say they are trans constantly talk about being ‘victims,’ with anyone who isn't trans being the perpetrator.” This obsession with victimhood is also deeply disturbing—and satanic. The message is, *your problems are not your fault*. Whatever is wrong in life, especially if you can claim status as a persecuted minority—*society* is to blame. This traps people in failure and unhappiness. It guarantees that they will not improve their own lives. They feel no responsibility to correct or even acknowledge their own failings, and instead indulge ever more deeply in complaining, resentment and bitterness.

She wrote that her friend “Kelley” was “affirmed” as a boy. “She has serious mental health issues and is regularly off school as she self-harms. Kelley socially transitioned without any teacher challenging her. She has a new name and can now use the boys' changing rooms.” How *criminal* that students who need help with mental health issues are being pushed in *this direction*, which will utterly *destroy them*. SHAME on these

educators for sacrificing girls like “Kelley” to this twisted ideology.

“All my friends pretty much believe in ‘gender identity.’ Girls and boys are referred to by teachers and students as ‘assigned female at birth’ or ‘assigned male at birth.’ This is shortened to AFAB and AMAB.” That’s right: Teachers cannot say “boys” and “girls.” *Everything* is processed through this creepy filter designed to constantly keep “gender” on these youths’ minds.

During their school years, these young people should be thinking about math, science and language. They should be stirred by the heroic lessons of history. They should be learning to grow in their capabilities, taking on new responsibilities, preparing for a productive life of working, creating and giving.

“Assigned male at birth” and “assigned female at birth” constantly being thrown at them pushes all that aside and reduces them to lab rats in a grotesque experiment. It fixates their minds on themselves—and on sex—and on things base, confusing and perverse.

Education should be enlightening their world and expanding their horizons. It is instead banishing them to darkness and strangling their future.

### The Truth Is Exposed

This girl’s school has something called an equalities club, which she joined “because I believe in equal rights for all, then found it was impossible to talk about any group, other than trans people, that was discriminated against. There’s a rule against wearing badges in school, but some students wear trans flag and pronoun badges, and nobody tells them off.” This supposedly *discriminated against and victimized* group is actually treated as a privileged class.

“Until now, I’ve just gone along with most of it. But there are some things I can’t leave alone. For example, I really like [author] J.K. Rowling, but she was called a ‘TERF’ (trans-exclusionary radical feminist) by a friend, who said she was heartbroken to hear that J.K. was ‘anti-trans.’ I asked in what way J.K. was transphobic, but this friend couldn’t give me an answer, she just said: ‘I hope all TERFS drop dead.’ I was shocked by her anger.

“There have also been violent comments on social media towards

‘transphobes’ with students from the school threatening to strangle them.”

*The truth is exposed.* If there is one thing this movement likes to brand itself with, it is *love*—acceptance, inclusivity, embracing everyone, no matter what. Yet transsexuals often resent even homosexuals and radical feminists. If you don’t think exactly as



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they do, they will attack you mercilessly. This movement is *not* about love—it breeds *violent hatred*. It is not about inclusivity—it demands *total conformity*. It is not about acceptance—it’s about *coercion and compliance*.

The hate, arrogance, intimidation and violence among these people comes from the same evil source as their tragic, terrible sexual perversions. It is clearer and clearer every day that this is a *satanic* movement.

It is, in fact, powerful evidence of a truth the *Trumpet* has written a lot about over our 33 years in print—that we are living in a time prophesied in the Bible when Satan and his demons have been cast down and confined to Earth. “... Woe to the inhabitants of the earth ...! for the devil is come down unto you, having great wrath, because he knoweth that he hath but a short time” (Revelation 12:12).

What *woe* we suffer when teachers will not use the words “he” or “she” to

describe students for fear of being labeled transphobic. What *woe* when a school library devotes an entire section of books to promote this perverse lifestyle and decorates the entrance of the school to celebrate it. What *woe* when schools encourage this delusional behavior while silencing and threatening those who oppose it. What *woe* when this is deliberately concealed from parents, and parents are shut out of their children’s lives, and an entire generation is sacrificed on the altar of a dehumanizing, pagan cult!

But take hope in that same verse: “[H]e knoweth that he hath but a short time.” Thank God that this brutalizing and destroying of our children can last only a short while.

These problems have become so entrenched that it is difficult to see governments in this world turning this around. We need to be

aware and protect our own children the best we possibly can. We cannot afford to simply turn them over to the public school system.

To solve the broad problem, God must step in. And He promises to do exactly that. The prophecies about the god of this world being cast down and running rampant on Earth are being fulfilled, and they immediately precede the prophesied return of Jesus Christ. He is coming to take control and establish God’s government, the only system that can establish a wonderful, worldwide system of education that will build strong families and help every child reach his or her God-given potential. He is already sowing the seeds of that educational program today within His true Church.

We need to pray daily, “Thy Kingdom come.” Seeing the cruel realities of what Satan is doing in the world should fuel the urgency and fervency of that prayer. ■

## Raise your children God’s way!

Parents—there is another way. Your children aren’t for schools, society or the government to rear. It’s your job—and you can do it God’s way, not their way. Request your free copy of ***Child Rearing With Vision*** to learn how.



# The Heretics



Chloe Cole speaks at a news conference on Capitol Hill on Sept. 20, 2022, in Washington, D.C.

The LGBTQ movement wants to silence them—but it is hard to ignore the anguished opposition to ‘transitioning’ among those who regret having tried it. **BY JEREMIAH JACQUES**

“I DON’T WANT WHAT HAPPENED to me to happen ever again to any other child,” Chloe Cole said during a May 25 interview with True North.

What happened to her was that at age 12, she tumbled deep into an Internet rabbit hole where she became convinced that maturing into a woman would be an appalling and humiliating experience. “[T]he feminist dogma that I was being exposed to on websites like Instagram and Tumblr would talk about how painful the female experience is and how horrific and useless things like pregnancy and childbirth were,” she said. “It was very anti-woman, and it would often ridicule not only these processes, but mothers and ... the traditional role of the woman.”

Chloe added: “Things like that made me very afraid of becoming a woman and eventually experiencing those things for myself.”

Many of the individuals posting in the communities that 12-year-old Chloe

frequented were—or claimed to be— young girls who said they had been born into the wrong body and had started identifying as male. “I found it really relatable because growing up I was a bit on the tomboyish side,” she said. “I always felt like there was something that was setting me apart from the other kids, and now it seemed like I had an explanation for this feeling.”

The truth is, almost all young people experience some social struggles, concerns about fitting in among peers, and apprehension about adulthood. If Chloe had lived in a different time and place, the authorities in her life would have reassured her that what she was feeling was common. They would have explained that womanhood is a wonderful thing, and lovingly guided her to embrace her biological nature.

But this was 2016 in California.

Chloe and her parents were soon in consultations with a range of specialists who said she had severe

gender dysphoria and needed urgent medical treatment. “They told my parents that there was no other option, that it couldn’t wait until I was an adult, that it had to happen now—and if it didn’t, then it would be very likely that I would kill myself.”

They were asked: “Would you rather have a dead daughter or a living son?”

Chloe wasn’t in the room for these momentous conversations. And she says that she was never suicidal until *after* her parents were pressured into following the specialists’ advice.

## Dosed and Diced

At age 13, Chloe was put on a potent puberty blocker called Lupron that suppresses the body’s production of sex hormones. Within weeks of the first injection, she was experiencing hot flashes and unusual itching all over her body. “I was going through menopause when I was in 8th grade,” she said.

Chloe also became lethargic, despondent and unable to focus at school. But then it was time for the next phase of her treatment: testosterone. Before the first injection, an endocrinologist told her that the combination of puberty blockers and testosterone injections would cause vaginal atrophy that would make sexual activity painful for her without topical estrogen. “But I was 13 years old,” she said, “and I wasn’t sexually active yet, so I didn’t really understand what any of this meant.”

The same endocrinologist also told Chloe at this time that these drugs would likely affect her fertility as an adult. “But I was still a kid, and I wasn’t thinking about having kids of my own,” she said. “I didn’t know how important that would be ... so I just said, ‘I’m fine with that.’”

So she was injected with testosterone, and soon her lethargy was overtaken by liveliness and confidence. “I felt amazing because now my body I thought was finally healthy again and I had my energy back,” she said. She also began growing more angular and muscular, with a sharper jawline, broader shoulders and increased body and facial hair. She began sounding like an entirely different person. “Throughout high school I actually had a deeper voice than most of the boys my age, and even some of my teachers.”



With the chemical alterations in place, the specialists said it was time for the next step in Chloe's transition: going under the knife.

On June 3, 2020, at age 15, she underwent a double mastectomy. "My breasts are completely gone," she said, adding that the procedure included skin grafts that continue to leak fluid even three years later. "I have to wear bandages over my chest every day because of this and it won't stop, and I have no idea what it is." The surgeon who gave Chloe her disfiguring wound and skin grafts told her that all she can do is keep Vaseline and bandages on the area.

During the months before and after her mastectomy, Chloe was going by the name Leo. And despite the complications, she was a darling of her high school. "It was really nice for a while," she said. "I was making friendships and getting social opportunities that I didn't really have before."

But it didn't take long for the novelty to fade.

A few months after the surgery, Chloe began recoiling away from the person she saw in the mirror. The sight of her figure physically nauseated her, and it was then, for the first time, that she became suicidal.

### 'The Way Back'

By May of 2021, Chloe, now 17, was convinced that her attempt to transition had been a colossal mistake caused mainly by medical experts who had pushed it on her and her parents. "The process of my diagnosis wasn't thorough enough," she said. "They had on file that I previously had the diagnosis of ADHD, that I had some very strong symptoms of autism, and I had social difficulties and that I had symptoms of a body image disorder. But none of this was even taken into consideration during the diagnosis or the treatment."

Overcome with regret, she stopped taking testosterone injections and began presenting as female once again. But sudden cessation of the male sex hormone was another great jolt to her young body and mind, leaving her physically sickly and emotionally unstable. "The way back hasn't been easy," she said. "It became really difficult to regulate myself emotionally

because of the extreme hormonal imbalance in my body and it was affecting all of my relationships."

By the time she was a few months into her senior year, Chloe had essentially no friends. She soon failed out of school.

As the complications persisted, she also found herself largely rejected by the very specialists who had pushed her to transition. "After stopping transition," she said, "you pretty much just get



**From 2009 to 2019, children advised to medically transition increased 1,000 percent for males and 4,400 percent for females.**

kicked to the side by your own doctors who helped you to get these treatments." She added: "There's no codes in place in health care for people who stopped transitioning or regret their transition or have had some sort of complication from these treatments, so there's nothing for doctors to really abide by when deciding how to treat us."

On top of all this, Chloe also became a target for harassment by the trans activists who had assured her years earlier that trying to become male would solve her problems. "Just talking about my regret, they found it offensive, and they told me that my experience wasn't important," she said. The activists told Chloe she was "harming the transgender community" because her message of regret was "preventing people from getting the care that real transgender people needed."

It didn't take long for the harassment to push her into silence. "I stopped speaking about my experience for a while," she said.

But as she came to more fully realize all that she had been through, Chloe felt she couldn't keep quiet. "I wanted

to expose the transgender community and how it takes vulnerable children and young adults and how it treats the people whose transitions are a failure," she said. "And I felt the responsibility to take that upon myself because I don't want what happened to me to happen ever again to any other child because this is *never* an appropriate treatment for children *ever*."

She has filed a high-profile lawsuit against her health-care provider and doctors who "decided to perform a mutilating, mimicry sex change experiment" on her, according to the litigation. And she devotes her time now to speaking out against what she calls the "abuse" it is "to let a child believe that they were in fact born in the wrong body." And Chloe is not alone.

### 'Slow This Train Down'

A Veterans Affairs psychologist in 2013 convinced deeply depressed Navy SEAL Chris Beck that he was a woman trapped in a man's body. Beck underwent hormone therapy, facial surgery and breast augmentation. "I was naive; I was in a really bad way; I was taken advantage of," he said in a December 2022 interview with Robby Starbuck. Two months earlier, Beck had announced on Facebook that he was detransitioning. "I have lived in hell for the past 10 years," he wrote. "I look back and I see how I destroyed everything in my life that was holy, the temple of God, our bodies, what we have here," and "I wish I'd had someone that would have helped me." Beck has since tried to be that person to others. He speaks out, warning parents and children not to let "experts" coerce them into making life-altering decisions. "Someone has to try to slow this train down," Beck wrote. "I stood up against madness to save innocent children."

Helena Kerschner, a woman from Ohio, began transitioning at age 20. "I was ... given the green light to start transition by my doctor on the first visit," she wrote in a June 25, 2021, *Newsweek* op-ed. "One year later, I would be curled in my bed, clutching my double-mastectomy scars and sobbing with regret" because what she thought was gender dysphoria "turned out to stem from other mental health issues." The cross-sex hormones rendered her suicidal and

culminated in two hospitalizations for self-harm. Regarding her decision to warn others not to follow her path, she wrote: “Real lives are at stake.”

Soren Aldaco was absorbed into niche online subculture groups at age 11 and started cross-sex hormones at 17. Two years later, she underwent a double mastectomy. She suffered “massive bilateral hematomas” from the procedure as well as vaginal atrophy, hormone instability and serious gastroenterological issues. She was soon on 11 different prescription medications to deal with the range of physical and psychological problems. Six months after the surgery, she began detransitioning. In March, she testified to the Texas state legislature against “gender-affirming care,” saying, “Children deserve better than plastic surgery and hormones.”

The stories of women such as Camille Kiefel, Grace Lidinsky-Smith and Charlie Evans are similar. After Charlie went public with her warnings, she was contacted by more than 300 other people who said they had similar experiences.

### How Many Have ‘Transition Regret’?

Trans activists say the experience of Chloe and these others are so rare that they are irrelevant and are actually dangerous to bring into the discussion. They claim that the number who experience “transition regret” is minuscule and should not be allowed to slow their crusade to radically remake society. For proof they point very often to a study conducted by the Archives of Sexual Behavior in Sweden from 1960 to 2010. It found that 2.2 percent of transitioners rued their decision.

But we must recognize how drastically society has changed in recent years.

Until 2013, individuals seeking to live as the opposite sex were labeled as

mentally ill by the *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders*, which is regarded as holy writ by professional psychologists. The overwhelming majority of ordinary people also viewed such individuals in a negative light. These perceptions made it extremely rare for anyone to identify and seek to live as the opposite sex. Sweden’s National

Board of Health and Welfare said in 2005 that over the previous decades only about 1 in 100,000 of the nation’s people had taken that path.

Those who took part in the 1960-to-2010 study were among this tiny fragment of a percent. And they would have taken medical steps to change their sex in spite of heavy stigma and only after years of counseling and deliberation. They were also all adults when they made the momentous decision. So perhaps it is unsurprising that almost 98 percent of them stayed the course.

But in 2013, the *Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders* dropped the label “gender identity disorder” in favor of “gender dysphoria” and said the condition isn’t a pathology to be fixed so much as a distress that should be somehow resolved. This change was part of a broad societal shift in the Western world away from traditional sex roles and toward exalting all lifestyles nontraditional and non-heterosexual. And in the decade since, the shift has gained stunning momentum and has utterly transformed the societal landscape.

The world today is starkly different from how it was for most of the time of the Swedish study, particularly for young people.

Gallup found last year that the number of American adults now identifying

as something other than heterosexual has risen to a new high of 7.1 percent. And for the youngest adults surveyed—those born from 1997 to 2003—the figure was a stunning 20.8 percent. Meanwhile, a Pew poll from the same year found that 40 percent of Americans believe gender is fluid, not determined by sex identified at birth.

In this societal climate, huge numbers of young people are profoundly confused. And the moment one of them utters a word about gender perplexity or body image problems, many peers and even parents rush to apply the now chic diagnosis of transgenderism. And medical experts increasingly insist that the only viable remedy for any such perplexity is rapid “transition.” A study in the United Kingdom showed that from 2009 to 2019, the number of children advised to medically transition increased 1,000 percent for males and 4,400 percent for females.

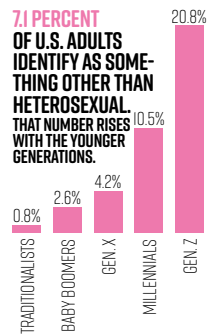
The trendiness of the trans label and the hastiness of such medical quackery means far more people now decide to transition, and most of them do so with little counting of the cost.

The result is that far more than 2 percent come, as Chloe did, to quickly regret the decision. The *Journal of Clinical Endocrinology and Metabolism* published a study in 2022 called “Continuation of Gender Affirming Hormones Among Transgender Adolescents and Adults.” It examined 1,000 individuals who started taking cross-sex

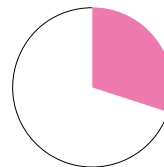
hormones and found that four years later, around 70.2 percent of them were still taking them.

This leaves almost 30 percent in Chloe’s situation—a number almost 14 times greater than the oft-cited one from the outdated study on Swedes.

And since the trans trend has gone mainstream so rapidly, even this 30 percent figure may not reflect the long-term rates of reversal. “The full extent of regret and detransition in young people transitioning today, under vastly different circumstances than in the past, will not be known for many years,” Sarah Jorgenson, a University of Toronto Ph.D.



30 PERCENT OF PEOPLE WHO START TAKING CROSS-SEX HORMONES STOP WITHIN FOUR YEARS.



## What is the future of family?

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student, wrote in the June 2023 issue of the *Archives of Sexual Behavior*.

This is a chilling reality. Switching sexes is being sold as a panacea to troubled youth. The hormones and surgeries have permanent and grotesque effects on their bodies and minds. Yet we seldom hear about the way many of these individuals realize they actually do identify with their biological sex and wish they had never been pushed down this twisted, nightmarish path.

### ‘Male and Female Created He Them’

Activists are convincing more and more young people and their parents that trying to switch sexes is the way to treat confusion and to find happiness. But it is clearly causing a great deal of suffering. This is a general phenomenon in human conduct that the Bible warned about: “There is a way which seemeth right unto a man,” Proverbs 14:12 states, “but the end thereof are the ways of death.”

The solutions that people devise to try to solve life’s problems seem sound to them. But human perception is tragically unreliable. And in many cases, it is only after going all in on a certain method and then seeing it catastrophically fail that we come to understand that we were in error from the start. Even then, we sometimes refuse to admit defeat and instead double down on the same doomed solution.

Jeremiah 17:9 states, “The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it?” Our hearts blind us very cleverly to our own evil. Even when we are behaving in utterly selfish and destructive ways, they can convince us, on some level, that we are the light of men.

How can we rise above our faulty perception and our blinding self-deception? The only way is to stop placing our trust in our scheming hearts and place it instead in the God who created us.

“The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom,” Psalm 111:10 states. Learning to fear God—which means to deeply respect Him and acknowledge the superiority of His thinking over ours—is the crucial first step. It is the *beginning* of wisdom. The psalm goes on to explain how to put that “fear” into action: “a good understanding have all they that do his commandments ....”

In the Ten Commandments, along with the statutes and judgments, the Creator has explained the way that leads people to live stable, fulfilled, happy lives. Most today, even many who identify as Christian, generally dismiss the laws that the Bible spells out. But Proverbs 29:18 assures us that keeping them fosters good living: “[H]e that keepeth the law, happy is he.”

God did not give the law to oppress men and women. It was not preserved in Scripture to keep people from having an enjoyable life or to lade us with feelings of guilt. He is the one who created us and is therefore uniquely positioned to know what makes us either happy or miserable. The law was recorded in detail to outline the path to a stable life, and a free one. James 1:25 calls it “the perfect law of liberty.” There is no other path to real freedom and happiness.

Many of the laws the Creator inspired to be recorded concern relationships, family and the disparate roles of men and women. “[M]ale and female created he them,” Genesis 1:27 states, and the law makes plain that He did so with purpose and clear intent. Many details are recorded about sex roles, and passages such as Deuteronomy 22:5 show that differences between men and women are beautiful, and that the lines are not to be blurred.

Men and women have rejected God’s law since the Garden of Eden. That is why the world is dark with turmoil, murder and misery, and why so many today, particularly young people, are mired in confusion. If you are bogged down in confusion, discouragement, loneliness or perhaps even a desire to take your own life, you can put God to the test. His promise is that if you strive to obey Him, your life will begin anew. Your heaviness will lessen. Your life will be changed beautifully. ■

## Why marry?

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the Elijah died. Here in Malachi, God warns the ministers who turned away from what He taught through that man that if they don’t repent and turn the hearts of the fathers to the children and the children to the fathers, He will smite the Earth with a curse! This means they will lose their eternal lives.

People saying that there is no such thing as the father leading the family anymore is shocking to God, and it results in a harsh end to Malachi and a harsh end for those who do not turn.

The Jewish people thought this was so harsh that they repeat verse 5 after verse 6 when they read the book, so Malachi’s prophecy doesn’t have such a grim conclusion! But God says, *If my own people—who have the Spirit of God and have been taught all this by my servant—still reject it, I will have to punish them severely!*

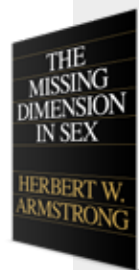
Why marriage? Why family? People do not know. But if they would allow God to reveal the answer to them, they could see that it is a God-plane relationship! If you understand this, it will be the thrill and joy of your life, and you will fall in love with your Bible like you’ve never dreamed!

Scripture makes clear that *human* marriage and family are only a *type* and a *foreshadow* of the marriage of the Lamb and the God Family!

Revelation 19:7-8 discuss the Bride of Christ who has “made herself ready.” There is a group of people on Earth today whom Christ already looks upon as His wife, and she will be ready when He gets here. Those who heed Christ’s message now, before He returns to establish the royal God Family and the Kingdom of God across the whole Earth, will MARRY HIM and rule with Him on the throne of King David (Luke 1:32). Then we will help Him expand the God Family out into the universe, forever!

Can we really see what a phenomenal reward God wants to give us?

We need to be building strong, God-plane relationships: marriages and families that truly are on a godly level! Doing so leads to unity, peace and joy like God and the Word—now the Father and Son—have had for all eternity. It is hard to even fathom that majestic future God has for us—if we seek it! ■





**W**HAT SEEMED LIKE A fanciful conspiracy just a few years ago has been revealed as a dark and sickening fact. The United States is controlled by leaders who are not only corrupt but personally involved in sex perversions.

Sexual assault allegations against Joe Biden. Sexual extortion charges against Hunter Biden. Sex trafficking and pedophilia charges against Jeffrey Epstein. Serial adultery charges against Bill Clinton. Sexting scandals involving Anthony Weiner. Prostitution scandals involving Eliot Spitzer. Homosexual solicitation scandals involving Larry Craig. Bestiality scandals involving Themis Matsoukas. These scandals are a small sampling of

the debauchery, depravity and predatory behavior that has infected the upper echelons of American society.

Political, economic and media elites use the language of tolerance and diversity to put a cheap gloss on their vile thoughts and deeds. Yet in reality, they are exercising their power to contribute to a single trend that can, all by itself, destroy our society.

The common people allow this because they have accepted the media lie that such behavior is normal, and because they are often caught up in their own sexual vices. So the occasional conservative boycott against a company endorsing perversion does not make much difference.

It is stunning how rapidly sexual perversions are being popularized,

celebrated and even mandated. Billion-dollar U.S. corporations—especially corporations with large advertising budgets, media expertise and other wide-scale interaction with the public—have forced fornication, homosexuality and even sexual mutilation into everyday life. They have become virtually impossible for people to avoid.

Amazon. Anheuser-Busch. Bank of America. Etsy. Disney. GoFundMe. Instacart. J.P. Morgan Chase. KitchenAid. PetSmart. Target. Walmart. YouTube. These are just a few of the thousands of companies prioritizing radical social engineering schemes above even their own bottom line. Target is facing boycotts over a new line of “LGBTQ-friendly swimwear” for *children*. PetSmart is selling rainbow-colored cat collars, “pride” bikinis for dogs and tank tops for lizards. Walmart donated \$500,000 to PFLAG, one of the largest groups advocating for lesbian-gay-bisexual-transgender-queer causes. And GLSEN, an organization that both Target and PetSmart financially support, has sent 46,000 “LGBTQ+ affirming K-12 books” to 4,600 public schools. GLSEN-promoted material includes books that show Boy Scouts watching men having sex, books that detail sexual intercourse between first-graders, books that encourage children to meet

men at gay bars. Yet Target executives will not condemn such vile material.

A generation ago, the type of scandals many political, economic

# The Perverted Ruling Class

Sexual predators within America's power elite are fundamentally transforming society.

BY STEPHEN FLURRY AND ANDREW MILLER



and media elites are involved in would have been reason enough for a revolution. Yet today, Americans are being desensitized to sexual perversions by a network of “woke” companies that sell sexualized clothing to toddlers and put transgenders in commercials.

### **Woke Industrial Complex**

Many conservatives were shocked when Budweiser hired transgender influencer Dylan Mulvaney to promote Bud Light beer. They boycotted the company, and Budweiser sales plunged nearly 25 percent. Bud Light responded by donating \$200,000 to an LGBTQ+ nonprofit group. Clearly, Budweiser executives are motivated by something other than profits and sales. They are motivated by a desire to fundamentally transform American morals even if that means taking a financial hit.

Many executives at both Target and Budweiser were undoubtedly educated in the same leftist universities, which have been hotbeds of moral relativism for decades. Yet an April 12 exposé in the *New York Post* reveals that there is another hidden reason why literally hundreds of other publicly traded companies are promoting sexual deviancy their customer base opposes. They are effectively being *bullied* into it.

The United States of America has what you could call a woke-industrial complex. It is what author James Lindsay has compared to “an extortion racket, like the mafia.” Companies that comply with the woke mafia are rewarded with financing and praise. Companies that defy it are punished and ostracized.

Here is how this industrial complex works. Much of the power that liberals have amassed is concentrated in the largest lesbian-gay-bisexual-transgender-queer activist group in the world: the Human Rights Campaign. This group receives tens of millions per year from George Soros’s Open Society Foundation, the Silicon Valley Community Foundation and the Planned Parenthood Federation of America. One of its main projects is generating a Corporate Equality Index (CEI), which measures a company’s favorable “policies, practices and benefits pertinent to lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer employees.” Companies that attain the maximum 100

CEI points receive the title of “Best Place to Work for LGBTQ Equality.”

This CEI would be about as relevant as any other formula made up by any special-interest faction, except that it is part of the environmental, social and governance (ESG) business model. This set of standards evaluates a company based on how its leaders use their power to change the environment and society. And the people who invented this model want to make society far more radical and woke.

The three largest passive management firms in America promote ESG ideology. BlackRock, the Vanguard Group and State Street Corp. manage more than \$20 trillion in assets and own over 20 percent of the shares in the average S&P 500 company. They have tremendous

### **Executives are motivated by a desire to transform American morals even if that means taking a financial hit.**

power to appoint corporate board members and executives across America and thereby influence the governance of hundreds and thousands of large companies and tens of millions of employees. And they are using this power to pressure companies into supporting homosexuality, transgenderism and other perversions, even at the cost of their own moral and even financial interests.

On June 20, the O’Keefe Media Group published a secretly recorded conversation between an undercover journalist and Serge Varlay, a BlackRock recruiter, who boasted that BlackRock can bribe politicians and thereby “run the world.” He said that senators can be bought and that the right amount of money can make it so that no matter who wins an election, they will carry out BlackRock’s interests. This is one of the main reasons that politicians and executives across America are promoting the agenda of sexual perversion and communist ideology.

### **Scandalous Laptop**

Entrepreneur Elon Musk said he is “increasingly convinced that corporate ESG is the devil incarnate.” He is more right than he realizes. ESG is designed to add the power of corporations to the ongoing effort to destroy the traditional family. So like the devil, this system pretends to be good while it is really ripping apart the nuclear family, which is *the*

*basic building block of any stable society.*

People should be asking themselves why people like the Obamas and the Bidens care so much about woke companies accused of grooming children. They claim to fight for equity and inclusion. Yet the biography *Rising Star: The Making of Barack Obama* points out that Obama’s nanny growing up was a 24-year-old man who wore women’s clothes and tried on makeup in front of him. And the Hunter Biden laptop graphically illustrates that the Biden family is part of a sordid world of drug addiction, prostitution and human trafficking.

So are America’s perverted elite actually fighting for equity and inclusion? Or do they just want everyone else to be as messed up as they are? Many

people believe America’s perverted ruling class is trying to normalize sexual deviancy, or at least make people numb to it, before their own sordid crimes are outed to the public.

This view has especially taken hold since the Hunter Biden laptop gave us a rare “view through the hole” into the types of lives many elites live in the dark, when their suits are off and they think no one is looking.

The research group Marco Polo compiled a 630-page analysis of the Hunter Biden laptop documenting 459 violations of state and federal laws, including 191 sex offenses, 128 drug offenses and 140 business crimes. And the sex offenses are not “victimless crimes.” Based on Hunter’s voluminous Internet browser history, e-mails and text messages, he frequently procured the sexual services of women from prostitution rings (some of which were linked to *Russia*) and pressured staffers into having sex with him (not to mention the gigabytes of “legal” pornography on the laptop).

The laptop shows that Hunter spent hundreds of thousands on prostitutes, drugs, cars and more, yet was scrambling to avoid jail for \$320,000 in unpaid taxes. E-mails from May 24, 2020, show he wired out \$25,000 to a single prostitute. Some of the prostitutes connected to Hunter have been arrested,

# The Woke Industrial Complex

Megacorporations are using three-letter alphabet soup policies like ESG and CEI to promote sexual deviance and fundamentally transform American morals. Here is a look at how this system works.

## Funders of the Human Rights Campaign



### United Food and Commercial Workers

Sixth-largest labor union in the United States. Its goal is to “ensure full equality for LGBTQ+ workers on their jobs and in their unions.”

FOUNDER: Zalmon Richards  
 PRESIDENT: Becky Pringle  
 REVENUE: \$397 million



### Planned Parenthood Federation of America

Largest provider of abortions in the U.S.—300,000 per year.

FOUNDER: Margaret Sanger  
 PRESIDENT: Alexis Johnson  
 REVENUE: \$286 million

### OPEN SOCIETY FOUNDATIONS

#### Open Society Foundations

Grant-making network supporting special interest groups in more than 120 countries. One of the largest funders of the LGBTQ agenda in the United States.

FOUNDER: George Soros  
 PRESIDENT: Mark Malloch Brown  
 REVENUE: \$526 million



### The Silicon Valley Community Foundation

Grant-making organization with over \$11 billion in assets. Donates more than \$600,000 per year to LGBTQ issues.

FOUNDER: Emmett Carson  
 PRESIDENT: Nicole Taylor  
 REVENUE: \$2.6 billion



### National Education Association

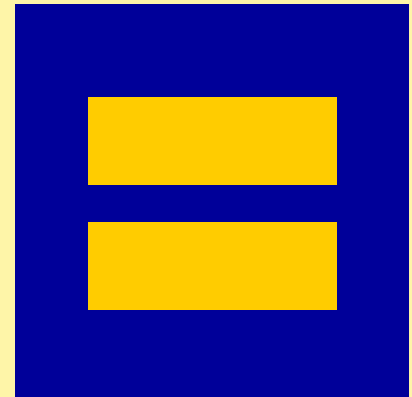
America’s largest labor union, representing nearly 3 million teachers and education employees. Gives nearly \$70 million per year to the Democratic Party and left-wing political organizations.

FOUNDER: William Wynn  
 PRESIDENT: Anthony Perrone  
 REVENUE: \$243 million

### Soros Fund Charitable Foundation

Private grant-making foundation associated with the Open Society Foundations. Known to have funded the Human Rights Campaign and the Planned Parenthood Federation of America.

FOUNDER: George Soros  
 PRESIDENT: Maryann Canfield  
 REVENUE: \$18 million



## The Human Rights Campaign

America’s largest LGBTQ activist organization. Publishes a Corporate Equality Index to reward American businesses for compliance with its sexual agenda.

FOUNDER: Steve Endean  
 PRESIDENT: Kelley Robinson  
 REVENUE: \$46 million

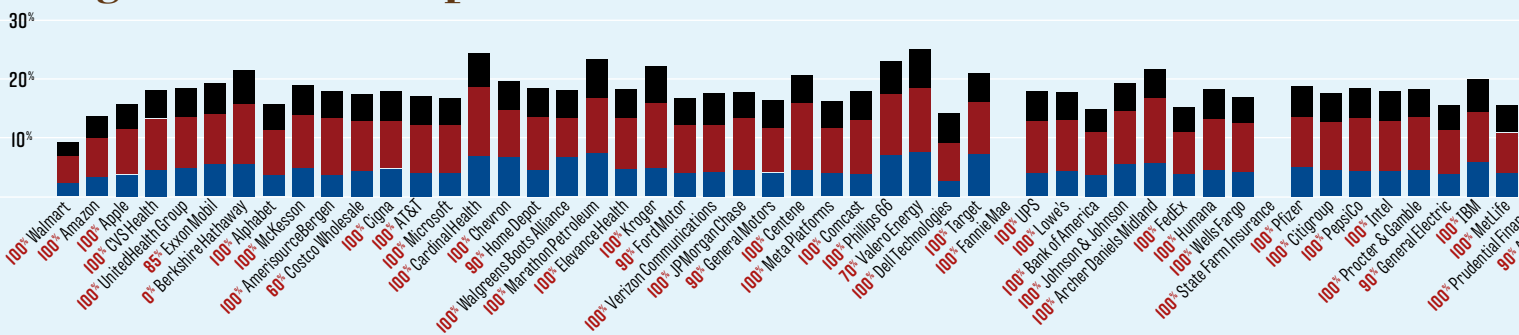


“[L]ike an extortion racket, like the Mafia.”

POLITICAL ANALYST JAMES LINDSAY, ON HOW THE HUMAN RIGHTS CAMPAIGN USES ITS CEI RANKING

## Big Three Ownership

■ BLACKROCK OWNERSHIP ■ VANGUARD OWNERSHIP ■ STATE STREET OWNERSHIP 100% CEI SCORE







“ESG is the Marxists’ tool to complete their long march through the institutions. The unholy alliance of big government and big finance is their means to weaponize the finance industry to bring businesses to heel.”

SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT OF RESEARCH, JOHN LOCKE FOUNDATION **BRIAN BALFOUR**



“[ESG] is a protection racket. If company executives don’t go along with it, they could see their compensation cut or their bonuses disappear, and the chance of further investment from the big three funds could go away.”

REPUBLICAN PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE **VIVEK RAMASWAMY**



“I am increasingly convinced that corporate ESG is the devil incarnate.”

ENTREPRENEUR **ELON MUSK**

## Companies the Human Rights Campaign uses to bully corporate America

Combined, these three enormous investment companies manage approximately \$22 trillion in assets. They own, on average, 20 percent of all Fortune 500 company shares and are the largest shareholders in 88 percent of Fortune 500 companies.

## Methods used to bully corporate America

### ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL GOVERNANCE

Refers to three key factors (environmental, social and governance) used to measure the ethical impact of an investment in a business. The leaders of BlackRock, Vanguard and State Street use this model to influence more than 1,600 companies in which they have partial ownership.

### CORPORATE EQUALITY INDEX

Created by the Human Rights Campaign in 2002. Evaluates companies based on workforce protections, inclusive benefits, supporting an inclusive culture and corporate social responsibility, and responsible citizenship. Companies use the ESG index to rate businesses on their treatment of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer employees, consumers and investors.

### MONEY

BlackRock, Vanguard and State Street use their voting power on corporate boards across America to deny executives their bonuses and further investment opportunities if they refuse to actively promote homosexuality and transgenderism.

## BlackRock

### BlackRock Inc.

The world’s largest investment management company. Together with Vanguard, it owns 18 percent of Fox News, 16 percent of CBS, 13 percent of Comcast, 12 percent of CNN, 12 percent of Disney.

**MANAGED ASSETS:** \$10 trillion

**FOUNDER:** Larry Fink

**CEO:** Larry Fink

**EMPLOYEES:** 19,800

**REVENUE:** \$17.9 billion

## STATE STREET

### State Street Corp.

World’s fifth-largest investment management company. Its largest shareholders include BlackRock and Vanguard. It owns 4 percent of the average Fortune 100 company.

**MANAGED ASSETS:** \$3.9 trillion

**FOUNDER:** John Hancock

**CEO:** Ron O’Hanley

**EMPLOYEES:** 42,226

**REVENUE:** \$12.2 billion

## Vanguard®

### The Vanguard Group

World’s second-largest investment management company. Largest shareholder in BlackRock and 330 companies in the S&P 500, the 500 largest publicly traded companies in the U.S.

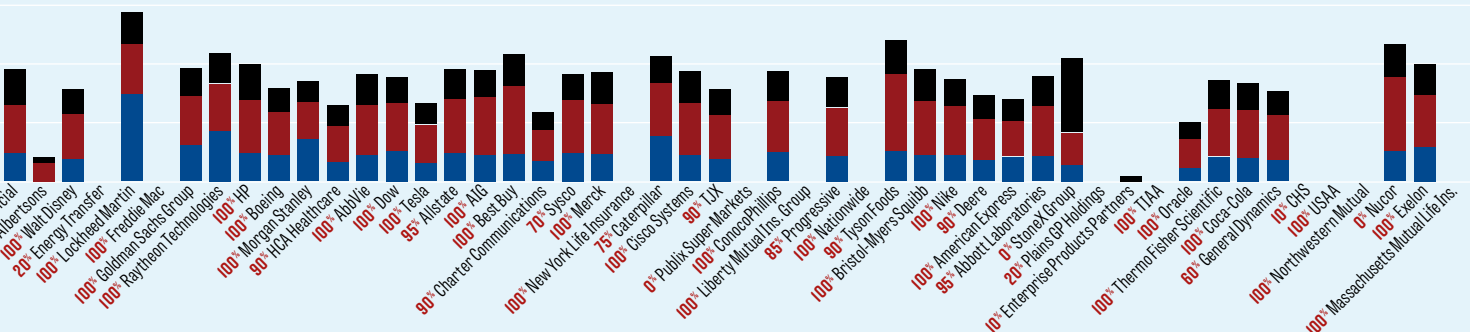
**MANAGED ASSETS:** \$8 trillion

**FOUNDER:** John Bogle

**CEO:** Mortimer Buckley

**EMPLOYEES:** 18,800

**REVENUE:** \$6.9 billion



but no one has yet dared to prosecute Joe Biden's son for these egregious crimes. On June 20 of this year, after being under investigation for five years, Hunter was finally charged with a gun felony and two tax misdemeanors. Yet, the "deep state" is still covering up his scores of sex crimes.

Text messages recovered from the laptop show that Hunter threatened to withhold pay from one of his female staffers if she didn't FaceTime him for sex. Yet the legal system and corporate media have never held him to account for such sexual extortion. Instead, CNN's

Brian Stelter called Hunter's biography, *Beautiful Things*—which purports to tell the unvarnished truth about the first son's drug addiction—"extraordinary" and "breathtaking." David Zurawik at the *Baltimore Sun* thought it "powerful" and "profound." To opinion writer Nicole Hemmer, it is "a window into America's soul."

Hunter's biography may indeed be "a window into America's soul." But through this window, we see no "beautiful things." We see a sexual deviant being praised by a ruling class who will never hold him to account because there are thousands of Hunter Bidens among America's ruling elite.

## Pedophile Network

**W**ITH SO MANY WASHINGTON, D.C., elites turning a blind eye to both Hunter Biden's and Jeffrey Epstein's sordid crimes, it probably should not be a surprise that Mark Zuckerberg's social media service Instagram uses algorithms that connect and promote a vast network of accounts devoted to child-sex material.

According to researchers at Stanford University and the University of Massachusetts-Amherst, Instagram does not merely host child-sex content. It promotes it. "Instagram connects pedophiles and guides them to content sellers via recommendation systems that excel at linking those who share niche interests," the *Wall Street Journal* reported on June 7. "Though out of sight for most on the platform, the sexualized accounts on Instagram are brazen about their interest. The researchers found that Instagram enabled people to search explicit hashtags such as #pedowhore and #preteensex and connected them to accounts that used the terms to advertise child-sex material for sale. Such accounts often claim to be run by the children themselves and use overtly sexual handles .... At the right price, children are available for in-person 'meet ups.'"

This is deeply concerning. Some will point out that it is hard to police a site that receives nearly 100 million posts per day, yet the fact that three academics with limited access to Instagram code were able to uncover such a vast network indicates at least some level of carelessness or complicity among Instagram employees. Instagram has effectively censored Robert Kennedy Jr. and numerous others for spreading "misinformation" about mRNA vaccines, but it has not been effective in censoring pedophiles and child pornographers from its platform.

Former Twitter Head of Trust & Safety Yoel Roth has bragged openly about his interests in pedophilia and pornography for years, so there is precedence of despicable vile behavior among Silicon Valley elites.

The Prophet Joel warned that there would be a thriving child-sex trade in the end time where young boys are traded for prostitutes and young girls are traded for wine (Joel 3:1-3). We see the beginnings of this sex trade already among some of America's perverted elite. Adults purchase children for sex at least 2.5 million times each year in the United States. In all too many cases, this occurs because people in power turn a blind eye to wicked behavior for perverted and self-serving reasons! ■



### Epstein Cover-up

More than a decade before the Biden laptop scandal, an Internal Revenue Service investigation revealed that thousands of Washington, D.C., bureaucrats, lawyers, lobbyists and politicians frequented an escort service operated by Deborah Palfrey, a woman better known as the "D.C. Madam." Yet the government pressured the media away from naming names, and Madam Palfrey committed suicide soon after her 2008 arrest. In fact, the whole scandal played out similarly to the later, better-known scandal involving Jeffrey Epstein.

Epstein was a billionaire financier heavily involved in supplying women and children to the elites to rape. He apparently engaged in these monstrous crimes as early as the 1980s but did not become known publicly as a pedophile until 2005, when a parent reported that he raped her 14-year-old daughter. When the truth came out, Epstein pleaded guilty, was convicted, endured an astonishingly weak and brief punishment—and officially became a known child rapist. Investigators found that he had abused dozens of young girls, and the real list of his victims over the decades could be in the hundreds or thousands.

Epstein was arrested again in 2019 for trafficking children for sex. About a month later, he died in his jail cell. Like Madam Palfrey, he hung himself. The two security cameras didn't work, the guards fell asleep, and his body was moved against protocols: "a perfect storm of screw ups," as Attorney General Bill Barr put it. That's the official explanation. Many think he was murdered by D.C. elites who did not want to be exposed.

Though Epstein is now dead, the revelations keep coming out about how many extremely rich, extremely powerful, extremely well-known people continued to associate with him after his 2005 conviction.

Former President Bill Clinton is perhaps Epstein's most infamous associate. Epstein visited the White House 17 times during Clinton's presidency, and Clinton flew on Epstein's plane. Court documents show that Epstein had more than 160 powerful associates. Among them were Prince Andrew, Swiss

financier Ariane de Rothschild, Microsoft founder Bill Gates, Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak, White House Counsel Kathryn Ruemmler, corporate consultant Joshua Cooper Ramo, private equity consultant Leon Black, Bard College president Leon Botstein, retail billionaire Leslie Wexner, American intellectual Noam Chomsky, Democrat billionaire Reid Hoffman, Central Intelligence Agency Director William Burns and movie director Woody Allen.

Why did these high-profile people meet so often with a convicted sex offender? It has been public knowledge since March 2005 that Epstein admitted to paying a 14-year-old girl \$300 to strip naked and massage him. Yet after he was released from his 13-month prison sentence in 2009, academics, media moguls, politicians and public figures resumed business with him.

A woman named Ghislaine Maxwell helped Epstein engage in his wickedness for decades. She has actually been convicted of helping Epstein in sexual abuse. Yet who actually raped the children is unknown. There are undoubtedly dozens of elites in Washington, D.C., and elsewhere who have abused women and even children with Epstein's help, but none of them have been held to account because they are part of a "deep state" network that protects its own while trying to project its crimes onto the innocent.

The cabal currently running America is sick beyond imagination!

### Wicked Abominations

Because of people like Hunter Biden, Deborah Palfrey, Jeffrey Epstein and Ghislaine Maxwell, about 15 percent of Americans believe that "the government, media and financial worlds in the U.S. are controlled by a group of Satan-worshiping pedophiles who run a global child sex-trafficking operation"—in the words of a PRRI survey. That is a truly inflammatory belief. Yet facts indicate it might be truer than most rational people want to think.

Epstein once told a *New York Times* reporter that "criminalizing sex with teenage girls was a cultural aberration and that at times in history it was perfectly acceptable." Yet hundreds of government, media and financial elites continued to do business with him, even

as they worked to convince millions of Americans that pornography, fornication, adultery, homosexuality, transgenderism and other perversions were normal.

God wants this sordid world of twisted perversions exposed so the American people can see just how far they have fallen from the pure standard He set for us in the Bible. The Prophet Ezekiel wrote that the leaders of end-time spiritual Israel, the Church of God, would be involved in "wicked abominations" that take place "in the dark" where they believe "the Eternal sees us not." It appears similar sins infect the elites of end-time physical Israel (America, Brit-



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ain and the Jewish nation in the Middle East primarily). The prostitution and pedophile rings flourishing in Washington, D.C., fulfill this prophecy like few things have.

In a vision, God told the prophet to peer into what the elites of his day were doing inside the halls of power. "So I went in and saw; and behold every form of creeping things, and abominable beasts, and all the idols of the house of Israel, portrayed upon the wall round about. And there stood before them seventy men of the ancients of the house of Israel, and in the midst of them stood Jaazaniah the son of Shaphan, with

every man his censer in his hand; and a thick cloud of incense went up. Then said he unto me, Son of man, hast thou seen what the ancients of the house of Israel do in the dark, every man in the chambers of his imagery? for they say, The Lord seeth us not; the Lord hath forsaken the earth" (Ezekiel 8:10-12).

This passage is about the ancients, or elders, "of the house of Israel" worshiping false gods and engaging in vile practices "in the dark," where the people cannot see them. It does not necessarily infer sexual perversions, although many of America's leaders want to hide the sexual perversions they engage in.

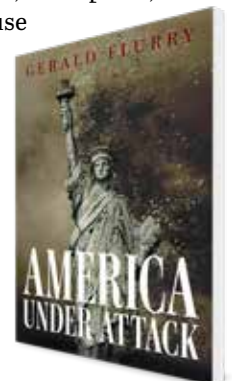
America's leaders are doing abominable things in the dark corridors of power while they try to force their will on the people. God is going to have to expose them so people have one last chance to repent. Normally, this type of purge would take a civil war, but God promises in 2 Kings 14:26-28 and Amos 7:8 that He will save America through an end-time type of King Jeroboam II so people have a chance to turn back to Him the easier way. But this will be the last time God spares America before our sins plunge us into great tribulation!

The deeper one looks into the problems plaguing America today, the uglier and more twisted the picture grows. It truly does explain the inexplicable actions of these political, corporate and media elites, who are successfully driving the nation into a moral abyss, and who so often cover for each other's abominable behavior. But God sees it all. And He promises to expose it, to avenge those who have been exploited, and to bring every one of these people to justice.

Beyond that, God promises to establish His rule, exalting leaders of incorruptible character who will help Him eliminate perversion, corruption, exploitation and abuse from the Earth! ■

## There is one ruler behind the attack on America.

There is a spirit being behind America's elite destroying the nation from the top and for the destruction of the family from the bottom. To learn the sinister source of America's trouble, request your free copy of Gerald Flurry's **America Under Attack**.







# The Real Meaning of the Rainbow

The radical left has hijacked the rainbow—but they can't change its true meaning. BY RICHARD PALMER

**T**HE RAINBOW FLAG IS EVERYWHERE. In shops, businesses, streets and other public areas, it flies over a conquered people. It is the world's most recognizable symbol of sexual deviancy.

But just like the ideals regarding sex, pride, kindness and right and wrong that it stands for, the actual rainbow flag design is a bold perversion of something pure, wholesome and beautiful.

The origin of this flag is well documented. Deep into a deviant way of life, Gilbert Baker wanted to create a symbol for the homosexual movement. "We rode the mirrored ball on glittering LSD and love power," he wrote of a drug-fueled party that he says spawned his idea. "Dance fused us, magical and cleansing. We were all in a swirl of color and light. It was like a rainbow. A rainbow. That's the moment when I knew exactly what kind of flag I would make. A rainbow flag was

a conscious choice, natural and necessary. The rainbow came from earliest recorded history as a symbol of hope. In the book of Genesis, it appeared as proof of a covenant between God and all living creatures."

The origin of the actual rainbow is also well documented. It reveals how rebellious and how dangerous this deviant movement is. It also reveals hope far beyond what anyone has imagined.

## Mercy Amid Destruction

Genesis documents the history of the first humans rejecting obedience to God and deciding for themselves what is right and wrong. Their firstborn son became a murderer, and things went downhill from there.

Genesis 6 reveals that generations later, mankind had become so evil "that every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually."

Worldwide rebellion and selfishness were leading to worldwide destruction.

It grieved God to see man suffering and inflicting suffering. He determined to end it. Though sparing righteous Noah, as well as his wife, sons and their wives, God caused a worldwide flood to wipe out mankind. This cataclysm dramatically demonstrated God's anger over sin, His determination to purge it, and His terrible power to punish.

It also showed His compassion on the righteous and His ability to protect. And underscoring His mercy, after the Flood, God made a promise: He would never again wipe out humanity in a flood. As a symbol of this promise, He established the rainbow (Genesis 9:8-17).

When you see a rainbow, you are seeing a beautiful symbol of a merciful promise: God will not give up on mankind. He is working out an incredible plan through man, to reproduce Himself and create more God beings in the God Family (article, page 1). He is totally committed to that plan. Even with human beings embracing monstrous evil, God still will not give up.

But God still hates sin and is still resolved to purge it from the Earth. The most powerful demonstration of this was sending His Son to Earth and *sacrificing* Him as an atonement for our sins. That enables man to be cleansed of past sins and reconciled to God (Romans 5:7-10).

Yet a great many people propagate an enticing but terrible lie about this wonderful gift: *Christ died for your sins; therefore, you no longer have to keep God's law. It is done away. Live however you like. Decide what is good and evil for yourself.* As Jude 4 explains, this is "turning the grace of our God into lasciviousness," or *lawlessness*.

Co-opting the rainbow is the same ungodly strategy. It equates to lying about the nature of God's mercy and twisting it to justify lawlessness: *Do what you want, live how you want—God doesn't care, He's promised mercy for all.* It is the same lie.

## A Rainbow Prophecy

This rainbow promise isn't simply ancient history. Jesus Christ personally prophesied that in this end time mankind would reach the same depths of evil and depravity as in the days of Noah

(Matthew 24:37-39). And He described the result: “For then there will be great distress, unequalled from the beginning of the world until now—and never to be equalled again. If those days had not been cut short, NO ONE WOULD SURVIVE, but for the sake of the elect those days will be shortened” (verses 21-22; New International Version).

Once again, mankind is defining good and evil as he chooses. Unparalleled sin is producing incomparable suffering, and man is driving himself into depravity and almost extinction.

But even as mankind faces another extinction event, perishing in the ashes of nuclear war, God reiterates His promise made to Noah: “For a small moment have I forsaken thee; but with great mercies will I gather thee. In a little wrath I hid my face from thee for a moment; but with everlasting kindness will I have mercy on thee, saith the Lord thy Redeemer. For this is as the waters of Noah unto me: for as I have sworn that the waters of Noah should no more go over the earth; so have I sworn that I would not be wroth with thee, nor rebuke thee” (Isaiah 54:7-9).

When you see how rebellious and perverted human beings have become, you know that God *will* punish in His wrath. The history of the Flood teaches us that. But He will not completely abandon us to global sin and global suicide. The rainbow teaches us that.

Yet there is an even more specific promise in this passage. Verses 4-6 show this is addressed to His Church, the Bride of Christ (Ephesians 5:32). Many prophecies describe a widespread rebellion in God’s end-time Church (request our free book *Malachi’s Message*). This apostasy is *worse* than what happened in the days of Noah. Then, people were ignorant of God’s truth and cut off from His Holy Spirit. Members of His Church, by contrast, have everything they need to succeed. In rebelling they have failed both God and the world they were supposed to warn. But God says that just as He did not give up on a sinning mankind, so will He not give up on His sinning Church. If the members repent, He will still welcome them into His Family.

Revelation 10 describes a message to this rebelling Church contained in a “little book.” The angel that delivers it is “clothed with a cloud: *and a rainbow was*

*upon his head*, and his face was as it were the sun, and his feet as pillars of fire.”

*Trumpet* editor in chief Gerald Flurry writes this: “The little book helps reveal GOD’S MERCY IN THESE DISASTROUS EVENTS, just as God did with the rainbow in Noah’s time. The little book reveals the whole picture—bad news and incredibly good news” (emphasis added).

### **A Rainbow Throne**

The Bible reveals that God surrounds Himself with a rainbow. Revelation 4:3 describes God’s throne room: “And he that sat was to look upon like a jasper and a sardine stone: *and there was a rainbow round about the throne*, in sight like unto an emerald.” That throne room is full of light, beauty and color.

God created light and the laws of optics. He could have designed man to sense the world some other way, or to see it in black and white—instead we see color.

“Do you fully realize it?” wrote Herbert W. Armstrong in a 1964 co-worker letter. “God is not the author of ugliness, but of BEAUTY! Not of unsightliness, or drab, colorless, depressing surroundings, but of magnificence, inspiration, culture! Not the source or giver of cheapness, inferiority, but of quality and CHARACTER! Not of darkness, but of LIGHT and BRILLIANCE! ... God Himself dwells in brilliant SPLENDOR! From His throne in Heaven brilliant lightning flashes forth! It is resplendent in BEAUTY brilliance and GLORY beyond description!”

God is accompanied by brilliance and splendor wherever He goes. Ezekiel 1 details the fiery brilliance surrounding God when He traverses the universe. It concludes: “Like the appearance of a rainbow in a cloud on a rainy day, so was the appearance of the brightness all around it. This was the appearance of the likeness of the glory of the Lord” (verse 28; New King James Version).

Revelation 21 describes God bringing that same brilliance and glory down to Earth in the form of new Jerusalem. It is full of gold, crystal and light—and its foundations are described as 12 gemstones characterized by dazzling hues across the spectrum.

In Isaiah 54, right after He reiterates His promise to Noah, God promises His Church, “[B]ehold, I will lay thy stones with fair colours.” He also compares the

glory of His Church with the appearance of spectacular gems.

God wants to take the same glory and colorful brilliance out into the universe. His goal is to reproduce Himself—to create more beings capable of creating such glory and brilliance. God “needed millions or billions of perfect and righteous beings, governed by His government, to complete in beauty, majesty and glory not only the other planets of our solar system, but of our Milky Way, and the countless other galaxies of the limitless, vast universe,” wrote Mr. Armstrong. “So now comes the next phase of God’s overwhelmingly grand purpose: to REPRODUCE HIMSELF into billions of God-beings.”

*This* is the transcendent vision bound up in God’s rainbow promise. He is working out a glorious purpose through mankind. He has given everything, made the greatest sacrifice He could possibly make, for this project. He is not going to back out or give up.

Even those who died in the Flood will have their chance! They will be resurrected in the future and given an opportunity to learn God’s truth. Jesus Christ Himself describes previous generations of unconverted people being resurrected and corrected (Luke 11:29-32; Matthew 11:23-24). They will have an opportunity to repent and become part of this awesome plan.

The rainbow is a sign of God’s mercy. But that mercy does not mean God tolerates sin—it means He works to free man from sin. He corrects in His mercy, helping men see the damage they are doing to themselves and others. Someone may have embraced all kinds of perversion, but God wants that person to turn things around, to change his life and repent, rather than to suffer punishment.

God’s mercy means that He is inviting flawed, sinful mankind into His Family. He is working according to a plan, with a time order. He will help us clean up our lives if we let Him. He wants as many as possible to be born into His Family and help bring His brilliant, colorful beauty to the whole universe! ■

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Protesters block a road in Tel Aviv during a March 27 rally against the Israeli government's judicial reform.

# The Jewish Nation Has No Helper

The State of Israel is teetering on civil war. Bible prophecy reveals the outcome. **BY GERALD FLURRY**

**D**EMOCRACY IS UNDER ATTACK in the Jewish nation of Israel. There is a great controversy over Israel's government, and it is close to a breaking point!

The Supreme Court of Israel has amassed more and more control over the nation. When Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu took steps to reduce that power, more than 150,000 Israelis staged mass protests against him.

Israeli President Isaac Herzog said Israel was "on the brink of constitutional and societal collapse." Former Prime Minister Ehud Barak said Netanyahu is pushing for "de facto dictatorship." He and other leaders actually urged Israelis to refuse to obey the government.

They are accusing Netanyahu of trying to overthrow Israel's democracy. That is a lie! He is trying to RESTORE democracy. In large part due to its Supreme Court, Israel's democracy has *already* been overthrown.

## Rule of Lawyers

Over the past few decades, the lawyers appointed to the Supreme Court of Israel have massively expanded the court's power over the elected representatives of the Israeli people. They have taken to themselves the authority to review and to nullify any Israeli law, no matter how many representatives or voters disagree.

"Israel has no written constitution. Instead, its Supreme Court is a law unto itself," Jerome Marcus wrote for the Jewish News Syndicate (February 24). The nation's Basic Law, he said, is the closest thing it has to a constitution, and even it can be overruled by Supreme Court judges. "In Israel, you see, the constitution can be unconstitutional if the justices say so because they think it's unreasonable" (ibid).

The government of Israel largely depends on what these 15 judges declare to be "reasonable." In many cases, their will can overrule everything!

"People say there's no longer any point in voting," author Melanie Phillips wrote, "since the judges run the country" (March 23).

Respected American judge Robert Bork wrote in his book *Coercing Values: The Worldwide Rule of Judges*, "Israel has set a standard for judicial imperialism that can probably never be surpassed and, one devoutly hopes, will never be equaled elsewhere. The sad irony is that the Supreme Court, operating with a basic law that specifies Israel's values are both Jewish and democratic, is gradually producing an Israel that is neither Jewish nor democratic."

The types of lawyers, judges and justices who have produced this power-hungry body over the past few decades are also the types of people

making judgments that are more and more leftist and more and more radical.

Despite the fact that other lawyers have spent 15 years looking for a way to convict and lock him up, Netanyahu managed to win Israel's latest election at the end of last year. These lawyers and judges think they know better than Israeli voters, and they are willing to do whatever it takes to block him and his policies.

Voters returned Netanyahu to the office of prime minister (for the third time in his career) partially because he promised to confront this deep, anti-democratic problem in Israel's government. When he acted on that promise and introduced a new law to make the court more subject to the legislature, the media and influential left-wing politicians stirred many Israelis into a frenzy.

Those favoring judicial reform may have won the election, but the leftists have a mob that is winning this fight. After three months of political fighting, then street protests, then strikes and shut downs, it got so bad in late March that some military reservists on both sides of the issue refused to report for duty or to obey orders, threatening the country's already fragile security. Netanyahu relented and promised to delay his plan for judicial reform.

When people openly disobey the law and even the military will no longer defend the country, the nation is in real



danger. It seems to me that civil war is looming. A few men believe they have the right to make decisions for the whole country and that no elected leaders can stop them. Democracy has been lost in Judah, just as it is being lost in America.

What many people do not realize is the key role that one man, thousands of miles away, has played in this overthrow.

### Enter Obama

Barack Obama has been an unrelenting enemy of Israel and especially of Benjamin Netanyahu. When Obama won the United States presidency in 2008, he immediately introduced radical changes to American policy in the Middle East, showing more favor to certain Muslim nations and repeatedly weakening

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Israel—even though it is the only real democracy in the entire region, it shares the same fundamental values as America, and it has been a long-time ally.

Obama opposed Netanyahu and Israel over a range of issues: Israeli settlements, Palestinian statehood, the United Nations, Egypt and the Arab Spring, leaks about Israel's military and nuclear arsenal, its ability to strike Iran's nuclear program. When he traveled to the Middle East, he omitted Israel from his itinerary and gave a landmark pro-Arab speech in Egypt instead. He treated Netanyahu disrespectfully again and again, and his people even compared Netanyahu's administration to the Nazi regime.

Obama aggressively pursued a Middle East foreign policy that shocked the world. He reversed U.S. policy to benefit the most dangerous terrorist-sponsoring nation on Earth, Iran. Iranians call Israel "the little Satan" and America "the great Satan"—yet Obama intervened to *save* Iran's radical regime. He reduced sanctions, strengthened Iran against its neighbors, provided it with international legitimacy and huge sums of money, and gave it a path to nuclear weapons!

This is the nation that has repeatedly threatened to wipe the Jewish nation of Israel "off the map"!

Netanyahu spoke out in opposition to Obama's transformation of the Middle East, especially the nuclear deal with

Iran that threatens Israel's *very existence*.

In the last Israeli election before Obama left office, he used his State Department to try to oust Netanyahu. The U.S. State Department is known to have spent nearly \$350,000 funding a campaign group that called on voters to support "anyone but Bibi" in the 2015 elections. A key leader in Obama's two election campaigns, Jeremy Bird, flew out to Israel to advise the group.

That effort failed, and when Obama left office in January 2017, Netanyahu was still prime minister. Obama's ambassador to Israel, Dan Shapiro, took the unusual step of staying in the country. He tried to prevent a close relationship from developing between Netanyahu and the new president, Donald Trump.

Though Netanyahu survived these attacks, after Obama left office Israel descended into political gridlock. In 2019, an enfeebled Netanyahu lost his majority government, and since that time, Israel has stumbled through *five* elections in just over four years. It is impossible to know how much Obama and his followers were involved in weakening and ousting Netanyahu and otherwise interfering in Israel's democracy during the time that President Trump was in the White House. But in 2020, Obama regained power by interfering in *America's* elections and installing a usurper president, Joe Biden.

Biden was kept away from the public for much of the campaign, and when he was installed as president, many of the top offices were awarded not to Biden's people but to Obama's people. Biden's mental and physical incapacity have become increasingly obvious, as have the corruption and crimes that he and his family have been involved in. Slowly, some people have begun to realize that not only did he come to the presidency illegitimately but also that he is not the one in control of American policy, domestic or foreign. Much of it was controlled by one of Obama's operatives, Susan Rice.

Obama's opposition to Israel can be seen in Biden's foreign policy. The U.S. ambassador, Tom Nides, has involved himself in the fight for the Supreme Court

of Israel. He boldly said on February 28, "I really think that most Israelis do not want America to stay out of their business."

He also indirectly threatened Netanyahu, saying that America's support is based on "democracy" and "shared values," including its backing "at places like the United Nations." The implication was clear. If Israel tried to return power from the Supreme Court back to the people and their representatives, America would punish Israel at the hostile UN. One month later, the U.S. allowed the UN Security Council to pass an official condemnation of Israel for expanding its settlements.

One of Obama's final acts as president in 2017 was to allow the UN to pass a resolution condemning Israel. It had been nearly 40 years since the U.S. had allowed such a resolution to pass. The UN is notoriously hostile to the Jewish state. If America won't defend the Jews, then they are in real trouble!

The U.S. State Department funded one of the key protest organizers in March, the far-left Movement for Quality Government. Though it was a relatively small amount, the donation signaled to other donors that this group had Obama and the deep state's full support. Biden's officials, who were really installed by Obama, regularly meet with members of the Israeli and Palestinian civil societies when they visit Israel. They are the real power behind the protests!

Other funding for the protests has come from the same people who helped fund the 2020 election steal in America. One major source has been the New Israel Fund, which traces back to the Open Society Foundations, which trace back to radical socialist billionaire George Soros.

Joe Biden personally called Netanyahu to express "concern" about the reforms he was proposing. Not long after, Netanyahu relented and said he would pause but not give up the effort. Biden insisted that he "walk away" and abandon the idea completely. "They cannot continue down this road," he said. Melanie Phillips said Biden "sounded like a colonial administrator barking at the natives to fall into line." Biden has also refused to meet with Netanyahu as would be typical with an Israeli prime minister.

Facing this pressure from America, Netanyahu has been unable to enact

## “We use Facebook to schedule the protests, Twitter to coordinate, and YouTube to tell the world.” —EGYPTIAN ACTIVIST

the reforms he was elected to pursue. But what Biden and Obama really want is to drive him from office and out of power completely.

### Israeli ‘Arab Spring’?

Journalist Lee Smith wrote that Netanyahu, who is also known by his nickname Bibi, “is in Washington’s crosshairs, for regime change has come to Israel.” Smith has written powerful insights into the *regime changes* Obama orchestrated in Egypt and the United States.

For decades, Egypt was a strong ally of the United States. It also had good relations with Israel for more than 30 years. Meanwhile, Iran was becoming a more and more dangerous threat: pursuing a policy of Islamic terrorism, threatening oil shipments, and pursuing nuclear weapons. The U.S., Egypt, Israel and other nations all wanted to contain that threat.

The U.S. and Israel had been relying on Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak to help keep the Middle East from deteriorating. But Obama wanted—in the words of his top spy, John Brennan—to make Mubarak “toast.” In 2011, Egyptians were protesting against Mubarak’s regime, agitating for a better government. Mubarak sought to hold onto power. But then Barack Obama called him. After that conversation, Mubarak decided to give up.

Social media proved to be decisive during the protests in Egypt and in several other Middle Eastern countries. This was another weapon that Obama used to have his way.

“The Obama administration first created the public-private partnership with Twitter and Facebook to support the ‘Arab Spring’ uprising,” Mark Bradman, who goes by the name Sundance, posted to the blog Conservative Treehouse on Dec. 20, 2022.

“Being capable of sharing an immense amount of uncensored and accurate information throughout social networking sites has contributed to the cause of many Arab Spring activists,” Saleem Kassim wrote for Mic on July 3, 2012. “Through social networking sites, Arab Spring activists have not only gained the power to overthrow powerful

dictatorships, but also helped Arab civilians become aware of the underground communities that exist and are made up of their brothers and others willing to listen to their stories.” He described how protests were organized and crowds mobilized through these tools, and he quoted one Egyptian activist saying, “We use Facebook to schedule the protests, Twitter to coordinate, and YouTube to tell the world.”

Groups backed by the Obama administration also worked quietly in the background, organizing and supporting protests. “As a consequence, Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak was the first elected official to be taken out by former President Obama’s deployment of Twitter as a community activist tool for revolution in 2011,” Bradman wrote (op cit).

What was Obama’s goal? He was clearing a key U.S. ally out of the way so the unrest in Egypt could sweep the socialist, terrorist Muslim Brotherhood into power. That is exactly what happened. Assisted by several militant factions like al Qaeda, and by the king of terrorism, Iran, the Muslim Brotherhood installed itself as the new regime.

What is truly amazing, however, is that this plan the Obama administration carried out in Egypt foreshadowed a much bigger scheme. “In direct and consequential ways,” Bradman concluded, “Egypt was the beta test for a process that surfaced a decade later in the United States during the 2020 election.” That is a powerful statement. What they did in Egypt, they later did in America!

And now they are doing it in Israel!

“The anti-Bibi coup looks and feels like the anti-Trump operation because it’s run by the same people—the Obama operatives who hunted Trump and now run the Biden White House,” wrote Lee Smith. “It was Obama’s spy chiefs who fabricated Russiagate, the politically funded smear campaign designed to destabilize the Trump presidency. And it’s Obama’s State Department that created the machinery to take down Netanyahu nearly a decade ago by funding anti-Bibi election campaigns with U.S. taxpayer dollars.

“Obama’s button men have made the ‘Get Bibi’ machinery a permanent part of the Israeli political landscape” (*Tablet*, March 2).

Israel and America are both sliding into tyranny! That is what it is when a few people can overthrow elections and laws and persecute politicians and ordinary people alike.

### Warring for Israel

This horrific situation is described in your Bible in 2 Kings 14:26-27: “For the Lord saw the affliction of Israel, that it was very bitter: for there was not any shut up, nor any left, nor any helper for Israel. And the Lord said not that he would blot out the name of Israel from under heaven: but he saved them by the hand of Jeroboam the son of Joash.”

What is recorded here in Kings is not just history. It is also prophecy for this end time. The book of Kings is one of *the former prophets*. After all, it was written by prophets, and prophets prophesy! The descendants of ancient Israel, which include the United States and the Jewish state called Israel today, are suffering bitter affliction, and there is no helper!

The book of Amos speaks of the kingdom of Judah during the reign of King Jeroboam II, and it too is prophecy. Amos describes a final warning going out to the modern descendants of ancient Israel. Since this is a prophetic book, it shows that Jeroboam II was an ancient type of a modern leader. 2 Kings 14’s prophecy of bitter affliction—and God saving us through the hand of one man—is prophecy for right now.

King Jeroboam II was not a righteous man. He did evil and committed the same sins against God that the first Jeroboam committed. Nevertheless, the Bible records something remarkable: God actually used this unrighteous king to save the nation.

Israel was nearly blotted out of existence! God granted mercy when Israel was especially undeserving of it. Rather than sending Israel into captivity at that time, God used this king to give the kingdom one last period of safety and even prosperity before it faced a reckoning for the sins it never repented of.

Since March 2017, I have repeatedly shown that Donald Trump fulfills the role of an end-time Jeroboam. God is

using him to save America from being destroyed by the radical left.

The next verse brings Judah into the picture: “Now the rest of the acts of Jeroboam, and all that he did, and his might, how he warred, and how he recovered Damascus, and Hamath, which belonged to Judah, for Israel, are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel?” (verse 28).

After the word *saved* in verse 27, here is another, stronger word: *warred*. The end-time Jeroboam must wage *war* to recover something. As I write in *America Under Attack*, harmonizing this with other prophecies reveals that it is a *stolen presidency* that he will war to recover.

Verse 28 strongly indicates that Mr. Trump recovers his presidency by some kind of warring—which strongly indicates a method other than a vote! It seems certain to me that this will happen *before* the 2024 presidential election, unless there would be some kind of warring and voting combined. But this verse does not even hint of an election.

Verse 28 also states that Jeroboam recovered Damascus and Hamath. The *Soncino* commentary states that Damascus was once ruled by King David, and that the king of Hamath paid tribute to David and became part of his son Solomon’s kingdom (2 Samuel 8:9-10; 1 Kings 8:65). So Jeroboam II reclaimed something to help the kingdom of Judah, the descendants of whom are the Jews today.

This verse ties the politics of the United States and the Jewish nation of Israel in the Middle East together. While he is warring for Americans against the deep state in the U.S., Donald Trump will recover something for the Israelis!

Now we see America and Judah under attack in the same way, by the same enemy. When Donald Trump wins his battle at home, he will also help Judah.

There is also a connection here to God’s work. Isaiah 40:9 shows that God’s Church in this end time has a message that must be delivered to “the cities of Judah.” That message is: “Behold your God!” A worsening security situation in Israel could severely hamper our ability to deliver that message.

IT APPEARS MR. TRUMP MAY HAVE TO RECOVER SOME OF JUDAH’S FREEDOM FOR GOD’S WORK TO EVEN BE ABLE TO DELIVER GOD’S MESSAGE TO THE CITIES OF JUDAH.

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### **A More Dangerous Enemy**

Barack Obama and the deep state are not the only ones working against Netanyahu.

The Latin patriarch of Jerusalem is one of the most senior figures in the Catholic Church in the Middle East. Patriarch Pierbattista Pizzaballa made some horrible attacks on Netanyahu in April. Speaking to the Associated Press, he condemned what he called Netanyahu’s “far-right government” and said it is contributing to an increase in attacks on Christians. “The frequency of these attacks, the aggressions, has become something new,” he said. “These people feel they are protected ... that the cultural and political atmosphere now can justify, or tolerate, actions against Christians” (*Times of Israel*, April 13).

The facts paint a different picture. Israel is one of the *only* places in the Middle East where the number of Christians is *rising*. In all the examples of attacks on Christians that the AP recounted in this interview, those responsible were swiftly arrested and are being prosecuted—not tolerated or protected! In almost every case, senior police officers clearly condemned the attacks and emphasized how seriously they take this issue.

The Committee for Accuracy in Middle East Reporting and Analysis (CAMERA) accused Pizzaballa and the AP of making “overt politicized allegations against the Israeli government and police, reflecting ancient libels that vilify Jews through charges proven false by facts” (April 24).

Why would the patriarch tell this lie?

God says He will use Donald Trump to save America and recover something for Judah. But He will not do so permanently: Once God’s warning message is proclaimed during the time of Jeroboam, God says, “I will not again pass by them any more” (Amos 7:8). He will pass by this last time to show three end-time nations of Israel—the United States, Britain and the Jewish nation—how to solve their problems and to warn them of the consequences of rejecting Him.

2 Kings 14:28 tells us that Donald Trump’s return affects the politics of both America and Judah to enable that

message to go out. Conditions improve in both these nations for a time.

But if we don’t repent and turn back to God, then more curses are coming. And there is an enemy out there even more dangerous than Barack Obama and the radical left!

Even in recent history, the Vatican has proved itself an enemy of the Jewish people. In World War II, the Nazis were responsible for the murders of 6 million Jews. And A MOUNTAIN OF EVIDENCE SHOWS THAT THE VATICAN WAS COMPLICIT IN THAT COLOSSAL HOLOCAUST!

One Catholic author received access to Vatican records, and he was shocked at what he found and how anti-Semitic and hateful the Vatican was toward the Jews. It has been absolutely proved that even *after* the Nazis lost World War II and the horrors of the Holocaust were becoming known to the world, it was *the Vatican* that helped almost all of the Nazi officers escape through its “ratlines”! Adolf Eichmann probably killed more Jews for Adolf Hitler than any other man. Yet he escaped to the current pope’s home country of Argentina. And he did it with help from the Vatican. (We have a free e-book you can download that proves this critical point; [theTrumpet.com/go/ratlines](http://theTrumpet.com/go/ratlines).)

How can the Catholic patriarch in Jerusalem accuse Netanyahu of being “far right” and not hang his head in shame for this history? Why didn’t he lament and repent of what his church has done to the Jews? The fact is, he and the leaders of his church have never repented of what they did!

And World War II is just the latest example. Look back in history. The fact remains that in the Middle Ages the Catholic Church killed some 300,000 people in its Inquisition. And that is only a portion of the 50 million it is estimated to have killed in all its wars and persecutions between A.D. 606 and 1847, including the conquest of the Aztec Empire, the Crusades, the Irish Rebellion, the Thirty Years War and so on. These are the extremes to which it will go to increase its power! And it will do everything it can to blot out that history



and hide its evils in order to ultimately regain such fearsome power in the world.

Look at the horrors the Vatican-guided “Holy” Roman Empire has committed throughout the ages. The Bible literally gives you a picture of it. God is the greatest and most masterful user of symbols, and He depicts the Holy Roman Empire very appropriately: as a BEAST—a great monster like you’ve never seen before! It is a political-military beast guided by a political-religious beast. That resurrected modern Holy Roman Empire, led by Germany and the Vatican, is about to burst on the world scene.

This beast is ridden and guided by a woman. “With whom the kings of the earth have committed fornication, and the inhabitants of the earth have been made drunk with the wine of her fornication” (Revelation 17:2). God uses these symbols to describe an entity that has intoxicating power over people around the world because it has had relations with the political leaders of many nations. In the Bible, God uses a woman to represent a church. This woman is very powerful. “[A]nd I saw a woman sit upon a scarlet coloured beast, full of names of blasphemy, having seven heads and ten horns. And the woman was arrayed in purple and scarlet colour, and decked with gold and precious stones and pearls, having a golden cup in her hand full of abominations and filthiness of her fornication: And upon her forehead was a name written, MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH” (verses 3-5).

God has a plan to deal with Barack Obama. He wants Americans, the British and the Israelis to have a final opportunity to repent. But if we don’t use that time to turn to God, the Holy Roman Empire is rising up already! Bible prophecy shows that the damage Obama has done to America is only a prelude to a much more devastating conquest at the hands of this foreign conqueror.

### A Prophesied Betrayal

Ezekiel is a prophetic book for this end time. Ezekiel 23 contains a powerful warning to both America and Judah.

“The word of the Lord came again unto me, saying, Son of man, there were two women, the daughters of one mother: And they committed whoredoms in Egypt .... And the names of them were Aholah the elder, and Aholibah her sister: and they were mine, and they bare sons and daughters. Thus were their names; Samaria is Aholah, and Jerusalem Aholibah” (verses 1-4).

This may sound complicated, but it isn’t. The sisters Aholah and Aholibah symbolize the two sister kingdoms that emerged from the kingdom of Israel. One kept the name kingdom of Israel and included 10 tribes, with a new capital in Samaria. The others kept the capital of Jerusalem and took a new name, the kingdom of Judah. These “were mine,”

God said. He worked closely with those Israelite peoples and was in fact married to them (Jeremiah 3:14; 31:32).

The 10 tribes of the kingdom of Israel were conquered by the Assyrian Empire and taken captive. Their identity became lost, but they would ultimately become Britain and the United States and several other Western nations. Aholibah represents the Jews, whose identity has remained known over the millenniums. This prophecy is about the Jewish nation of Israel in the Middle East.

“And Aholah played the harlot when she was mine; and she doted on her lovers, on the Assyrians her neighbours, Which were clothed with blue, captains and rulers, all of them desirable young men, horsemen riding upon horses. Thus she committed her whoredoms with them, with all them that were the chosen men of Assyria, and with all on whom she doted: with all their idols she defiled herself” (Ezekiel 23:5-7).

These scriptures show how America, Britain and Israel became lovers of the Assyrians. Who are the Assyrians? We have proved for years that, in Bible prophecy, Assyria refers to the modern nation of Germany. (Read “The Remarkable Identity of the German People” ([theTrumpet.com/go/GermanyID](http://theTrumpet.com/go/GermanyID)).

Most of this prophecy revolving around Judah’s love affair with Assyria is yet to be fulfilled. Notice that God specifically references the “captains and

rulers” of Assyria who are “clothed most gorgeously.” This is referring to the military might of Assyria. Germany displayed it powerfully in World Wars I and II, and will wield it mightily yet again before and during World War III as it leads Europe’s fearsome Holy Roman Empire.

Verses 9-10 show what will become of America and Britain because of this immoral tryst: The Germans “slew her with the sword” and “executed judgment upon her”! This relationship ends with a massive double cross that brings these nations down! Judah experiences a similar fate (verse 22).

Why would God allow this to happen to America, Britain and the Jewish state? It is His CORRECTION against these nations for their sins. “The Lord said moreover unto me; Son of man, wilt thou judge Aholah and Aholibah? yea, DECLARE UNTO THEM THEIR ABOMINATIONS” (verse 36). God will not tolerate the abominations taking place in Israel and Judah, and He has His people declare their sins to them.

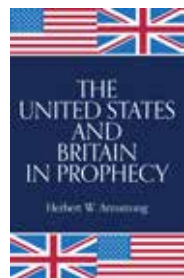
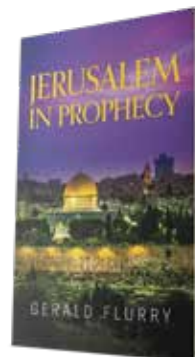
God is revealing what is happening in this end time, and uses a little group of people to declare these prophecies to the world by first explaining the identities of these biblical peoples.

Donald Trump will temporarily save Israel, thus allowing this warning message to go out one last time. But if our peoples continue to commit these abominations, a fearsome enemy is coming! This is terrible news, but it leads to wonderful news, as verse 49 reveals: “and ye shall know that I am the Lord God.”

God will use this power to punish, but it will lead all our nations to know God. He will then be able to help them know what happiness really is. There will be no more corrupt government or tyranny ever again. ■

## Advance news about Jerusalem!

Some of the most terrifying and inspiring prophecies of the Bible concern what is in store for the Holy City. Request Gerald Flurry’s free booklet **Jerusalem in Prophecy**.



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# The Ottoman Empire Strikes Back



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Turks gave their voice this May—and they voted for a sultan.

BY MIHAİLO ZEKIC

**I**TS RULER CLAIMED SUCCESSION FROM Mohammed and the Roman emperors. It ruled a territory stretching from Hungary to Yemen. The holiest cities of several major religions were under its control. This was the Ottoman Empire, an Islamic caliphate (meaning it claimed leadership over the Muslim world) that politically and culturally shook the Middle East and Europe from the Middle Ages to the 20th century. Its heartland was in what is today Turkey, and its capital was Istanbul.

Turkey's Ottoman legacy was wiped out after its loss in World War I. Mustafa Kemal Atatürk, Turkey's inaugural president and republican "founding father," sought to break Turkey away from the past and modernize it. He dissolved the office of the caliphate, banned traditional Muslim clothing, and replaced Turkish Arabic script with the Latin alphabet. Atatürk's Turkey looked westward for inspiration as a secular and "European" democracy.

This year marks the 100th anniversary of Turkey declaring itself a republic. But a century on, Atatürk's legacy has been almost completely undone by a man bent on reviving the Ottoman Empire in spirit if not in name. This man is Turkey's current president: Recep Tayyip Erdoğan.

Turkey held its presidential elections on May 28, giving Erdoğan five more years in power. Turkey is technically getting "more of the same." But when "more of the same" means keeping in

power the region's arguably most unpredictable and even disruptive leader, you know the world is in for a wild ride.

## From Istanbul to Ankara

Erdoğan first came to prominence as mayor of Istanbul in 1994. The first Islamist elected as mayor, he attempted to build a mosque on the city's main square and banned alcoholic drinks from city-run cafés. In 1998, he recited a provocative poem that got him convicted and imprisoned for inciting religious hatred. After several months in prison, he was released early in 1999.

Meanwhile, Turkey in the 1990s was in a hard place. The economy was slumping and Turks were getting fed up with government corruption. The Turkish government enforced secularism by taking steps that included banning women's headscarves at universities. The decade ended with an earthquake near Istanbul that killed over 17,000 people. The devastation and the government's slow response inspired the desire for change on the part of ordinary Turks.

Erdoğan, still in his 40s, was a fresh face and a political outsider who promised to bring change. Carrying the mantle of the upstart conservative Justice and Development Party (known by its Turkish acronym, AKP), he became prime minister in 2003. What he had instituted in Istanbul he would now institute nationwide—for the next two decades.

## New Sultan in Town

Erdoğan initially gave his voters the fresh start they were looking for. He removed the university headscarf ban in 2008, allowing conservative religious women to attend higher education. He also did a lot to portray Turkey in a positive light on the world stage by attempting to settle the country's various conflicts. In 2004, he unsuccessfully tried to end the conflict between Greeks and Turks in Cyprus. In 2013, he started a peace process between the Turkish government and Kurdish rebels that unfortunately collapsed a few years later.

As the years went on, and as Erdoğan remained in power, it became apparent that he was much more than just a "fresh face to shake things up." He was creating a "new old regime."

In 2013, AKP rules barred Erdoğan from seeking a fourth term as party leader. So he successfully ran for president, which was a ceremonial role in Turkey. In 2017—after a failed coup by disgruntled officers nervous of the direction of the country—Erdoğan changed Turkey's government from a parliamentary democracy to an executive presidency. This meant that, instead of parliament being the government (with the prime minister as the leader), the president of Turkey—one man—is the government. The government is now no longer AKP but Erdoğan personally.

What has he done since consolidating power? Among other things, he turned Turkey into one of the worst environments for journalists. When Erdoğan gained power in 2003, the Press Freedom Index ranked Turkey 115th out of 163 countries and territories surveyed. In 2023, Turkey was ranked 165th out of 180, behind Russia, Afghanistan, Mexico, Hong Kong and many other notorious journalist "danger zones." Reporters Without Borders currently lists 30 media workers who are under Turkish detention, more than in any other democracy on the list, and more than in several dictatorships.

Erdoğan also has gone out of his way to help other autocratic regimes hang onto power. Most notoriously, he has helped the Islamist terrorist group Hamas cling to its de facto regime over the Gaza Strip next to Israel. He has led significant investment in Gazan infrastructure and

“education” (which includes brainwashing Arab youths to fight against Israel). After the Muslim Brotherhood took over the government of Egypt and then rapidly lost its power in 2013, Turkey under Erdoğan has hosted exiled members of the Islamist terrorist group in Turkey. He has also given military assistance to Ethiopian Prime Minister Abiy Ahmed in the nation’s civil war. Ahmed has been accused of ethnic cleansing and even genocide.

Erdoğan is also exerting considerable religious power. Buildings that ancient Christians constructed to be churches, Ottomans turned into mosques and secularists turned into museums, Erdoğan is now turning back into mosques.

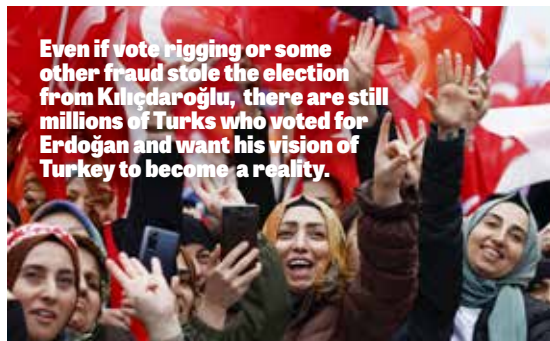
In 2020, Erdoğan ordered the Hagia Sophia—the Byzantine cathedral that at one point was the largest church in the world—to be reconsecrated back into a mosque, along with the Chora Church. Erdoğan in a commemorative speech said the transformation of the Hagia Sophia honored “the spirit of conquest.” It is a symbol that Islamic Turkey won’t allow to be stuck in the history books. It is back and here to stay. And the rest of the world better get used to it.

### Reviving the Ottoman Empire

Erdoğan faced perhaps the most serious challenge to his power and his Islamic agenda during recent presidential elections. Multiple candidates ran in the first round held on May 14. Erdoğan won that round with 49.5 percent of the vote, sending him into a runoff election against his rival, Kemal Kılıçdaroğlu, on May 28. Kılıçdaroğlu leads the Republican People’s Party, a secular Kemalist party hoping to return Turkey to its republican roots. Thanks in part to his intimidation and detention of journalists, Erdoğan won the second round with just over 52 percent of the vote. Election observers complained of biased media coverage and electronic vote irregularities. But if Erdoğan planned to cheat his way to victory, it wouldn’t have taken much for his people to engineer the last 0.6 percent to win. Even if vote rigging or some other fraud stole the election from

Kılıçdaroğlu, there are still millions of Turks who voted for Erdoğan and want his vision of Turkey made a reality. In so many ways, it already is.

That doesn’t mean that Erdoğan now has smooth sailing, however. Turkey’s economy is quite shaky. Erdoğan is nearing 70 years old, and many people are tiring of him. The Turkish military is notorious for staging coups against leaders they dislike; they tried once in



2016 and could try again. Or his own party could replace him at the midterms.

There are plenty of reasons why Erdoğan himself may not run Turkey for the next five years. But this doesn’t matter. Turks have had 20 years of a top-heavy, autocratic, Islamist regime—and millions of them like it that way.

Turkey is a member of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization. It was the first Muslim country to recognize Israel as a sovereign nation. After a century of outreach to Europe, it retains a number of secular traits. Some may think that Erdoğan himself may not run Turkey for the next five years. Current events suggest otherwise. Bible prophecy confirms it.

Historical evidence shows the Turks to be the descendants of the ancient people of Edom, who descended from the patriarch Esau. The book of Obadiah prophesies that the modern Edomites will be led by *pride* “exalt[ed] as the eagle” (verses 3-4). This prophecy forecasts Turkey’s leader’s ambition to bring his nation to new heights of power. Verses 10-12 show that the Turks will *go to war* against Judah (the modern Jewish state of Israel) and Jacob (the United States and Britain). (Request your free copy of *The United States and Britain in Prophecy*, by Herbert W. Armstrong).

Verse 11 specifies that “strangers” and “foreigners” would fire the first shots in

this war against America, Britain and Israel. Other prophecies show this to be a united European power forming in the European Union right now. Verse 14 shows those attacked will flee “in the crossways” for protection.

“These panic-stricken Israelitish refugees [which include America and Britain],” *Trumpet* managing editor, Joel Hilliker, wrote in December 1997, “by running to Turkey, will think they are entering friendly territory. ... Not only does Turkey possess the Cilicia Gate, the escape route by land, she controls the major sea route that may provide an outlet: the Bosphorus-Dardanelles.” Turkey also controls Thrace—the main land bridge between Europe and the Middle East. Turkey truly controls the crossways of the world.

But what happens when these refugees want Turkey’s help?

Obadiah 13-14: “[N]ever should you have entered the gates of my people on the day of their calamity, never have gloated over their agony on the day of their calamity ... never have stood at the passes to cut off their fugitives, *never betrayed their survivors*, on the day of distress” (Moffatt translation).

“There were refugees from Jacob,” *Trumpet* editor in chief Gerald Flurry said in a 2013 *Key of David* episode, “and he [Turkey] **KILLED THEM** as they came through those sea gates.” Mr. Flurry also pointed to the Ottoman Empire’s alliance with Germany in World War I as a harbinger of things to come. Mr. Flurry said the Turks would “ally themselves with Germany **AGAIN** against America and Britain.” These refugees could include American and British soldiers stationed in the Middle East, as well as Israelis.

President Recep Tayyip Erdoğan may or may not be the Turkish leader to carry out this betrayal. A lot could happen between now and the fulfillment of Obadiah’s prophecy. The Israelitish nations have dealt with Erdoğan for years now and don’t regard him as particularly trustworthy. But either way, millions of his voters love the new anti-Western Turkey that Erdoğan has created. And we can expect Turkey to continue to “exalt itself as the eagle”—at Britain’s, America’s and the Jewish state’s expense—in the years to come. ■



# A Real Man

In a world that has lost the meaning of masculinity, it is critical to find guidance in the Bible.



AS TRANSGENDERISM AND EVEN THE *PERMANENT SEXUAL mutilation of children* are applauded in today's society, some people are finally realizing that our understanding of male and female has gone *horribly wrong*. We are seeing the disastrous results of systematically destroying long-held understanding about masculinity and femininity.

If you want rock-solid truth about male and female, there is good news. It comes from the Creator of male and female, who begins focusing on this subject in the second chapter of the Bible. The Bible gives you not only perfect instruction regarding male and female, but also a *perfect example*.

Jesus Christ had been a glorified immortal God. Yet He became a human and lived a perfect life, and was an exemplar of masculinity.

Jesus is usually portrayed as a skinny, soft-spoken, long-haired, effeminate wimp who died of a broken heart. There is no *truth* in that portrayal. The Bible says it is shameful for a man to have long hair (1 Corinthians 11:14). It also says effeminate men will not enter the Kingdom of God (1 Corinthians 6:9).

The real Jesus was a *real man*. Scripture is scant on details of His physical appearance, but He certainly possessed impressive physical strength and endurance. He worked with beams and stones as a carpenter (Mark 6:3). He ate only clean foods, observing all the physical laws of good health (Hebrews 4:15). When His ministry began at age 30, He walked from city to city through mountainous terrain, at times journeying many miles in one day.

Early in His ministry, He traveled to Jerusalem and found the temple being treated like a marketplace by moneychangers and merchants. Angered at the sight, He took a handful of ropes and whipped the livestock to drive them out. He kicked over tables and chairs and scattered money across the floor (John 2:13-16). His deep voice bellowed through the halls: "Get out of my Father's house, and take your things with you!" Few even knew who He was at this point (verse 18), yet these Jews were too fearful to challenge this strapping, righteously indignant young man.

Prior to facing Satan in person, Jesus denied Himself food and water for 40 days—something no weakling could ever endure. At the end of His life, He was tortured and flayed alive (John 19:1), then nailed to a stake with iron spikes. His robust body endured what would have easily killed the average man. He died only when a spear was finally thrust into His side.

Physical fitness is only a fraction of godly masculinity, though. Jesus was a learned man who took His education seriously even as a youth. At 12 years old, He entered the temple at Jerusalem and discussed the truth of God with the most educated theologians. Luke 2:47 says those who heard Him were "*astonished* at his understanding and answers." As Jesus grew up, He "increased in wisdom and stature, and in favour with God and man" (verse 52), not because He attended a seminary but because He was self-driven (see John 7:14-15). His education never ended.

The fact that Christ began His ministry at the relatively young age of 30 reveals the character He had as a boy, a teenager and a young adult. By the time His ministry began, Jesus had developed into a persuasive speaker. Those who heard Him were astounded at His eloquence, and those who hadn't heard Him traveled a long way so they could. He had a commanding presence. After His sermon on the Mount of Olives, the people were astonished at His speaking because He "taught them as one having **AUTHORITY**" (Matthew 7:28-29). He boldly castigated the self-righteous religious leaders of the day: "Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites!" He cried. "Ye serpents, ye generation of vipers, how can ye escape the damnation of hell?" (Matthew 23:29, 33). Yet Jewish authorities coveted His popularity. Even Pontius Pilate, who oversaw Christ's execution, acknowledged that Jesus was a just man who spoke the truth (Matthew 27:23-24).

Along with steel-like traits of vibrant health, intelligence, decisive leadership, righteous indignation and powerful persuasiveness, Jesus's example of masculinity shows that men should be humble, serving and compassionate. He spent time helping sinners that others deplored (Luke 5:31-32). He was the Lord and Master of His disciples, yet He washed their feet, like the lowest of servants (John 13:13-14). No matter how busy He was, or how crowded the scene, Christ always served God and served the weak and lowly (e.g. Matthew 20:34). He took time out for children (Mark 10). He spoke to Samaritans and to women (John 4:7-30; 8:7-11). Scribes and Pharisees criticized Him for spending time with sinners, but He knew that the sick are the ones who need the physician (Luke 5:31-32). He taught that those who serve most will receive the highest positions in God's Kingdom. Jesus, the humblest servant ever, qualified to be King in God's Kingdom.

Yes, a man should be masculine. And he should not define masculinity for himself, but by the perfect example recorded in the Bible of strength, boldness, courage, gentleness, patience, meekness and taking the lead in order to truly serve. There are indeed definite roles for men and for women. They have an inspiring purpose. And men (and women) can start by understanding the perfect example of true masculinity: Jesus Christ.

For more on the Bible's view of godly masculinity, request your free copy of **Biblical Manhood**.



# WORLDWATCH

## EUROPE

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Europe and **Germany** are taking a stronger military leadership role. **NATO** held its largest air drills in history on June 12, involving more than 10,000 personnel, 250 aircraft, 25 countries and air bases across the **Czech Republic**, Germany and the **Netherlands**, all under German command. United States Air National Guard Director General **Michael Loh** said, "This is about now establishing what it means to go against a great power in a great power competition." The drills began as an exercise between the U.S. and Germany but expanded to include **Japan**, **Sweden** and other NATO powers.

Europe may have to put its military training to use soon. **NATO** reinforced its soldiers in **Kosovo** after violent protests broke out on May 29. Kosovo had held mayoral elections, but Serbs, who do not recognize the Kosovar government, boycotted the vote, with a Serbian turnout of less than 4 percent. Albanian candidates won easily, and the Kosovar government appointed the mayors, including those in Serbian areas. The region is of great strategic importance to Europe and Germany, which used NATO to break up **Yugoslavia** and dominate the Balkans. Watch for Germany to maintain and increase that dominance.

Europe will also soon use its growing military force to deal with its migrant crisis. On June 8, a Syrian man with refugee status in Sweden stabbed people in a park in southeastern France, including four young children,

between 1 and 3 years old. On June 10, a 15-year-old boy was killed and three people were injured in a shooting in Stockholm, Sweden, shortly before another unrelated shooting in the area that injured three people. A 2017 study found that 95 percent of people involved in criminal gangs are migrants or have at least one migrant parent. Gang violence in Sweden has exploded since 2015, when the government opened the nation up to the second-highest number of migrants per capita in Europe.

This situation draws Europe into more dealings with North Africa. On June 11, the European Union offered over \$1 billion to the authoritarian government in **Tunisia** to stop migrants

from crossing the Mediterranean Sea to Italy. European Commission President **Ursula von der Leyen**, Italian Prime Minister **Giorgia Meloni** and Dutch

Prime Minister **Mark Rutte** traveled to Tunisia to discuss the financial assistance package.

*Trumpet* editor in chief Gerald Flurry wrote in his article "**The Holy Roman Empire Goes Public—Big Time!**\*": "A trend is unfolding in Europe that you should keep a close watch on. Europeans have been besieged by immigrants from the Middle East, growing Muslim populations within their midst, cityscapes filling with mosques and minarets, portions of their cities turning into Muslim enclaves that local police dare not enter, even Islamic terrorist attacks. And more and more Europeans are looking for solutions in their own history. Specifically, their religious history." Learn how this will end by reading Mr. Flurry's booklet **The King of the South**.



GIORGIA MELONI

**TOPSHOT** A person wearing a face mask takes photos of the skyline as smoke from wildfires in Canada cause hazy conditions in New York City on June 7. An orange-tinged smog caused by Canada's wildfires shrouded New York on Wednesday, obscuring its famous skyscrapers and causing residents to don face masks, as cities along the U.S. East Coast issued air-quality alerts.



## ASIA

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**C**hina's preparations to invade **Taiwan** are entering a new phase. The Chinese Communist Party conquered mainland China in 1949 and has never controlled Taiwan, but it claims sovereignty over the island nation and has threatened for years to militarily attack the democratic nation if that is what is required to bring it under its control. Its defense ministry released a statement on May 16 saying the People's Liberation Army is ready to "resolutely smash" Taiwan and its desire for self-rule.

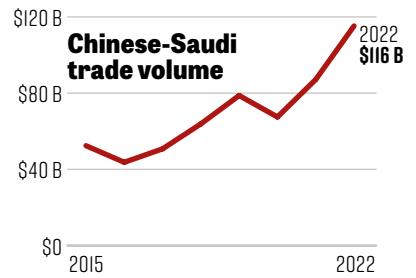
A May 22 study of 1,824 Chinese nationals by the National University of Singapore found that 55 percent of respondents said they support launching a war to unify Taiwan with China, and 57 percent supported use of economic sanctions against the island. Only 33 percent said they opposed forceful unification.

For decades, **America's** weapons sales to Taiwan, political backing and security guarantees have dissuaded China from launching an invasion. However, America may no longer be able to defend even itself.

On May 25, United States Navy Secretary **Carlos Del Toro** admitted that American naval power "has been impacted" by Chinese state-backed cyberattacks. The



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highly enriched uranium that has now reached 84 percent. At 90 percent, it will become weapons-grade.

“Iran is extremely radical—the king over radical Islam,” Gerald Flurry writes in *The King of the South*. “Where is this nation’s pushiness leading? To war! Just as it has in the past. It is leading inevitably to terrifying war with weapons of mass destruction. It can lead nowhere else. Iran is preparing itself to trigger a nuclear World War III!”

China and **Saudi Arabia** signed trade deals worth \$10 billion on June 11 in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia. The agriculture, automotive, health care, minerals, real estate, renewable energy, technology and tourism agreements were made at the 10th Arab-China Business Conference. Last year, Chinese-Saudi trade reached a new record volume of \$116 billion, a 30 percent increase over the previous year and triple the volume of U.S.-Saudi trade.

China’s involvement with Saudi Arabia and other Middle East nations is part of its **Belt and Road Initiative** for creating a modern version of the ancient Silk Road trade route that connected China to Europe. The initiative includes a series of transport and connectivity infrastructure spanning thousands of miles. This project is leading to the fulfillment of Isaiah 23, which prophesies the rise of a “**mart of nations**” that will use its transcontinental economic power to the extreme detriment of the United States.

## MIDDLE EAST

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Rumors are circulating that **Iran** and the United States are close to an unofficial nuclear deal. In comments to local media translated by Iran International on June 12, Iranian politician **Heshmatollah Falahatpisheh** said the “unwritten deal” would mean “the American side will no longer enforce the ‘maximum pressure’ policy [of President **Donald Trump**], close its eyes to some of Iran’s energy deals, and [allow] the release of Iran’s frozen funds in return for Iran refraining from expanding its nuclear program more than the current level.”

This appears to be another win for Iran’s radical Islamist regime and its development of nuclear weapons. Uranium enriched to 60 percent has no known civilian application, and Iran passed that threshold years ago. It is the only nation without nuclear weapons with

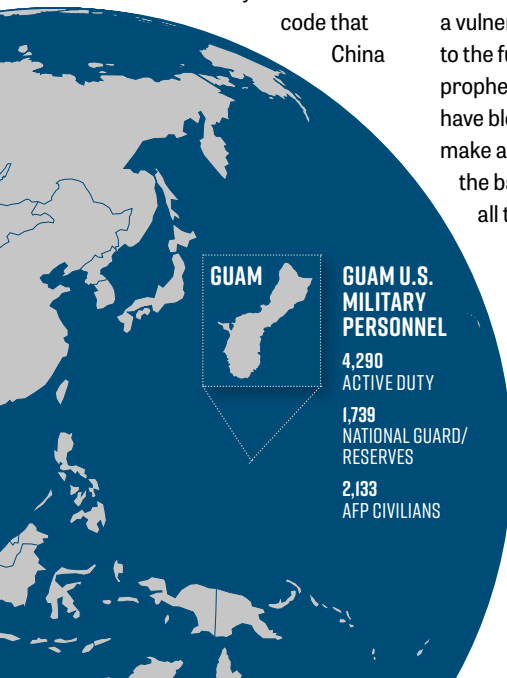
attacks, conducted by a Chinese cyberespionage group called Volt Typhoon, embedded malicious code in military computer systems including those on **Guam**, the home of a key American port and the massive **Andersen Air Force Base**, which would be a centerpiece in any American military response to a Chinese attack on Taiwan.

Analysts believe the code that China

planted could be activated at its will to impair or disable American systems needed to come to Taiwan’s defense. The Taiwanese would be left to face the Chinese Communist forces alone, a fight they would quickly lose if they chose to engage at all.

In the **June 1999 Trumpet issue**, Gerald Flurry identified the U.S. military’s reliance on technology as its Achilles’ heel, a vulnerability that could lead to the fulfillment of a landmark prophecy in Ezekiel 7:14: “They have blown the trumpet, even to make all ready; but none goeth to the battle: for my wrath is upon all the multitude thereof.”

“It seems everybody is expecting our people to go into battle, but the greatest tragedy imaginable occurs!” Mr. Flurry writes. “Nobody goes to battle—even though the trumpet is blown! Will it be because of a computer terrorist?” ■





# ANGLO-AMERICA

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The United States is suffering a cold civil war. Political polarization between conservatives and liberals is worse than it has been in more than a century, up to and including attempts to try, arrest and jail the opposing political leader. On June 8, **Joe Biden's** Department of Justice succeeded in getting a federal grand jury to indict Donald Trump on 31 counts of violations of the Espionage Act of 1917. It conspicuously omits any mention of the Presidential Records Act, which allows former presidents to access both classified and unclassified documents after leaving office. Trump pleaded not guilty on June 13 in a Florida federal court.

The timing of the indictment is suspicious: It was issued just hours after Federal Bureau of Investigation Director **Christopher Wray** finally allowed members of Congress to view an FD-1023 document stating that **Joe Biden** accepted a \$5 million bribe from the Ukrainian energy company Burisma, where his son **Hunter Biden** was a highly paid board member. It appears that the man controlling the Biden regime, **Barack Obama**, timed the Trump indictment as a distraction from one of the greatest presidential corruption scandals in U.S. history.

Meanwhile, radical Democrats continue transforming the U.S. military. Joe Biden announced on May 25 that he is nominating Air Force Gen. **Charles Brown Jr.** to become the next chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. General Brown is the first black American to lead a branch of the armed forces. He also supports the corrupt neo-Marxist movement **Black Lives Matter**. In 2022, alongside Undersecretary of the Air Force **Gina Ortiz Jones** (the first Filipino lesbian in her role), General Brown signed a shocking document enacting quotas to

limit the share of white male officers to 43 percent. Currently, 86 percent of Air Force pilots are white men. This may indicate how General Brown will command all U.S. armed forces.

A prophecy in Ezekiel 5:12 describes a time when one third of the people in end-time Israel (the United States and Britain primarily) would die in a devastating civil war brought about by the vile sins of the people. America's cold civil war is about to go hot as its political parties turn on each other and its military disintegrates.

## FEATURED FEEDBACK



The *Trumpet* magazine is unbelievable. They're always great, but the July issue is just fantastic! ("Ten Kings of the New Holy Roman Empire Rising Now," July, [theTrumpet.com/27566](https://theTrumpet.com/27566)). Mr. Flurry is right about Mr. Armstrong. He's right on top of everything. I am so excited.

**Samuel Luna** CALIFORNIA

People need to know about this. Someone gave me your magazine a few months ago, and I just think it's wonderful. If there is anything I can do to pass it on, please let me know.

**Lee Parrish** NORTH CAROLINA

My friend was over this morning and had a copy of the *Trumpet*. I would like a subscription. I used to read the *Plain Truth* by Herbert Armstrong. I appreciate the paper. I'll be reading it and passing on the good news.

**Duane Seiner** PENNSYLVANIA

### DOCUMENTS ON HUNTER BIDEN'S LAPTOP REVEAL 459 VIOLATIONS OF STATE AND FEDERAL LAWS.



**140**  
BUSINESS CRIMES



**191**  
SEX CRIMES



**128**  
DRUG CRIMES

**CORRECTION:** "Ten Kings of the New Holy Roman Empire Rising Now" (July 2023) implied that Kaiser Wilhelm's second German Reich was part of the fifth head of the Holy Roman Empire, but that head ended with Napoleon Bonaparte in 1815. The sixth consisted of Italy and fascism (1870-1945), culminating in Benito Mussolini in Italy and Adolf Hitler in Germany. (See [The Holy Roman Empire in Prophecy](https://theTrumpet.com/go/hre) at [theTrumpet.com/go/hre](https://theTrumpet.com/go/hre).)

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# Why American Christians Have Lost Their Power

Beware the contagion of compromise.

**I**N MANY WAYS, AMERICA IS LEAPS AND bounds ahead of my home country of Zimbabwe. Like the rest of the world, Zimbabweans want to live, eat, speak and dress like Americans. One reason we couldn't and don't was the corrupt regime of Robert Mugabe. However, our perhaps singularly collective source of pride in his leadership was his refusal to compromise with the lesbian-gay-bisexual-transgender-queer-questioning-intersex-aseual-two-spirit-plus agenda. Most of Africa is the same.

To cheers and applause in its parliament, Uganda kicked off "Pride Month" in June by passing a historic anti-LGBTQ law. According to this law, the penalty for having same-sex relations is a 10-year prison sentence. Promoting homosexuality results in a \$260,000 fine or 20-year imprisonment. Any homosexual who commits statutory rape while HIV-positive is subject to death.

"This Uganda law is horrific and wrong ... grotesque and an abomination," according to Republican Sen. Ted Cruz, an avowed Christian. *Premier Christianity* wrote that we should "offer unconditional compassionate support to LGBT people in your own community and networks." *Christianity Today* said we can't "pretend the Ugandan homosexuality law is Christian."

Why is Senator Cruz defending homosexuality? Why is mainstream Christianity increasingly pro-homosexuality?

Many Christians are joining forces with "conservative" homosexuals to fight against what they consider the greater evils of transgenderism and pedophilia. Meanwhile, other churches are wholeheartedly proclaiming a false gospel of queerness. The Presbyterian church is making prayers to the "god of pronouns" while the United Methodist Church is about to ordain a drag queen. The Harvard Divinity School is offering a course on "Queering Congregations: Contextual Approaches for Dismantling Heteronormativity." According to a transgender professor at Yale Divinity School, "Christianity, rightly understood, is about the transgression of boundaries. Christians believe in a God whose love undoes every binary. All the laws are negated, including the law of contractual sexuality, that is, marriage."

This is far from the Christianity of the Bible. The Bible says sin is the transgression of God's law (1 John 3:4). Yet many "Christian" leaders today agree more with the transgender professor than with the Bible. They teach that Jesus Christ Himself *abolished*

God's law! Through human reasoning, they compromise with and even reject the laws of the very God they claim to worship.

This is why many *churches* have reasoned that homosexuality should be tolerated or even celebrated. Christians today are so powerless in the face of such open, egregious evil because they fundamentally disagree with God's law.

They believe that God's law is bad and complicated. God says the law is good (Romans 7:12). They believe the law was done away with. Jesus Christ said, "Think not that I am come to destroy the law, or the prophets: I am not come to destroy, but to fulfil" (Matthew 5:17). They think the law is a litany of impossible, restrictive ordinances. God says it defines His way of life, which is love (Romans 13:8-10; Galatians 5:14).

Jesus Christ Himself confirmed and summarized God's entire spiritual law as love toward God and love toward neighbor (Matthew 22:37-39). *He kept that law and never abolished it.*

The early apostles fought those who wanted to counterfeit Christ's message of forgiveness and salvation and blend it with lawlessness (Jude 3-4). Two thousand years later, "Christians" claim that Christ nailed the law to the cross. They have accepted the very lie the early apostles were fighting. They have invalidated

laws like the Sabbath and tithing. They have blended the Bible with tradition and human reasoning to decide their own rules. They are compromising with sin because they have rejected the law. They cling to the belief that Jesus was the Christ—and ignore His command to *keep* the law! Now they find themselves unequipped and underpowered in a fight against sin.

This is why Christians have lost their power and are compromising with homosexuality. Compromise is contagious. When we tolerate and commit sins, we weaken our own standing. Our guilt presses us to tolerate what we otherwise wouldn't. That is why the last few decades have seen an explosion in divorce, fornication, adultery, pornography, homosexuality, and now children's drag shows, puberty blockers, genital mutilation and more horrors.

Mainstream Christianity ignores *the* crucial point Jesus made whenever he interacted with sinners: "[G]o, and SIN NO MORE" (John 8:11).

Christ knew that He would die for our sins. Why then bother telling us to *stop* sinning? Why tell us to *change* our behavior if His brutal death would erase the sin anyway?

Because God hates every instance of law-breaking (Proverbs 8:13). He wants us to become perfect as He is, the very purpose for which we were created (Matthew 5:48). Going and *sinning more* makes us more guilty, makes us less like Him, renders us unable to be born into His Family.

That is why God wants us to stop sinning. He wants us to keep His laws. That is why the brutal beating and death of His Son was the steep price that had to be paid for transgressed law.

Homosexuality is wrong. Breaking the Sabbath is wrong. Failing to tithe is wrong. That's the law. Disbelieving it won't change it, no more than disbelieving the law of gravity will make you fly. God's law is reality, and compromising with it will break your power.



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**Bozeman** KBZK-DT/KXLF-DT 8:30, Sun  
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**Missoula** KPAX-DT 8:30, Sun  
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**Scottsbluff** KGWN-DT 8:30, Sun

**Nevada, Las Vegas** KPVM-LD 5:30, Sun; KVCW-COMET TV 6:00, Sun  
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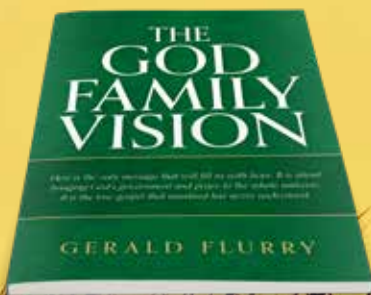
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