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Israel's new best friend



**Germany sides with the Jews—
and moves into the Middle East**

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FROM THE EDITOR
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As You Watch Gaza— Watch GERMANY

The overlooked effect of the
Hamas-Israel war that
will eclipse all others
in importance

HAMAS'S BARBARIC ATTACK ON THE JEWISH STATE LAST October was shocking. The way that so many people have since turned against Israel in support of Hamas has been shocking. But of all the developments since that horrible terrorist attack, the most important one is being overlooked completely by most people.

The most shocking problem in the Middle East is *not* what is happening in Gaza but what is happening with Germany.

When the Jews suffered an unprovoked attack by insane and demoniacal men who brutalized, raped, murdered and beheaded elderly women, children and babies, people responded by *criticizing Israel*. Even the United States has reprimanded and restrained the Israelis.

Germany, by contrast, has made strong statements of support. It has positioned itself to provide substantial material aid that other nations have not. Few realize it, but Germany is *rising mightily* in this region. This development is accelerating the fulfillment of some crucial biblical prophecies!

Almost nobody has noticed that GERMANY has deployed forces to the crucial island of Cyprus and has even PRACTICED USING NUCLEAR WEAPONS IN THIS IMPORTANT STRATEGIC AREA.

In fact, Germany is building its diplomacy and its military in preparation to intervene in the Middle East in ways that will shock the world.

Rhetorical Support

On Oct. 11, 2023, Germany's parliament passed a resolution asserting that "Israel's right to exist and its security are



destroy Israel, but it is far more powerful. Many people, perhaps even many Hamas members, expected it to attack Israel after October 7, but it did not. Hezbollah's chief terrorist, Hassan Nasrallah, scheduled a speech for November 3, and the world braced itself for him to declare war on Israel, as he had indicated he would do, especially if Israel invaded Gaza. But he did not. Hezbollah did little aside from a few scattered skirmishes. This puzzled people. Why did Hezbollah leaders back down so publicly when they had so many reasons to declare war?

Is it possible they are afraid of Germany?

Germany, the leading nation in Europe, is building up its diplomatic clout in the Middle East.

"Germany is held in high esteem in Israel," Chancellor Scholz said. "We see ourselves as a country that feels very responsible for ensuring that Israel's security remains guaranteed."

As we will see, there is a strong reason why Germany should feel very responsible for ensuring Israel's security—and the strongest possible reason why Israel SHOULD NOT place its trust in that promise!

Walking the Talk

Public speeches and trips to Israel are important, but Germany is doing much more. *Bild* newspaper reported that Germany "is one of the most important negotiators behind the scenes" (Oct. 20, 2023).

Chancellor Scholz backed up his assertion that "Hezbollah must not intervene in the conflict." To keep the terrorist group from joining the war, he was in communication with the leaders of Israel, Egypt, Jordan, Qatar and Turkey. Germany's defense minister and foreign minister traveled to Israel as well as to Egypt, Jordan and Lebanon.

"The whole region is at the brink of falling into the abyss that this new cycle of death and destruction is pushing us towards," King Abdullah II of Jordan said after an October 17 meeting with Scholz in Berlin. "The threat of this war expanding is real." Jordan used to be an ally of the United States, but now it is trusting Germany, and it appears the Jordanians worked with the Germans to keep Hezbollah and other Islamists back.

Scholz visited Israel before America's president did and had more success with the Arab nations. Joe Biden's meetings with Jordanian, Egyptian and Palestinian leaders were canceled. But Scholz, upon returning from the Middle East on October 19, was able to say, "I also used the trip and my talks—with the king of Jordan, the Egyptian and Turkish presidents and the emir of Qatar, among others—to advocate that this conflict should not escalate further regionally. We all agree that such a conflagration would be devastating for the entire region."

After meeting with Arab leaders in Egypt on October 21, German Foreign Minister Annalena Baerbock said, "We all know that our views on the conflict differ. However, we are all united by the fact that a conflagration must be prevented."

Scholz said that Germany's word in the Middle East is important "because Israel knows that Germany stands by it, but our country also has good connections to the neighboring Arab countries." This is a key statement! Biblical prophecy tells us that we must be watching these German-Arab connections closely. As recently as World War II, the Nazi regime had

nonnegotiable for the members of the German Bundestag. ... On the basis of international law, Germany must provide Israel with everything that is necessary and desirable for its defense." These are strong words! Germany pledged *everything* that is not just *necessary* but even *desirable* for Israel's defense.

"Hezbollah must not intervene in the conflict," German Chancellor Olaf Scholz said on October 12. Five days later, he said, "I expressly warn Hezbollah and Iran not to intervene in the conflict." Shortly after October 7, he stated, "Without Iranian support over the past few years, Hamas would not have been capable of these unprecedented attacks on Israeli territory." This is absolutely true, yet it was bold of the German chancellor to say. By contrast, United States President Joe Biden refused to point the finger at Iran.

Iran issued bold statements of its own, and Germany's foreign office responded on October 16: "Anyone who plays with fire in this situation, pours oil on the fire, or otherwise ignites it should think twice." German security expert Roderich Kiesewetter even stated that Germany's intentions include "sending our own soldiers if necessary." "I have asked Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu to remain in close contact," Scholz said, "and to inform us of any need."

THIS IS WAR TALK! THIS SHOWS REAL MILITARY WILL!

On October 17, Scholz visited Israel to show his nation's support. Prime Minister Netanyahu told him, "We appreciate the fact that you are here with us, that you are standing by our side."

Germany's words and actions resonated with Hezbollah and other Islamic terrorists. Like Hamas, Hezbollah exists to

varying degrees of relations with Yemen, Syria, Iraq, Lebanon, Saudi Arabia and Afghanistan, as well as Turkey. And through military conquest, the Axis powers made inroads into Libya, Egypt, Morocco, Algeria and Tunisia.

Turkey is not Arab, but it is Islamic. Shortly before visiting Germany in November, its president, Recep Tayyip Erdoğan, called Israel a “terrorist state” and Hamas terrorists “resistance fighters.” And despite Turkey’s position as a NATO ally and a national gatekeeper of Middle Eastern immigration into Europe, German leaders directly and openly opposed Erdoğan’s views on Israel.

On that visit, Erdoğan said, “If we can establish a humanitarian ceasefire together with Germany, we will have the opportunity to save the region from this ring of fire.” It was largely through German diplomacy with Israel and Arab nations that the conflict did not spread to include Hezbollah and surrounding nations.

Few see it, but Germany is building a Middle East alliance of its own!

Look closely and you can see Germany developing strong ties with Bahrain, Kuwait, Qatar, Turkey, the United Arab Emirates and beyond. Remarkably, this is all at the same time that it is strengthening its support for Israel.

The foreign powers once dominant in the Middle East used to be London and Washington. Now, more than what most people realize, it is BERLIN AND ROME. They have an upper hand in the region that few understand.

Weapons Exports

Germany’s strong war talk is significant in and of itself. But the nation’s interventions go far beyond bold statements.

Germany is the economic powerhouse of Europe and one of the top five economies in the world. It has learned to use its economic and technological power to quietly advance its foreign policy. This is particularly true in the Middle East, from which it imports much of its energy, especially after Russia’s invasion of Ukraine threatened its supply of Russian energy.

Germany has supplied weapons to countries across the globe. Turkey has been the largest recipient of German weapons systems, including tanks, artillery, warships and warplanes. For over a decade, Algeria, Egypt, Qatar and Saudi Arabia have been in the top 10 importers of hundreds of millions of dollars in weapons—along with Israel. Saudi Arabia receives huge amounts of German armaments and training, and a German leads Saudi Arabian Military Industries, a Saudi state-owned defense company.

Every year, Germany sells billions of dollars in weaponry, specifically “weapons of war.” Supplying and helping to operate and maintain weapons platforms and smaller armaments develops a relationship. IT REFLECTS THESE NATIONS’ TRUST IN GERMANY, AND IT EVEN MAKES THEM DEPENDENT ON IT. Enough weapons buyers trust Germany to the point that it is now one of the top five weapons exporters in the world.

People have noticed what the German government is doing, and many German citizens oppose it, saying that it violates Article 26 of the German constitution and international law. They protested when Turkey used German tanks to invade Syria, for example, and when frigates and anti-aircraft systems were sold to Egypt while it was accused of violating human rights and abetting bloodshed in Yemen and Libya.

But German leaders have consistently pushed such deals through. They are using weapons exports to strengthen their foreign policy! But that is not all they are doing. Germany is also building up its military.

Military Build-up

After Russia expanded its invasion of Ukraine in early 2022, Chancellor Scholz announced that Germany was creating a special fund of €100 billion (US\$109.7 billion) to spend on its military and would raise its annual military spending to 2 percent of gross domestic product (for the first time since 1990) beginning in 2024. The German government even altered its constitution to be able to take on this debt. The Luftwaffe announced that it would spend about \$10 billion to buy 35 advanced American F-35 fighter jets.

Since World War II, Germany has slowly built up its military and begun to use it. Beginning in 1991, its pilots flew alongside American and other NATO pilots to destroy Yugoslavia and wrest control of that region from Russia for Europe. As many as 5,000 of its soldiers fought in Afghanistan. In recent years it has deployed its military to the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Iraq, Niger, Mali, Sudan, South Sudan, Uganda and Uzbekistan. At the peak of the war in Afghanistan, Germany had over 5,000 troops stationed in Iran’s eastern neighbor. More broadly, the European Union has many other deployments in the region.

But such activities only HINT at what Germany is actually capable of.

Consider the fact that Germany is part of America’s nuclear sharing program, which means the sharing of *nuclear bombs*. At the exact same time that the German chancellor was warning Hezbollah and Iran, German pilots were participating in NATO’s “Steadfast Noon” military exercises to prepare them to conduct *nuclear strikes*. Germany has highly advanced technology of its own, a number of allies, nuclear sharing and much more that it can use to *devastate* Iran or anyone else it decides to attack!

For several reasons, this is a situation 10,000 times more dangerous than the Cold War. And even though it will impact all of us, people are almost completely blind to it.

Cyprus

Soon after the Hamas attack, Germany and the Netherlands deployed troops to the eastern Mediterranean island of Cyprus to prepare for civilian evacuation missions in the Middle East. Germany stationed military transport aircraft and soldiers, special forces command, naval special forces and German Federal Police in and around Cyprus.

This is a key strategic island. Any country that wants to move military vehicles, planes and troops into the Middle East must either negotiate with or conquer a number of nations in order to travel over land and air—OR GO BY SEA AND DEAL WITH JUST ONE SMALL NATION, CYPRUS.

On Nov. 13, 2023, more than 16,000 Israelis fled to Cyprus. The *Guardian* reported that Cyprus is “only a 40-minute flight away [and] looks set to play [a] critical geopolitical role



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- “Why Germany Conquered Cyprus” (Gerald Flurry)
- “German Military Surprises: Past, Present and Future”

amid Middle East unrest.” It quoted Ian Lesser, vice president of the German Marshall Fund of the United States, saying, “Cyprus, by virtue of its geography, has a critical role to play. If the EU is serious about becoming a more significant geopolitical actor, the major test will be here ...”

Cyprus has been a key island for Europe, Turkey and other powers for years—in fact, for centuries! In addition to its strategic location, it possesses several recently discovered oil and gas fields.

Currently, a self-declared government aligned with Turkey controls the northeastern part of the island: The rest is controlled by Cyprus, which has been an EU member for almost 20 years. Britain has had two important military bases there for decades. France is attempting to establish its own military presence on the island, perhaps through a unified European army.

BUT THE POWER THAT REALLY RULES CYPRUS IS GERMANY! Germany rules the EU and has made sure that **IT DOMINATES CYPRUS**. This tiny island nation, after entering the EU and adopting the euro, became dependent on the German economy. The situation all but guaranteed that Cyprus’s economy would struggle, and when it fell into crisis in 2012–2013, Germany approved a bailout, increasing its economic and political control there. This move reduced Russia’s influence, which considers Cyprus a useful asset because of its acute interest in Syria.

Those two British military bases have proved valuable to America and its coalition partners waging wars in the Middle East. Secret diplomatic cables from the U.S. Embassy in Cyprus show that diplomats there are concerned about losing access to Britain’s bases, especially crucial radar and signals intelligence. They believe this will “pose a threat to our national security interests in the eastern Mediterranean.”

In May 2022, Cyprus and Germany signed their first Bilateral Defense Cooperation Program, which includes joint military exercises. In November 2023, their defense ministers signed an additional defense agreement at a meeting of EU defense ministers.

In September 2023, Cyprus hosted a five-day drill that involved naval and air forces, including French fighter jets and Airbus A400M Atlas transport aircraft. President Nikos Christodoulides said Cyprus has “particular geostrategic significance” for the EU.

German troops have been stationed in Cyprus for years as part of the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon (UNIFIL). Cypriot Defense Minister Charalambos Petrides said in 2022, “Though not so widely known, our two countries have a long-standing defense cooperation through the facilities offered by the Republic of Cyprus to the German UNIFIL Maritime Task Force contingent, which is based in Cyprus, since 2006. We will continue to support you in this important deployment for the fulfillment of the mission’s mandate for ensuring maritime security in the area.”

LED BY GERMANY, CYPRUS IS BECOMING A MILITARY BASE FOR THE EUROPEAN UNION!

Our November-December 2019 cover story proclaimed the importance of Cyprus and Germany’s actions there. As I wrote at that time, all you need to do is look at a map to see that it is a stepping-stone between Berlin and Rome in Europe and Jerusalem and other cities in the Middle East.



The Crusader Kingdom of Cyprus

The island of Cyprus has been a critical, strategic location for millennia. Since before the Trojan War, it has constituted a stepping-stone in the eastern Mediterranean leading from Europe to the Middle East. It was especially vital during the medieval Crusades, a series of religious wars of conquest between Christians and Muslims, mainly for control of Jerusalem.

During the First Crusade (1096–1099) and Second Crusade (1145–1149), the Catholic and Eastern Orthodox armies of Europe ignored Cyprus and marched over the land route through Constantinople to Jerusalem. After Jerusalem fell to the sultan of Egypt in 1187, King Richard the Lionheart of England set out on the Third Crusade (1189–1192) by sea.

Richard planned to join the king of France and Emperor Frederick Barbarossa of the Holy Roman Empire in the city of Acre, in what is now Lebanon, but a storm shipwrecked his forces on Cyprus. Richard deposed the local Byzantine prince and used the island to stage his invasion of the Ayyubid Sultanate.

This strategy worked so well that the Holy Roman Empire soon found a way to transform Cyprus into a client kingdom to be used in future invasions. King Richard sold Cyprus to the Knights Templars, and soon thereafter Holy Roman Emperor Henry VI (the son of Frederick Barbarossa) arranged for the French noble Aimery of Lusignan to be crowned in 1192 as the first king of Cyprus. For the next three centuries, Cyprus would be ruled as a Christian crusader state and client kingdom of the Holy Roman Empire.

Holy Roman emperors made extensive use of Cyprus in subsequent crusades. King Aimery of Cyprus sent troops to support Emperor Henry’s “German Crusade” in 1197. Aimery’s son and grandson enabled Holy Roman Emperor

Frederick II to use Cyprus to stage the Fifth Crusade (1217–1221) and Sixth Crusade (1228–1229), and King Henry I of Cyprus let Louis IX of France use Cyprus to stage the Seventh Crusade (1248–1254).

By 1268, the kingdom of Cyprus had become so important for Catholic control of Jerusalem that King Hugh III of Cyprus was actually coronated king of Jerusalem. Kings of Cyprus continued to rule Jerusalem for 23 years until the Mamluk Sultanate reconquered it.

Once the Crusades ended, the island was under the influence of Genoese merchants until the Turks conquered it in 1571 and annexed it to the Ottoman Empire. But Catholic Europe never forgot the important role the crusader kingdom of Cyprus played in its wars for Jerusalem. Cyprus gaining full membership in the European Union in 2004 is a strong indication that Catholic Europe once again has designs on Jerusalem. **ANDREW MILLER**


2-5 MILLION
Death toll
estimated by
historians of
the eight major
Crusades

Rome

Another power *intensely* interested in Cyprus as a stepping-stone into certain parts of the Middle East is the Vatican. In November, President Christodoulides went to the Vatican for a private discussion with Pope Francis about the escalating tension in the region, migration and religion in Cyprus.

The tension arose from Hamas, backed by Iran, savagely butchering Israeli families. When Israel attempted to defend itself, people warned that “tensions are escalating.”

IT IS CRUCIAL TO NOTICE HOW THE VATICAN REACTED.

The day after the massacres, Pope Francis expressed sorrow over what is “happening in Israel,” and said, “Every war is a defeat.” HE DID NOT CONDEMN HAMAS. Three days later, after briefly recognizing “the right of those who were attacked to defend themselves,” he directed his attention to the “total siege facing Palestinians in Gaza, where there have also been many innocent victims.” Vatican News said he “invited both parties to restraint.” A couple of weeks later, the pope spoke with Joe Biden on the telephone, and both pledged to supply Palestinians in Gaza with aid and pursue the goal of granting the Palestinians their own state. Francis also had a call with the president of Iran, who said he asked the pope to help stop Israel from attacking Hamas in Gaza.

You need to recognize what the pope and the Vatican are doing in Cyprus, the Holy Land and Jerusalem. That is the key to understanding what EUROPE is doing, what GERMANY is doing, why Cyprus is important—and why the Israelis have a hidden threat far greater than Hamas, Hezbollah or even Iran!

THERE IS SOMETHING DEEPLY, DEEPLY WRONG WITH HOW THE POPE RESPONDED TO THOSE MURDERS! The Vatican responded to “what is happening in Israel”—mass murder, the mass rape of women, the execution of parents and children in front of each other, the decapitation of civilians, and the decapitation of babies—with little sympathy. THE POPE DID WORSE THAN TRY TO MAKE THE BLOOD-SOAKED TERRORISTS AND THE ISRAELI PEOPLE EQUALLY GUILTY: HE MADE THE ISRAELIS LOOK MUCH MORE GUILTY!

Some people noticed. The Israeli Embassy to the Vatican rightly cried out against the pope’s “linguistic ambiguities” and false “parallelisms.”

WHY WOULD POPE FRANCIS TALK IN SUCH A CRAFTY AND DIABOLICAL WAY?

One of the most recent clues came the month before the massacres. In September, the Vatican’s foreign minister made a statement that Jerusalem, which is controlled by the Israelis, should be subjected to an internationally guaranteed statute to ensure “the equal rights and duties of the faithful of the three monotheistic religions.” Israel already gives equal rights to Christians, Jews and Muslims—even allowing Muslims to control the Temple Mount and deny Jews access to most of it. This is not about guaranteeing



religious rights to various religions: It’s about getting more control for the Catholic Church over Jerusalem!

This is just one of the latest indications of a plan that the Vatican—and Europe—will enact to project power from Cyprus into the Holy Land and right into Jerusalem!

The Holy Roman Empire

Look at history. The Catholic Church has united and guided European empires repeatedly over the past 1,700 years. These combinations of religious and military power have even been called the “Holy” Roman Empire. When militarily strong, this religion has repeatedly launched crusades to wrest control of the Holy Land! (sidebar, “The Crusader Kingdom of Cyprus,” page 3).

In our lifetime, the Vatican and Europe have been weak compared to the Holy Roman Empires of the past and compared to Britain and the United States. But this empire is once again resurrecting, and it has not forgotten Jerusalem!

An intriguing prophecy in Daniel 11:45 describes a powerful leader who “shall plant the tabernacles of his palace between the seas in the glorious holy mountain; yet he shall come to his end, and none shall help him.” What does this mean?

Plain Truth founder Herbert W. Armstrong wrote in the October 1951 issue: “[T]he capital of this revived Roman Empire, along with the Vatican, will make a lightning move to

Palestine—probably Jerusalem! That shall be the *last* abomination to be set up there! Notice, in Daniel 11:45, ‘tabernacle’ is a place of worship, and ‘palace’ the residence of a king” (“The Pope Plans to Move Vatican!”).

Daniel 8:25 has a related prophecy: “And through his policy also he shall cause craft to prosper in his hand; and he shall magnify himself in his heart, and by peace shall destroy many ...” (see “[The Dark Side of the Pope’s Visit to Jerusalem](#)” at [theTrumpet.com/11869](#)).

These are dramatic prophecies, and they are being fulfilled right now!

Why is Germany concerned about Cyprus? Why is the Vatican concerned? Why have both made statements in support of the



The Key of David An Eye on Cyprus

“Germany Conquers Cyprus”
(August 9, 2019)

“Cyprus in Prophecy”
(April 25, 2015)

“Cyprus Surrenders to Germany”
(January 9, 2013)

Jews, yet taken actions that obviously weaken the Jews and strengthen the Muslims?

THE VATICAN AND GERMANY ARE IN THE PROCESS OF RESURRECTING THE POWER OF THE HOLY ROMAN EMPIRE, AND THEY WANT TO RULE JERUSALEM! THIS HAS BEEN A POWERFUL RELIGIOUS DESIRE OF THAT INSTITUTION FOR SOME 1,500 YEARS. THEY WANT ANOTHER CRUSADE TO CONQUER JERUSALEM.

Daniel 11:40-45 describes something that has not occurred yet in history: a vast military operation in the Middle East led by “the king of the north” leading to world war. This, as Mr. Armstrong showed from the Bible, is Catholic, German-led Europe.

The revived Holy Roman Empire will find a way to carve out more and more control for itself over Cyprus, the Holy Land and Jerusalem. They have an *enormous plan* for the Middle East! Daniel 11 is describing a much larger military operation than ever seen before, and it will bring horrific results, far worse than the bloodiest crusades of the past!

Christodoulides said Cyprus has “particular geostrategic significance” for the EU. This is truer than he can imagine!

Germany’s Real Objective

Some Israelis might be worried about the pope’s statements, but they fail to see what they are really about because they don’t understand Bible prophecy and they don’t remember the history of the Crusades and other Catholic persecutions of Jews. *Many* Israelis fail to understand Germany.

As the German chancellor acknowledged, his nation is voicing support for Israel because of Germany’s guilt for *its* persecution of Jews during World War II—not that long ago. That was an attempt to *dehumanize and exterminate them!*

German pilots reinforced the chancellor’s rhetoric by practicing dropping *nuclear bombs*. Germany used to have a smaller military and was forbidden from developing its own nuclear bombs *because of* what it did in World War II against Jews—and against Britain, America and the Allies. Germany was a leading, respected, high-tech nation at that time as well, and it launched the Second World War, leading to the mass murder of 6 million Jews and the deaths of 54 million others!

Don’t you think Germany wants to push Britain and America out of

Cyprus, which they used so powerfully in that last world war? Don’t you think this rising empire and its military might turn those bombs against America, Britain and the Jewish nation? *That will be their objective.* How much they are thinking that way right now, we don’t know, but their motivation is not as pure as most people believe. DO YOU THINK THEY REALLY LOVE ISRAEL? ARE THEY HELPING THE JEWS SIMPLY TO ATONE FOR THEIR PAST? THAT IS NOT THEIR REAL OBJECTIVE! That is only the cover they are using to aggressively pursue their goal!

The Bible reveals that Germany wants to loosen the Jews’ control of Jerusalem—but not so Iran and radical Islam can seize it. There is going to be a great clash between the European king of the north and the radical Islamic king of the south.

Germany is already planning its foreign policy and its deployments to surround Iran and ultimately destroy it in a whirlwind attack before it can take Jerusalem. And the Islamic king of the south can see that Europe is getting stronger in the Middle East. (Read more about “[The Whirlwind Prophecy](https://www.thetrumpet.com/10678)” at [theTrumpet.com/10678](https://www.thetrumpet.com/10678).)

Daniel 11:40 states: “And at the time of the end shall the king of the south push at him: and the king of the north shall come against him like a whirlwind, with chariots, and with horsemen, and with many ships; and he shall enter into the countries, and shall overflow and pass over.” Radical Islam and Iran are very close to provoking Europe into this whirlwind attack. Daniel 12:4 and 9 tell us that this prophecy is *only* for this end time and no other!

We are witnessing momentous prophetic events unfolding before our eyes. Study these prophecies and you will see that these events are part of the very final events to occur in this age of man, before God intervenes to establish His Kingdom on Earth! Terrible suffering is about to engulf the Middle East and the world! As a warning to all of us, God has foretold that this is what wicked men will be doing. But He also promises to forcibly stop it after a very short time and to ensure that it never happens again.

When we watch these events with understanding, not only can we see God’s hand at work, we can recognize the tremendous hope that lies just over the horizon! ■



Herbert W. Armstrong (left) visits Cypriot Acting President Georgios Ladas in 1982.

Herbert W. Armstrong Warned Cyprus

In the 1980s, Herbert W. Armstrong was known as an unofficial “ambassador for world peace” to world leaders in Bangladesh, Belgium, Chile, China, Egypt, Ethiopia, India, Indonesia, Japan, Jordan, Kenya, Lebanon, Namibia, Nepal, South Africa, Spain, Sri Lanka, Thailand, the United Kingdom, the United States, Vietnam, and beyond, as well as Israel and Cyprus.

In 1982, on invitation of Acting President Georgios Ladas, Mr. Armstrong delivered an astounding message. He told President Ladas about the four great world empires of history and the fact that the fourth, Rome, was remade in A.D. 554 as the Holy Roman Empire, then revived itself repeatedly throughout history. He said that Europe would likely unite both Roman Catholics and Orthodox Catholics and revive that empire once again, and that the European Union would come to dominate Cyprus. This was an amazing 40-year prophecy that is now being fulfilled!

Mr. Armstrong’s message came from Bible prophecy, but the most astounding part was that he told Ladas directly that “the God of all of our religions is going to step in supernaturally by supernatural power, and is going to shake up this world” and change human nature itself, as influenced by the devil, from destructive selfishness to God’s way of give.

THE POST-TRUTH WORLD

The gatekeepers of truth
have proven untrustworthy.
Lies are being legitimized.
What can you believe?

BY ANDREW MILLER



JUST 10 DAYS AFTER HAMAS attacked Israel, an explosion rocked one of the oldest hospitals in Gaza City. Hamas accused Israel of indiscriminately bombing al-Ahli Hospital and killing 500 innocents. Mainstream media outlets, including the Associated Press, CBS, NBC, the BBC, the *New York Times* and many others, rushed to publicize the claim as fact. When the story spread, many world leaders condemned Israel for the attack.

Within a day, evidence made clear that Israel was not the culprit. The blast had resulted from a rocket misfired by Palestinian terrorists. It had struck not the hospital, but the parking lot. It hadn't killed 500, but likely fewer than a hundred.

The press's eagerness to broadcast unverified allegations from Hamas as fact is just one item amid troves of evidence of their bias and unreliability. Because of such stories, the credibility of the press is tanking further. A Gallup poll in October 2023 found that a record low number of Americans—fewer than a third—trust the media “a great deal” or “a fair amount” to report the news fully, fairly and accurately. Nearly 3 in 10 trust the press “not very much,” while nearly 4 in 10 had “none at all.” A Statista poll in November found that Americans who have “a great deal” or “quite a lot” of confidence in newspapers is an abysmal 18 percent, and for television news, 14 percent.

The press is hardly the only public institution in the doghouse. High-profile instances of corruption and deceit exposed in a variety of institutions have made the public suspicious, cynical and jaded. People know they are being exploited and lied to from all directions.

Every White House press briefing has reporters bringing up dismal facts about the American economy, an immigration disaster or foreign-policy embarrassment—and government officials insisting that everything it is doing is extraordinarily successful and wildly popular: *The economy has never been better! Gas prices are low! You are actually spending less money on groceries!* Little wonder that the same Statista poll found that only 26 percent of Americans have “a great deal” or “quite a lot” of confidence in the presidency.

The numbers show similarly low public confidence in other institutions: the medical system (34 percent); organized religion (32 percent); the Supreme Court (27 percent); Big Tech, banks and public schools (all 26 percent); the criminal justice system (17 percent); and Big Business (14 percent). An October report showed that 84 percent of Americans disapprove of how Congress is doing its job.

The sudden explosion in AI-generated text and imagery is exacerbating this growing and pervasive skepticism. Alternative facts, blatant lies, disinformation, fake news, misinformation and propaganda of all sorts swirl around us. The truth is under attack. The erosion of public trust is the inevitable, justifiable result.

The extent of the effects of this trend are impossible to measure. These institutions control a tremendous amount of the information fed to the public. What happens when the historic gatekeepers of truth are exposed as peddlers of lies?

Increasing millions of people are turning to alternative media outlets to understand world events. Many of these sources are proving effective at exposing commonly promulgated lies. But in many cases, they are not necessarily trustworthy either. Many are unabashedly partisan, and some push misinformation as blatantly as mainstream sources.

In this climate, many people, rather than seeking facts and working to understand reality, have begun to question the existence of reality itself. The concept of *truth* is being replaced by “your truth” and “my truth”—as if truth itself is fictional. Past generations viewed God as the beginning of truth and morality; surveys now suggest a majority of United States citizens believe truth is relative to circumstances.

In 2016, Oxford Dictionaries made the phrase “post-truth” the Word of the Year after it noted a dramatic increase in the usage of terms like “post-truth politics” over the previous five years. This phrase denotes a culture where facts are irrelevant and the only things that matter are opinions, feelings, hunches and politics. It describes the state the world has fallen into over the past decade. British journalist Melanie Phillips underlined the magnitude of this phenomenon, saying that Western civilization is entering

the end of the Enlightenment era that began 400 years ago.

You probably hear politicians, pundits, co-workers and friends alike use terms like *disinformation*, *fake news*, *information warfare* and *psyops*. These terms attempt to describe the haze of deception that enshrouds our world. It is stunning how easily supposedly rational people adopt absurd, irrational, illogical, nonsensical and unreasonable ideas.

Government Censorship

Media bias is almost as old as humanity itself, yet information technology and mass media have amplified humanity's ability to spread lies a thousand times faster than it could in the past.

A recent survey published by Gallup and the Knight Foundation indicates that roughly half of Americans believe the media is deliberately trying to deceive them. In many cases, these citizens are right about journalists knowingly lying.

The corporate media in the United States began to lean left in the 1960s and 1970s as news pundits graduated from Ivy League universities that leaned left. Yet media bias kicked into hyperdrive after Donald Trump's surprise victory in the 2016 presidential election. The media claimed that there was a 90 percent chance that Hillary Clinton would be elected. When this didn't happen, they began reporting that Russia interfered in the election.

The resulting hoax may have been the greatest political scandal in U.S. history, and you don't have to be a conservative to believe that. Regardless of what you think about Trump, there is no evidence that he colluded with a foreign power to steal the election. Yet Barack Obama's intelligence officials conspired with the media to manufacture fake stories claiming exactly that.

The Federal Bureau of Investigation leaked stories to Yahoo News's Michael Isikoff. He published the information in a Sept. 23, 2016, article, which the FBI used as corroborating evidence to get court permission to spy on the Trump campaign. In other words, the FBI used the media to manufacture evidence. Law enforcement and the media formed an echo chamber that at least some media officials must have known about. The goal was not journalism; it was political prosecution.

And it did its job. The allegations gave the Obama administration a pretext to sign the Countering Foreign Propaganda and Disinformation Act into law on Dec. 23, 2016. With the stroke of a pen, a censorship industrial complex was born.

The Countering Foreign Propaganda and Disinformation Act authorized the U.S. State Department to take action against propaganda through an inter-agency panel. It authorized \$160 million in funding over a two-year period and empowered the U.S. Global Engagement Center to shift its primary focus from countering Islamic propaganda to countering Russian propaganda. Over the next few years, the federal government spent billions of dollars creating a counter-disinformation machine with influence over public and private sectors alike.

But this money did nothing to defend Americans from lies and misinformation. It allowed the government to accuse scores of innocent people of being Russian stooges without evidence.

That is a stunning statement, but it is provably true. Elon Musk's purchase of Twitter on Oct. 27, 2022, allowed journalists to see documentation proving collusion between the FBI and Twitter. Anyone who has examined the Twitter Files can easily see that, before Musk bought it, Twitter was operating like an arm of the federal government.

On March 2, 2023, Matt Taibbi released a 50-tweet thread, labeled Twitter Files 17.0, exposing how the Global Engagement Center worked with the Atlantic Council's digital forensic research lab to censor thousands of

Twitter accounts associated with Russian and Indian nationalists. Yet e-mails between the Atlantic Council and former Twitter head of Trust and Safety Yoel Roth show that the Atlantic Council's blacklist was full of ordinary Americans with no connection to India or Russia.

The censorship industrial complex was muzzling the conservative Americans who opposed them.

Alternative Media

Americans are dealing with more than a leftist media: They are subjected to a cartel controlled by the "deep state." This is an existential risk to personal freedom.

Understanding this risk, Musk spent \$44 billion to buy Twitter, privatize it, and turn it into a bastion of free speech. Other conservatives are following his example.

WHO IS DEFINING 'DISINFORMATION'?

IF YOU ASK QUESTIONS ABOUT THE VOTING MACHINES IN the 2020 election, you will be kicked off YouTube. Interview a COVID vaccine skeptic on a podcast for Spotify, and you could lose your platform. Post about it on Facebook, and you could lose your account.

These aren't simply independent bodies making their own decisions on who they want to allow on their private platforms. Behind all of them are federal agencies with links to former United States President Barack Obama. And to help them track down the "dangerous" disinformation, they use several groups of outside "experts." One group with global influence that you've never heard of is the Institute for Strategic Dialogue (ISD).

The think tank describes itself as an "independent, nonprofit organization dedicated to safeguarding human rights and reversing the rising tide of polarization, extremism and disinformation worldwide." But the institute's worldwide mission is strongly influenced by a foreign government: Germany.

In 2015, the institute began working with the Obama administration. It forged ties with Amazon, Facebook, Google, Microsoft, Spotify, Twitter and YouTube, as well as the European Union, the Global Counter Terrorism Forum, the United Nations Counter-Terrorism Committee Executive Directorate, New Zealand's Christchurch Call and the Global Internet Forum to Counter-Terrorism.

Government and media organizations no longer do their

own fact-checking—they outsource that responsibility to the ISD. This organization joined Spotify's Safety Advisory Council in 2022 after the platform was criticized for not censoring Joe Rogan's December 2021 interview with COVID-19 vaccine critic Dr. Robert Malone. A Jan. 17, 2018, Senate Commerce Committee hearing singled it out from among 50 nongovernmental organizations that advise Facebook on censorship. On the local level, its Strong Cities Network has trained thousands of police officers, teachers and youth workers around the world to "mitigate hate, polarization and disinformation."

"The ISD has been accused of suppressing conservative views online by erroneously labeling mainstream views as misinformation," wrote Capital Research Center, a think tank that researches how other think tanks influence public life. The *Daily Caller* wrote that ISD "frequently classifies typical conservative discourse and journalism as hate and/or disinformation and has received funding from the U.S. government" (Feb. 14, 2023).

"Please keep an eye on this organization," wrote investigative journalist Michael Sheltenberger, who helped expose censorship on Twitter. "Follow them. They are working to censor [Dr. Jordan B. Peterson, Bjorn Lomborg, Alex Epstein] and me. They are spreading lies about us to news media and social media platforms around the world. They are creepy and dangerous."

DISINFORMATION OF ITS OWN?

The Institute for Strategic Dialogue censors many subjects important to American conservatives, including:

U.S. ELECTIONS
CLIMATE CHANGE
PUBLIC HEALTH AND COVID
CONSPIRACY NETWORKS
FAR-RIGHT EXTREMISM
ISLAMIST EXTREMISM
WOMEN AND EXTREMISM
ISLAMOPHOBIA
ANTI-SEMITISM
MISOGYNY
ANTI-LGBTQ+

Across the nation, alternative media sites are proliferating as free-speech advocates fight back against the censorship industrial complex that has hijacked the Western world. Yet as important as free speech is to any democratic republic, there is also a danger in the proliferation of news sites: Truth is the first casualty of war, and this fact is especially true in information wars.

Many alternative news outlets can be likened to guerrilla groups trying to fight back against the leviathan that is the censorship industrial complex. Yet just because your enemy is a liar does not necessarily mean you are a truth-teller. Many alternative media sites spread alternative facts, blatant lies, disinformation, fake news, misinformation and propaganda of their own variety.

An example of this phenomenon is the idea that Russia's invasion of Ukraine is an attempt to stop U.S. biolabs in that country from creating new varieties of the COVID-19 virus. This is a theory about a conspiracy that has gained traction on many alternative media sites. And it is a documented fact that the U.S. government sends money to medical research facilities in China, Ukraine and many other nations. It is also a documented fact that the Wuhan Institute of Virology was using gene-splicing techniques developed at the University of North Carolina in its coronavirus research. So it is highly likely that COVID-19 was developed at the Wuhan University of Virology using American gene-splicing techniques. But there is no evidence that Ukrainian biolabs were working on

that particular gene sequence before the COVID-19 outbreak. Those media outlets who report otherwise are not objectively reporting verifiable facts.

Under normal circumstances, people would be skeptical of outlandish claims coming from fringe news sites. But the fake news coming from the mainstream media has become so bad that many fall for the fallacy that *the enemy of my enemy is my friend* and start believing unverified theories.

People become anxious when they don't know whom to trust. That creates a craving for a more ordered world. Demagogues from across the political spectrum will exploit such a craving.

Civilization depends on a populace that is able to distinguish fact from opinion and logically analyze the world

Who exactly is this influence group? Founded in 2006, the ISD began as an extension of the Club of Three, a think tank that set up contacts between French, German and British business, political, media and academic leaders. George Weidenfeld, an Austrian Jew, founded both. Though he fled Austria when the Nazis took power, and became a British citizen, the *Guardian* wrote in his obituary that he “never lost his deep affection for Austria and created exceptionally strong links with Germany.”

The German media loved him, and he formed close ties with chancellors Helmut Kohl and Angela Merkel.

In November 2020—at the same time as the U.S. presidential election—the institute founded its Digital Policy Lab. This project was funded by the German government for the purpose of “safeguarding democracy.”

When people began questioning the 2020 election, the ISD tried to shut them down. It published a three-part series to explain that “extremist mobilization precipitated a violent assault on the heart of American democracy on Jan. 6, 2021.” Two years later, it published *another* series marking the anniversary of the January 6 “insurrection” that focused on “accountability for big tech, extremists’ digital footprints, and the landscape of election denialism going forward.” This powerful foreign-based censorship machine isn't hiding its political bias against American conservatives, and it is helping to define what is portrayed to you as true or false, according to its agenda.

Sitting on the ISD board of directors since 2013 is one man that the *Trumpet* has watched closely since 2009: Karl-Theodor zu Guttenberg.



The former German economics minister and defense minister, founder of an investment and advisory firm, and most recently a podcast host, isn't hiding his own bias against American conservatives, especially Donald Trump. On LinkedIn, Guttenberg shared an ISD post attacking conservatives who question the integrity of the U.S. election system as “conspiracy theorists.” Guttenberg commented: “Not a surprise, but still highly disturbing. Worthwhile following ISD's work.”

Guttenberg often addresses the need of regulating speech online in his podcast series with left-wing German politician Gregor Gysi. He has also criticized Americans who don't believe in climate change and speaks in favor of the rights of transsexuals.

Trumpet editor in chief Gerald Flurry exposed many of Germany's efforts to regulate what is said online, far beyond its borders, in his July 2019 article “Germany Is Taking Control of the Internet” ([theTrumpet.com/20695](https://www.thetrumpet.com/20695)). Guttenberg sees these efforts as a model for more laws on data-sharing and regulating artificial intelligence. Mr. Flurry questioned whether Guttenberg is behind some of these regulations and concluded: “Soon we are certain to see whether Guttenberg is already working behind the scenes against America.”

Guttenberg's involvement with the Institute for Strategic Dialogue, his criticism of Donald Trump and his supporters, and his praise for strong EU regulations are just a few indicators that he wields some level of power over what you can find out and how you view it.

Time will tell who this man will be, but the casting down of truth to the ground has already begun.

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around them. This is what Thomas Jefferson meant when he said, “If a nation expects to be ignorant and free, in a state of civilization, it expects what never was and never will be.”

Rational Universe

Many public figures have become so nonchalant about lying that they deliberately lie even when they can be easily fact-checked. In a speech in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, in August 2023, Joe Biden told people that he had reduced the national debt. You don’t have to dig into federal search warrants or ice core data to see that this is false. Anyone with Internet access can see the U.S. National Debt Clock, which shows that no one has reduced the national debt in over 20 years. Yet Biden will say he did because he knows a large segment of society does not care about truth.

When businessmen, journalists, politicians and scientists can get away with such blatant lying, it shows that society is on the verge of collapse. We are approaching a point where not only do people not know what is factually accurate, they don’t even care all that much about factual accuracy.

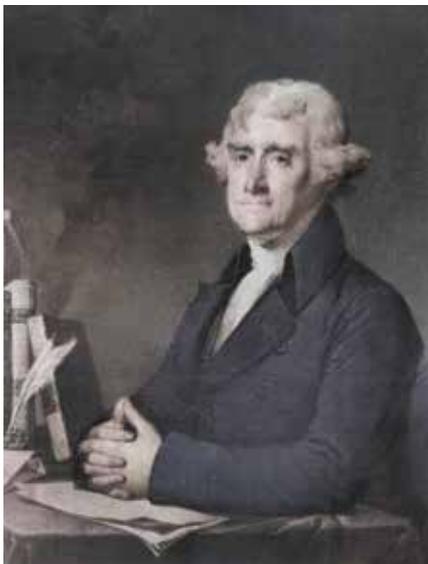
Most people struggle to distinguish objective fact from subjective opinion. Melanie Phillips makes an insightful point in her book *The World Turned Upside Down: The Global Battle Over God, Truth and Power*. She notes that the ability to think rationally comes from God.

“For the development of science, monotheism was essential,” she writes. “Western science grew from the novel idea that the universe was rational; and that belief was given to us by Genesis, which set out the revolutionary proposition that the universe had a rational Creator. Without such a purposeful intelligence behind it, the universe could not have been rational; and so there would have been no place for reason in the world because there would have been no truths or natural laws for reason to uncover. Atheism, by contrast, holds that the world comes from a random and therefore irrational source, so that reason is an accidental byproduct.”

In other words, truth is known to and revealed by the Creator. When humans reject this truth, they form and *worship* their own opinions—often calling them

“truth.” When this thinking becomes entrenched, *they stop caring about the difference between true and false, and society enters a post-truth period like the one America and the rest of the world are in now.*

Every person believes in *something*. When people do not believe in the revelation or even the plain physical evidence



“IF A NATION EXPECTS TO BE IGNORANT AND FREE, IN A STATE OF CIVILIZATION, IT EXPECTS WHAT NEVER WAS AND NEVER WILL BE.” —THOMAS JEFFERSON

of their own Creator, then they believe in their own physical senses, their own thinking, their own opinions and their own will—which is easily swayed by any number of religions and ideologies that bend facts and fail to explain the physical and spiritual laws of the Creator.

This is why the Apostle Paul wrote that those who do “not like to retain God in their knowledge” are given “over to a reprobate mind, to do those things which are not convenient” (Romans 1:28).

Reject the revelation of the Creator contained in the Bible, reject the very existence of the Creator, and before long you begin rejecting the laws governing

the universe as well. The Apostle Peter expanded on this truth when he wrote that those who “walk after the flesh in the lust of uncleanness” become as “natural brute beasts” (2 Peter 2:10-12). The Greek word for “brute” is *alogos*, which, depending on the context, can mean absurd, irrational, unreasonable, or even, against the Logos.

The Word (Logos) is the Being through whom God (Theos) imparted rationality to the physical creation (John 1:1-3). Rebelling against God and His Word can cause a person to lose the ability to think rationally, giving him or her the limited reasoning skills of a “natural brute beast.” This is why so many people believe socialism works, your biological sex is fluid, transgenderism is healthy, and the world is going to end in a decade unless everybody gets an electric car. They no longer care about logic, facts, evidence or truth. They are fixated on their own feelings, opinions and passions.

Finding Truth

Whom can you trust? How do you know what is true? There is a way! You *can know*.

When you wake up in the morning, you find that you and the universe around you are *real*, that everything functions according to interconnecting laws, and that those laws were designed with intent and for the benefit of human beings. Unless you are so willful as to shut your eyes to reality, you understand that this requires the existence of a Creator with panoramic intelligence and power—and with a direct connection to His human creation.

Acknowledging reality also means acknowledging the existence of a powerful force for deceit and destruction.

Acknowledging reality also means recognizing that in human history, nothing makes such strong claims and provides such strong evidence as the *communication* from this Creator recorded in the Bible. Proving the authenticity and authority of the Bible must be an individual choice by each person.

The purpose of the Bible is to provide human beings in a world of lies the pathway to the *truth*—historical, prophetic, governmental, biological, physical and spiritual. It does not claim to contain all knowledge, but as Herbert

“AND YE SHALL KNOW THE TRUTH, AND THE TRUTH SHALL MAKE YOU FREE.” —JOHN 8:32

W. Armstrong explained in *Mystery of the Ages*, it contains the “foundation of knowledge.” It contains truth from the Creator otherwise unknowable to the human beings He created. “The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom: and the knowledge of the holy is understanding” (Proverbs 9:10). This is why the best journalists believe in a rational Creator. In a post-truth society, you hear all sorts of self-contradictory statements about family, gender, sex, politics and a myriad of other topics. But those who at least acknowledge a Creator, the laws of reality and the rational nature of the creation know it is impossible for two truths to contradict each other. Therefore, if you read a self-contradictory statement, you know your search for truth isn’t over.

Proverbs 25:2 communicates that this search is a challenging one: “It is the glory of God to conceal a thing: but the honour of kings is to search out a matter.” It takes effort.

It also requires humility. Jesus 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” (Matthew 11:25). Isn’t this true? Those with the most sophistication, intelligence, wealth and power are *not* the ones with the most truth! Those with the most truth have a relationship with the Creator who possesses the truth and have a *reverential, submissive attitude* toward Him. Finding the truth does not mean being a gullible or naive follower, but it does require avoiding one of the worst obstacles preventing you from finding the truth: believing that you already have it. A rational person admits what he or she does not know and humbly seeks a reliable source to provide true knowledge. And even if you find the truth, you will fall back into “your truth” or someone else’s “truth” *unless you act on it* (“What Is Truth?,” page 35).

Both Moses and Paul confirmed that truth should be established “at the mouth of two witnesses, or at the mouth of three witnesses” (Deuteronomy 19:15; 2 Corinthians 13:1). This is an often-overlooked

principle in journalism that could have stopped the RussiaGate hoax before it started. A former MI6 agent made numerous allegations against Donald Trump in an unverified dossier, but the claim that Trump colluded with Russia lacked corroborating evidence.

Paul warns us, “[E]vil communications corrupt good manners” (1 Corinthians 15:33). When a news source lies, *hold it accountable!* You must prize the truth highly. All news publications make occasional mistakes, but news sources large or small, mainstream or alternative, conservative or liberal that prove themselves to be corrupt don’t deserve your readership, your viewership, or your trust.

The post-truth age is part of a prophesied time of “strong delusion” where those who do not love the truth will be deceived (2 Thessalonians 2:9-11). God deliberately makes the truth hard to uncover in many instances because He wants us to love truth and fight for it!

‘Cast Truth to the Ground’

There is a source of truth, and there is a source of lies. “... He was a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own: for he is a liar, and the father of it” (John 8:44).

A devil, despite the fact that many people are blinded to him, *exists*. This is the reason for the extensive amount of intelligence and intent that coordinate so many of the lies.

“Yea, he magnified himself even to the prince of the host, and by him the daily sacrifice was taken away, and the place of his sanctuary was cast down. And an host was given him against the daily sacrifice by reason of transgression, and it

cast down the truth to the ground; and it practised, and prospered.” This prophecy in Daniel 8:11-12 is for the end time (Daniel 12:4, 9) and describes devil-inspired people in God’s one true Church and in the nations that descended from ancient Israel, particularly the United States.

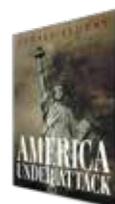
The *host* is an army of evil men inspired by the devil and other fallen angels who help a leader in the Church and a leader in the U.S. to “cast down the truth to the ground.” As *Trumpet* editor in chief Gerald Flurry explains in his book *America Under Attack*, the most anti-Bible president in U.S. history, Barack Obama, fulfills the latter role. He is out of office, but he and his agents have been working hard in the censorship industrial complex to overthrow the United States. Deceptions committed by other people, including conservatives and the alternative media, also come from the father of lies, but he primarily works right now through this political leader.

In God’s Church, the father of lies used a top leader and his host of supporters to cast biblical truth to the ground. Now a host of bureaucrats, military leaders, intelligence agents, media moguls, tech entrepreneurs, financiers and spies are helping Obama cast constitutional, moral, biblical, historical and even scientific truth to the ground.

There has never been so much on the line. All of us have been guilty, to some degree, of not *loving* the truth and not *acting upon* the truth; and all of us are in danger of *losing* the truth that we once took for granted—even the most fundamental, basic, beautiful truths! The Creator of the universe and the Source of truth is *exposing* the lies in our nation, our churches, the one true Church and in your own life. Why? To give us and our nations a chance to repent of our own lying, “will worship” (Colossians 2:23) and lukewarm attitudes and to instead become humble, obedient, believing and *passionate for the truth!* ■

Get the truth on the cause of the post-truth world

Educators, leaders, media, military leaders, bureaucrats, even scientists are casting down truth, but the attack does not originate with them—there is a spirit inspiring it. To learn how Satan has used some of the most influential leaders to take down truth, request your free copy of Gerald Flurry’s ***America Under Attack***.





A Palestinian protests in Ramallah, Israel, on Oct. 18, 2023.

City hospital on October 17. Hamas claimed an Israeli strike caused the explosion and resulted in 500 casualties. It turns out the blast was caused by a failed rocket launch by Palestinian Islamic Jihad, a terror group ally of Hamas. It didn't even hit the hospital directly; it exploded in the parking lot. The Church of England, which manages the hospital, stated that roughly 200 people died. United States intelligence estimates the number could be even lower. As news leaked out on the actual circumstances surrounding the blast, Hamas revised its figures.

TRUTH AND LIES ABOUT THE ISRAEL-HAMAS WAR

Is Israel's counterattack worse than Hamas's October 7 massacre? Here are the facts.

BY MIHAİLO S. ZEKIC

FAMILIES IRREPARABLY SHREDDed at the hands of genocidal maniacs. Formerly peaceful communities stained with the blood of innocents. Foreign armies ethnically cleansed towns that had been lulled into a false sense of security. Defenders fighting for their families branded as extremist murderers.

This is what happened with Hamas's Oct. 7, 2023, invasion and the ensuing war, and it is the most common media narrative. But in a stunning number of cases, it's not *Israel* being cast as the victim. Many claim *Hamas* is the victim in this conflict—that *its* people are the ones being unjustly slaughtered—that Israel is the *aggressor and the villain*.

Much propaganda is circulating regarding Hamas's attack on Israel and Israel's subsequent war effort. Some of it is well meaning but uninformed. But much, if not most, of it is part of a deliberate attempt to hide facts and obscure the roles of both Hamas and Israel. Here are some common false claims—and the truth behind them.

LIE Hamas is a trustworthy source for information.
“[The Hamas Health Ministry's] numbers may not be perfectly accurate on a minute-to-minute basis. But they largely reflect the level of death and injury.”

—MICHAEL RYAN

World Health Organization official

IN CALCULATING THE GAZAN DEATH TOLL, the only organization with an official tally is the Hamas-run Gazan Health Ministry. At the time of writing, the ministry claims that over 11,000 Gazans have died. Until the war concludes and more observers can make a tally, it is practically impossible to independently verify its numbers. The Health Ministry's figures in previous wars have apparently been corroborated by bodies like the United Nations (institutional anti-Semitism notwithstanding).

But the Health Ministry's unreliability was demonstrated in one case where the death toll *was* looked at by outside observers: the al-Ahli Arab Hospital explosion. A blast occurred at this Gaza

“Hamas has a clear propaganda incentive to inflate civilian casualties as much as possible,” a former Reuters Jerusalem bureau chief tweeted October 24. “There was a time when the figures from the ministry could be relied upon. The doctors and administrators knew what they were doing [and] were professional about it. But Hamas has now been in charge in Gaza for 16 years. It has squeezed the life out of honesty and probity. Any health official stepping out of line and not giving the death tolls that Hamas wants reported to journalists risks serious consequences.”

Hamas does not run a liberal democracy but a totalitarian Islamist state that tortures and executes whistleblowers, defectors, collaborators and anybody that poses a challenge to its rule in Gaza. Even well-meaning doctors face serious risk for so much as a statement that casts Hamas as anything but an innocent victim.

Hamas has also been proved to fabricate evidence of Israeli war crimes. Photographs of bloodied Gazan infants have since been proved to be AI-generated. They have reused videos from

years past claiming them as evidence of what Israel is doing now. In one instance, Hamas released a video claiming to show Israeli soldiers kidnapping Palestinian girls. Fact-checkers found the video to be two years old and involving crying girls asking Israeli policemen to release their brother.

If there were abundant evidence for Israeli war crimes, why would Hamas have to manufacture fake evidence?

LIE Israel was occupying Gaza.

“Israel remains the occupying power in the occupied Palestinian territory, which also includes the Gaza Strip.”

—United Nations Human Rights Council

CALLING GAZA “occupied territory” ignores the fact that Israel hasn’t controlled Gaza for almost

20 years. Under Prime Minister Ariel Sharon in 2005, Israel completely withdrew from Gaza. From 2005 to now, none of Gaza was under the control of the Israeli military. Israel was blockading Gaza—strictly monitoring who and what could come in and out—but that is not an occupation.

LIE Gaza is an “open-air prison.”

“Israel, with Egypt’s help, has turned Gaza into an open-air prison.”

—OMAR SHAKIR Human Rights Watch Israel and Palestine director

YES, CONDITIONS IN GAZA ARE HARSH. That is because of Hamas. It is Hamas that tortures dissidents. It is Hamas that engages in turf wars with terror group rivals. It is Hamas’s continuous antagonism toward Israel that forced the Jewish state to cut off access to trade—the same reason the United States had a blockade on Cuba, the same reason South Korea has a blockade on North Korea, and the same reason Armenia and Azerbaijan have a closed border.

That didn’t prevent Israel from letting Gaza share its electricity and water. And that didn’t prevent Israel from letting hundreds of millions of dollars’ worth of foreign aid from entering Gaza.

Also, calling Gaza an “open air prison” implies that Gazans can’t leave. This is demonstrably false. The Meir Amit Intelligence and Terrorism Information Center estimates that between 250,000 and 350,000 Gazans have emigrated since Hamas took power in 2007. Gazans can emigrate by applying for visas, as any national can. Thousands of Gazans had permission to work in Israel prior to October 7.

Gaza also is not completely surrounded by Israel. It shares a border with Egypt. Egypt’s border policies were similarly restrictive before October 7. Egypt has no claim on Gazan territory; it hasn’t occupied Gaza since 1967. Egypt has no “dog in the fight” as far as the “two-state solution” goes. Yet it still had restrictions on who could and couldn’t enter Egypt from Gaza—as one would expect when dealing with a terrorist regime.

LIE All the Palestinians want is a two-state solution.

“[T]he two-state solution is much more probable than it was months or years ago.”

—URSULA VON DER LEYEN European Commission president

IF THIS WERE THE CASE, OCTOBER 7 would not have happened. This is because Gaza *was* the two-state solution. Gaza was independent.

Hamas has its own government, laws, military and foreign policy. It has its own border force monitoring who goes in and out of Gaza. It has its own economy, mainly comprised of humanitarian aid and clandestine funding from Iran and Qatar. The only things Israel shared

with Gaza were the shekel as currency and some utilities.

Compared to the West Bank, Gaza’s relations with Israel were much more straightforward. There were no squabbles over who controlled which sectors. There were no conflicts between Gazans and Israeli settlements; all Israeli settlements were abandoned in 2005. There were no disputes over who would control holy sites on the border. Israel treated Gaza as an independent state. And if Gaza had declared independence and peace, Israel would have recognized it in a heartbeat.

Gaza does not exist as a diplomatically recognized entity mainly because that would imply recognition of Israel, something Hamas would never do. It also wants control of the West Bank, but Hamas’s priority is the destruction of the “Zionist regime.”

LIE Hamas wants to live in peace with Israel and recognizes Israel’s right to exist.

“Israel will exist and will continue to exist until Islam will obliterate it, just as it obliterated others before it.”

—Covenant of Hamas preamble

LIE It wasn’t Hamas that murdered over 300 partygoers at the Supernova music festival on October 7—it was the Israeli government.

“[The Israeli government] allowed the occupation police and army to kill everyone.”

—Palestinian Authority Foreign Ministry

THE PALESTINIAN AUTHORITY (PA) claimed in a now-deleted social media post that Israel was responsible for the death of all 364 people at the Supernova festival. The PA referenced the Hannibal Protocol as a government

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policy supposedly authorizing the Israel Defense Forces (IDF) to do this. The Hannibal Protocol was a military order repealed in 2016 that allowed the IDF to do whatever it took to stop the kidnapping of a fellow soldier, even if this would have endangered the soldier's life.

The basis for the PA's claim was most likely a November 18 *Haaretz* article that cited an anonymous police source claiming an IDF helicopter may have accidentally hit a handful of civilians as it was going after Hamas, which the IDF denies. Claiming Israel was responsible for the murder of over 300 Israelis disregards the testimony of thousands of witnesses—as well as the fact that the PA backed away from its claim.



Photographs of some of those taken hostage by Hamas are seen in Tel Aviv, Israel.

LIE Israel is not doing its due diligence to avoid civilian casualties.

“[T]here was a failure to take necessary precautions to avoid excessive harm to civilians and civilian property, which is against international humanitarian law.”

—Amnesty International UK

GAZA SHARES A BORDER WITH EGYPT. It was Egypt that at first rejected a humanitarian corridor to let aid in and civilians out of Gaza. Since then, Egypt has allowed both. Since November 9, Israel agreed to daily four-hour pauses to allow civilians to flee northeast Gaza, ground zero of the fighting. Israel has opened up corridors itself allowing civilians to get out of Gaza City safely. Before it launches air strikes, the IDF warns Gazans through leaflets, phone calls and text messages. After Israel captured al-Shifa Hospital, which Hamas had used to hold Israeli hostages, Israel helped the hospital continue operation by supplying incubators, baby food, water and other supplies.

LIE Israel is an apartheid state.

“As long as our country provides billions in unconditional funding to support the apartheid government [in Israel], this heartbreaking cycle of violence will continue.”

—RASHIDA TLAIB U.S. representative

PEOPLE OFTEN COMPARE ISRAEL'S TREATMENT of Arabs and other minorities with South Africa's disenfranchisement of blacks during the apartheid era. This is far from the truth. Israel's Arab community contributes to society as politicians, actors, journalists, entrepreneurs, soldiers, hospital workers and humanitarian agents. Israel's Knesset has Arab legislators. The previous government, which was in power until 2022, had Arab cabinet members. Arab citizens enjoy equal rights and are exempt from Israel's mandatory conscription. Unlike many of Israel's neighbors (including Gaza), Arabs are free to convert from Islam without getting their heads lopped off. Muslim women can walk in public without a headscarf or male guardian. Through the Jordanian Waqf, the Muslim community can worship at the al-Aqsa Mosque and Dome of the Rock without Israeli government control.

LIE The Palestinian Authority is a worthy replacement for Gaza's government.

“The solution [to the conflict] comes from the return of the Palestinian Authority to Gaza.”

—JOSEP BORRELL

European Union high representative

MANY IN THE WEST, INCLUDING THE U.S. government, see the Palestinian Authority as Hamas's natural replacement as the governing authority in Gaza once the war is over. Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu has ruled this out.

PA President Mahmoud Abbas is no Islamist jihadi. But he has been ruling what territory he controls as a dictator. There have been no presidential elections since 2005, nor legislative elections

since 2006. Abbas's PA has financially sponsored families of terrorists incarcerated in Israeli prisons. The PA's educational curriculum is well documented to include anti-Israel propaganda. West Bank school material encourages children to hate Jews and aspire to be martyrs in the cause of “liberation.”

There is also evidence Fatah itself participated in the massacre. The terror group al-Aqsa Martyrs' Brigade posted videos of its members attacking kibbutz Nahal Oz on October 7. Al-Aqsa Martyrs' Brigade claims to be the military wing of Fatah, which Fatah denies. But in 2004, PA Prime Minister Ahmed Qurei stated, “We have clearly declared that the Aqsa Martyrs' Brigade [is] part of Fatah” to British media. “We are committed to them, and Fatah bears full responsibility for the group.”

There is no way Abbas was unaware of the Brigade's participation in the massacre. Either he supported what they did or felt powerless to stop them. Either way, it shows Fatah is not a security partner Israel can trust in Gaza.

Why the Lies?

John Adams famously said, “Facts are stubborn things; and whatever may be our wishes, our inclinations, or the dictates of our passions, they cannot alter the state of facts and evidence.” Many claim that Israel is waging an unjust and unnecessary war, that Israel is committing genocide against Palestinians, that Hamas has somehow become the “good guy” in the conflict. Peddling that narrative means willfully ignoring a plethora of evidence to the contrary, as well as fabricating (easily disprovable) evidence. If Hamas was in

“THE PROPHETS PROPHECY FALSELY, AND THE PRIESTS RULE AT THEIR DIRECTION; MY PEOPLE LOVE TO HAVE IT SO, BUT WHAT WILL YOU DO WHEN THE END COMES?”

—JEREMIAH 5:31; REVISED STANDARD VERSION

the right in this conflict, such mendacity would be unnecessary.

Hamas doesn't have to lie. They have been blatant about their goals to destroy Israel for decades. If they were so concerned about good public relations, they could have started by not using their own people as human shields or torturing defectors among Gaza's population. Hamas wants international media on its side to pressure Israel to stand down, so it isn't surprising that it is making false claims. But the sheer scale of lying—and that the perpetrators have been able to get away with it in the minds of so many—is remarkable.

A famous Jew from the land of Israel once said: “[Y]ou belong to your father the devil, and you want to do what your father desires; he was a slayer of men from the very beginning, and he has no place in the truth because there is no truth in him: when he tells a lie, he is expressing his own nature, for he is a liar and the father of lies” (John 8:44; Moffatt translation).

Jesus said that lying and murder go hand in hand. When one compares the Tower of Babel-size level of lying coming from Hamas and others regarding the death toll of the largest massacre of Jews since the Holocaust, one can't help but notice the connection.

Jesus also said that “you will understand the truth, and the truth will set you free” (verse 32; Moffatt). The more that truth is ignored in the Israel-Hamas war, the more Israel will be forced to back down. That means the more Hamas will be able to cling to power, and the greater the likelihood it will replicate October 7.

Truth exposes evil. Truth shows a nation the right course of action. And truth brings fundamental justice to those who have been wronged. If there was ever a time when Israel and the world needed to cast aside lies and embrace the truth, it is now. Lest history repeat itself. ■

A look ahead

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BETRAYING ISRAEL IN ITS HOUR OF NEED



America's expressions of support are mere words. Look at its actions.

BY STEPHEN FLURRY

THE WORLD HAS CHANGED since Oct. 7, 2023. Lest you have forgotten: On that day, heavily armed monsters with detailed plans shot people in their cars; shot concertgoers fleeing on foot, in the back; tossed grenades onto families; bound, tortured, raped, broke the bones of and murdered women; mutilated the elderly; shot and burned children; cut off fingers, feet, toes, breasts; gouged out eyes; torched people alive; decapitated adults and babies, at least one of whom was slashed out of its mother's womb. They recorded it all and posted it online to brag to the world what they had done. And much of the world cheered and even joined in on threatening and attacking Jews across the globe.

How did Israel's superpower ally respond?

Days later, Joe Biden acknowledged the atrocities of the Hamas attack and its connection to the historic hatred against Jewish people; he called for Israel's

response to be “swift, decisive and overwhelming”; he warned other enemies of Israel who might be tempted to join the fight, “Don't”; he diverted an aircraft carrier to the region; and he ordered deliveries of armament supplies to Israel.

But this response is deceptive.

First, Joe Biden acting as United States president is a deception. The 2020 election was stolen, and the Constitution that legitimizes and empowers the presidency was usurped. And further, this pretender to the presidency isn't even really in power. He is a decoy controlled by Barack Hussein Obama (visit AmericaUnderAttack.com).

Biden and Obama's response to the Hamas massacre is layered with even more deception. Yes, Biden has expended taxpayer dollars for Israel's rocket interceptor missiles. But he has also directed expenditure of taxpayer dollars that the terrorists use to launch the rockets in the first place! He reversed a policy from President Donald Trump and resumed sending hundreds

of millions to Palestinians, including Hamas. Obama—during his presidency and now through Biden—saved Iran’s radical, dictatorial, terrorist-sponsoring Islamist regime from at least one popular uprising by the Iranian people, and from *U.S.-led* sanctions and financial and economic ruin through a consistent series of shocking decisions. These have included about \$2 billion in cash in 2015 and 2016; the infamous nuclear deal of Jan. 16, 2016; \$6 billion promised on the anniversary of 9/11 in 2023; and \$10 billion released in November 2023.

Biden and Obama have also both engaged in rhetoric equivalent to “both sides are to blame.” Biden was accused of talking one way to Democrat Islamist supporters and another to Democrat Jewish supporters. It also emerged that the U.S. government was forcing Israel to delay its ground invasion into Gaza and its Hamas strongholds. At the same time, Kamala Harris diverted attention to a “national strategy to counter Islamophobia.” Obama, while issuing statements appearing to support Israel, also said things that clearly undermined that support. In a Nov. 4, 2023, interview, for example, he said, “If you want to solve the problem, then you have to take in the whole truth. And then you have to admit nobody’s hands are clean, that all of us are complicit to some degree.” He said that “what’s happening to Palestinians is unbearable.” He also warned that Israel’s counterattack “could ultimately backfire.” This will certainly prove true if he has anything to say about it.

Statements like these portray Israel as part of the problem rather than the clear victim of racist, genocidal butchery. Can you imagine President Franklin Roosevelt responding to *Kristallnacht* by hyping a “national strategy to counter Germanophobia” and telling Jews that “nobody’s hands are clean”?

‘Two-State Solution’

Since President Bill Clinton pushed through the Oslo I Accord in 1993 on the White House lawn with Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin and Palestinian terrorist Yasser Arafat, the U.S. government has repeatedly pressured Israel to release prisoners and cede land and control to its Islamist insurgents: Jericho and Gaza (1994); Bethlehem, Jenin,

Nablus, Qalqilya, Ramallah and Tulkarm (1995); Hebron (1997); more West Bank areas (1998); southern Lebanon (2000); the rest of Gaza (2005); and more, with suicide bombers and other killers savagely murdering civilians continually. As my father, *Trumpet* editor in chief Gerald Flurry, has written, Hosea 5:13 shows



In the 1993 Oslo Accords, Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin (left) shakes hands with PA leader Yasser Arafat as U.S. President Bill Clinton looks on.

that this “peace process,” purportedly designed to *cure* the wound, *is* the wound. (Read more about this in Chapter 2 of his booklet *Jerusalem in Prophecy*. Find it at theTrumpet.com/1209.)

Obama’s Israel policy is deepening this wound. He is treating Israel, a *parliamentary democracy with freedom for all religions*, and Gaza, a tyrannical radical Islamic theocracy, as if they are equivalent. This makes no sense until you realize that no matter how vile the actions of the Palestinians, Obama seeks to carve out of Israel a sovereign radical Islamic Palestinian state.

Remember Obama’s infamous Cairo speech. His first major Middle East foreign-policy speech in 2009 rejected the legitimacy of Israeli settlements and emphasized that Palestinians “endure the daily humiliations—large and small—that come with occupation. So let there be no doubt: The situation for the Palestinian people is intolerable. And America will not turn its back on the legitimate Palestinian aspiration for dignity, opportunity and a state of their own.”

This high-flown rhetoric defies reality. Hamas gives its people no dignity or opportunity, steals money and supplies

from them, uses them as human shields, kills them when they disobey, and throws its Palestinian political rivals off of rooftops. Its charter explicitly states that the entire organization, an extension of the outlawed Muslim Brotherhood in Egypt, exists to “obliterate” Israel. Yet Obama is conducting

American foreign policy, through Biden, in favor of this organization that is the very definition of a terrorist regime.

“Obama-Biden et al, want a two-state solution for Israel and the Palestinians,” Mark Bradman wrote. “I believe all efforts are underway to exploit the Oct. 7, 2023, terrorist attack to advance that agenda. [Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin] Netanyahu is being carefully painted into a position where the survival of Israel will be contingent upon accepting this two-state solution, which essentially means—in the long picture—the elimination of the Israeli state” (Conservative Treehouse, Oct. 19, 2023).

That is why Obama and Biden are sending \$100 million to the Palestinians—not to mention tens of billions and a pathway to nuclear weapons for the king of Islamic terror, Iran. They need to prop up Hamas and keep Israel and Prime Minister Netanyahu weak long enough to force through the long-sought-after two-state “solution.” Yet this “solution” would *destroy Israel*.

Hamas does not want peace. This unmistakable truth was punctuated in the most monstrous way imaginable on October 7. As Hamas has said since that fateful day, it wants land, weapons,

money, diplomatic cover. Hamas official Ghazi Hamad proclaimed in an October 24 interview that October 7 “is just the first time, and there will be a second, a third, a fourth” until Israel is completely annihilated. “On October 7—October 10, October 1 million—everything we do is justified.”



A Palestinian in East Jerusalem listens to President Obama's speech in Cairo, Egypt, on June 4, 2009.

Broken Brotherhood

Barack Obama's push for a Palestinian state *even after October 7* is breaking the brotherhood that has bound America and Israel together for decades. Many Jews are recognizing that they can no longer rely on America to protect them from radical Islam.

“For the better part of the past decade, the United States has pursued a foreign policy designed to strengthen Iran and enable it to form a strong sphere of influence in the region,” Israeli journalist Liel Leibovitz wrote. “When you champion Iran; when you send it and its proxies money; when you reward Palestinian violence; when you go out of your way to portray Bibi [Netanyahu] as a dangerous fascist; when you finance and champion his opponents, contributing to further instability and unrest; when you hand over U.S. intelligence keys to Iranian agents; when you have your spokespeople declare it ‘disinformation’ for people to connect obvious dots; when you do all of this, you know what is going to happen. You *mean* for it to happen” (*Tablet*, Oct. 7, 2023).

He continued, voicing what many people are realizing: “Here today, then, is the challenge for Israel's leadership: Can

you accept that this is what's happening? Can you imagine a future for the Jewish state decoupled from America? Because you must.”

This sad state of affairs was prophesied in your Bible. The Prophet Isaiah described a dramatic unraveling in the relationship between America and Israel to occur before the appearance of the Messiah.

“The Syrians before and the Philistines behind; And they shall devour Israel with an open mouth. ... Manasseh shall devour Ephraim, and Ephraim Manasseh; Together they shall be against Judah” (Isaiah 9:12, 21; New King James Version). These verses describe a time when Israel is under attack from Syrians in the north and Philistines in the south. Yet rather than banding together, the Israelite tribes of Manasseh (the United States) and Ephraim (Britain) devour each other and attack the tribe of Judah (Israel).

This is what most foreign-policy analysts do not understand. They believe Obama wants a two-state solution because he sincerely wants Jews to live side-by-side in peace with Hamas and the Palestinians. But the Bible reveals that America “shall be against Judah” in the end time; Obama *is* against Judah and has been drastically reorienting U.S. foreign policy in favor of the Palestinians and Iran.

Losing East Jerusalem

Based on prophecies such as Zechariah 11:14 and Hosea 5:13, the *Trumpet* has been predicting division between America, Britain and the Jews for many years. In the former verse, God said He would “break the brotherhood between Judah [the State of Israel] and Israel [primarily the United States and Britain].” In the latter verse, God foretells that when Judah finally sees that America and Britain are providing no help, Judah will turn to Assyria (Germany).

My father further noted in 2004 that Zechariah 11:14 prophesies a rift

between the United States and Judah, “one that would leave Judah very alone, just before half of Jerusalem is taken over by the Arabs.” He speculated that America's deteriorating willpower may be the cause of this rift. Yet shockingly, it now seems like the American government under Obama and Biden is *deliberately* trying to goad the Palestinians into seizing control of East Jerusalem.

Obama's foreign-policy decisions set the stage for the current terror and war between Hamas and Israel, and the Bible says Israel *will* eventually lose East Jerusalem, including the Temple Mount—but not through negotiation. A radical Islamic insurgency will TAKE HALF THE CITY BY FORCE!

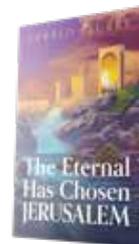
“Behold, the day of the Lord cometh, and thy spoil shall be divided in the midst of thee. For I will gather all nations against Jerusalem to battle; and the city shall be taken, and the houses rifled, and the women ravished; and *half of the city shall go forth into captivity*, and the residue of the people shall not be cut off from the city” (Zechariah 14:1-2).

This is an end-time prophecy, as verses 3 and 4 make undeniably clear: “Then shall the Lord go forth, and fight against those nations, as when he fought in the day of battle. And his feet shall stand in that day upon the mount of Olives, which is before Jerusalem on the east, and the mount of Olives shall cleave in the midst thereof toward the east and toward the west, and there shall be a very great valley; and half of the mountain shall remove toward the north, and half of it toward the south.”

Israel has lost America, is on the verge of losing East Jerusalem, and is about to lose its land and the lives of many of its people. But there is hope. The very same scriptures revered by both Jews and Christians prophesy that these dire events *will occur*, but they will occur directly before the Messiah returns—to Jerusalem! ■

Jerusalem's future revealed

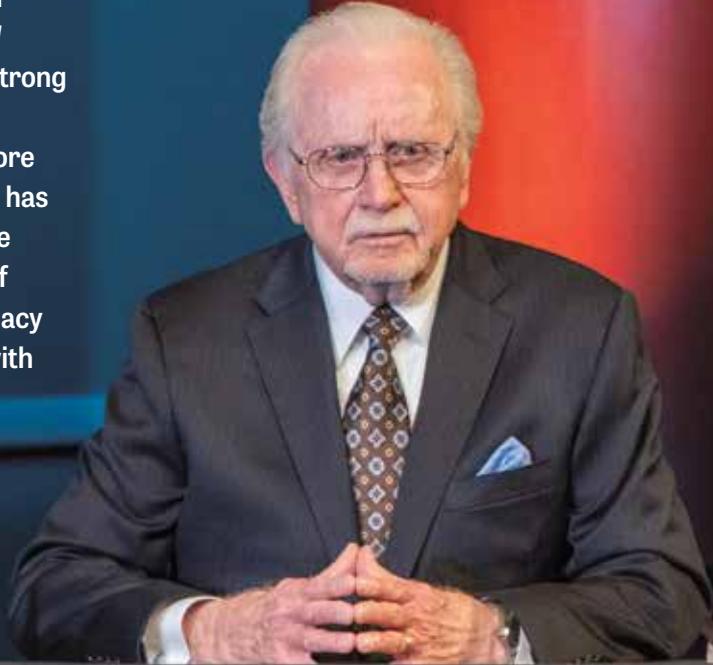
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Mr. Flurry on set while taping his 1,000th episode



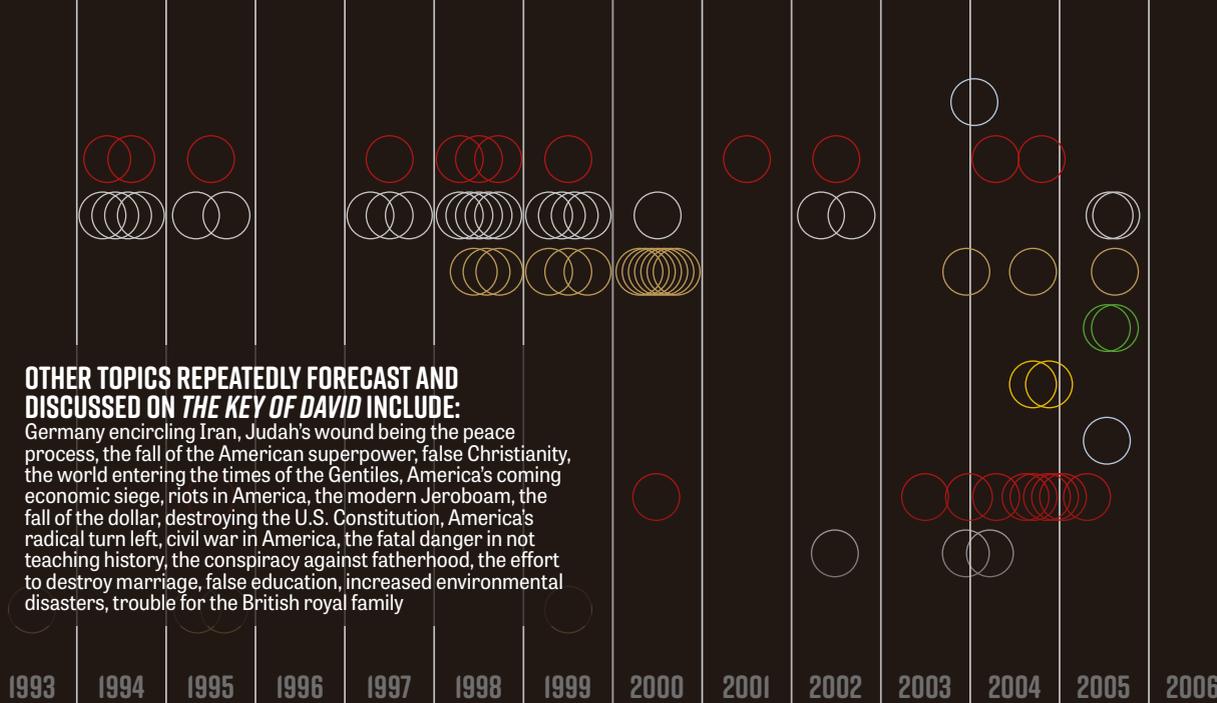
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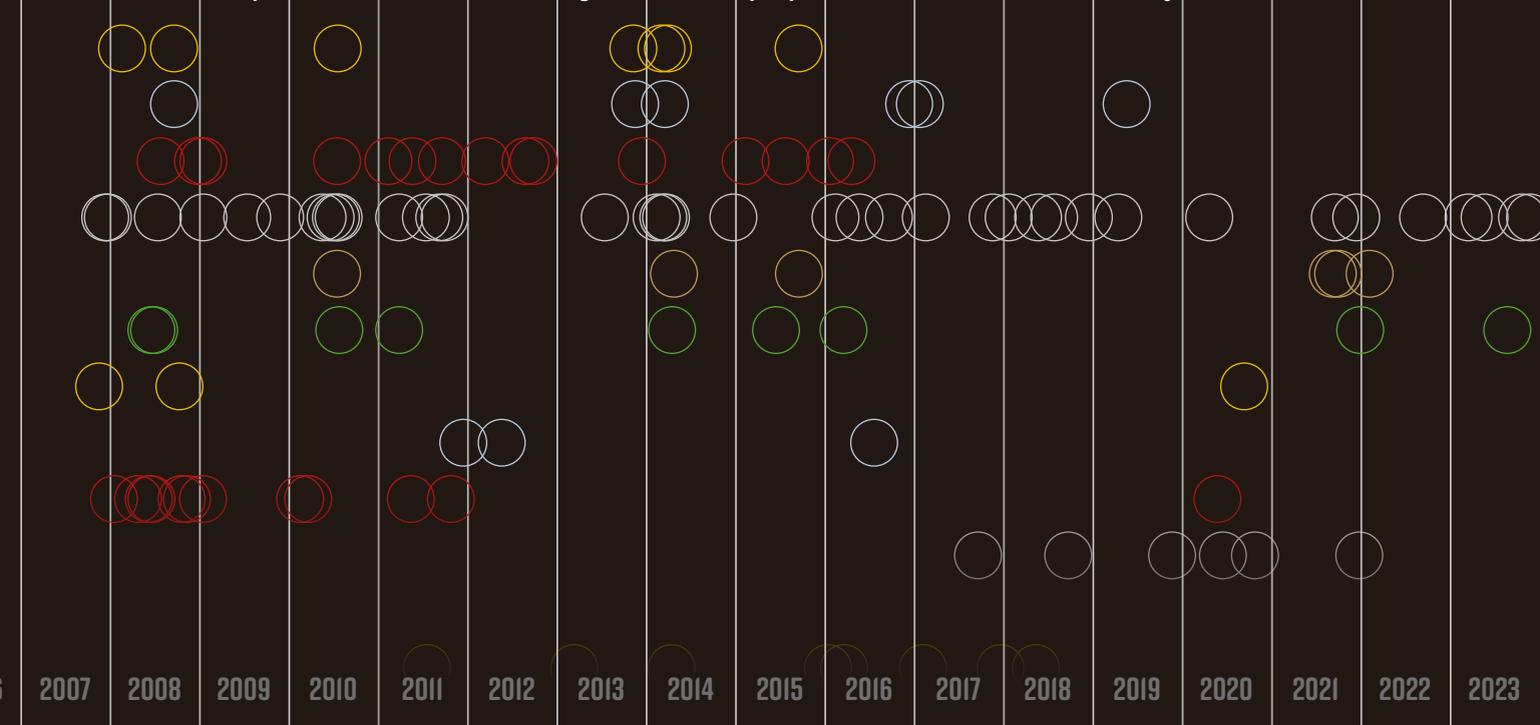
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ocused on several key biblical prophecies. Many realities now commonplace were forecast years ago by Mr. Flurry, sts have since come to pass. Below is a chart showing when certain prophecies were discussed on *The Key of David*.

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TRUTH AND LIES ABOUT ANTI-SEMITISM

After Israel was victimized by a shocking terrorist attack, how did the world so rapidly come to cast it as the villain?

BY RICHARD PALMER

SINCE OCT. 7, 2023, IT HAS become more dangerous than ever to be a Jew. When Hamas murdered 1,200 Israeli civilians and kidnapped 240 civilians, you would expect an outpouring of global sympathy for Jews. Instead, organizations designed to protect innocent victims remained silent. And then the protests began—in support not of the victims, but of the terrorist group.

Support for Genocide

Between October 7 and 27, the Armed Conflict Location and Event Data Project counted over 3,700 protests supporting the Palestinians—compared to over 520 for the victims.

Palestinian flags decorated monuments from Italy's Leaning Tower of Pisa to Paris's Monument à la République. On November 11, London experienced what was, by some counts, its largest protest since the anti-Iraq War movement of 20 years ago. On November 4, Washington saw the largest pro-Palestinian protest in United States history. The Counting Crowds Consortium estimates that half a million people turned out across the U.S. to support Palestine.

In Toronto, demonstrators celebrated the “heroic resistance in Gaza.” In Ottawa they shouted, “Long live the intifada!” In Sweden, the threat was: “Jews, remember Khaybar, the army of Muhammad is returning!” In Manhattan and Poland, a placard showed a Star of



David being thrown in the trash, with the caption, “Keep the world clean.” Crowds in Sydney chanted, “Gas the Jews!” Birmingham rang with, “Allahu Akbar!” London shouted, “Globalize the intifada!”

Pictures of Hamas murderers hang gliding into Israel has become a global symbol. Above all, “From the river to the sea, Palestine will be free!” has become the rallying cry. No matter how the mainstream media try to sanitize it, this is a call for genocide, eliminating all Jews from the land of Israel to give it to Palestinian Arabs. “Pro-Hamas” rather than “pro-Palestinian” would be a more accurate description of the demonstrations.

And it’s not just violent slogans. On October 20, London police said anti-Semitic hate crimes were up 1,350 percent. The Community Security Trust says such attacks across the United Kingdom are at an all-time high. In the U.S. they are up about 400 percent; in Germany, 240 percent. In Thousand Oaks near Los Angeles, Paul Kessler, a Jew, was killed by a Palestinian supporter. In New York, a man on a subway platform punched a woman in the face because, he said, “You are Jewish.”

Jewish schools in London and the Netherlands closed to protect their students. In Lyon, a Jewish woman was stabbed to death; her home was painted with a swastika.

Jews in Paris and Berlin have found their houses marked with stars of David. France recorded 1,250 anti-Semitic acts in the month after the attack. A Jewish center in Berlin was firebombed. Nine Paris synagogues and Jewish schools received bomb threats. In Dagestan, a mob broke through airport security because they had heard a plane was coming from Tel Aviv. This was an attempted pogrom in the 21st century.

Companies with any links to Israel are being targeted with boycotts. An Israeli-based McDonald’s franchise offered free food to Israeli soldiers; Starbucks is trying to stop its union from publishing social media posts celebrating Hamas’s October 7 massacre; Disney donated to medical charities in Israel. For these actions, these companies now face worldwide boycotts.

In Philadelphia, 30 Jewish-owned restaurants were placed on a boycott list by the Philly Palestine Coalition. “It

reminds me of *Kristallnacht* and how the Nazis forbade people to buy from Jewish merchants,” said one Philadelphia deli owner. “It is scary.” In Montreal, Jewish-owned businesses were graffitied with swastikas.

Perhaps the most shocking attacks come from young people. A Harvard CAPS/Harris poll found that 48 percent of U.S. registered voters ages 18 to 24 said they side more with Hamas than with Israel. In the UK, the figures for that age group are similar: 46 percent sympathize with the Palestinians, 9 percent with Israelis.

Life is becoming hard for Jewish students. In the U.S., Students for Justice in Palestine celebrated October 7 as a “historic win” for “Palestinian resistance.” New York University School of Law Bar Association sent out a letter pledging “unwavering and absolute solidarity with Palestinians in their resistance.” At Manchester University, Jewish students have been attacked with lit fireworks and subjected to graffiti saying, “Kill Jews.” University College London students’ union voted for “a mass uprising” within the West Bank and Gaza. At King’s College London, they shouted, “We will honor our martyrs!”

At George Washington University in the District of Columbia, students didn’t just chant their slogan. They projected messages like “Glory to our martyrs” for two hours on the side of the library building. At Cooper Union College in New York, Jewish students were locked in the library to protect them from an angry mob outside. At Hillcrest High School in Queens, a Jewish teacher had to shelter in her locked office for hours while mobs of students rampaged outside. Her crime? Holding an “I stand with Israel” sign at a protest.

These students are being encouraged by their teachers. “Israelis are pigs. Savages. Very, very bad people May they all rot in hell,” read a note from a Chicago art professor. October 7 was “awesome” and a “stunning victory,” said a professor from Columbia. Another at Yale tweeted, “It’s been such an extraordinary day!” An open letter from 100 Columbia professors called the October 7 massacre “a military resistance by a people who had endured crushing and unrelenting state violence from an occupying power.”

No wonder Jews around the world fear for their lives. “The Jewish community at the moment is full of dread, full of fear, like I’ve never seen before,” said *Jewish News* editor Justin Cohen. Rabbin in Washington have told people to wear baseball caps instead of yarmulkes.

“In past wars or conflicts, we saw more verbal attacks and graffiti,” said Rabbi Andrew Baker of the American Jewish Committee. “Now, there’s a virulence that does set this apart.”

UN Against Israel

This anti-Semitism is being enabled and encouraged by major organizations worldwide. For years the United Nations has been anti-Semitic, holding the world’s only Jewish state to a moral standard never required of any other country defending itself.

In the days after the attack, the UN Human Rights Council held a moment of silence—not for the dead Jews but for “the loss of innocent lives in the occupied Palestinian territory and elsewhere.”

UN Women was quick to criticize Russia’s use of sexual violence against women in Ukraine. They have published a detailed report on the plight of women in Gaza. But they said little to criticize Hamas or to help Israeli women raped by terrorists. “Believe all women” doesn’t apply to Jews.

“MOST PEOPLE WHO HATE THE JEWS DON’T EVEN KNOW WHY THEY DO. CAN WE SEE SATAN BEHIND SUCH LIES AND HATRED?”

—GERALD FLURRY

UN officials have been quick to justify Hamas. Secretary General António Guterres said the attacks “did not happen in a vacuum.” Human Rights Council Special Rapporteur on Palestine Francesca Albanese wrote, “Today’s violence must be put in context,” and blamed “[a]lmost six decades of hostile military rule over an entire civilian population.”

Regarding Israel’s counterattack on Gaza, Guterres said, “We are witnessing a killing of civilians that is unparalleled and unprecedented in any conflict since I have been secretary general.” That is a lie. Hamas claims that 13,000 people died in Gaza. Even if that were true, that figure is dwarfed by other catastrophes during Guterres’s tenure. Half a million died in Syria’s civil war. Nearly 400,000 died in Yemen. Some of these conflicts began before Guterres took office, and not all of the deaths are civilian, but clearly his statement is grossly wrong.

Anti-Israel Media

When Hamas claimed Israel had bombed a hospital and killed 500 people, the media took it at face value. The *New York Times* published a picture of a bombed-out building on its front page with a headline implying it was the destroyed hospital. The truth: A missile launched by Palestinian Islamic Jihad hit a hospital parking lot.

Yet when Israel said that Hamas had a command center at the al-Shifa Hospital—a fact Western media had reported for years—the media were extremely skeptical. Even when Israel Defense Forces displayed machine guns and hand grenades found at the hospital, the BBC made up excuses: Maybe they belonged to the hospital’s “security department”? The media accused Israel of making up the existence of Hamas tunnels under the hospital—then Israel published video evidence. CNN was forced to acknowledge the “compelling” evidence—but, they wrote, they had only been shown “something underground,” and “it was unclear what it was or how far down it went.”

When Israel said it was bringing in medical teams and Arabic speakers to the hospital, the BBC perversely claimed that Israel was “targeting people including medical teams and Arab speakers.” For this, at least, it later apologized.

Israel published hospital security footage showing hostages being dragged through the corridors by armed men. A *Guardian* columnist tweeted that this just showed that “injured hostages were taken there for medical treatment.” Presumably the meat cleaver held by one of the Hamas terrorists was brought just in case the doctors needed a hand in surgery?

Conversely, when Israel's Barzilai Hospital in Ashkelon was hit repeatedly by Hamas, the press made no mention of it.

Israel released a phone recording of a Hamas terrorist calling his parents to boast about how he had killed 10 Jews. His parents celebrated with him. But when NPR aired the recording, they edited it, to make it sound like the parents were trying to persuade their son to come home.

Anti-Semitism was again on display when Israel agreed to release prisoners in exchange for 50 hostages. Western media portrayed these Palestinians as "women and children"—as if Israel were holding them hostage. CNN produced an emotional segment on a Palestinian mother whose daughter was among those scheduled for release. "She's a child, and she's so innocent," she said. The truth: The "children" are 17-to-18-year-olds. All the women prisoners had tried to shoot or stab someone. CNN ran the entire segment without mentioning that this "innocent" child tried to stab a 19-year-old Israeli policeman. A top UK journalist had the gall to ask an Israeli spokesman if Israel released 150 prisoners in exchange for 50 hostages because Israel regarded Palestinian lives as less valuable than Jewish ones.

Many of the photojournalists used by these outlets openly side with Hamas. Hassan Esiaiah, a freelance journalist used by AP and CNN, has been photographed being kissed by Hamas leader Yahya Sinwar. Soliman Hijji, whom the *New York Times* used for freelance videography, regularly posts about his love for Adolf Hitler. When Refaat Alareer, another *Times* writer, learned that Hamas had burned a baby alive in an oven, he took to Twitter to ask, "With or without baking powder?"

HonestReporting published evidence that photojournalists working for AP, CNN and the *New York Times* knew about the October 7 massacre in advance, traveling with the terrorists to document it.

When Jews gathered to protest the treatment they received, one left-wing journalist complained, "This is the single whitest political demonstration I've ever seen. Trump rallies have more melanin in the crowd."

Even outlets like the *British Medical Journal* feel the need to jump in and

FAKE NEWS

BUSINESS INSIDER

"Doctors Without Borders in Gaza says 100 percent of the patients it has treated in the past 24 hours have been children."

REALITY The clinic treated two children.

NBC NEWS

"Man dies after hitting head during Israel and Palestinian rallies in California, officials say"

CNN

"Arrest made in death of Jewish protester who fell and hit his head"

REALITY A pro-Hamas protester hit Paul Kessler in the back of the head, knocking him to the ground and killing him.

The New York Times

"A disfigured woman whose case has become well known is among the Palestinians released."

REALITY Israa Jaabis attacked an Israeli police checkpoint with a car bomb, burning her own face in the process.

CNN

Gaza's second-largest hospital collapses under Israeli bombardment.

REALITY The building is still there. The hospital shut down because Hamas is hoarding fuel.

bash Israel. "Violence in Palestine demands immediate resolution of its settler colonial root causes," it wrote—somehow managing to blame Israel for the Gaza war and not mentioning "Hamas" even once.

Repeating History

Obviously the world has seen anti-Semitism before. At least in the West, most are familiar with the history of the Holocaust. Less well known is how it began.

"The martyrdom of Jews in the 1940s would strip anti-Semitism [in Britain] of its respectability," wrote William Manchester in *The Last Lion*, "but in the

1930s, it was a quite ordinary thing to see restaurants, hotels, clubs, beaches and residential neighborhoods barred to people with what were delicately called 'dietary requirements.' ... Contempt for [Jews] was not considered bad form."

Former King of England Edward VIII visited Hitler in Germany, said he admired the führer and did not lift a finger to curb the blatant acts of anti-Semitism surging in the government and across the country.

This "social" attack on the Jews came first—the legal restrictions and then government persecution that culminated in the Holocaust followed.

In Germany, persecution of Jews was adopted as government policy nearly a decade before the war began. The 1935 Nuremberg Laws and other legislation institutionalized anti-Semitism and provided the Hitler regime legal cover to begin harassing and oppressing German Jews. These laws led to *Kristallnacht*, a terrifying pogrom against Jews carried out in November 1938 by Hitler's paramilitary forces and German citizens.

Nor was this confined to Germany. Anti-Semitism was common in Poland. Hungary passed anti-Semitic laws. In France in the late 1930s, rowdy crowds, alarmed by the prospect of war with Germany and convinced that Jewish warmongers were the root of the problem, protested in towns and suburbs crying, "Death to the Jews! Raid the Jews!"

Hatred of Jews was also common in America. "The worst period of American anti-Semitism," wrote history Prof. Leonard Dinnerstein, "was sandwiched between the ends of World War I and World War II" (*Anti-Semitism in Times of Crisis*). He wrote that by the mid-1940s, animosity had swelled to the point where many American Jews feared that the pogroms occurring in Nazi Germany would spread to America.

This history shows why it is not only Jews who should fear the direction we are heading in.

Throughout history, rising anti-Semitism has been a symptom of a society in crisis. The *Guardian's* Jonathan Freedland wrote, "Jews have often functioned as a canary in the coal mine: When a society turns on its Jews, it is usually a sign of wider ill health" (March 30, 2018). It is no coincidence that the world's

worst-ever attack on Jews, numbers-wise, took place at the same time as the world's most destructive war.

As Russian society fell apart in the late 19th century, waves of pogroms swept through the empire. In the 1880s, Jews were attacked in Kyiv, Warsaw and Odessa. Between 1903 and 1906, thousands of Jews died in a series of attacks that ran alongside the turmoil surrounding the 1905 Russian Revolution. These pogroms were a symptom of a terminally sick society, one that finally destroyed itself in 1917.

Around that time, some in France blamed the Jews for its defeat in the Franco-Prussian War (1870–1871). This sparked a rise in anti-Semitism that led to the infamous Dreyfus Affair and a steady undercurrent of French Jew-hatred.

For 2,000 years of European history, Jews have been persecuted in good times and bad. But a pattern has emerged: In periods of major social

tension and upheaval, Jews become the scapegoat. When the Black Death killed tens of millions in the 1300s, people blamed the Jews. Hundreds of Jewish communities were attacked; about 1,000 Jews were burned alive in Strasbourg.

Whenever Europe got involved with the Middle East, attacks on the Jews also spiked. During the First Crusade in 1096, Jewish communities in central Europe were wiped out in a separate German Crusade. Around 12,000 are estimated to have been killed in cities around the Rhineland. When King Richard I of England left to fight in the Middle East, anti-Jewish riots broke out across the country. As Pope Innocent III greatly expanded the Crusades, he also persecuted Europe's Jews. He forced Jews to wear a special badge.

Why does this irrational hatred surface repeatedly? Why is it so common today?

To really understand why anti-Semitism is such a good barometer of more

global bad news, we must see the spiritual dimension.

An Irrational Hatred

The Bible is clear that God the Father has a plan for mankind and that the Jews have a unique role in this plan. Most of the Old Testament is a history of the Jews and the other tribes of Israel.

The Bible also reveals that there is a devil who hates God and relentlessly seeks to destroy His plan (John 8:44; 2 Corinthians 4:4; Revelation 12). It is not fashionable to talk about him today, but one cannot believe the Bible and fail to recognize the devil's existence. Ephesians 2:2 implies that he influences people's moods, feelings and emotions. He is the author of jealousy, anger and hatred.

"Satan can stir up vicious hatred," *Trumpet* editor in chief Gerald Flurry writes in his book *The Key of David*. "He loves to use out-of-control emotions. A

LONDON HAS FALLEN

Some of the worst anti-Semitic protests in the Western world have been in London. The protests have been violent. A mob invaded a café and demanded that Jewish donors leave. They threatened opponents with a knife. They took over major train stations shouting, "Death to all Jews!" A London train driver led his passengers in a chant of "Free, free Palestine."

Police have addressed the problem by telling British Jews in the city not to wear yarmulkes or stars of David.

But the police and locals themselves have been anti-Semitic. Westminster City Council allowed pro-Hamas demonstrators to set up a stage next to the Cenotaph, Britain's most important monument to its war dead. It's hard to imagine a more sacred spot outside of Westminster Abbey. Hamas sympathizers called for a Jewish genocide next to a monument for those who died stopping one.

At another protest, one protester waved the al Qaeda flag while praising the Islamic State and calling on Allah to curse the Jews. The police acted quickly—by posting on X that "the flags in this photo are not those of ISIS. ... We have specialist officers with knowledge of flags working on this operation" It's only al Qaeda's flag, not the Islamic State's—nothing to see here.

Another protester called for "jihad by the armies of the Muslim countries." The Metropolitan Police responded with a tweet saying



that "jihad has many meanings"—as if "jihad by the armies of the Muslim countries" could simply mean a personal fight against immorality.

Is there nothing that will make British police intervene? One man crossed a line by bringing an English flag. London police told him to put it away and that he'd be arrested if he repeated his "close to racist" actions again.

Meanwhile, they have torn down posters of Jewish hostages and banned a TV van from showing pictures of Jewish victims while driving around London. You can publicly call for murdering Jews, but you cannot show pictures of their dead bodies. That is a shocking double standard.

Are there Hamas sympathizers in the police? We know there are in their advisers. Mohammed Kozbar praised Hamas's founder as "the master of the martyrs of the resistance." Kozbar is deputy secretary general of the Muslim Council of Britain, an organization the government cut ties with in 2009 when it called for attacks on the Royal Navy. He also sits on a panel that advises London's police and prosecutors on hate crime.

Kamel Kozbar, a Hamas supporter in Lebanon, was invited to advise police on London's Muslim community this summer.

When Home Secretary Suella Braverman called the protests "hate marches" and said the police "played favorites when it comes to demonstrators," she was fired. Supporting Hamas won't end your career—but standing up for Israel will.

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religion taken to the extreme—such as radical Islam—gives him a great field to work in. Nazi Germany exhibited fanatical hatred for the Jews. The Nazis also used emotion to stir up a repugnant hatred. The coming beast power [a political-religious empire prophesied to arise in this end time] will exhibit the same hatred for the Jews as well.

“Most people who hate the Jews don’t even know why they do. Can we see Satan behind such lies and hatred?”

The global rise of anti-Semitism is a sign of a very real spirit world. It’s a sign that evil spirits are real and they affect your life. Its rise goes hand in hand with the war on truth. It has the same origin—a devil that Jesus Christ Himself called the father of lies (John 8:44).

God has used the Jews powerfully in His plan. His Son was born of a Jewish woman. God loves all people, His plan includes all people, and He will offer salvation to all people. But “God directly involved the Jews in His plan,” Mr. Flurry writes. “From these facts we must assume that God the Father and Jesus Christ have a close connection to the Jewish race—but only to further their spiritual plan” (ibid).

Satan hates anyone with a “close connection” to God the Father.

In fact, Satan’s attack on Jews is simply another front in his war on truth. The Apostle Paul wrote that unto the Jews “were committed the oracles of God,” or God’s “divine utterances” (Romans 3:2). God has preserved the seventh-day Sabbath, His calendar and many writings and revelation through Jews. This does not make Jews more righteous; in fact, they are under the same spiritual deception as everyone else in “the whole world” (Revelation 12:9).

Satan hates these “divine utterances” and the people who preserved them.

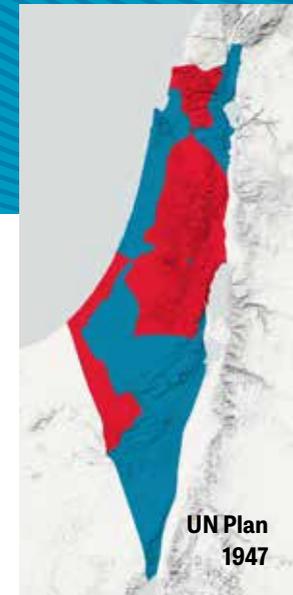
Many who hate the Jews don’t understand why. They are caught up in an angry backlash against God’s plan for mankind.

The fact that God would work so closely with a physical people points us to some of the most profound and wonderful truths in the Bible. God wants to invite all mankind into His Family—and the Jews have a special role in that invitation. To understand more about it, read our article “The One Minority Society Loves to Hate” at theTrumpet.com/21037. ■

WHO



1946



UN Plan
1947

Does this territory belong to Israel or to the peoples known as the Palestinians? Don’t be so sure you know.

BY TRUMPET STAFF

ONE QUESTION HAS BEEN heatedly argued back and forth in recent decades, drawing the attention of the whole world: *To whom does Jerusalem and the surrounding lands rightfully belong?*

Even the framing of such a question is vociferously debated. Should these lands be referred to as “Israel,” “Palestine” or by some other name? Who exactly should be considered an “Israeli” or a “Palestinian”? What merit do claims arising during the past century have? What of ancient and scriptural history? Does archaeology have anything to say? Is it even possible to come to a satisfactory answer?

‘Reductive’

When Israelis and Palestinians clash, maps such as the above are almost religiously produced on social media, showing the drastic expansion of “Israel” and shrinking of “Palestine” since World War II.

But for anyone with a basic understanding of the subject, this viral portrayal is absurd.

Why? The first map (1946) shows the territory of the Mandate for Palestine, controlled not by “Palestinians” but by the British Empire. The second map (1947) shows not the reality on the ground but rather a partition proposed by the United Nations. The third map (1949–1967), accurately depicts the

territory of Israel yet omits the fact that the West

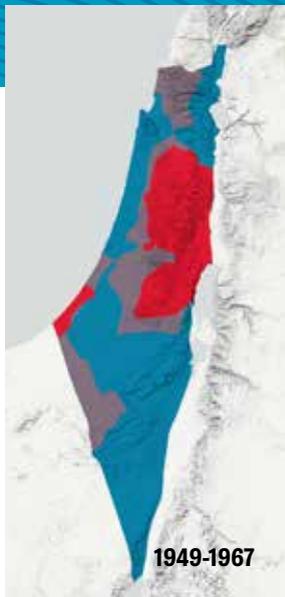
Bank belonged to Jordan and Gaza belonged to Egypt. The Palestinian peoples never even claimed to have their own sovereign state until 1988 (thus negating the first three maps entirely).

The visualization of a united Palestinian people losing their sovereign or even semi-sovereign territory to Israel over the past 77 years or so is a myth—and an intentional one.

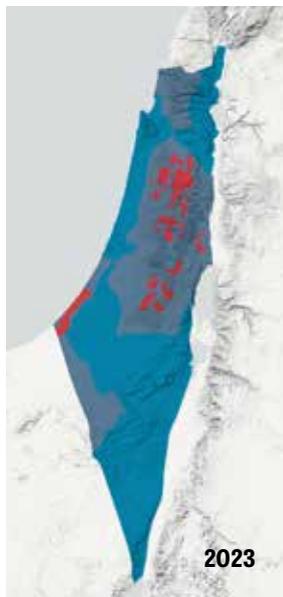
If anything, it is Israel that has lost territory. From the early 1500s, the Ottoman Empire controlled much of the Middle East, including Palestine/Israel. The Ottomans allied with the German Empire in World War I and were defeated by the British Empire and its allies in 1918. Toward the end of the war, Britain issued the Balfour Declaration, which was later endorsed by the United States and others. Jews were promised a “national home of the Jewish people” that included all of Israel, the West Bank and Gaza, plus the country that is now Jordan. Jordan was chopped off in 1921 as a separate British protectorate as a land for Arabs in the region. Then the 1947 plan chopped off yet more land for Arabs.

The common lie is that the State of Israel emerged in 1948 out of thin air, with hordes of alien European Jews brusquely crowding out Palestinian Arabs from their ancestral homes. For

HAS THE HISTORIC RIGHT TO THE HOLY LAND?



1949-1967



2023

Maps like these, showing Palestinian and Jewish territory changes over time, circulate widely on social media. But they are extremely misleading.

■ Palestinian ■ Jewish

'Nakba'

The "Arab League" governments in the surrounding nations forcefully rejected this plan and *any other plan* for partitioning the land. The day after the UN vote, Palestine erupted in civil war. Then, on Friday, May 14, 1948, British troops preemptively withdrew, the State of Israel officially declared its independence within its allotted territories—and as the sun set on the Sabbath,

Egyptian warplanes began bombing Tel Aviv.

The following day, the armies of Egypt, Iraq, Syria and Jordan attacked Israel. They ordered the local Arabs to evacuate until Israel was destroyed. Many obeyed and many more stayed put and continued warring against Israel.

Somehow, the fledgling State of Israel managed to fend off the local Arab militias and the combined might of Egypt, Iraq, Jordan, Lebanon, Morocco, Saudi Arabia, Sudan, Syria and Yemen. Even more, in doing so, it was able to gain a significant amount of territory.

Many Arabs still refer to this stunning defeat as the *Nakba* (Catastrophe). Israel's victorious defense essentially produced borders close to what it maintains today: a territory extending from the Golan in the north to the Gulf of Aqaba in the south. Egyptian forces controlled Gaza, and Jordanian forces took the West Bank and Jerusalem.

The Palestinians that fled remain "refugees" three generations later. Israel played no role in expelling them—instead they left to make the conquest of Israel easier. The nations that encouraged them to flee will not give them citizenship. The "right of return" for these citizens is one of the most contentious parts of peace negotiations.

A Much Bigger Israel

By 1967, tensions and enmity had only grown worse, and Egyptian forces were again massing at the southern Israeli border. They expelled UN forces from the Sinai Peninsula and Gaza, took up UN positions overlooking the vital Straits of Tiran, and straightaway closed them.

Egypt, Jordan and Syria signed pacts with one another, and Iraqi forces began mobilizing forces inside Jordan. With invasion inevitable, Israel launched a preemptive strike on Egypt's airfields, and the 1967 Arab-Israeli war began.

The results of 1967 were much the same as those of 1948, only far more dramatic. Within *six days*, Israel *quadrupled* in size. It conquered from Egypt not only Gaza but the entire Sinai Peninsula. From Syria it conquered the Golan Heights. From Jordan, it captured the West Bank, including Jerusalem.

Many Israelis began settling into their newly acquired territory, particularly in the West Bank. Ignoring the facts that sparked the conflict, Arab and international powers decried the settlements as "illegal occupation."

The UN passed a resolution calling on Israel to withdraw from "territories" conquered during this defensive war. Crucially, it did not say "all territories"—the U.S. would have vetoed it if it did. Yet some today will site this resolution as proof that Israel is illegally occupying the West Bank.

one thing, the State of Israel materialized in 1948 as an originally *native* population emerging out of *British* territory.

The British called the territory west of the Jordan River "Palestine." The population was primarily Arab, but a significant Jewish minority had also lived there for centuries. The British Mandate government recognized three official languages—English, Arabic and Hebrew—and its documentation and coinage refer dually to the territory as Palestine and as "א" (the Hebrew abbreviation for *Eretz Yisrael*, or "Land of Israel").

When Britain withdrew in 1947 it turned to the newly formed United Nations to divide the land between Arabs and Jews and to make a homeland for those emigrating after World War II and the Holocaust. The city of Jerusalem would be controlled by the United Nations. The UN General Assembly agreed to the following division of land, passing the measure by a vote of 33 to 13 in 1947, and Britain agreed to withdraw by the end of 1948.

The Jewish representatives agreed to the plan. The Arabs didn't.

Days after the war ended, the Israelis handed jurisdiction of Jerusalem's Temple Mount back over to Jordanian authorities on the condition that Jews could freely visit but not pray there. To this day, this holiest site in Judaism (and third-holiest in Islam) is controlled by the Islamic Waqf, and Jewish visitors are monitored and guarded by Israeli police.

Beginnings of Peace (or Not)

In 1973, Egypt and Syria again mobilized and attacked Israel, this time on the Jewish fast of Yom Kippur. Fierce fighting took place in the Sinai and in the Golan Heights, but the borders of Israel did not change substantively.

Later in the 1970s, however, a substantial change did occur. Egyptian President Anwar Sadat broke from the “three nos” of the Arab League's 1967 Khartoum Resolution: “no peace with Israel, no recognition of Israel, no negotiations with it.” Sadat offered Israel *peace*.

Peace agreements between Egypt and Israel were confirmed in the 1978 Camp David Accords, monitored by the United States. Israel agreed to return the Sinai to Egypt in exchange for peace and normalizing relations between the two countries—drawing from some of the territories they'd conquered in the Six-Day War and fulfilling the UN's demands. Sadly, Sadat would not live to see the fruits of his efforts: Despite having reacquired the massive Sinai landmass for Egypt without a bullet fired or a life lost, he was assassinated by Islamic jihadists in the Egyptian military in 1981, the year before Israel ceded full control.

Neither the Yom Kippur War nor the Camp David Accords really touched on the Palestinian question. Israel had also been conducting secret negotiations with Jordan for peace, yet when word of these negotiations leaked to the public, Jordan immediately distanced itself. This left Israel to deal directly with the Palestinians and the movement that the Arab League recognized as representing them: the Palestinian Liberation Organization (PLO), led by Yasser Arafat.

Terrorist State

The “insoluble” question of Palestine, and the idea of a “Palestinian nation,” then, is actually a very recent one. Only in 1988 did Arafat's PLO wave its newly

adopted black, white and red flag with the declaration of a “State of Palestine.” This declaration—from an entity designated by the U.S. the year prior as a terrorist organization—had some problems with legitimacy: The PLO had no control over territory, much less what it declared to be its capital—Jerusalem. Rather, it intended to conquer Palestine through armed struggle.

Still, the UN invited Arafat to speak to the General Assembly, and 75 UN nations officially recognized this “Palestine” and the landless PLO as a “government in exile.”

Pressure to recognize this entity grew over the years, and in 1993, the U.S.-endorsed Oslo Accords were signed by Arafat and Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin, recognizing Arafat's new Palestinian Authority (PA) as officially representing the Palestinian people. Further negotiations resulted in Israel withdrawing populations from Jericho, most of Hebron and most of Gaza, and the PA assuming semiautonomous jurisdiction over those and other West Bank areas.

In the words of Israeli historian Efraim Karsh, Oslo represented the “starkest strategic blunder in [Israel's] history. All in all, more than 1,600 Israelis were murdered and another 9,000 wounded from the signing of the [Declaration of Principles] to date—nearly four times the average death toll of the preceding 26 years” (“Why the Oslo Peace Process Doomed Peace,” 2016). Those numbers are now tragically out of date.

In 2005, Israel's government, helmed by Ariel Sharon, forcibly evicted some 8,000 Jews from Gaza, handing it over to Palestinian rule. Acting Prime Minister Ehud Olmert hailed the “remarkable process” of disengagement from Gaza, famously declaring at a press dinner: “We are tired of fighting. We are tired of being courageous. We are tired of winning. We are tired of defeating our enemies.”

How haunting those words are now.

Claims, Scriptural and Historical

How far, though, does Israel's historic claim to the land go? 1988? 1948? 1885—the year in which the Star of David flag first flew in Ottoman Rishon LeZion (south of Tel Aviv)?

Israel's connections to this land go back *thousands* of years, as far as the second millennium B.C. The Old Testament

shows a Jewish presence that goes all the way back to Abraham. Secular artifacts, such as the Egyptian Merneptah Stele, describe an Israelite nation over 3,000 years ago. The New Testament and Roman history clearly show a Jewish state at the time of Jesus Christ.

Even the Koran confirms Israel's historic existence here. The most mentioned figure in the Koran is Moses. The book largely follows an interpretation of many of the events of the Hebrew Bible and New Testament.

It says that Allah “ordained” the “holy land” for them (Al-Ma'idah 5:20-21). He gave them a “fixed abode” (Yunus 10:93). It describes the Exodus and God giving Israel the land of Canaan (Al-Isra 17:103-104).

This truth is regularly acknowledged by Muslim scholars. Last November, a video addressed to Palestinians from famous Saudi author and media personality Rawaf al-Saeen went viral (viewed more than 6 million times). Addressing this subject of rightful historical and scriptural ownership of the Holy Land, he vented: “None of you want a Palestinian state, since you have no case, no country and no land. This land belongs to Israel—according to the Koran. And you are a displaced people, scattered from all over. Mongols, Turkmen, Circassians, Armenians, gypsies. You have nothing in Palestine. Palestine is the State of Israel, for the people of Israel.”

Great empires have repeatedly conquered the area. In A.D. 135, the Roman Emperor Hadrian tried to literally wipe it off the map, renaming it *Palestina*—land of the Philistines—to try to disconnect it from its association with the Jews. Nonetheless, right on up through the Ottoman and British Mandate periods, the native Jewish people continued to live in the land that was historically, archaeologically and scripturally—according to the Hebrew Bible, the New Testament and the Koran—*theirs*.

And in more recent history, it was the *enemies* of Israel that rejected a state handed to them on a platter, that launched invasions and attempted to enlarge their borders, that *lost* additional land due to their *own* aggression and intransigence. It is Israel that was *given* its territory by the controlling power, only gaining territory in defensive wars.

And it is *Israel* that has *given back* immense tracts of land—up to and *including* Judaism’s holiest site, the Temple Mount—all in the interests of peace.

Compare Israel’s history of land acquisition and entitlement to almost *any other nation*, and you have to acknowledge that Israel has one of the greatest legitimate claims to its land of any country on Earth.

To Whom Does the Land Belong?

Who should own what land? is a question man has struggled with for centuries. He still hasn’t come up with a good answer, as current wars in the Balkans, Ethiopia and Sudan demonstrate. But for those who believe the Bible, there is a clear answer.

“Behold, the heaven and the heaven of heavens is the Lord’s thy God, the earth also, with all that therein is” (Deuteronomy 10:14). In reality, surpassing all claims to the Holy Land or any other territory is the right of the *Creator* who made it.

The Creator determines land ownership, and it is He who decided to punish the Canaanites for their sins—not in favoritism toward the Israelites but in *spite* of the Israelites. And this is not unlike how He has punished Israel, ancient and modern, for *its* sins (see Leviticus 18:25). “God is no respecter of persons” (Acts 10:34), so when ancient Israel also failed to obey God, *He also drove them* from the land in punishment for *their* sins (e.g. Deuteronomy 9:4; 29:1-29; 2 Kings 17).

He also prophesied that in modern times, the Jews would return to it. When the British conquered the Holy Land in 1917, they were fulfilling Bible prophecy with incredible precision (sidebar, “A Dramatic Fulfillment of Prophecy”).

Bible prophecy shows it is God’s will that the modern descendants of Israel have this land at this time. Other prophecies confirm it. Zechariah 14 describes the Jews losing half the city of Jerusalem shortly before the return of the Messiah. For them to lose half of it would require that before that they hold the entire city. Thus, thousands of years ago, Zechariah 14 prophesied the outcome of the 1967 Six-Day War.

A DRAMATIC FULFILLMENT OF PROPHECY

In Leviticus 26, God repeatedly told the ancient Israelites He would punish them “seven times more for their sins.” This means He would punish them with extra intensity if they, who had known God, rebelled against Him. But it also means that His promises of blessings, including ownership of the Holy Land, would be *withheld* for “seven times.” In Hebrew, a

“time” is also a *specific duration*: a 360-day year. For example, compare Daniel 12:7, where the expression “a time, times, and an half” (3½) is used to describe a period of 1,260 days (3½ x 360 = 1,260). This same period of time is described as Revelation 11:2 and 13:5 as “forty and two months” (42 months x 30 days = 1,260 days).

Seven 360-day “times” is 2,520 days. But the books of Moses also introduce us to the day-for-a-year principle. Israel’s spies spent 40 days scouting out the Promised Land before Israel refused to enter. God punished them by withholding the Promised Land for 40 years. By this same principle, Leviticus 26 prophesies that God would withhold the land from Israel for 2,520 years.

Ten tribes of Israel broke off from the tribe of Judah (from whom the Jews descend) and formed a separate kingdom. These northern tribes were conquered by the Assyrians and became lost to history. The kingdom of Judah was conquered by the Babylonians sometime later, in 605 B.C. For most of history, they were no longer an independent state. The land of Judea was a Persian satrap, a Greek territory then a Roman province.

Going forward in time 2,520 years from that captivity brings us to 1917, the very year Britain conquered the modern land of Israel. As Herbert W. Armstrong proved in his book *The United States and Britain in Prophecy*, the English are also descended from the people of Israel—from a tribe of the northern kingdom. Thus, the land returned to Israelite rule, fulfilling God’s prophecy. In fact, the prophecy was fulfilled *to the exact day*. Nebuchadnezzar formerly accepted the surrender of the Jews on what would be Dec. 9, 604 B.C., on the modern calendar. The Turks made their formal surrender to the British on the same day, Dec. 9, 1917, 2,520 years later.

The Apostle Paul told the Athenians that “From one man he [God] made all the nations, that they should inhabit the whole earth; and he marked out their appointed times in history and the boundaries of their lands” (Acts 17:26; New International Version). Ultimately it is God who determines what peoples own what land and when.

Through the Prophet Daniel, God revealed that “the most High ruleth in the kingdom of men, and giveth it to whomsoever he will, and setteth up over it the basest of men” (Daniel 4:17). The book of Daniel shows that God shapes and molds history. “God has given man 6,000 years to rule his own way, but He still makes certain that all events are shaped by His master plan,”

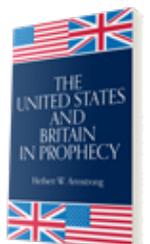
writes *Trumpet* editor in chief Gerald Flurry. “... He rules in the kingdom of men *today*” (*Daniel Unlocks Revelation*).

The effort to blot out Israel and to deny the Jews’ claim to this land springs from a rebellion against this plan. The real target is not the Jews—it is an attack on God and an effort to undermine His plan that is for the benefit and salvation of all mankind.

True history points us to the God who prophesied and shaped it. Ancient history, the Scriptures, the archaeological record, modern events and the immediate future all attest to a dazzling reality: The Bible is true, the God of the Bible is real, and He is the God not just of the Jews or the rest of the Israelites but of all mankind. ■

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Make Hungary Great Again!

AWAKE NOT WOKE



Viktor Orbán speaks at the 2022 CPAC in Dallas, Texas.

Why is a prime minister in Budapest a hero to conservative Americans—and should he be? BY MIHAILO S. ZEKIC

CONSERVATISM IN THE UNITED States today is defined by such slogans as America First and Make America Great Again. But the MAGA club is not exclusive to America. One man is taking the MAGA world by storm. This unlikely America First superstar isn't running for office in the U.S. He isn't even American.

So why is this man in Budapest an icon in the American heartland? Is Make Hungary Great Again a natural ally to Make America Great Again? What principles does he stand for, and what is he building?

The Good

Viktor Orbán was born in a small village in 1963, when Hungary was a satellite state of the Soviet Union. His father was a Communist Party member, but after performing military service, young Viktor became alienated from the regime. In the mid-1980s, he studied at a newly opened law school, the Bibó István Special College, where he helped found an anti-Communist youth league, the Alliance of Young Democrats (better known under its Hungarian acronym, Fidesz). Fidesz became one of the vanguard opposition groups as the Soviet empire crumbled in the late 1980s and early 1990s. Orbán

became president of the group in 1993 and turned it into arguably Hungary's most successful political party ever.

Orbán became prime minister at age 35, winning Hungary's 1998 elections. He lost power in 2002 but returned in 2010 and has been Hungary's leader since. In his years in office, Orbán has led Hungarians down a path markedly different from much of Europe.

When Europe became inundated with Middle Eastern migrants in 2015, many European countries followed the lead of German Chancellor Angela Merkel, who famously stated, "We can do this," and accepted millions of Syrian refugees into her country. Hungary refused, built a border fence, and kept migrants out. Today, the Italians, French and others struggle with migrant problems that the Hungarians have largely avoided.

Orbán's rhetoric is famously politically incorrect. His speeches regularly reference God, Christianity and family, and strongly criticize homosexuality. He encourages large families through tax incentives and other measures. In a continent where leaders typically embrace "gender inclusivity" and advocate multiculturalism, he is openly, unapologetically conservative and disruptively patriotic.

European leaders and like-minded American media liberals have branded Orbán as fascist, racist, homophobic and all the other usual epithets. Despite the bad publicity, Hungary's experiment in conservatism keeps chugging forward with his hand on the tiller.

Many Americans are exasperated with the anti-family, anti-Christian, anti-traditional agenda of their elites. Orbán's Hungary, in that sense, is everything they want America to be. It's striving to be what every First World nation was presumed to be not long ago: a conservative state with secure borders, Christian influence and respect for the family.

Thanks to some favorable press, people who otherwise probably wouldn't even know about Orbán are now big fans. Tucker Carlson has published three interviews with Orbán, hailing him as one of the last defenders against a globalist takeover. Other top U.S. conservative leaders also praise him. Donald Trump has endorsed him in video messages. Presidential candidate Ron DeSantis's press secretary told reporters that his Florida state government administration considers Orbán's Hungary a model. U.S. Senate candidate Kari Lake said, "I believe if every American had an opportunity to come to Hungary and walk the streets here and see what's going on, they would want the same type of policies in their city."

Orbán was an opening day speaker during the 2022 Conservative Political Action Committee convention in Dallas, and received a standing ovation. The previous May, he hosted CPAC's first-ever European conference. CPAC Budapest 2022 featured Carlson, Candace Owens, Dennis Prager, Rick Santorum and other American conservative icons, and a video endorsement from President Trump. Orbán hosted CPAC Hungary 2023 in May, featuring "No Woke Zone" speeches, another video from Trump, speeches from participants like Kari Lake, Ken Paxton, Steve Bannon and conservative European leaders. He stated in his keynote address, "The antidote to the woke virus is in Hungary."

But some of Orbán's CPAC Hungary speakers promote a markedly different conservatism than what many in the English-speaking world are used to.

The Bad

Hans-Georg Maassen, who spoke in May, belongs to Germany's largest conservative political party and led its domestic intelligence agency until 2018, when he was forced out for helping cover up a neo-Nazi riot.

Herbert Kickl spoke at both conventions. He leads Austria's Freedom Party, which was founded in 1956 by a former Austrian Nazi SS officer. The Freedom Party still promotes its fascist past, in part with an ad last year featuring Austrian youth looking up to the famous Hofburg Palace balcony, where Adolf Hitler spoke from, with the narrator saying, "We want a future."

Orbán's guests in May 2023 included Santiago Abascal, Jordan Bardella, Janez Janša, Andrej Babiš and other icons of European far-right and strongman politics.

Orbán has also gone well beyond just associating himself with controversial people.

Over his 14-year tenure, he has presided over the forced closure of one media outlet after another that he has deemed too critical of his government, withdrawing their state subsidies, blacklisting them from advertisers, and launching smear campaigns against them. In 2016, he shut down *Liberty of the People*, the country's largest leftist newspaper, and in 2018, he shut down *Hungarian Nation*, the largest conservative paper. Klubrádió, the last major radio station independent of government influence, lost its broadcasting license in 2021 after the government had already stripped it of most of its frequencies. Analysts estimate Fidesz now controls roughly 80 percent of Hungarian media, either directly or through Orbán's oligarchs.

Political advertising on television is banned in Hungary, unless it is a government-sponsored public service announcement, which only the ruling party can issue. In the 2022 election, the main opposition candidate, Péter Márki-Zay, received only one opportunity to speak on Hungary's biggest public television station less than three weeks before the vote. Meanwhile, Balázs Bende, an editor of the state broadcaster MTVA, was caught telling reporters that the broadcaster doesn't support opposition

candidates: He told those who objected to resign immediately.

It's not just political advertising that's under Orbán's thumb but also the elections. Orbán has been in power for so long largely because he can egregiously bias Hungary's electoral system in his favor. He has legalized voter tourism, allowing a person to vote in a district outside his or her residence. His government has rewritten election rules so that now, despite winning less than half of the vote in the 2014 and 2016 elections, Fidesz still achieved a two-thirds supermajority of parliamentary seats, enough to change the Constitution.

This acceptance of dictatorship is also evident in Orbán's foreign policy. He is arguably China's best friend in Europe. Hungary became the first European country to join China's Belt and Road Initiative in 2015. China's Fudan University is opening a satellite campus in Budapest, the first Chinese university in the European Union. Hungary also hosts the largest supply center of telecommunications giant Huawei outside of China. It's not strange for a country to do business with the world's second-largest economy. But Orbán's trailblazing suggests he is going out of his way to connect with a country many regard as the West's most serious foe. And for a man who claims to fight for Christian values, *China* (one of the world's largest persecutors of Christians) is a curious choice for a partner.

Orbán promotes religion in his rhetoric more than other European leaders, but what is religious life like in Hungary? The Hungarian Evangelical Fellowship is a Methodist organization that helped bring down communism and its Soviet puppet regime in 1989, thereafter forming a massive system of schools, homeless shelters, elderly-care homes and other facilities for people in need. These institutions are normally eligible for government subsidies. But in 2011, after leaders of the group opposed Orbán's policies, the government blocked it from receiving any further subsidies, and its charity work is nearing bankruptcy. Such punishment is *literally* religious persecution.

The Orbán variant of conservatism is best summed up in what he said in a 2014 speech: "The new state that we are constructing in Hungary is an illiberal

state, a non-liberal state. It does not reject the fundamental principles of liberalism such as freedom, and I could list a few more, but it does not make this ideology the central element of state organization, but instead includes a different, special, national approach."

Orbán's rhetoric on "taking back our civilization" is refreshing to many, but that does not mean he champions individual rights, religious freedom or rule of law. He is a self-serving autocrat skilled at manipulating media to transform himself into an angel of light.

The Ugly

Elevating radicals, blocking free speech, using propaganda regime media, altering elections, one-party dominance, persecuting religious groups, deepening connections with China—these are exactly the actions that American conservatives are opposing in their own radical-leftist "deep state," and rightly so. But when a strongman takes these same actions in Europe, conservatives look the other way for as long as necessary and continue to paint him as an example to follow in America's culture wars. When Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau accidentally stood with a Nazi, the conservative press tore at him. When Viktor Orbán does the same thing, "It's all left-wing propaganda."

Orbán's dictatorial maneuvers are well documented and easy to find. Yet most conservative reporters and commentators conspicuously avoid these subjects. In his interviews of Orbán, Carlson glossed over charges of muzzling the press and manipulating elections, accepting Orbán's denial of the charges at face value. Carlson told his viewers Orbán "won in a fair election" without ever asking him about voter tourism, opposition blacklisting or any other electoral controversy.

This whitewashing may reflect some naivety. Conservatives on both sides of the Atlantic talk about fighting together for "Judeo-Christian values." But whether they realize it or not, these values have different definitions in Europe than in North America. To many Americans, they mean the ideals of the American Revolution: individual rights, religious freedom and the Bible's place in society. But much of Europe's

“Judeo-Christian tradition” is inquisitions, crusades, pogroms and genocides.

Hungary was once ruled by the Habsburg dynasty and closely associated with the Holy Roman Empire. This empire represents ideals contrary to the American Revolution: absolute monarchy, limits on individual freedom, execution of heretics, and world conquest. The Habsburg legacy inspired later tyrants like Napoleon Bonaparte and Adolf Hitler. Hungary during World War II was ruled by dictator Miklós Horthy, who claimed



continuity with the Habsburgs as he allied with Hitler and persecuted Jews.

When resurrecting Hungary's heritage, Orbán is also resurrecting *this* heritage. He has constructed monuments glorifying the Horthy regime. His ambassador to the Vatican is Eduard Habsburg-Lothringen, a descendant of Habsburg Emperor Franz Joseph. Orbán has made Hungary-Vatican relations one of his top foreign-policy priorities, even suggesting he would invite Pope Francis as a guest of honor for CPAC Hungary 2024.

Orbán, in this sense, sees himself as *heir* to Hungary's emperors and autocrats. It's easy to think of countries like Hungary as little more than a tourist destination of Danube cruises and luxury wines. Without Hungary's historical background in view, one can see its politics as a mirror image of MAGA. Such a shallow understanding of Europe's heritage, and future, is dangerous.

“About the only thing Americans can seem to think of when it comes to Europe is someone yodeling in the Alps,” *Trumpet* editor in chief Gerald Flurry writes in *Daniel Unlocks Revelation*.

“They have no idea what the Holy Roman Empire is about—or what that crown is about. They don't know anything about this deadly beast! You can travel all over central Europe and still see some of the opulence of the Habsburgs. The Habsburgs were the sword of the Catholic Church throughout the Middle Ages. They did their killing while supporting artists like Mozart, Bach and Schubert—they were very sophisticated as they slaughtered people.”

Budapest's clean streets and famous mix of baroque, neoclassical and art nouveau architecture portrays sophistication. Orbán's rhetoric about God and family sounds like a much-needed voice of sanity. But this is a facade. Scratch the surface, and Hungary reveals itself as a regressive regime

reviving a bloody historical legacy.

The Bible has much to say about the Holy Roman Empire. Revelation 17 is a prophecy of a “beast” (verse 3), a biblical symbol for an empire (see Daniel 7). This empire is represented as drunken with blood (Revelation 17:6). It is a great war-making power that relishes in persecuting innocents. It is brazen enough to challenge God Himself (verse 14). Connecting Revelation 17 with other prophecies shows this empire to be the Roman Empire. But unlike the Rome of antiquity, this beast is ridden by a “woman,” symbolizing a church (see 2 Corinthians 11:1-3; Ephesians 5:22-32). This is speaking of its medieval reincarnation, the *Holy Roman Empire*.

The beast is depicted with seven heads, revealed as seven specific

resurrections of this empire (Revelation 17:9-10), all of which are led by a church. History records six of these resurrections, led by conquerors like Charlemagne, Napoleon and Hitler, having come and gone. The seventh—a yet-developing resurrection—is to be made up of 10 “kings” or European strongmen pooling their resources into one superstate (verses 12-13). This seventh will “ascend out of the bottomless pit,” rising from an indiscernible state to manifest itself out in the open.

When European leaders like Viktor Orbán start talking about reviving their culture and place in the world, they are talking about resurrecting the Holy Roman Empire. And they have already come a long way in doing so.

The evidence is now more visible than ever. But conservative commentators do not understand this history or Bible prophecy and so are inadvertently serving as a *smokescreen* for the rise of a new superpower that will shock the world, including Americans. By painting men like Orbán as freedom fighters with American values, giving them platforms to market their image, and branding criticisms of them as left-wing propaganda, Tucker Carlson and CPAC are actually aiding Europe's fundamental reversion to a Catholic-dominated empire. In this sense, they are helping to build the Holy Roman Empire!

Bible prophecy shows that American support for this “restoration of that ancient Roman empire,” as late theologian Herbert W. Armstrong wrote in 1955, is “building the Frankenstein monster that is destined to destroy us!”

People need not remain ignorant of what is going on. The Bible reveals not only where Europe's current trajectory is leading, but also God's promise to *protect* those who believe Him and submit to Him. As a new Europe rises from the abyss, and as the English-speaking world ignores or even cheers it, this is the perspective most needed. ■

What does Europe have to teach America?

The Bible reveals the answer. Request your free copy of ***The Holy Roman Empire in Prophecy*** to get an in-depth look of Europe's past and what it teaches about the future.



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The Bible guides you straight to truth and wisdom. It provides proof and historical examples; one of the best is that of King Solomon.

Early in Solomon's reign, he was obedient to God's laws and loved Him (1 Kings 3:3). God saw his attitude and spoke to him, saying, "Ask what I shall give thee."

How would you answer such a question from such a Being?

Here is how the young king answered: "... I am but a little child: I know not how to go out or come in. And thy servant is in the midst of thy people which thou hast chosen, a great people, that cannot be numbered nor counted for multitude. Give therefore thy servant an understanding heart to judge thy people, that I may discern between good and bad: for who is able to judge this thy so great a people?" (verses 7-9)

Because Solomon was humble, he could see what was most valuable of all, and the one and only source from which it comes! (2 Chronicles 1:10; Proverbs 2:6; Job 32:8). He did not look for it within himself or within others. And humility enabled him to focus not on himself but on others, leading him to ask God for something that would help him lead them for their benefit, as his father had.

God responded to this attitude and made Solomon the wisest man, besides Jesus Christ, in history (1 Kings 3:12; 4:29-34). If you will obey His laws, love Him, and humble yourself, *He will respond to you as well!*

"Now how much is wisdom worth?" the late *World Tomorrow* presenter Herbert W. Armstrong asked. "There is knowledge—that's a wonderful thing. But knowledge doesn't necessarily give you wisdom. Wisdom comes from that right use of knowledge and the right reasoning process on knowledge."

True knowledge is rare, and wisdom is even rarer. Many people believe they have both—and sometimes many others agree with them—but they are actually fools! (Romans 1:22; 1 Corinthians 3:19). These gems are elusive not because intelligence, power or sophistication are rare but because *humility toward God is rare*.

If you will humble yourself toward God, then His Word, the Holy Bible, will guide you to incomparably valuable truth, knowledge and wisdom! (Proverbs 1:1-4). It starts with respectfully fearing God and obeying Him: "The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge" (verse 7; see also Proverbs 9:10; Psalm 111:10).

Wisdom is available! Instruction, understanding, good doctrine and God's law are available from your Father (Proverbs 4:1-2).

"Wisdom is the principal thing; therefore get wisdom: and with all thy getting get understanding" (verse 7).

If you truly seek a deep, personal relationship with God *first* and pursue true knowledge and wisdom above wealth, honor, long life and other blessings, God will give you all these things as well (verses 8-13; 2 Chronicles 1:11-13).

God desires to give you wisdom so much that He personifies it as a woman crying out to you in generosity and emotion in Proverbs 8:1-5. But another voice is calling: that of folly and shame. Satan, the god of this world, promises intelligence, knowledge, sophistication, wealth and more if you instead follow his example of exalting and relying upon yourself. Which will you choose?

For Solomon to receive wisdom, God helped him and inspired him, but he still had to do his part and work to *apply* the knowledge he received and to remain humble and obedient. His later life showed that even with all this knowledge, wisdom and success, he came to *hate life* when, for a time, he let himself drift away from God.

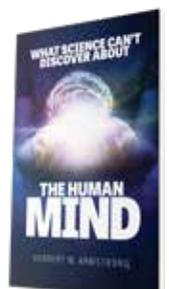
If *you* are serious about seeking truth and obtaining wisdom, God *will* help you if you do your part and continue to do your part!

"If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally, and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him" (James 1:5).

Use the Bible in your search. If you ask in faith for wisdom, God *will* give it to you just as He gave it to Solomon.

"O the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God!" (Romans 11:33). A limitless supply of wisdom is waiting for you to tap into—if you will diligently, humbly, obediently seek it at its one and only source. ■

To learn more, request your free copy of *What Science Can't Discover About the Human Mind*, by Herbert W. Armstrong.



WORLDWATCH

MIDDLE EAST

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Yemen's Houthi terror group has been ramping up attacks against its neighbors. Bloomberg reported that the Houthis engaged with Saudi forces in **Saudi Arabia's** southern province of Jazan late October 2023, killing four Saudi soldiers. This was the first time since last April that Saudis died fighting the



Houthis, after which both sides began peace negotiations.

The Houthis also entered the **Israel-Hamas** conflict on October 19 when they launched three cruise missiles toward Israel. On October 31, the Houthis formally declared war and launched a barrage of ballistic and cruise missiles at Israel's Red Sea coast. This was the first time ballistic missiles have been fired at Israel since Saddam Hussein's **Iraq** did so in 1991.

Whether against Saudi Arabia or Israel, the Houthis are getting bolder and pushier. The Houthis are backed by **Iran**. When their power increases, Iran's power in Yemen and the Red Sea increases.

"The Houthis' takeover of Yemen was not just a grassroots revolution," editor in chief Gerald Flurry wrote for the April 2015 *Trumpet* issue. "It was a part of a deliberate and calculated Iranian strategy to conquer the Red Sea. ... Iran is aggressively securing its foreign holdings along the Red

Sea—and boasting about how it could use them!"

Qatar brokered a "humanitarian pause" between Israel and Hamas on November 22. The pause involved Hamas releasing 50 Israeli civilian hostages in exchange for 150 Palestinians in Israeli prisons. The agreement included a pause in fighting for four days. Israel also promised extra days in the pause for every 10 extra hostages released.

This was the first successful diplomatic agreement between Israel and Hamas since the war began on October 7. That temporary ceasefire ended on December 1.

Before the war, Qatar had been giving Gaza hundreds of

millions of dollars' worth of supplies for years. Israel knows Qatari financing is one reason Hamas has become as powerful as it has. It is unlikely Israel will see Qatar as a friend anytime soon. But as the war drags on, Qatar has become one of the few outside parties that both sides are willing to listen to. Israel's end goal is to eliminate Hamas from Gaza. Once this happens, Israel may let Qatar step back in to reconstruct the territory.

Psalm 83 is a prophecy of an end-time alliance formed to "cut [Israel] off from being a nation" (verse 4). The Ishmaelites (the ancestors of the Qataris and other Gulf Arabs) and the Philistines (the ancient inhabitants of Gaza today) are listed as members of the alliance (verses 6-7). Israel may look to "moderate" Arab states like Qatar to assist in bringing peace with the Palestinians today. But Israel is walking into a trap. Read "**A Mysterious Prophecy**"* to learn more.

EUROPE

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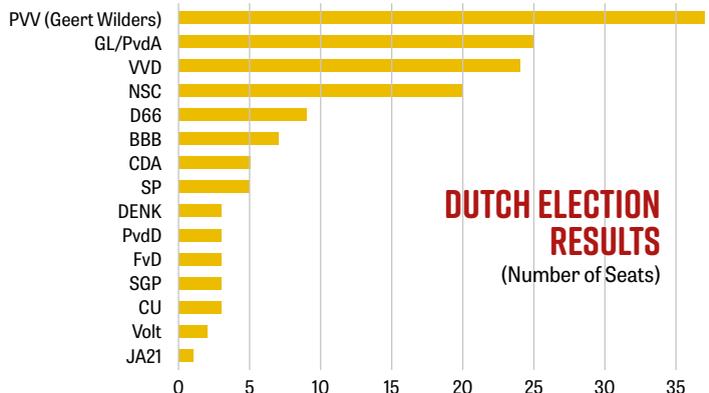
The issue of migration has been on Europeans' minds in recent months. **Geert Wilders**, known for speaking out against the Islamification of Europe, shocked the world in November 2023 by winning 37 out of 150 parliamentary seats and a shot at becoming prime minister of **the Netherlands**. The Associated Press characterized it as "one of the biggest political upsets" in the country since World War II. The *Washington Post* reported it with the headline "Europe's Far Right Goes Mainstream." This came after the **Swiss People's Party** won 62 out of 200 seats in October, solidifying its dominant majority in Switzerland's parliament.

Meanwhile, **Denmark** is addressing 15 communities that have a majority of non-Western residents and that have low income, low education, high unemployment or high crime. It is resettling residents who are mostly Muslim, and renovating, selling or even demolishing taxpayer-funded housing in an effort to keep these "ghettos" from developing into parallel societies where inhabitants refuse to assimilate into European culture. Denmark, **Finland**,



Iceland, Norway and Sweden signed an agreement on Oct. 31, 2023, to work together to deport migrants. **France** announced the same month that it will no longer wait for permission from the European Court of Human Rights and is even willing to break European Union human rights laws if necessary in order to deport potentially dangerous immigrants.

In countries that have not taken action, anger is rising. Riots erupted in the city center of **Dublin, Ireland**, on Nov. 23, 2023, after a man who was originally from **Algeria** stabbed three schoolchildren ages 5 and 6,



DUTCH ELECTION RESULTS
(Number of Seats)

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TOPSHOT The center of Dublin, Ireland, suffers violent riots in response to an Algerian immigrant going on a stabbing spree outside a primary school.

as well as an adult. About 500 people rioted, burning vehicles and looting shops.

Immigration was also a top headline in **Germany** after a Nov. 18, 2023, soccer game between the visiting Turkish national team and the German national team in Berlin. The crowd of tens of thousands booed when German players touched the ball. *Bild*, Germany's largest newspaper, wrote that "in our capital, it was not a home game but an away game. This 'away game' unfortunately says so much about us in 2023! About our embarrassing reticence when it comes to passion for our country. About our sluggishness when it comes to being proud: of our democracy, our values, our prosperity."

Migration is a genuine problem in Europe, but Europeans' reaction to it will have far greater consequences. (Read "Europe's Altered Personality.")

At the same time, Germany published a new military strategy paper on Nov. 9, 2023. Chancellor **Olaf Scholz** said, "Today, nobody can seriously doubt what we in Germany have been avoiding for a long time, namely that we need a powerful Bundeswehr." Using a word denoting the major changes in German military spending and policy announced last year, Defense Minister **Boris Pistorius** said, "With the *zeitenwende*, Germany becomes a grown-up country in terms of security policy. ... As the most populous and an economically strong country at the heart of Europe, Germany must be the backbone of deterrence and collective defense in Europe." The strategy aims to reverse "decades of neglect" and overcome "bureaucratic sluggishness" to make German and European militaries "war-ready." Read our [Trends article about Europe militarizing](#).

ASIA

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The nations of Asia continue to rally behind Russia.

Russia and Myanmar

rehearsed for war from Nov. 7 to 9, 2023, with the first-ever joint drills between their navies. The two nations have been comrades for over a decade, and ever since Myanmar's military ousted its democratically elected government in 2021, Russia has increasingly supported the junta leadership with weapons deals and diplomatic backing. Myanmar's generals have returned the favor by often endorsing Russia's foreign-policy objectives. Analysts believe November's war games, involving both airborne and naval units, demonstrate Russia's determination to make Myanmar a close military partner.

As the war games were underway, **Kazakhstan** hosted Russian President **Vladimir Putin** for a November 9 visit intended to better align trade and foreign policy. A bombshell report by the *Diplomat* two weeks earlier showed that Kazakhstan is helping Russia circumvent Western sanctions by boosting trade with proxy companies of sanctioned Russian businesses. Through these companies, Kazakhstan supplies militarily useful items to Russia. Kazakhstan also allows Russia to convert its currency to the Kazakh currency for free, equating to nearly unrestricted Russian access to Kazakhstan's currency market. "Essentially, Kazakhstan is becoming a kind of 'piggy bank' for Russia that can be broken open at an opportune moment," the *Diplomat* wrote. This arrangement causes the Kazakh people to suffer rampant inflation, but the nation's leaders are under tight control from Russia, and they are getting tighter.

A Nov. 15, 2023, report by the Atlantic Council showed that Putin's invasion of **Ukraine** is being supplied by a surge in **China's** exports to Russia, including huge numbers of excavation equipment useful

CHINA-TO-RUSSIA EXPORTS

728 percent

Increase in exports of large trucks weighing over 20 tons from 2021 to the first eight months of 2023

48,000

The number of non-agricultural "tractors" exported in the first nine months of 2023; up from zero in 2021

to the military, such as digging trenches. China is also sending unprecedented quantities of large trucks, non-agricultural tractors, semiconductors, ball bearings and commercial drones.

On November 14, Russia signed a major deal with **India** to significantly increase Russian weapons sold to the nation. As part of the deal, Russia will supply India with Igla-S man-portable air defense systems and allow Indian firms to manufacture the weapons under license. India strives to portray itself as an ally of Western democracies, but like Myanmar, Kazakhstan, China and other Asian states, it did not allow its relationship with Russia to deteriorate when Russia shredded international law by invading Ukraine and committing atrocities there. These nations are still willing to cooperate closely with Moscow, even in sensitive defense matters.

The Bible prophesies that Russia will unite Asia under its rule and form the largest military alliance in history. To learn more about this extraordinary biblical forecast, request your free copy of our booklet *The Prophesied 'Prince of Russia.'*

ANGLO-AMERICA

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If anyone needed more proof that America's corporate media is motivated by animus against **Donald Trump**, Chinese General Secretary **Xi Jinping's** visit to San Francisco on Nov. 14, 2023, highlights the Democrats' sympathy for Communist dictators.

Three days before China's dictator arrived in America, President Trump promised to "root out the Communists, Marxists, fascists and the radical-left thugs that live like vermin within the confines of our country that lie and steal and cheat on elections." The leftist media equated the statement to the dehumanizing rhetoric of Adolf Hitler and Benito Mussolini. Even when leftist **Joe Biden** admitted publicly that Xi is a dictator, the media sided not with Biden but with Xi, a literal Communist dictator whose one-party regime interferes with American governance abroad and currently operates at least 380 actual concentration camps.

The Prophet Isaiah foretold that God would send a foreign nation against America and Britain because of their double standards and moral hypocrisy (Isaiah 10:5-6). Another example of such hypocrisy is Joe

Biden's pick for America's new chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. On Sept. 29, 2023, Gen. **Charles Brown** succeeded Gen. **Mark Milley** as America's top military officer. Like the top news executives, he supports the neo-Marxist movement **Black Lives Matter**, which has called for quotas to limit the proportion of

of fifty." The *Wall Street Journal* now predicts that the U.S. military will fall drastically short of its enlisting goals this year—15,000 short in the Army, 10,000 in the Navy and 3,000 in the Air Force.

America's leaders are too caught up in their own perversions to solve these crises. On November 8, federal prosecutors charged three Asian men with prostituting women to professionals and politicians leading the nation. "This commercial sex ring was built on secrecy and exclusivity, catering to wealthy and well-connected clientele," said **Joshua Levy**, acting U.S. attorney for Massachusetts.

"They are doctors; they are lawyers; they're accountants; they are executives at high-tech companies, pharmaceutical companies; they're military officers, government contractors, professors, scientists. Pick a profession, they're probably represented in this case."

America's depravity runs deep. Several scriptures prophesied this extreme immorality, but Ezekiel 8:10-12 singled out the abominable things done by the elders "of the house of Israel" in the dark corridors of power. ■

\$14 billion
U.S. prostitution industry's annual revenue

1 million - 2 million
Estimated number of prostitutes in the United States

240,000-325,000
Estimated number of sex slaves in the United States

15,000-50,000
Women and children forced into sexual slavery in the U.S. every year

49 percent
Sexual exploitation survivors who said they were filmed for pornography

white male officers to 43 percent.

No wonder so few Americans want to join the military. Isaiah also prophesied that God would deprive end-time America's armed forces of the "mighty man," the "man of war" and "the captain

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‘What Is Truth?’

Pilate asked this question, then killed the Son of God. How much do you really want the truth?

AROUND THE WORLD, PEOPLE SAY THEY WANT TRUTH. YET they all believe different things. The United States, for example, is riven by huge political divides. Most say they seek the truth—while violently disagreeing. Both sides of the disagreement cannot be right.

If so many are looking for the truth, why can't they find it?

We see an answer in an interaction between Jesus Christ and Pontius Pilate, the Roman governor who sentenced Him to death.

Jesus said, “Thou sayest that I am a king. To this end was I born, and for this cause came I into the world, that I should bear witness unto the truth. Every one that is of the truth heareth my voice” (John 18:37).

From the beginning, human beings have groped in the dark, looking for truth. Here was the Son of God who became the Son of man and came into the world to *bear witness unto the truth*. How did this governor react to this extraordinary opportunity?

Verse 38: “Pilate saith unto him, *What is truth?*”

This question has puzzled mankind for thousands of years. It confuses us today perhaps more than ever. Pilate's attitude represents all of mankind. People have a curiosity or even a great desire for the truth. But the truth ultimately must come from their Creator.

Notice that Jesus did not answer this question. Why? What lesson does He want us to learn from this? He knew Pilate desired to know the truth—but would not OBEY it. God recorded this for us because He wants us to know that He will not reveal truth to us unless we are willing to *do something with it*.

When the *Son of God* came to Earth and bore witness to the truth, how many people heard His voice, humbled themselves, and obeyed during His human lifetime? Only 120 people! (see Matthew 11:25; Acts 1:15).

Jesus would have answered Pilate had he been willing to *act on the truth*. Just hours before this, Jesus was talking about the truth in great depth (John 17). In fact, anyone in Jerusalem who had wanted to *know* the truth and *do* the truth could have done so, because the Son of God was right there teaching it openly. But as He told some of them, people who don't *submit* to the truth are “of your father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will [to] do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own: for he is a liar, and the father of it” (John 8:44).

There is absolutely zero truth in the devil, and the Bible reveals that he is the god of this world *who deceives the whole world* (2 Corinthians 4:4; Ephesians 2:2; Revelation 12:9). In fact, even the majority of those few who have truly known God have allowed themselves to stop *acting on* the truth and have followed the powerful god of this world and his “signs and lying wonders ... because they received not the love of the truth” (2 Thessalonians 2:9-10).

After asking, “What is truth?”, what did Pilate do? “And when he had said this, he went out again unto the Jews, and saith unto them, I find in him no fault at all” (John 18:38). Yet what did he proceed to do? *Pilate scourged Jesus!* This brief statement means that the governor ordered soldiers to whip Jesus with a barbed whip that tore chunks of flesh from His body until His *bones* were visible! They brutalized and dishonored Him, jammed a crown of thorns on His head, pummeled Him, and pretended to hail “the king of the Jews.” Pilate then brought this bloodied man before the crowd and said, “Behold, I bring him forth to you, that ye may know that I find no fault in him” (John 19:1-4).

When the leading Jews then demanded that Christ be crucified, Pilate answered, “Take ye him, and crucify him: for I find no fault in him” (verse 6). This sounds like a madman talking! He found no fault with the Son of God—as he said three times in a short span—yet in nearly the same breath he assented to His death!

Pilate was guilty of subjecting Christ to the utmost dishonor, torture and death. So were the Jews, and so is every single human being who has ever lived because we have all sinned by breaking God's law (1 John 3:4). Our sins scourged and crucified Him, just as surely as Pilate's order did.

Do you also sin by asking, “What is truth?” and refusing to believe, obey and *act on* that truth? We cannot continue to sin, continue to crucify the Son of God, and expect that God, the only Source of truth, will reveal to us *what is truth*.

That is the lesson we must learn from Pilate.

The truth comes only from God. Isaiah 55:9 shows that His thoughts are as high above our thoughts as the heavens (which can mean the *universe*) are higher than the Earth! By comparison, the “truth” that men seek is utterly insignificant. Jesus taught that GOD'S WORD IS TRUTH (John 17:17) and that you will experience the blessings of knowing the truth only if you believe *and* “continue in my word” (John 8:31).

From the very first man and woman, human beings have refused to believe and obey God, to receive the truth and apply it. They have believed they can find it themselves. But as we can see more and more every day, truth comes *only* from God—and we must *live by every word of God* if we hope to know the answer to that burning question: *What is truth?* ■

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KRCC-COMET TV 7:00, Sun **Joplin** KFJX 7:00, Sun; KFJX-DT2 8:30, Sun; KJLN-LD-FAMILY TV 6:30, Sun; KJLN-LD-RETRO TV7:30, Sun; KPJO-LD-BUZZR 5:30, Sun; KSXF 8:30, Sun **Kansas City** KCMN-LD-NEST 6:00, Sun; KCTV-COMET TV 7:00, Sun; KCTV-THIS TV 5:30, Sun; KCWE 8:30, Sun **Kirksville** KTVO-COMET TV 7:00, Sun; KYOU-DT2 8:30, Sun **Pittsburg** KJLN-LD-FAMILY TV 6:30, Sun; KJLN-LD-RETRO TV7:30, Sun **Springfield** KSFZ-LD-FAMILY TV 6:30, Sun; KSFZ-LD-RETRO TV7:30, Sun; KSRP-THIS TV 5:30, Sun; KXMP-LD-FAMILY TV 6:30, Sun; KXMP-LD-RETRO TV 7:30, Sun **St. Joseph** KNP6-LD 8:30, Sun **St. Louis** KDNL-NEST 6:00, Sun; KUMO-LD-RETRO TV 7:30, Sun; KPLR-TV-COMET TV 7:00, Sun; KSDK 5:00, Sun; WBGU-BUZZR 5:30, Sun; WPKS-RETRO TV 7:30, Sun **MONTANA** Billings KSVI 10:00, Sun; KTVQ-DT 6:30, 8:30, Sun; KQHD-LD-RETRO TV 9:30, Sun **Bozeman** K04QX-D-RETRO TV 9:30, Sun; KBZK-DT/KXLF-DT 8:30, Sun **Butte** K04QX-D-RETRO TV 9:30, Sun; KBZK-DT/KXLF-DT 8:30, Sun **Glendive** KWZB 8:30, Sun **Great Falls** KRTV-DT 8:30, Sun **Helena** KTVH-DT 8:30, Sun **Missoula** KPAX-DT 8:30, Sun **NEBRASKA** Hastings KWBL/KCWH-LD 8:30, Sun **Kearney** KWBL/KCWH-LD 8:30, Sun **Lincoln** KWBL/KCWH-LD 8:30, Sun **Omaha** KPTM-COMET TV 7:00, Sun; KXVO-NEST 6:00, Sun **North Platte** KIT-LD2/KWPI 8:30, Sun **Scottsbluff** KGWN-DT 8:30, Sun **NEVADA** Las Vegas KGNB-BUZZR 3:30, Sun; KPVM-LD-THIS TV 3:30, Sun; KVCW-COMET TV 5:00, Sun; KVGA-LD-FAMILY TV 7:30, Sun; KVCW-NEST 7:00, Sun; KVGA-LD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun **Reno** KNLN-LD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun; KNSN-TV-COMET TV 5:00, Sun; KNSN-NEST 7:00, Sun; KOLQ/KREN-DT 9:30, Sun; KRMF-LD-FAMILY TV7:30, Sun **NEW MEXICO** Albuquerque KCHF-RETRO TV 9:30, Sun; KOB 4:30, Sun; KRTN-LD 4:30, Sun; KYNM-CD-FAMILY TV 8:30, Sun **Roswell** KOBR-COMET TV 6:00, Sun **Santa Fe** KCHF-RETRO TV 9:30, Sun; KOB/KOBF/KOBR 6:30, Sun **NEW YORK** Albany WCVN-NEST 7:00, Sun; WNGX-LD-FAMILY TV 7:30, Sun; WRGB-COMET TV 8:00, Sun; WYBN-BUZZR 6:30, Sun; WYBN-THIS TV 6:30, Sun; WYBN-LD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun **Binghamton** WBNG-DT 9:30, Sun **Buffalo** WBXZ-BUZZR 6:30, Sun; WBXZ-LD 6:30, Sun; WBXZ-THIS TV 6:30, Sun; WBXZ-LP-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun; WYFO-NEST 7:00, Sun; WNYO-TV-COMET TV 8:00, Sun; WUTV 10:30, Sun **Elmira** (Corning) WENY-DT 9:30, Sun **New York City** WABC-THIS TV 6:30, Sun; WLNJ-NEST 7:00, Sun; WPIX 11:30, Sun; WWOR, 8:00, Sun; WWOR-TV-BUZZR 6:30, Sun **Plattsburgh** WPTZ-DT 9:30, Sun; WVMA-CD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun **Rochester** WBG7-CD 6:30, Sun; WBG7-THIS TV 6:30, Sun; WUHF-COMET TV 8:00, Sun **Schenectady** WCVN-NEST 7:00, Sun; WNGX-LD-FAMILY TV 7:30, Sun; WRGB-COMET TV 8:00, Sun; WYBN-LD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun; WYBN-THIS TV 6:30, Sun **Syracuse** WONO-CD 6:30, Sun; WSTM-TV-COMET TV 8:00 **Troy** WUCW-NEST 7:00, Sun; WNGX-LD-FAMILY TV 7:30, Sun; WYBN-LD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun; WYBN-THIS TV 6:30, Sun **Tioga** WKTU-DT 9:30, Sun **Watertown** WWTI-DT 9:30, Sun **NORTH CAROLINA** Anderson WASV-LP-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun; WNGS-LD-FAMILY TV 7:30, Sun **Asheville** WASV-LP-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun; WNGS-THIS TV 6:30, Sun; WLOS-NEST 7:00, Sun; WNGS-LD-FAMILY TV 7:30, Sun; WYCW 9:00, Sun **Bowling Green** WBKO 12:30, Fri **Charlotte** WAXN 3:00, Sun; WAXN 10:00, Sun; WCCB 5:00/10:30, Sun; WHKY-TV-COMET TV 8:00, Sun; WJZY 10:30, Sun; WMYT-BUZZR 6:30, Sun; WVEB-LD-NEST 7:00, Sun; WWSJ-THIS TV 6:30, Sun **Durham** WDRH-LD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun; 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Salem** WXLV-NEST 7:00, Sun **Wilmington** WECT 6:00, Sun; WSFX-TV 6:30, Sun; WWAY-DT 9:30, Sun **Winston** WMYV-COMET TV 8:00, Sun **NORTH DAKOTA** Bismarck KXMD 8:30, Sun **Dickinson** KXMD/KXMC-DT 8:30, Sun **Fargo** KCPM-RETRO TV 7:30, Sun; KXJB 8:30, Sun **Minot** KXMD/KXMC-DT2 8:30, Sun **Valley City** KXJB 8:30, Sun **OHIO** Akron W27DG-D-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun; WIVX 8:30, Sun; WIVM/WIVX-THIS TV 6:30, Sun; WIVX-LD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun **Canton** WIVM/WIVX-THIS TV 6:30, Sun; **Chillicothe** WWHO-COMET TV 8:00, Sun **Cincinnati** WBQC-THIS TV 6:30, Sun; WKRC-NEST 7:00, Sun; WOTH-BUZZR 6:30, Sun; WSTR-TV-COMET TV 8:00, Sun **Cleveland** W27DG-D-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun; WEKA-LD-BUZZR 6:30, Sun; WIVM/WIVX 8:30, Sun; WIVX-LD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun; WIVM/WIVX-THIS TV 6:30, Sun; WJW-TV-COMET TV 8:00, Sun; WUAB 7:30, Sun **Columbus** WOCC-BUZZR 6:30, Sun; WSYX-NEST 7:00, Sun; WSYX-THIS TV 6:30, Sun; WTVZ-THIS TV 6:30, Sun; WWHO-COMET TV 8:00, Sun **Dayton** WKFE 10:00, Sun; WKFE-NEST 7:00, Sun; WRGT-TV-COMET TV 8:00, Sun **New Philadelphia** WIVD-LD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun **Steubenville** WBWO 9:30, Sun **Toledo** WMNT-THIS TV 6:30, Sun; WNNW-TV-COMET TV 8:00, Sun **Youngstown** WYTV 11:30, Sun **Zanesville** WBZV 9:30, Sun **OKLAHOMA** Ada KTen-DT 8:30, Sun **Lawton** KAUZ-DT 8:30, Sun **Oklahoma City** KBZC-LD-BUZZR 5:30, Sun; KOCB-COMET TV 7:00, Sun; KOKH-NEST 6:00, Sun; KWRW-LD-RETRO TV 7:30, Sun **Tulsa** KMYT-TV 5:30, Sun; KQCW 9:30, Sun; KTLU-COMET TV 7:00, Sun; KTUO-LD-RETRO TV 7:30, Sun; KUOC-LD-BUZZR 5:30, Sun **OREGON** Bend KTVZ-DT 9:30, Sun **Eugene** K44JP-D-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun; KMTR-COMET TV 5:00, Sun **Medford-Klamath Falls** KTVL-COMET TV 5:00, Sun; KTVL-DT 9:30, Sun **Portland** KATU-COMET TV 5:00, Sun; KUNP-NEST 7:00, Sun **Yakima-Pasco-Richland-Kennewick** K2OMJ-D-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun **PENNSYLVANIA** Altoona WWCP-THIS TV 6:30, Sun; WATM-THIS TV 6:30, Sun; WHVL-BUZZR 6:30, Sun; WJAC-TV-COMET TV 8:00, Sun **Erie** WSEE-DT/WIGU-DT 9:30, Sun **Johnstown** WHVL-BUZZR 6:30, Sun; WWCP-THIS TV 6:30, Sun; WATM-THIS TV 6:30, Sun; WJAC-TV-COMET TV 8:00, Sun **Philadelphia** WDPN-TV-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun; WPSG-COMET TV 8:00, Sun; WPSG-NEST 7:00, Sun; WPVI-THIS TV 6:30, Sun; WTXF-TV-BUZZR 6:30, Sun **Pittsburgh** WOSC-BUZZR 6:30, Sun; WPDK 9:30, Sun; WPNT-COMET TV 8:00, Sun; WPNT-NEST 7:00, Sun; WPTG-CD 6:30, Sun; WPTG-CD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun; WPTG-THIS TV 6:30, Sun **Scranton** WSWB-COMET TV 8:00, Sun; WSWB-NEST 7:00, Sun **State College** WANT/WWCP 8:30, Sun; WHVL-BUZZR 6:30, Sun; WJAC-TV-COMET TV 8:00, Sun **Wilkes Barre** WSWB-COMET TV 8:00, Sun; WSWB-NEST 7:00, Sun **RHODE ISLAND** Providence WJAR-COMET TV 8:00, Sun **SOUTH CAROLINA** Anderson WGGG-THIS TV 6:30, Sun; WLOS-NEST 7:00, Sun; WYCW 9:00, Sun **Charleston** ECIV 8:30, Sun; WCBD-DT 9:30, Sun; WCIV-NEST 7:00, Sun; WLOW-LD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun **Columbia** WACH-COMET TV 8:00, Sun **Florence** WPDE-TV-COMET TV 8:00, Sun; WTNG-CD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun; WWMB-DT 9:30, Sun; WWMB-NEST 7:00, Sun **Greenville** WASV-LP-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun; WGGG-THIS TV 6:30, Sun; WLOS-NEST 7:00, Sun; WNGS-LD-FAMILY TV 7:30, Sun; WNGS-LD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun; WYCW 9:00, Sun; XXXX-BUZZR 6:30, Sun **Hardeeville** WTGS-COMET TV 8:00, Sun **Myrtle Beach** WPDE-TV-COMET TV 8:00, Sun; WTNG-CD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun; WWMB-DT 9:30, Sun; WWMB-NEST 7:00, Sun **Rock Hill** WMYT-TV-BUZZR 6:30, Sun **Seneca** WGGG-THIS TV 6:30, Sun **Spartanburg** WASV-

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Worth** KDFI-BUZZR 5:30, Sun; KDFW 5:00, Sun; KFWD-RETRO TV 7:30, Sun; KTXA-THIS TV 5:30, Sun; KTXD-TV-COMET TV 7:00, Sun; WFAA 5:30, Sun **Harlingen** KCWT/KNVO-DT 8:30, Sun; KGBT-TV-COMET TV 7:00, Sun; KTFV-CD-NEST 6:00, Sun **Houston** KIAH-COMET TV 7:00, Sun; KTRK-THIS TV 5:30, Sun; KTXH-BUZZR 5:30, Sun; KVQT-LD-RETRO TV 7:30, Sun **Laredo** KLDO-TV-NEST 6:00, Sun; KYLX 8:30, Sun **Longview** KDKJ-BUZZR 5:30, Sun; KLNK-LD-FAMILY TV 6:30, Sun; KLNK-LD-RETRO TV 7:30, Sun; KYTX-DT 8:30, Sun **Lubbock** KLCW-DT 8:30, Sun; KYML-BUZZR 5:30, Sun **Lufkin** KLNK-LD-FAMILY TV 6:30, Sun; KLNK-LD-RETRO TV 7:30, Sun; **Midland** KWAB-DT/KWES-DT 8:30, Sun **Nacogdoches** KLNK-LD-FAMILY TV 6:30, Sun; KLNK-LD-RETRO TV 7:30, Sun; **Odessa** KWAB-DT/KWES-DT 8:30, Sun; KWWT 5:30, Sun **Port Arthur** KAQB-LD-RETRO TV 7:30, Sun; KBTU-TV-COMET TV 7:00, Sun; KBTU-TV-NEST 6:00, Sun; KFDM, 2:05, Sat/8:30, Sun **San Angelo** KTXE 8:30, Sun **San Antonio** KCWX-TV 6:30, Sun; KMSV-NEST 6:00, Sun; KOBZ-BUZZR 5:30, Sun; KRTX-LP-FAMILY TV 6:30, Sun; KRTX-LP-RETRO TV 7:30, Sun **Sherman** KTen-DT 8:30, Sun **Sweetwater** KTXS-DT 8:30, Sun **Tyler** KDKJ-BUZZR 5:30, Sun; KLNK-LD-FAMILY TV 6:30, Sun; KLNK-LD-RETRO TV 7:30, Sun; KTRF 11:30, Sun; KYTX-DT 8:30, Sun **Victoria** KVCT-DT3/KWVB 9:30, Sun **Waco** K20KJ-D-RETRO TV 7:30, Sun; KZCZ-BUZZR 5:30, Sun; KZCZ-LD-COMET TV 7:00, Sun; KWKT 6:30, Sun **Weslaco** KCWT/KNVO-DT 8:30, Sun **Wichita Falls** KAUZ-DT 8:30, Sun; KFDX 6:00, Sun **U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS** Charlotte Amalie WYXF 6:30, Sun **UTAH** Salt Lake City KBTU-BUZZR 4:30, Sun; KJZZ-TV-COMET TV 6:00, Sun; WMTL-LD-RETRO TV 9:30, Sun; KSL-THIS TV 4:30, Sun; KUTO-LD-FAMILY TV 8:30, Sun **Piute-Richfield** KSCV-LD-RETRO TV 9:30, Sun **VERMONT** Burlington WFFF 10:00, Sun; WYNY 10:30, Sun; WPTZ-DT 9:30 **VIRGINIA** Abingdon-Meadowview WLF6-BUZZR 6:30, Sun **Bristol** WCVB-TV-COMET TV 8:00, Sun **Charlottesville** WIVR-DT 9:30, Sun **Dryden-Big Stone Gap-Norton** WLF6-BUZZR 6:30, Sun **Grundy-Vansant** WLF6-BUZZR 6:30, Sun **Hampton/Norfolk** WSKY 9:00, Sun **Harrisonburg** WVIR-DT 9:30, Sun; W29DH-D-COMET TV 8:00, Sun **Lynchburg** WSET-TV-COMET TV 8:00, Sun **Newport News** WTKR 6:30, Sun **Norfolk** WAVY-NEST 7:00, Sun; WTKR 6:30, Sun; WTVZ-TV-COMET TV 8:00, Sun **Richmond** WRLH-TV-COMET TV 8:00, Sun; WUPV 6:00/10:30, Sun; WWBT 1:30, Sat **Roanoke** WSET-TV-COMET TV 8:00, Sun; WSLT 11:30, Sun **WASHINGTON D.C.** WJLA-TV-COMET TV 8:00, Sun; WMDE-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun; WTTG-BUZZR 6:30, Sun **WASHINGTON** Kennewick KGfZ-LD-THIS TV 3:30, Sun; KORX-NEST 7:00, Sun; KUNW-CD-NEST 7:00, Sun; KVVK-CD-COMET TV 5:00, Sun; KVVK-CD-NEST 7:00, Sun **Pasco** KEPR-DT 9:30, Sun; KGfZ-LD-THIS TV 3:30, Sun; KORX-NEST 7:00, Sun; KUNW-CD-NEST 7:00, Sun; KVVK-CD-NEST 7:00, Sun **Richland** KEPR-DT 9:30, Sun; KGfZ-LD-THIS TV 3:30, Sun; KORX-NEST 7:00, Sun; KUNW-CD-NEST 7:00, Sun; KVVK-CD-NEST 7:00, Sun **Seattle** KPQ 7:00, Sun; KONG-THIS TV 3:30, Sun; KUNS-NEST 7:00, Sun; KYMU-LD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun **Tacoma** KONG-THIS TV 3:30, Sun; KUNS-NEST 7:00, Sun; KYMU-LD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun **Yakima** KEPR-DT 9:30, Sun; KGfZ-LD-THIS TV 3:30, Sun; KORX-NEST 7:00, Sun; KUNW-CD-COMET TV 5:00, Sun; KUNW-CD-NEST 7:00, Sun; KVVK-CD-NEST 7:00, Sun **WEST VIRGINIA** Beckley WVVA-DT 9:30, Sun **Bluefield** WVVA-DT 9:30, Sun **Charleston** WTPZ-BUZZR 6:30, Sun; WVAH-NEST 7:00, Sun; WVAH-TV-COMET TV 8:00, Sun **Fairmont** WVUX-LD 6:30, Sun **Huntington** WVAH-NEST 7:00, Sun **Oak Hill** WVVA-DT 9:30, Sun **Parkersburg** WCWP/WOVA-LD2 9:30, Sun **Wheeling** WBWO 9:30, Sun **WISCONSIN** Appleton WCWF-NEST 6:00, Sun **Eau Claire** WXOW-DT/WQOW-DT 8:30, Sun **Green Bay** WCWF-COMET TV 7:00, Sun; WCWF-NEST 6:00, Sun **La Crosse** WXOW-DT/WQOW-DT 8:30, Sun **Madison** WKOW 5:30, Sun; WMSN-TV-COMET TV 7:00, Sun **Milwaukee** WIVN-THIS TV 5:30, Sun; WTAS-LD-FAMILY TV 6:30, Sun; WTAS-LD-RETRO TV 7:30, Sun; WTSJ-BUZZR 5:30, Sun; WTVT-DT2-COMET TV 7:00, Sun **Rhineland** WAOW/WYOW 8:30, Sun **Superior** KDHL-DT 8:30, Sun **Suring** WCWF-COMET TV 7:00, Sun **Wausau** WAOW-DT/WYOW-DT 8:30, Sun **WYOMING** Casper KCWY-DT 8:30, Sun **Cheyenne** KGWN-DT 8:30, Sun **Jackson** KPFI-THIS TV 4:30, Sun; Riverton KCWY-DT 8:30, Sun

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