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# Can President Trump Get Control of His Own Divided Government?

A biblical prophecy indicates yes.

**S**INCE DONALD TRUMP BECAME PRESIDENT, A DANGEROUS level of corruption has been exposed in America's federal government. Officials within several powerful government agencies have worked actively to sabotage Mr. Trump and overturn the results of the 2016 presidential election. This is treasonous behavior, and a bigger threat to America than most people realize!

The facts reveal widespread complicity within the CIA and the Justice Department, including the FBI, along with other government agencies, with direction from the White House—and total support from the mainstream media. We see that the Obama administration got a frightening degree of control over those agencies. And we see officials who consider themselves above the law, who are willing to use deceit, slander and practically any other means necessary to hold or to reclaim power at any cost.

To make this reality more alarming, none of it would have seen daylight had Mr. Trump not won the election. But God wanted it exposed—and I will explain why.

Now, it seems that the harder the president's enemies work to destroy him, the more their own wicked ways are uncovered.

Isaiah 1:4-6 is an end-time prophecy that applies directly to America. It says "the whole head is sick"—talking about corruption in the government. We are getting a stark look at just how grave this sickness is! (Request my booklet on Isaiah. All of our literature is free.)

Robert Mueller ran a massive investigation for two years into whether President Trump colluded with Russia. He found no wrongdoing by the president—but he inadvertently unveiled a great deal of corruption by the president's enemies!

Now the new attorney general, William Barr, is doing some investigating of his own. So we are going to learn *even more* about just how deep the rot goes.

Biblical prophecy indicates that there will be something of a turnaround, though, and that **PRESIDENT TRUMP WILL ACTUALLY GAIN MORE CONTROL OF THESE GOVERNMENT AGENCIES** that have been working to unseat him.

To understand this prophecy, we must first look at what was happening to the country under his predecessor—and what prophecy says about it.

## The Obama Legacy

When Barack Obama became president, he said that he wanted

to fundamentally transform America. He succeeded on a dangerous scale.

The damage his administration did to this country is immeasurable.

The Obama administration had a vice-grip on the law and intelligence departments. It authored scandals like Fast and Furious, which put guns into the hands of Mexican drug cartels. It used the Internal Revenue Service to target conservative organizations. It used its intelligence infrastructure to spy on journalists and other media members. It abused law enforcement powers to punish political opponents and expand its power. And as it became clear, it spied on the presidential campaign of Donald Trump. It was an attempt to stop Mr. Trump's campaign to win the Republican primary election. Then later it made a TREASONOUS attempt to overthrow his presidency!

That plot continues to this day.

These are just a few of its deadly abuses of power—to say nothing of the racial strife it stirred up, and the cultural and moral decline it encouraged.

During Obama's second term, Peter Strzok was chief of counterintelligence at the FBI. He led the investigation into Hillary Clinton's e-mail server, and also the investigation into Russian interference in the 2016 U.S. presidential election. At the same time, he was having an affair with a colleague named Lisa Page. The two exchanged text messages during both investigations that revealed a sinister double standard: a clear bias in Clinton's favor and against Trump. Their texts also revealed that White House officials—even President Obama—were seriously interested in the investigations and directed them.

After an Aug. 5, 2016, meeting, just a few days after the Trump-Russia investigation began, Strzok texted that someone at the meeting said, "The White House is running this." It's unclear whether this referred to the Clinton e-mail investigation or the Trump-Russia investigation, but either would have been unlawful. And on Sept. 2, 2016, as the FBI was filing reports about the Clinton e-mail investigation, Page texted Strzok: "POTUS [President of the United States] wants to know everything we are doing." If President Obama wanted to be involved, how do you suppose that would affect the investigators, knowing they had the backing of the highest office in the land?

This shows there was a clear political motive guiding the nation's lead investigative agency.

**THIS SHOULD ALARM EVERY AMERICAN!** The Justice Department, including the FBI (one of the DOJ's agencies), is *duty bound* to be impartial. FBI officials are to uphold the standards

of the bureau and apply the law equally and justly, not use their power to alter politics.

Not only that, but President Obama promised many times that he never got involved in Justice Department matters. His staff repeatedly emphasized that his administration scrupulously avoided even the *appearance* of political interference in investigations. Those same officials said they never directed the FBI to open investigations. They didn't interfere period, they said.

The texts between Strzok and Page tell a different story. Aside from exposing the bias of the investigators, they show that the Obama White House wanted to be involved and had even been directing how the FBI handled the two biggest investigations in modern U.S. history!

Despite that fact, in April 2016, President Obama told Fox News's Chris Wallace, "I do not talk to the attorney general about pending investigations. I do not talk to FBI directors about pending investigations. We have a strict line and always have maintained it .... I guarantee it." That was a rank lie! This from the man who said in 2012: "You know I tell the truth." He and his staff repeatedly lied, and most people just believed them. Those individuals are heavily influenced by the FATHER OF LIARS (John 8:44).

## Treason

On Jan. 5, 2017, just days before Trump's inauguration, President Obama gathered his top intelligence leaders to discuss how to continue the investigation into Trump even after he took office! Donald Trump was about to become their boss and could have shut down their investigation and fired all of them had he known about it. So they strategized about how to downplay it, assure him he wasn't a target, and caution him that interference with investigations could bring accusations of obstruction. JUST BEFORE MR. TRUMP'S INAUGURATION, THE OBAMA ADMINISTRATION OBTAINED A NEW COURT WARRANT FOR 90 MORE DAYS OF SPYING. And their primary target was the president. Even though there was no verified evidence of a crime.

The CIA looks for terrorists overseas. However, more recently, it has been looking for terrorists in the Trump administration, accusing the U.S. president of being a Russian agent. When Trump came to office, nearly all of these powerful intelligence agencies were being used against him!

The whole investigation into Mr. Trump was based on a fraudulent, unverified dossier that was paid for by Hillary Clinton and her supporters. That was how these people obtained warrants to begin spying on Carter Page, a man in Trump's presidential campaign who never was convicted of anything. Then they used that phony dossier to rally the media and radical Democrats. It was all an attempt to somehow overturn the election and overthrow the president!

### IT WAS TREASON OF THE HIGHEST KIND!

The federal agencies the Obama White House weaponized wield incredible power. If they are not held accountable, then what is to stop them from being used against the very people they are meant to protect?

Joe Biden, who is now running for president, recently told the *View* that in his eight years of serving with Mr. Obama as vice president, he was most proud of the fact that there was not even "one single whisper of scandal." Yet those eight years

were *filled* with scandal! And worst of all, they were laying the groundwork to OVERTHROW their successor.

They wanted to overthrow the law and government of the land. Robert Mueller, along with his cadre of unelected, extremely biased lawyers, were attempting to overthrow the man who received the votes of 63 million people. THAT IS TREASON!

They did it without any real evidence of a crime!

The way these officials are evading their responsibilities and disdaining the law is extremely dangerous. It undermines the pillars of the rule of law and of freedom in this country! It is turning America into the sort of despotism that plagues dysfunctional nations all over the world!

The media are supposed to help expose and constrain such abuses of power. But THE MAINSTREAM MEDIA WAS FULLY COMPLICIT IN THIS TREASONOUS PLOT! Those agencies could never have pulled off what they did without the mainstream media's fervent support. The media are not fulfilling their traditional role as impartial observers and watchdogs. It's not about finding the truth or getting the message out to the people. They are casting truth aside. They had a political agenda in lockstep with Barack Obama. These people are treasonous to their own country!

The radical left, which is essentially a satanic attack on this land, has grown in power. Now it seems about half of the country accepts many of their lies.

I wrote a booklet called *America Under Attack* that explains the spiritual dimension behind what the Obama administration was doing. This is not just the work of a cadre of corrupt officials. The real danger is that an evil *spirit power* wants to bring America down, and it influences and uses human beings. President Obama was, in type, an end-time "Antiochus" who attacked America. Please request and read this booklet, and you will understand these events in a way you never have before.

As I prove in that booklet, we are living in the time prophesied in Revelation 12:9 and 12, when the devil and his demons are cast down from heaven and confined to Earth! This is creating terrible problems for America in particular, against which Satan is especially wrathful.

Radio commentator Rush Limbaugh made this insightful statement last September regarding the way the radical left is treating President Trump: "An obsession has gotten hold of these people. There's almost like a demonic possession that has come over these people. It's becoming increasingly difficult, nigh on impossible to even describe, much less comprehend." That is a fair description of what is prophesied in Revelation 12!

There are numerous other prophecies about this event in your Bible. But how many people understand much of anything about the Bible today?

Those people were getting control of the government. Justice in the land was destroyed. Rule of law was twisted and perverted. People were losing faith in the government. If this trend had continued, it would have meant the end of our republic!

But God was not ready for that. He was going to save America—along with Britain and the Jewish nation. However, this would be only *temporary*, unless they deeply repent. There is no evidence this is going to happen.

Some ancient history—that is actually prophecy—reveals what God did.

## 'Saving' the Nation

I wrote about this in my article "Saving America From the Radical Left—Temporarily." Please read it at [theTrumpet.com/17092](http://theTrumpet.com/17092).

Here is a brief summary: Anciently, the northern 10 tribes of the nation of Israel rebelled against Judah and the throne of David and formed a new nation, the kingdom of Israel. Following this rebellion, they suffered an unbroken string of curses and eventually succumbed to conquest and captivity. One of Israel's *last kings* before its fall was Jeroboam II. This king was evil (2 Kings 14:23-24), yet Scripture records that *God actually used him to save the nation temporarily*. Notice carefully: "He [Jeroboam II] restored the coast of Israel from the entering of Hamath unto the sea of the plain ..." (verse 25). Israel became more powerful than at any time since the days of Solomon.

The book of Kings is one of the former prophets. That means IT IS PROPHECY FOR TODAY. (Request my book *The Former Prophets* for proof.) Satan still wants to blot out Israel—of which America is the most powerful modern descendant. The devil wants to blot out the Constitution of this land and destroy this country!

This prophecy shows that the primary problem in America that God has to save Israel from today is the spirit of Antiochus! That man's influence continues to plague America today through the "deep state," which he largely controlled. Look at the corruption within the government that had taken hold. In a democracy, it is very hard to get those rotten people out of office.

For America to be saved, those agencies need to be cleaned up and made to abide by the rules. If they are driven by ideology rather than the Constitution and the law, then they will

quickly turn America into a tyrannical state! That is what happens without government to implement the law—and that is what America was close to experiencing! But something happened to stop that—at least temporarily.

## The Kingdom's Court

An end-time prophecy in Amos 7 refers to the leader of modern-day America as *Jeroboam*. In the first chapter of my booklet *Great Again*, "Who Is the Modern-Day Jeroboam?", I explain how this prophecy is being fulfilled by America's current president. (Request a free copy.) As He did anciently, God is orchestrating a temporary resurgence in Israel by the hand of a "Jeroboam."

This prophecy describes a confrontation between "Amaziah the priest of Bethel," who speaks on Jeroboam's behalf, and a prophet of God, typed by the Prophet Amos. Amaziah tells Amos, "O thou seer, go, flee thee away into the land of Judah, and there eat bread, and prophesy there, But prophesy not again any more at Bethel: for it is the king's chapel, and it is the king's court" (verses

12-13). This is a very important scripture.

When Amaziah talks about "the king's chapel," this implies that Jeroboam has the backing of the nation's religious people. Amaziah is saying, *Get out! This is the KING's chapel—HIS religious place. We don't want your religious message here!* The word translated *king's* refers to a man—the king, or *president* in this case.

Then Amaziah says "the *king's court*." Here the word for *king's* is actually the Hebrew word meaning "kingdom." It should read, "it is the KINGDOM's court." And the word *court* can refer to an assembly of buildings, or an area where the law is taught and practiced and used. Webster defines "court" as a "place where justice is dealt." The Hebrew word could also mean "household"; one definition is, "a moveable house, a tent with a covenant in it." Another source says, "place of any kind." So this is very broad, and it is discussing the national power as governed by the president.

SUCCESSION STRATEGY  
President Obama,  
James Comey and  
Robert Mueller at the  
White House



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Despite its continued sin and rebellion, God blessed Israel with a resurgence. Why? "For the Lord saw the affliction of Israel [In Bible prophecy, the name of Israel was given specifically to America and Britain. This is explained in our free book *The United States and Britain in Prophecy*.] .... And the Lord said not that *he would blot out the name of Israel* from under heaven: but HE SAVED THEM BY THE HAND OF JEROBOAM the son of Joash" (verses 26-27). Israel was nearing COLLAPSE! Had God not intervened, then the devil would have realized his plan to blot out the very name of Israel! But God was merciful, and used Jeroboam to oversee one last age of prosperity. It was only *temporary*. God used it to give one final warning. Israel was soon after conquered and its people taken captive by the Assyrians.

At that time, Satan was trying to "blot out the name of Israel." If you understand it, *Israel* has everything to do with God's master plan to save humanity!

In Washington, D.C., is the Supreme Court building, where judges are to interpret the law. In the same area are buildings for the CIA, the FBI, the Justice Department, the State Department, the Pentagon and others. Most of them were built during and after the Great Depression, when they had a lot of manpower to use, so they built some truly impressive structures for the government.

It is logical this prophecy is talking about these government structures, or agencies. After all, if Jeroboam is going to be used to save Israel, he would need the law on his side. He wouldn't be able to use the government like he needed to without the legal structure behind him. He needs that power. The leader of end-time Israel in Amos 7 has a lot of power, but he has had to fight to get that power and hold it.

### Revering the Law

On February 14, William Barr became United States attorney general. He seemed to come from nowhere. The timing of his nomination, hearings and confirmation is interesting. He was nominated by President Trump on Dec. 7, 2018. His confirmation hearings occurred on January 15 and 16, 2019. (For more

information on those dates, request my free booklet *January 16—God's Miracle Day*.) These are important prophetic dates that the Trumpet watches closely. Is this coincidence, or was God working something out here?

Mr. Barr was already attorney general once before; it is remarkable that he would take the job again. He is only the second man to serve two separate terms as attorney general; the first served back in the mid-19th century.

Barr loves the Constitution and understands it as few men do. During his confirmation hearing, he said he reveres the law. It has been a long time since America has had someone like this in the Department of Justice. It is refreshing to have someone praise and uphold the law at a time like this! This should be uncontroversial—but in a way, it has challenged the whole government structure in Washington!

Barr is very concerned about what Obama-era officials did to Donald Trump. He sees that something terribly wrong has been going on. He wants to understand why government officials were spying on an incoming president. He wants to know why the DOJ withheld information from the president regarding what the Russians were doing and regarding its investigation of

# The King Who Saved Israel Temporarily

A look at history illuminates the present.

BY BRENT NAGTEGAAL

**A**N END-TIME PROPHECY ABOUT AMERICA IN AMOS 7 names the leader as "Jeroboam." Gerald Flurry's booklet *Great Again* shows how America's current president is fulfilling that prophesied role. The ancient type that gave rise to the prophecy was King Jeroboam II of Israel, who

oversaw a temporary resurgence in the cursed nation. This ancient history holds fascinating parallels with the current period in America.

The Bible records remarkably little about Jeroboam II. He was Israel's longest-reigning king, ruling for 41 years (circa 793–753 B.C.). Yet regarding his character, the book of Kings only says that "he departed not from all the sins of Jeroboam"—that is, the first Jeroboam, who led the northern tribes to break away from the house of David nearly 150 years earlier. Through these scant details, though, the Bible reveals Jeroboam II's reign to be unique in Israel's history.

For instance, normally Israel expanded territorially only when God blessed the reign of a righteous king. This was not the case with Jeroboam II. Through the Prophet Jonah, God prophesied that even though Jeroboam was wicked, God would have mercy on Israel and use Jeroboam to enlarge Israel's boundaries in a way not seen since the reign of King Solomon.

"He restored the coast of Israel from the entering of Hamath unto the sea of the plain, according to the word of the Lord God of Israel, which he spake by the hand of his servant Jonah ..." (2 Kings 14:25). As Benjamin Mazar showed in his text *Early Biblical History*, "the entering of Hamath" should be left untranslated from Hebrew as *Lebo Hamath*—a town located in modern-day Syria's Hama province. This town is also mentioned in 1 Kings 8:65 to describe the northern edge of Solomon's kingdom. As Mazar related, the watershed just north of this town "served in all periods as a natural boundary in the middle of Beqa," or valley.

2 Kings 14:25 also mentions the southern edge of Jeroboam's territory: "the sea of the plain." Most scholars take this to mean the eastern portion of the Dead Sea, perhaps even to the point of Edom at the sea's southern point. Taken together, these verses indicate Jeroboam had full control over the territories of Moab, Ammon and Syria (see also verse 28 and Amos 6:14). At

him. Mr. Barr chose John Durham, a prosecutor who specializes in corruption and has a reputation as a “hard-charging bulldog,” to look into the origin of the Russian investigation. That has a lot of people on the Democratic side nervous, as it should! When you begin to apply the law, as Barr is, *lawbreakers get nervous*.

On June 8, 2018, William Barr sent a 19-page memo to Deputy Attorney General Rod Rosenstein that stunned the Mueller team. It is a masterpiece about American law. And I believe God’s hand was in it.

Barr’s memo shows where Satan really got control of the Mueller investigation. It exposes what Mueller and his team were really doing. It dismantles their efforts to indict Mr. Trump for obstruction of justice, which he didn’t do. And it shows that those men have no love for the law—they were abusing and twisting it for evil purposes!

If you don’t think this is serious, think again. What is happening in the U.S. government is deeply important to all of us.

### **Obstruction of Justice?**

The U.S. Code §1512 defines obstruction of justice. Subsection (c) says someone is guilty of obstruction when he “corruptly

(1) alters, destroys, mutilates, or conceals a record, document, or other object, or attempts to do so, with the intent to impair the object’s integrity or availability for use in an official proceeding; or (2) *otherwise obstructs, influences, or impedes any official proceeding, or attempts to do so* (emphasis mine).

Mueller essentially took that final clause to include *anything* the president might do that could be interpreted as even *influencing* an investigation. He plucked it out of its context about a witness tampering with or destroying evidence, and turned it into, in Barr’s words, “a free-standing, all-encompassing provision prohibiting ANY act influencing a proceeding if done with an improper motive.” This cannot possibly be what the clause means, because that would make it impossible for the president to do his job!

The president of the United States is the head of the executive branch of government. “The Constitution vests *all federal law enforcement power*, and hence prosecutorial discretion, in the president,” the Barr memo states (his emphasis). “Under the Constitution, the president’s authority over law enforcement matters is necessarily all-encompassing”—including the

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the same time, King Uzziah of the southern kingdom of Judah was experiencing a national revival, conquering territory along the Philistine coast southward to the Red Sea.

This stunning expansion meant Jeroboam maintained control over one critical trade route connecting ancient Egypt to northern Mesopotamia: the King’s Highway. This meant Jeroboam’s kingdom once again became wealthy. Flush with cash, Israel took one last breath of the “good life” before descending into Assyrian captivity following Jeroboam’s death.

This prosperity during Jeroboam II’s reign is witnessed at several archaeological sites in northern Israel, such as Hazor, Dan and Tizrah. At Megiddo, a striking jasper seal reading “Shema, servant of Jeroboam” was discovered in excavations. Its iconography and the context of its discovery show it likely belonged to a minister or an assistant to Jeroboam himself. Though archaeology can only reveal so much, the picture that emerges of Jeroboam’s reign is one of national restoration of towns and cities throughout Israel, indicating a boost in wealth, at least for the ruling class.

Toward the end of Jeroboam’s reign, God sent the Prophet Amos to directly warn the affluent nation of its coming downfall if it failed to repent. Instead of thanking God for delivering the blessings prophesied by Jonah, Israel clung to its idolatry. “You lie on beds adorned with ivory and lounge on your couches,” Amos warned. “You dine on choice lambs and fattened calves. You strum away on your harps like David and improvise on musical instruments. You drink wine by the bowlful and use the finest lotions, but you do not grieve over

the ruin of Joseph” (Amos 6:4-6; New International Version). Excavations in Israel’s capital of Samaria unearthed hundreds of ivory fragments, recalling Amos’s warning.

Israel refused to acknowledge God as the source of its wealth and peace, and continued its pagan practices. As Todd Bolen wrote, “The Israelites thought of themselves as good, religious participants. They traveled regularly to their royally designated cultic centers, places of ancient religious significance (Amos 4:4; 5:5; 8:14; Hosea 4:15). They brought sacrifices and freewill offerings of an extravagant nature and amount, unequaled in remembered history (Amos 4:5; 5:21-22)” (“The Reign of Jeroboam II: A Historical and Archaeological Interpretation”). Far from heeding the prophet’s call for repentance, the people expected continued blessings. So confident were they about their standing with God that they actually desired the day of the Lord, thinking it would not affect them (Amos 5:18-20).

As Jonah and Amos clearly showed, God was behind the prosperity and peace during the time of Jeroboam II. Yet the people credited their king and their military victories instead. “You celebrate the defeat of Lo-Debar and Karnaim, and you boast by saying, ‘We did it on our own’” (Amos 6:13; Contemporary English Version). God saved the nation temporarily by the hand of Jeroboam, but soon after, He removed those blessings.

Bible history and contemporary secular history prove that the end of Jeroboam’s reign was the death knell for the nation. Successive Assyrian kings quickly drove Israel from the territory Jeroboam had won. Three decades later, the nation was in captivity.





TARGET  
Norway's Front Altair  
tanker is attacked in the  
Gulf of Oman on June 13.

# Will America and Iran Go to War?

Trump's high-pressure strategy could chasten Iran—or provoke it.

BY BRENT NAGTEGGAL

**T**HE SHIFT IS STARK. BARACK OBAMA wanted Iran as a friend of America. Donald Trump recognizes Iran—as ruled by radical mullahs—as an enemy.

The former president's efforts enabled Iran to reach new heights in power, to underwrite increased terrorist activity throughout the region, and accelerate its pursuit of nuclear weapons. The current president has sought to reverse those Iranian gains through renewed economic pressure, threats of force, and a stronger American military presence in the region.

Will these tactics work? Evidence is negligible that Iran will back down easily. A series of attacks and belligerent acts shows that Iran will not go quietly, or without a fight. Tensions in the Middle East are growing. Will the United States and Iran go to war?

## Iran's Leverage

On May 31, the Hudson Institute in Washington, D.C., held a forum of four renowned Iran scholars from different American think tanks. The forum was designed to address the dramatic shift in American policy toward Iran from the Obama administration to the Trump

administration. The former's desire for association with Iran culminated in the Iran nuclear deal, implemented on Jan. 16, 2016. The panel spoke on how President Obama's devotion to this deal tethered him to the negotiations even as the terms became better and better for Iran, and worse for the U.S. and the world. It also compelled him to tolerate the intolerable.

President Obama had warned that if Bashar Assad, the dictator of Syria, used chemical weapons on his own people, America would punish his regime with force. Yet in 2013, when Assad did just that, Obama and his secretary of state, John Kerry, publicly backed away from this redline. Why? Because Assad was Iran's ally, and they didn't want to jeopardize the potential deal with Iran. When the U.S. Drug Enforcement Agency presented the Obama Justice Department with proof of Hezbollah's extensive illegal money laundering and drug smuggling (worth up to a billion dollars per year), they couldn't find anyone to prosecute the case—because they were still in negotiations with Hezbollah's patron, Iran. And the day after the nuclear deal was implemented, Iran

released four innocent Americans it had been holding hostage. Coincidentally, \$400 million in foreign cash showed up in Iran. Yet the White House insisted this wasn't a ransom payment.

The Iranian regime repeatedly used the threat of walking away from negotiations as leverage to act with impunity across the Middle East.

But on Jan. 20, 2017, that all changed.

The inauguration of President Donald Trump brought one of the swiftest-ever shifts in American foreign policy.

## A New Sheriff

Just two weeks after the inauguration, Iran conducted a ballistic missile test. The new president did not hold back. He wrote, "Iran has been formally PUT ON NOTICE for firing a ballistic missile." A day later, he wrote, "Iran is playing with fire—they don't appreciate how 'kind' President Obama was to them. Not me!"

President Trump's anti-Iran policy was clear from the beginning.

His first visit as president to a foreign nation was to Saudi Arabia, Iran's long-standing adversary in the region. There, he called out Iran for fueling "the fires of sectarian conflict and terror," then capped off the tour by signing a \$110 billion arms deal with the Saudis.

In his first speech to the United Nations General Assembly on Sept. 19, 2017, he called on the world to join the U.S. "in demanding that Iran's government end its pursuit of death and destruction."

On December 18 that year, the Trump administration published its first National Security Strategy, which stated, "Iran, the world's leading state sponsor of terrorism, has taken advantage of instability to expand its influence through partners and proxies, weapons proliferation and funding."

But more than words, Trump decided to *act* against Iranian interest. When Assad used chemical weapons on his people, the president fired 59 Tomahawk cruise missiles at his regime. When Hezbollah and other Iranian forces used its bases in Syria to attack Israel, Trump green-lighted the Israeli Air Force razing those installations in its largest aerial assault since the Yom Kippur War. And when Iran used the bounty of cash from the nuclear deal to fund terrorist activities, on May 8, 2018, the president

withdrew from Obama's nuclear deal. This reimposed the financial sanctions in place before the deal—and then some.

The attack on the Iranian economy was swift and brutal. On Nov. 5, 2018, the U.S. Treasury sanctioned more than 700 individuals, entities, aircraft and vessels in its largest-ever single-day action targeting Iran. The U.S. stated that any nation or commercial entity that purchased from Iran would also suffer sanctions. This especially hurt Iran's oil industry, which provides around 70 percent of the nation's export revenue.

While most nations kicked and screamed at the sanctions, within months even American adversaries such as China and Turkey weren't bold enough to defy them.

In April 2018, one month before President Trump pulled out of the nuclear deal, Iran exported 2.8 million barrels of oil per day. This May, Bloomberg estimates that Iran exported 226,000 barrels per day—less than 10 percent. Not even the most hawkish economist predicted that the sanctions would be so effective, so quickly.

The result has been catastrophic for Iran's economy. While Iran may be able to hold out for a while on what it calls its "resistance economy," the clock is ticking on the Iranian regime.

As most see it, Iran has three options.

Plan A: Iran could approach America and renegotiate a new nuclear deal, which would be far more encompassing than the former deal and address Iran's ballistic missile program and sponsorship of terrorism.

Plan B: Iran could keep its head low for the next 18 months and bank on Trump losing the 2020 elections. John Kerry has encouraged Iran to do just that. Most Democratic candidates have said they would reinstate the Obama nuclear deal.

Plan C: Iran could fight back.

Recent events indicate that Iran may have chosen Plan C.

### If We Can't Sell Oil, No One Can

"We will continue to find buyers for our oil, and we will continue to use the Strait of Hormuz as a safe transit passage for the sale of our oil," Iran Foreign Minister Javad Zarif said at a New York conference on April 24. Then he said this: "If the United States takes

the crazy measure of trying to prevent us from [exporting oil], then it should be prepared for the consequences."

Just after sunrise on June 13, two massive tankers full of petrochemicals were attacked in the Gulf of Oman after sailing through the Strait of Hormuz. The Kokuka Courageous, a Japanese-flagged vessel en route from Saudi Arabia to Singapore, was struck by an explosive device, likely a magnetic mine that attached to the side of the ship. The resultant fire in the engine room caused the crew to abandon ship. Soon after, Norwegian-owned tanker Front Altair, traveling from the United Arab Emirates to Taiwan, was similarly assaulted.

June 13 strikes. Their style matches Iran's. Unable to win a full-scale war, Iran liberally uses hybrid warfare, attacking through proxies or with plausible deniability.

And Iran has the motivation to disrupt oil shipping. About 30 percent of maritime oil shipments sail out of the Persian Gulf, directly off the Iranian coast. Threats to safe transit spike oil prices worldwide. In the hours after the June 13 attack, the price of oil jumped 4 percent.

Anthony H. Cordesman, an analyst for the Center for Strategic and International Studies, summarized Iran's capabilities: "Iran also does not have to launch a major war. It can conduct



These brazen attacks followed a similar barrage on May 14, when four oil tankers from Norway, Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates were struck by limpet mines while at anchor outside Port Fujairah. This port onloads oil drawn by pipeline from inside the Persian Gulf, allowing tankers to avoid transit through the Strait of Hormuz.

A UN investigation into the May 14 incident remarked on its sophistication, using fast boats, limpet mines and naval divers, a "high degree of precision" in the placement of the explosives requiring "minute knowledge" of the ships and an apparent intent to incapacitate them without sinking them.

All the evidence points to Iran as perpetrator of both the May 14 and

sporadic, low-level attacks that do not necessarily provoke a major U.S. or Arab reaction, but create sudden risk premiums in petroleum prices and the equivalent of a war of attrition. Tankers are inherently vulnerable to relatively small anti-ship missiles and UCAVs [unmanned combat aerial vehicles], and attacks by submersibles and radio-controlled small craft filled with high explosives. Iran can plant 'smart' mines in the bottom of tanker routes that can detect large tankers and home in on them, and be set to arm at widely spaced intervals."

Study a map of Iran's assets. Iran is uniquely positioned to attack and upset global oil trade—not just in the Gulf of Oman, but also in the Persian Gulf, the Strait of Hormuz, the Gulf of Aden and

the Bab el-Mandeb, two of the three sides of the Arabian Peninsula.

In addition, Iranian-backed Houthis are skilled at laying naval mines and using exploding boats to disrupt shipping along the third side: the Red Sea.

If the global oil price is affected by attacking just two tankers in the Gulf of Oman, what would happen if Iran mobilized its forces for larger, simultaneous attacks in all these geographic areas? If Iran halts maritime traffic for weeks or even days, the delays and soaring oil prices would heavily damage the global economy.

Iran has the ability to conduct such attacks. But will it?

### Bible Prophecy Answers

On the Hudson Institute panel, there was virtual unanimity that Iran must eventually return to the negotiating table, even if it carries out a few more attacks like those in the Gulf of Oman. Perhaps Iran is trying to increase its negotiating power by showing the U.S. what it can do.

Perhaps.

Or maybe, Iran recognizes the likelihood that Mr. Trump will win a second term in 2020, and that its “resistance economy” cannot last six more years.

Leading radical Islam will give Iran a grip on many of the world’s major oil choke points. Control of Egypt would mean control of the Suez Canal and great stretches of the Red Sea. Control of Ethiopia would probably include mastery of the Horn of Africa and the Bab el-Mandeb, another critical oil choke point that Iran can control via the Houthis, its proxy in Yemen. Libya is an oil-producing nation and would add a strategic base on the Mediterranean. Add to that the Strait of Hormuz and the Gulf of Oman—and beyond that, a strong will and the right conditions—and Iran could, at least temporarily, lock down all the oil flowing out of the Middle East. This would force other nations to act.

As far back as December 1994, *Trumpet* editor in chief Gerald Flurry speculated that an attack on global oil supplies by Iran would have colossal ramifications. It “could help trigger a collapse of the Western world’s weak currencies,” he wrote. “This in turn could cause Europe to quickly unite into the most powerful economic bloc in the world. That very event is prophesied to occur in your own Bible!”

In May 2015, Mr. Flurry wrote, “It is not far-fetched to envision Iran using its

## Biblical prophecy reveals that Iran will, in the end, pursue a policy to control the critical oil passageways out of the Middle East.

Many say that Iran negotiated before and will do so again if it is hurting enough. However, it is clear that the Iranians talked with the Obama administration only because they knew they could win. They would have no such confidence this time around, especially if Trump’s goal is to change the fundamental nature of the Islamic regime.

Regardless of whether Iran negotiates in the near term, biblical prophecy reveals that Iran will, in the end, pursue a policy to control the critical oil passageways out of the Middle East.

Daniel 11:40-45 state that an end-time “king of the south” will gain control over Egypt, Libya and Ethiopia. For over three decades, the *Trumpet* has identified this king of the south as a radical Islamic bloc, led by Iran.

power to control the flow of oil out of the Middle East. The supreme leader of Iran, Ayatollah Khamenei, has threatened as much.” He quoted an article from the Iranian state-sponsored Tasnim News Agency that said, “Today, all the arteries of oil transport—from Bab el-Mandeb Strait to Suez Canal and the Strait of Hormuz—are under Iranian control, by means of Syria, Yemen and Bahrain, and within range of Iranian missiles.”

The Bible’s prophecies bring force to these projections. They also broadly answer the question of just how far America and Iran will go toward war.

Daniel 11:40 reads, “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.” This is an end-time prophecy. It concerns our time today, and it directly describes these Middle Eastern nations.

The “king of the north” in this verse is a German-led European power. This prophecy reveals that the Iranian-led power will *push* at Europe.

Will it use its control of Middle Eastern oil to make that push?

Eventually Europe will fully see that this strategy and Iran’s overall strategy of aggressiveness and terror is a definite *push*. Already, many nations have naval bases in the Horn of Africa, likely positioning themselves to counter this threat.

The Bible reveals that it will be Europe who pushes back and comes “against him like a whirlwind.” This Iranian-led coalition, “the king of the south,” *will be wiped out*.

But it will not be at the hand of a Trump-led America. It will be by an aggravated, empowered European empire!

This European counterstrike against the Iranian push will initiate a far wider war. As revealed in the verses that follow in Daniel 11, this great last war will rapidly engulf the rest of the world. It will bring a period of unparalleled suffering for mankind—“a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation even to that same time” (Daniel 12:1).

Other biblical verses reveal that this world war will be savage and deadly, but brief—and will culminate in the coming of the Messiah, an event that will at last end the suffering of mankind.

If you understand and believe these prophecies, God also offers you a way to escape such a calamity. Daniel 12:1 also states, “[A]nd at that time *thy people shall be delivered*, every one that shall be found written in the book.” God offers protection for a special group of people who will stand and deliver this message of warning to the world. If you want to know what it takes to be a part of that group, and to understand more fully how Iran’s current policy in the Middle East will push the world to that final war, request a free copy of our editor in chief’s booklet *The King of the South*. ■



# Chronic Inflammation: Taming the Fire Within

It is behind many diseases that afflict us as we age, but it can be fixed! **BY JORG MARDIAN**

**W**HAT DO HEART DISEASE, DIABETES, arthritis, cancer and a host of autoimmune diseases have in common? They all have to do with inflammation.

Inflammation is the body's natural response to attacks from viruses, bacteria or injuries. Acute inflammation occurs after you cut your finger, for example, or when your body is fighting an infection. It is essential to a healthy immune system, an effective defense against anything foreign and potentially deadly.

However, your body may lose its ability to recover from inflammation. This creates ongoing inflammation, or *chronic* inflammation. In this condition, your immune system keeps attacking your body, setting off cascading biological reactions that seriously affect your health and can lead to some of the worst illnesses of middle and old age.

The good news is, life changes can prevent and even tame this condition.

Chronic inflammation can affect most parts of the body. The more obvious signs include joint pain and stiffness. General symptoms include lack of energy and headaches. But even without these symptoms, you may still be affected by chronic inflammation.

This disorder originates in the gut, where trillions of bacteria reside in a symbiotic relationship. If the balance is upset, an opportunistic parasite called candida will overwhelm beneficial bacteria, disrupting digestion and nutrient assimilation. Candida then burrows into the gut lining, penetrating its wall and allowing proteins, sugars, infectious microbes and other particles into the bloodstream. This condition is known as leaky gut.

Research published in *Nutrition in Clinical Practice* shows that unbalanced gut flora can affect many bodily processes including metabolism, immune function, energy production, body weight, and whether your disease-inducing genes



are suppressed or turned on. Essentially, the immune system gets overburdened as inflammatory triggers cycle continuously through the blood.

"When they wash over pancreatic tissue, diabetes may result," wrote Alison Garwood-Jones. "When they find their way inside joint tissues, rheumatoid arthritis can kick in. And when they bombard artery linings, it may lead to heart disease. Researchers also think that the brains of Alzheimer's patients become inflamed—what's referred to as 'brain on fire'—before plaque accumulates between the nerve cells, gradually wiping out the patient's memory. On the cancer front, studies show that the same hormones that turn up the inflammatory response in our bodies also stimulate cells to divide more frequently and increase malignancy risk."

Yet your lifestyle choices can have strong effects on inflammatory diseases. Sometimes dietary changes alone can eliminate up to 80 percent of symptoms. Though there is a long, varied list of offending substances, the three main things to consider are sugars (or refined carbohydrates), unhealthy fats and toxins.

"When you eat sugar, you deplete the enzymes that help you to digest protein," said Renae Norton, an eating disorder specialist. "So the protein gets into the bloodstream as a partially digested protein and is attacked by the immune system." Dietitian Desiree Nielsen suggests avoiding refined carbohydrates, as they send blood sugar off kilter and promote inflammatory damage.

Vegetable oils, trans fats (hydrogenated) and packaged goods also contain too many omega-6 fatty acids and lack fiber and nutrients. Refined starches lack proper probiotic and yeast cultures and are highly hybridized, with gluten content more inflammatory than previous varieties. Wheat, rice, spelt and soy also contain large amounts of lectins that cause leaky gut. Genetically modified organisms and hybridized foods tend to be highest in lectins since they have been modified to fight off bugs.

Dr. Andrew Weil, in his book *Healthy Aging*, suggests stocking up on foods rich in omega-3s—greens, seeds and nuts, and oily, cold-water fish like salmon, sardines and black cod. Correcting omega imbalances brings the typical North American diet closer to the Mediterranean diet, which has lower obesity, heart disease and chronic inflammation rates. Sprouting and fermenting grains reduces phytates and lectins, making these foods easier to digest.

Additionally, to foster healthy gut bacteria through diet, choose foods rich in probiotics and prebiotics. Probiotics include live beneficial bacteria and yeasts naturally created by fermentation in foods like yogurt, sauerkraut, miso soup and kimchi. They line the gut and help nutrient absorption, fixing leaky gut. Prebiotics are non-digestible food components in foods like bananas, onions, garlic, Jerusalem artichoke, apple skins and beans. Prebiotic fiber goes through the small intestine undigested and is fermented when it reaches the large colon. Prebiotics help increase the beneficial bacteria in the gut by promoting production of butyric acid in the colon, which is extremely anti-inflammatory.

Our body is a "connected system that works best when everything is optimized. ... If your lifestyle has included a poor diet, being overweight, inactivity and stress, it may well have been contributing to chronic inflammation," says Nielsen. Other factors thought to contribute to chronic inflammation include smoking, excessive alcohol, environmental pollutants in food, and poor sleep.

Chronic inflammation contributes to many diseases. But an anti-inflammatory plan that combines diet with lifestyle modifications can help you feel better, lose weight and live longer. ■



# 'It Was Impossible'

Fifty years ago this summer, the world looked to the heavens and wondered, 'What is man?' **BY JEREMIAH JACQUES**

**T**HE ROCKETS THEY WOULD NEED DIDN'T EXIST. THE necessary modules, rovers and variable-power descent engines had not been invented. There were no computers smart, quick and compact enough to guide a spaceship, nor any suits equipped with cooling and life-support systems that could function essentially as a small spacecraft—with room for only one. Microgravity space food and moon-to-Earth communications systems existed only in the imaginations of science-fiction enthusiasts.

But despite all this, United States President John F. Kennedy asked the country on May 25 of 1961 to send a man to the moon and back—within the decade.

"When he asked us to do that in 1961, it was impossible," said Chris Kraft, an engineer for NASA's Space Task Force.

Kennedy's ambition was "impossible" for a constellation

of reasons. But Kraft and 400,000 other scientists, engineers and technicians made Kennedy's goal their goal. Backed by 100 million American taxpayers, they made Kennedy's dream their dream—for eight years and two months. And on July 20, 1969, at 4:17 p.m. Eastern Time, the Apollo Lunar Module carrying Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin landed on the moon.

Armstrong climbed down the ladder and stood atop the footpad at the base of the lunar module's leg.

Some 240,000 miles away, Kraft and some 600 million others around the world watched him in grainy, black-and-white television images. Kraft writes in *Flight: My Life in Mission Control*: "[A]t that moment, watching live with the rest of the world, I stood almost at attention and let each second record in my memory."

Armstrong lifted his boot off the footpad and extended it

over a world that had been pondered by billions of people for thousands of years, but never touched by physical life. It was a realm where no beetle had ever scuttled, no grass blade had ever sprouted, where not even a bacterium had ever lived.

"Not a muscle twitched," Kraft writes about the teams watching from NASA's Mission Control in Houston, Texas. "Not a man or woman moved."

Across the nation and around the world the situation was the same. Mankind stood still, held its breath, and lifted up its eyes.

At 10:56 p.m., Neil Armstrong's boot touched the soft, powdery dust on the surface of the moon. His radio crackled: "That's one small step for a man. One giant leap for mankind."

### Aldrin Quotes David

Soon after, Buzz Aldrin descended and joined Armstrong. The two erected an American flag, set up experiments, collected rocks, and bounced around the crater-pocked moonscape. They unveiled a plaque on the module's descent stage, which was left on the moon. Armstrong read it to the world: "We came in peace for all mankind."

Below, millions were riveted to their TVs and radios. During Apollo 11's flight home, they heard Aldrin tell them this: "Personally, in reflecting on the events of the past several days, a verse from Psalms comes to mind to me. 'When I consider the heavens, the work of thy fingers, the moon and the stars which thou hast ordained, What is man that thou art mindful of him?'

These were the words written by David, the sweet psalmist of Israel, thousands of years earlier, as he gazed at the stars and the same moon that Aldrin had just set foot upon.

David marveled at God's creation. He was enthralled by mankind's place within it. Later in the psalm, David noted that the same God who created the moon and stars also created mankind to "have dominion" over much of His creation on Earth. Pondering this left him thunderstruck (Psalm 8).

A thousand years later, the Apostle Paul quoted some of those same words in his letter to the Hebrews. Paul brought additional meaning to it, showing that it was not only the earthly creation that the Creator plans to give man. God will place "everything in subjection" under mankind, Paul wrote. "[T]his subjecting of the universe to man implies the leaving nothing not subject to him. But we do not as yet see the universe subject to him" (Hebrews 2:8; Weymouth New Testament).

God made the *entire universe* for man. All of it will be put under mankind's control. That is what these scriptures reveal.

In *The Incredible Human Potential*, the late Herbert W. Armstrong wrote about the profound truth contained in this passage: "[F]or those willing to believe what God says, He says that He has decreed the entire universe—with all its galaxies, its countless suns and planets—*everything*—will be put under man's subjection. ... We are to be given jurisdiction over the entire universe!"

The passage makes clear that it is "not as yet" under man's jurisdiction. But it will be in the future.

This scripture in Hebrews is not an oversight. It is not hyperbole. The Bible contains numerous scriptures

showing that the Creator's plan for man includes the whole vast universe. He has a universe-size job for man.

### Reversing the 'Magnificent Desolation'

The lunar world that Armstrong and Aldrin walked was barren. "Magnificent desolation," Aldrin called it. The rest of the universe is equally lifeless. Paul wrote that the entire creation is now in "bondage to decay." He said it is figuratively "groaning" in anticipation of the "redemption" of mankind (Romans 8:21-23; Revised Standard Version).

The anticipation is acute because after "redemption," man will reverse the decay!

Mr. Armstrong explained: "This passage indicates precisely what all astronomers and scientific evidence indicate—the suns are as balls of fire, giving out light and heat; but the planets, except for this Earth, are in a state of death, decay and futility—but not forever ...." He wrote that the universe is "waiting" for mankind to "impart life to billions and billions of dead planets, as life has been imparted to this Earth."

We will turn the present "magnificent desolation" into magnificent biospheres and ecosystems. Man will vivify the planets. Our future is out of this world.

### 'Lift Up Your Eyes!'

*Trumpet* editor in chief Gerald Flurry wrote in July 2009 about the lunar landing. He emphasized that it unified and inspired the world because it briefly "projected mankind's vision far beyond this Earth."

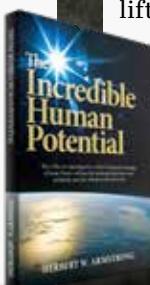
This insight is based on the Bible's teachings. Through the Prophet Isaiah, God tells human beings to look out past our humble planet so that we will see Him and His power: "Lift up your eyes on high," Isaiah 40:26 states, "and behold who hath created these things."

During that moment 50 years ago this summer, the people of the world lifted up their eyes 240,000 miles above Earth's surface. What they were seeing was a glimpse of the Creator God. They beheld His handiwork. They were given a black-and-white preview of humanity's color-drenched and life-filled future: bringing life to the universe.

God made the moon (Genesis 1:14-16; Jeremiah 31:35) and the vast universe (Isaiah 45:18). He created mankind in His own image and endowed man with breathtaking mind power modeled after His own (Genesis 1:26-27; Job 32:8). This mind power can make an impossible idea possible—such as launching a man to the moon and back.

On that day in 1969, it wasn't Neil Armstrong, Aldrin, all the scientists or the U.S. whose glory was on radiant display. It was God's. This is why, as their eyes were lifted up, the people of the world were largely humbled

and unified. On some level, especially for those who pondered Aldrin's recitation of the psalm, they saw a glimpse of the Almighty and His universe-spanning plan for mankind.



To learn how your future is as far-reaching as the universe itself, request your free copy of ***The Incredible Human Potential*** by Herbert W. Armstrong.

**VOTING FOR CHANGE**  
European voters flock to nationalist political rallies in Milan (left) and Vienna (right) ahead of European Parliament elections.



# The Greens and the Extremes

Europeans are turning against mainstream moderates—and toward more radical alternatives. **BY RICHARD PALMER**

**E**UROPEAN PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS in May gave a clear snapshot of Europe's slow-rolling political crisis. This parliament is pretty powerless; it is often ignored by Europeans, let alone by the global public. But these election results are worth examining. They show ominous echoes of the 1930s and the conditions that created the last world war.

The vote shows mainstream parties are being squeezed out. To their right, extreme parties are gobbling up votes. To their left, environmentalist Green parties and far-left groups are becoming the new mainstream.

The European Parliament is an odd, hybrid body. At election time, voters vote for the same national parties they're used to. Then, for the European Parliament, these parties align with like-minded parties from other countries to form political groupings.

For decades, the European Parliament has been dominated by two political groupings: the center-right European People's Party, and the center-left bloc called Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats. Combined, these two have controlled the majority of seats in the parliament since it was established in 1979. In May, they lost it.

In France, Marine Le Pen's extreme-right National Rally beat the more mainstream party of President Emmanuel

Macron. In Italy, the far right won by a landslide. Prime Minister Matteo Salvini's Northern League won 34 percent of the vote. Italy's upstart left-wing Five Star Movement won 17 percent—a bit of a disappointment but still stunning for an unconventional party founded just a few years ago by a comedian. Forza Italia, the traditional mainstream right-wing party, won only 9 percent.

Eastern Europe is full of governments that are right-wing if not far-right, and most of these did well. In Hungary, Viktor Orbán's Fidesz won 52 percent of the vote, one of the only parties in Europe to win a majority. In Poland, the right-wing Law and Justice party garnered 45 percent of the vote.

In Germany, the European Parliament election results pushed the nation's ruling coalition into chaos.

The far-right Alternative für Deutschland received only 11 percent of the nationwide vote. (We are living in strange times when this warrants an "only.") Though it fared poorly in the west, it was outstanding in the east. In the German states of Saxony and Brandenburg, it was the most popular party. In Thuringia, it was only 2 percent behind the winner, Chancellor Merkel's Christian Democratic Union (CDU). The far-left Greens won more than 20 percent of the vote across the country.

This left Ms. Merkel's CDU with 29 percent and her coalition partner, the Social Democratic Party (SPD), in third place with 16 percent. That is the worst result for both parties in any European

Parliament election ever. As a result, the European Council on Foreign Relations wrote, "Panic is spreading among the SPD membership."

Germany's government is currently administered by these two parties in a coalition that *Der Spiegel* declared shortly after the election is now "in danger." "This instability can lead to a breakup at any time," it wrote. "The CDU and SPD are deeply insecure parties. If, for example, SPD leader [Andrea] Nahles were to fall, the question of the continued existence of the coalition would immediately arise" (May 27). About a week later, Nahles fell, leaving the SPD leaderless and the fate of the coalition uncertain.

Meanwhile, after the election, the Greens continued to rise. A May 27–31 RTL-n-TV Forsa Trend Barometer found that it is the most popular party in Germany.

## Echoes of the 1930s

This fall of the mainstream and rise of the fringe recalls the 1930s. That period saw the stunning rise of extreme parties both on the right and the left. In 1928 elections, the Nazi Party came in ninth with only 2.6 percent of the vote. The Communists did four times better, with 10.6 percent. Just two years later, after the 1929 stock market crash, the Nazis won 18.3 percent and became Germany's second most popular party. The Communists were third, with 13.1 percent. In 1932, the Nazis won nearly 40 percent of the vote. Four years and a financial

crash, and a weird fringe party was now dominating German politics.

The Alternative für Deutschland is not as extreme as the Nazis, and the Greens are not as extreme as the Communists. But the parallels are clear.

In the 1930s, this rise of the fringe brought politics to a standstill. Germany held parliamentary elections in 1928 and 1930, then three elections in 12 months during 1932–1933. Parties simply could not form stable coalitions. France had five governments between June 1932 and January 1934. The rise of the fringe groups meant that neither the mainstream right nor mainstream left had enough support to govern alone. They were caught in a trap: They could govern in coalition with rival left and right parties, but this meant an unwieldy, divided government and painful compromises that angered voters and sent more of them to the fringe.

Some mainstream parties began forming coalitions with the new extreme parties. In Germany, this led to the extreme party taking over and ending the political system for good.

The same process is clearly unfolding in Germany today. The current governing coalition came together only after the longest negotiations in the nation's postwar history. Every few months, it is rocked by a setback that triggers headlines saying it could soon fall apart.

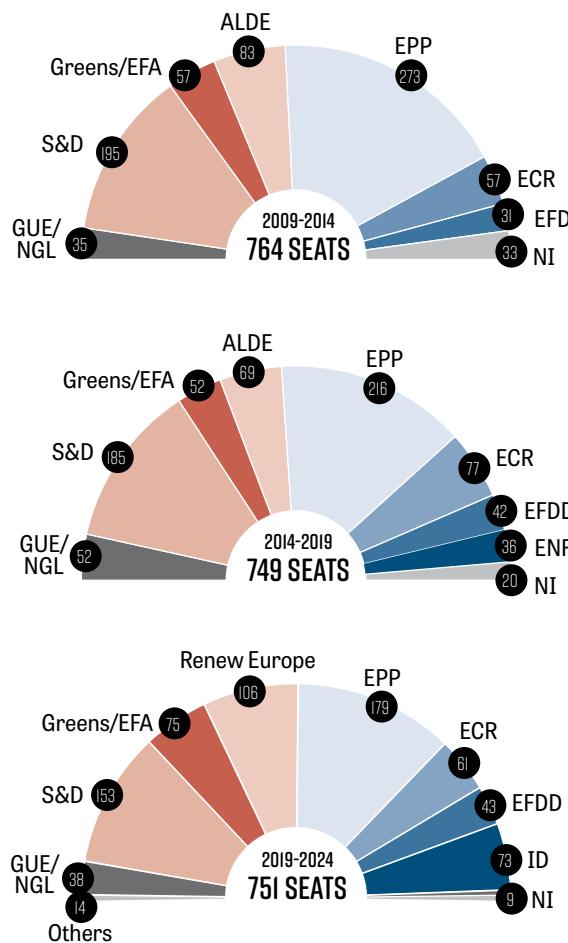
Europe is repeating the 1930s. Events will not play out in exactly the same way, but the overall patterns are similar.

### 'Uncertain Times'

*Trumpet* editor in chief Gerald Flurry described these "uncertain times" in his cover article for the *Trumpet*'s January issue. He described this drop-off in support for mainstream parties, noting, "There is a strong demand for a new leader in Germany. People can't agree on what his policies should be—but they want someone different from Merkel, and someone with vision."

The recent elections confirmed this trend in Germany and showed it applies to the entire EU. If you are status quo, you are out. Europeans want somebody new, somebody who approaches politics in a different way. Some are turning to environmentalist parties. Others are turning to the fringe right. But they are definitely turning away from the mainstream

This chart shows the results of Europe's last three parliamentary elections. The parties colored in darker colors could be considered more extreme on the left or the right, and the parties in lighter colors could be considered more moderate.



**EPP:** Group of European People's Party (Christian Democrats)

**S&D:** Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats in the European Parliament

**ALDE:** Group of the Alliance of Liberals and Democrats for Europe

**Greens/EFA:** Group of the Greens/European Free Alliance

**ECR:** European Conservatives and Reformists Group

**GUE/NGL:** Confederate Group of the European United Left - Nordic Green Left

**EFD:** Europe of Freedom and Democracy Group

**EFDD:** Europe of Freedom and Direct Democracy Group

**ENF:** Europe of Nations and Freedom

**Renew Europe:** Renew Europe Group

**ID:** Identity and Democracy

**NI:** Non-attached members

**Others:** Newly elected members not allied to any of the political groups set up in the outgoing Parliament

parties that have been ruling for decades.

A revolution in European politics is a key trend the *Trumpet* watches. Daniel 11:21 describes how it will happen. It tells us to watch for the arrival of "a vile person, to whom they shall not give the honour of the kingdom: but he shall come in peaceably, and obtain the kingdom by flatteries." The *Jamieson, Fausset and Brown Commentary* says that "the nation shall not, by a public act, confer the kingdom on him, but he shall obtain it by artifice, 'flattering.'"

"In other words," wrote Mr. Flurry, "a deceived public, or a group of European leaders, likely invites this man into power. Current conditions in Europe,

including the refugee crisis and the turmoil in German politics, provide probably one of the greatest opportunities ever for a new leader to come into power 'by flatteries.' Chancellor Merkel is on her way out and is now a lame duck. Expect political and social crises in Germany and Europe, and public resentment and anger, to grow even deeper.

"Then watch for a strongman to take advantage and make his way to power through flatteries!"

Recent elections for European Parliament show that conditions are continuing to ripen for the fulfillment of this pillar end-time prophecy. ■

## In with the new.

New politics and new leaders are changing Europe. To learn what the most important change of all will be, request your free copy of Gerald Flurry's booklet ***A Strong German Leader Is Imminent***.



# Four Reasons Famine Is Coming to America

The struggles that farmers face today will soon affect us all.

BY ANDREW MILLER





DEVASTATION  
Spring flooding in the Midwest destroys farms, crops and hope.

**A**CROSS THE AMERICAN MIDWEST, farmers are going broke. Last year, after four decades of farming, Nebraska grain farmer Kirk Duensing filed for bankruptcy. Several years of low corn and soybean prices left him with too many bills he could not pay. He sold farmland and farm equipment to raise emergency funds, but it was not enough. To escape his debt of more than \$1 million, he filed for bankruptcy. Now he struggles to survive by borrowing more money and hiring himself out to plant crops for other farmers.

Nationwide, most farms lost money last year. Government statistics show 223 Midwest farmers filed for bankruptcy in 2018, twice as many as did during the Great Recession of 2008. These bankruptcies are primarily the result of slumping grain prices caused by rising competition from nations like Brazil and Russia. But the woes faced by farmers have been compounded by China's tariffs on soybeans, Mexico's tariffs on cheese, and catastrophic flooding.

At a time when America's farmers are being buffeted by foreign competition, wide swaths of nine major grain-producing states have been deluged with water. The result? Average annual farm income is half what it was five years ago. This means the farming industry's debt-to-income ratio is higher now than it has been in a generation.

Farmers are facing their worst financial crisis since the 1980s, and it is still getting worse. Bumper crops of Brazilian soybeans and Russian wheat are expected to keep grain prices low, while flooded fields make it impossible for American farmers to plant those crops. Half of America's grain fields went unplanted this year.

Millennia ago, the Bible foretold that in the end time, American crop failures would escalate into famine. Recent events evoke these prophecies, and they could factor into and accelerate the prophesied arrival of the worst agricultural crisis in United States history.

## one **LOW CROP PRICES**

President Thomas Jefferson changed history in 1803 when he purchased the Louisiana Territory. This immense expanse covered 530 million acres

of rich farmland linked to the Port of New Orleans by the world's longest navigable river system. The grain that grew across America's fruited plains could be exported easily. In Britain, with abundant food shipping in from the Mississippi Basin, farmers quit the land and sought work in factories, accelerating the Industrial Revolution.

"The American political system was founded in Philadelphia, but the American nation was built on the vast farmlands that stretch from the Alleghenies to the Rockies," geopolitical analyst George Friedman wrote in *The New York Review of Books* in 2005. "That farmland produced the wealth that funded American industrialization: It permitted the formation of a class of small landholders who, amazingly, could produce more than they could consume. They could sell their excess crops in the East and in Europe and save that money, which eventually became the founding capital of American industry."

The Louisiana Purchase destined the United States to become an agricultural, industrial, financial and military superpower. The fact that this happened in 1803 is deeply significant. The late Herbert W. Armstrong explained in his landmark book *The United States and Britain in Prophecy* that the Anglo-Saxon peoples who settled the United States and Britain are descended from ancient Israel. (To prove this, request a free copy of *The United States and Britain in Prophecy*.) He described a detailed prophecy in Leviticus 26 where God promised to punish ancient Israel for 2,520 years if it defied His law. The Assyrian Empire enslaved the Israelites and carried them away captive in 718 B.C. Count forward 2,520 years and you arrive at A.D. 1803, the year America started becoming a superpower. Who else besides America and Britain could be descended from the "lost" 10 tribes of Israel?

America's annual wheat production increased fivefold between 1870 and 1970, from 7 million tons to more than 36 million. Corn production increased nearly fourfold, from 29 million tons to 105 million. Soybean production rose exponentially, from almost nothing to more than 30 million tons per year.

During the 1970s, America was the undisputed breadbasket of the world, accounting for two thirds of the world's grain exports (one third of all wheat exports, half of all corn exports, and three quarters of all soybean exports).

America's agricultural dominance has since eroded. Its share of the global grain market is only half of what it was at its peak. Nations like Brazil, Russia and Ukraine are now producing huge harvests of soybeans, wheat and other crops. The resulting glut is punishing U.S. farmers as *surpluses drive down crop prices to half what they were just five years ago*.

Foreign competition is a major reason why the number of farms in America has fallen 20 percent since the 1970s. Small farmsteads cannot turn a profit, so farmers are selling their land to bigger farms or urban developers. Over the past half century, America has lost 160 million acres of farmland while Brazil has gained 230 million acres.

"The U.S. and other Israelite nations are surrounded or besieged by fierce and often unfair

competition,” Trumpet editor in chief Gerald Flurry writes in *Ezekiel: The End-Time Prophet*. “Prophecy indicates that the German-led European Union will soon join forces with Russia, China and Japan to shut the U.S. out of more and more markets (see Isaiah 23). As the U.S. and Britain become less and less competitive worldwide, unemployment will steadily increase. The fact that the U.S. and Britain have lost control of the world’s most strategic sea gates—like

considering tariffs against Japan and the EU.

Such measures help American manufacturers, but hurt American farmers.

In retaliation against America’s new trade policies, China slapped a 25 percent tariff on U.S. soybeans, Mexico imposed a 25 percent tariff on U.S. cheese, and the EU has proposed a number of tariffs on U.S. farm products. So while American farmers are already struggling because of low crop prices, people worldwide



Panama, Gibraltar, Suez and Singapore—will make it much easier for foreign powers to choke off these nations’ supply lines. God prophesied in Deuteronomy 28:52 that the nations of end-time Israel would *lose these sea gates* if they turned away from Him!”

Fierce and unfair competition is already forcing many U.S. farmers to declare bankruptcy or move overseas.

Since undeveloped farmland in Brazil costs a 10th of the price of farmland in the American Midwest, more than 200 American soybean farmers have relocated to Brazil. But since Brazil is closely cooperating with China and the EU, their farming efforts may soon help these power blocs undermine the U.S. in a great trade war.

## two **TRADE WAR**

President Donald Trump has promised to be the greatest job-producing president in U.S. history. He is attempting to fight back against unfair trade practices that other nations have used against America. He supports tariffs (taxes on foreign imports) to make American manufacturing great again. He has imposed a 25 percent tariff on many manufactured goods from China and Mexico and is

cannot afford U.S. farm produce because their governments tax American goods.

This escalating trade dispute is rerouting the flows of global trade.

Since President Trump took office, U.S. soybean exports to China have fallen more than 60 percent—from 43.3 million tons in 2016 to 16 million in 2018. Meanwhile, Brazilian soybean exports to China have risen 73 percent—from 38 million tons to 66 million tons. Even if a temporary truce is declared in the U.S.-China trade war, American farmers may never reclaim the share of soybean trade they have lost to Chinese companies beginning to rely on Brazilian farmers instead.

American dairy farmers face similar problems. Roughly a quarter of U.S. dairy exports are sold in Mexico, but Mexico’s tariffs on U.S. cheese will drastically reduce these exports. These tariffs are prompting Mexico to reach out to the EU for a trade deal that will make it more affordable to buy dairy products from European farmers. If China buys soybeans from Brazil and Mexico buys milk from Europe, more U.S. farmers will go out of business.

America is still the world’s largest food exporter, but a time is coming when it will no longer export food.

“The United States and Britain are going

to be left out in the cold as two gigantic trade blocs, Europe and Asia, mesh together and begin calling the shots in world commerce,” Mr. Flurry continues in *Ezekiel: The End-Time Prophet*. “These nations of Israel are going to be literally besieged—economically frozen out of world trade! As that happens, domestic rioting and violence will become much more prevalent. Already in America today, instances of rioting and burning are occurring more regularly, often associated with racial hatred. ... As the economy grows worse, besieged by foreign powers, the rioters will burn more and more—because God’s wrath is upon us!”

Ezekiel prophesied that pestilence and famine would destroy one third of the population of end-time Israel.

It is important to note that Ezekiel wrote these words while he was a captive in Babylon, after the nations of Israel and Judah had already been conquered. His prophecy is not referring to the Assyrian siege against Samaria or the Babylonian siege against Jerusalem. He is referring to pestilence and famine among the modern descendants of Israel and Judah.

Today, U.S. farmers are losing a trade war with China, Europe, Russia and Latin America. Once the U.S. no longer produces excess food, the Bible shows that rioting and weather disasters will jeopardize the food supplies it needs to feed even its own people!

## three **CATASTROPHIC WEATHER**

California farmers have been cursed with drought, while Midwest farmers have been cursed with floods. These disasters have cost U.S. farmers billions of dollars. Some are calling the Midwest floods the worst agricultural disaster in modern U.S. history. Satellite images show that over a million acres of farmland were submerged this spring.

Thousands of farms were ruined as flooding washed away huge tracts of corn, soybeans and other crops. Calves, chickens, hogs and other livestock were also wiped out by rising water.

Nebraskan farmer Richard Panowicz lost 40 of his 60 recently born calves. After the disaster struck, he told the *Omaha World-Herald* that he will probably get out of the cattle business.

Agricultural analysts predict that 5

to 15 million acres of farmland are too wet to plant this year. The American Farm Bureau Federation estimates that every 5 million acres of unplanted fields subtracts 25,000 tons of grain from the nation's production. So America could have its worst grain harvest in 40 years.

"There's just devastation everywhere," said Colleen Rambo, who worked out of Fremont, Nebraska, with a disaster-response team called No Town Left Behind. "The water is covering entire towns to the rooftops .... The croplands have been covered with sand. I felt like I was in the Florida beaches. ... One of the farmers was telling me that this happened back in the '50s, and they turned over the land five feet in order to bury the sand, and they can't do that again because they'll just bring that sand back up. So there are millions of acres that are not going to be planted this year. The amount of food that is going to be produced by the Midwest is going to be drastically reduced this year."

Great tracts of U.S. farmland are not growing crops this year, and the sand washed into the soil may hurt crop yields for years to come. The Midwest has already lost half of its topsoil over the past 50 years due to poor farming practices; now floods are washing away even more. This loss of precious topsoil will make farmers even more dependent on artificial fertilizer to grow crops—fertilizer that America purchases from foreign companies in Russia, Trinidad and Tobago, and Ukraine.

"One great problem this globe now faces is that most of its arable land is already under production, and much of that land is seriously degraded due to the intensive, chemically-based farming practices fashionable since World War II," writes Wayne Turgeon in *The Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse*. "Figure in the increasing occurrences of floods, hurricanes, earthquakes, drought and other unnatural disasters and it is clear that the world's systems of agriculture stand on the brink of disaster."

"With food as our largest export product, the United States stands to lose the most in any trade war if any 'natural' or unnatural disasters should cause us to have a bad year. National reserves for our own needs, in case of just such an emergency, are very small and would barely last long enough to get us through

to the next growing season."

Most people take for granted that grocery stores will always be full of food. But when foreign nations stop trading with America and weather disasters decimate crops, the nation's food supply will be in peril.

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## PROPHESIED PUNISHMENT

Prophecies in Deuteronomy 28, Isaiah 23 and Ezekiel 5 describe the devastating effects that trade war and economic besiegement will have on America in the end time. Details about crop failures are described in Joel 1.

This chapter paints a frightful, desolate picture of starvation and disease.

"The field is wasted, the land mourneth; for the corn is wasted: the new wine is dried up, the oil languisheth. Be

fire hath devoured the pastures of the wilderness" (verses 18-20).

Even farm animals will starve. Drought and wildfires will dry up their pastures and burn away their forage. Such disasters are sent by God to destroy America's food, even as foreign nations refuse to sell agricultural produce to the United States.

America's current agricultural crisis is setting the stage for these sobering prophecies to be fulfilled.

God promises to send these curses because the American and British people have changed His judgments into wickedness more than other nations and sinned against His statutes more than the countries that are around them (Ezekiel 5:6).

But God also reveals how individuals can be protected from this disaster.

## America's agricultural crisis is setting the stage for these prophecies to be fulfilled.

ye ashamed, O ye husbandmen; howl, O ye vinedressers, for the wheat and for the barley; because the harvest of the field is perished. The vine is dried up, and the fig tree languisheth; the pomegranate tree, the palm tree also, and the apple tree, even all the trees of the field, are withered: because joy is withered away from the sons of men" (Joel 1:10-12).

This is a prophecy about corn, wheat and barley grown in America's Midwest perishing; about grapes, figs and pomegranates grown on America's West Coast drying up; about apples grown in Washington and Michigan withering.

The Prophet Joel continues: "How do the beasts groan! the herds of cattle are perplexed, because they have no pasture; yea, the flocks of sheep are made desolate. O Lord, to thee will I cry: for the fire hath devoured the pastures of the wilderness, and the flame hath burned all the trees of the field. The beasts of the field cry also unto thee: for the rivers of waters are dried up, and the

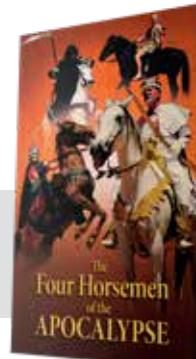
Ezekiel 33:10-11 state, "Therefore, O thou son of man, speak unto the house of Israel; Thus ye speak, saying, If our transgressions and our sins be upon us, and we pine away in them, how should we then live? Say unto them, As I live, saith the Lord God, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked; but that the wicked turn from his way and live: turn ye, turn ye from your evil ways; for why will ye die, O house of Israel?"

There is only one way that God will protect us. Our people must *turn, turn, turn* from our evil ways.

God takes no pleasure in the death of the wicked. "Why will ye die, O house of Israel?" What a terrifying question! Yet even if the nations of Israel reject God's warning, they will eventually repent after they have experienced the worst suffering ever. It is a matter of life-and-death importance to pay attention to the seriousness of the times!

## The black horse is riding.

The world is hearing the approaching hoofbeats of the black horse of famine. To learn what the Bible prophesies will strike America, request your free copy of ***The Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse***.



# THE DOWNFALL OF AMERICAN AGRICULTURE

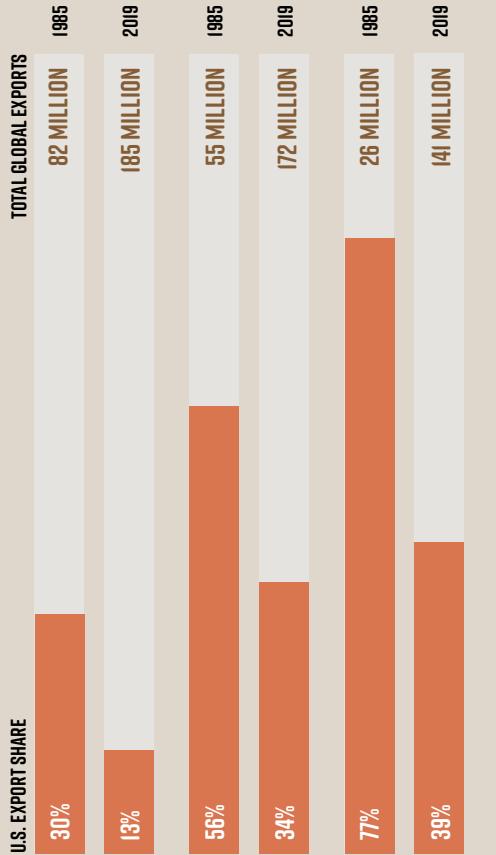
## 1 ONCE THE WORLD'S BREADBASKET, AMERICA IS LOSING ITS AGRICULTURAL DOMINANCE.

Fifty years ago, American farmers grew 11 percent of the world's wheat, 44 percent of the world's corn, and 75 percent of the world's soybeans. Bumper harvests in Brazil, China and Russia have transformed these nations into rival agricultural superpowers.



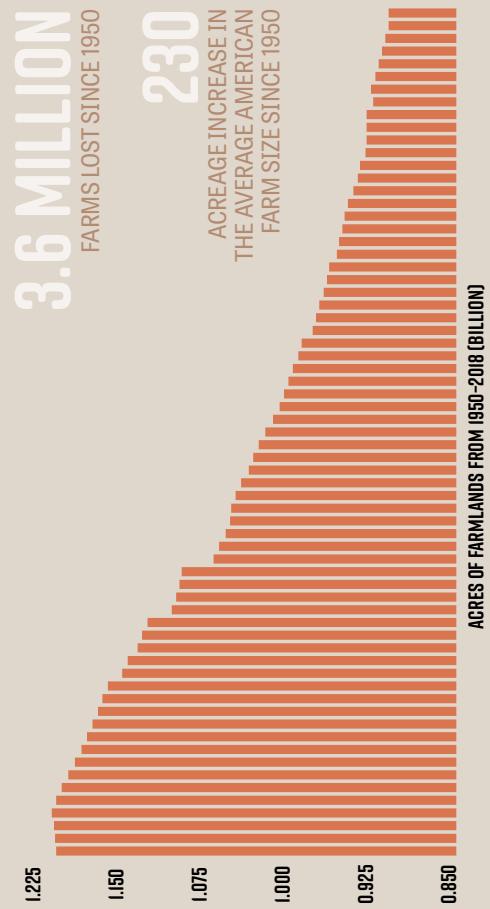
## 2 AMERICA'S SHARE OF GLOBAL WHEAT, CORN AND SOYBEAN EXPORTS IS NEARLY HALF WHAT IT WAS IN THE MID-1980S.

Bin-busting harvests around the world are pushing down crop prices, making it hard for U.S. farmers to compete globally.



### 3 SINCE THE 1950s, HALF OF AMERICA'S FARMS HAVE GONE OUT OF BUSINESS.

Between 1950 and 2018, the number of U.S. farms fell from 5 million to 2 million. Though the size of the average American farm has doubled in the past half century, the total amount of U.S. farmland has fallen from over 1.2 billion acres to only 900 million acres.



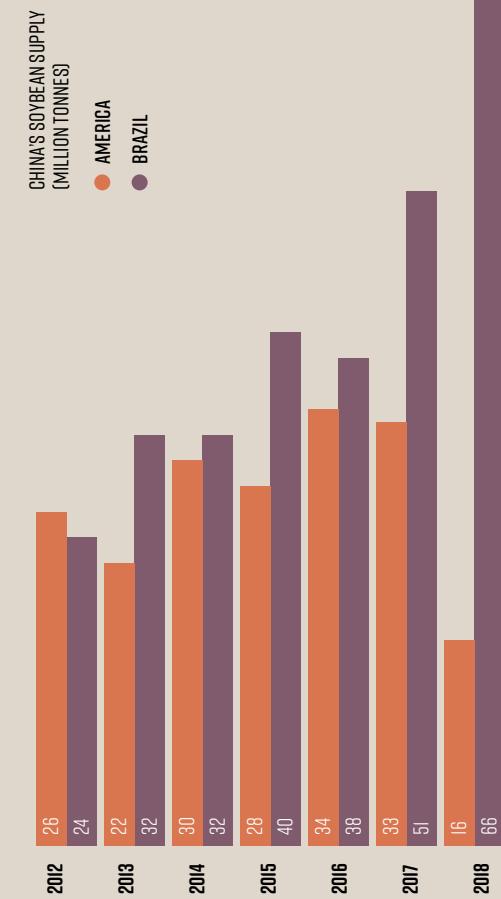
### 4 MANY U.S. FARMERS ARE NOW IN A DIRE FINANCIAL CONDITION.

Since Brazil passed the U.S. as the world's top soybean exporter, net farm income has dropped from \$64,799 to \$34,217 per farm. Meanwhile, farm sector debt has spiked from \$65,524 to \$210,264 per farm. The industry's debt-to-income ratio is the highest since the mid-1980s—a possible sign of an approaching wave of farm bankruptcies.

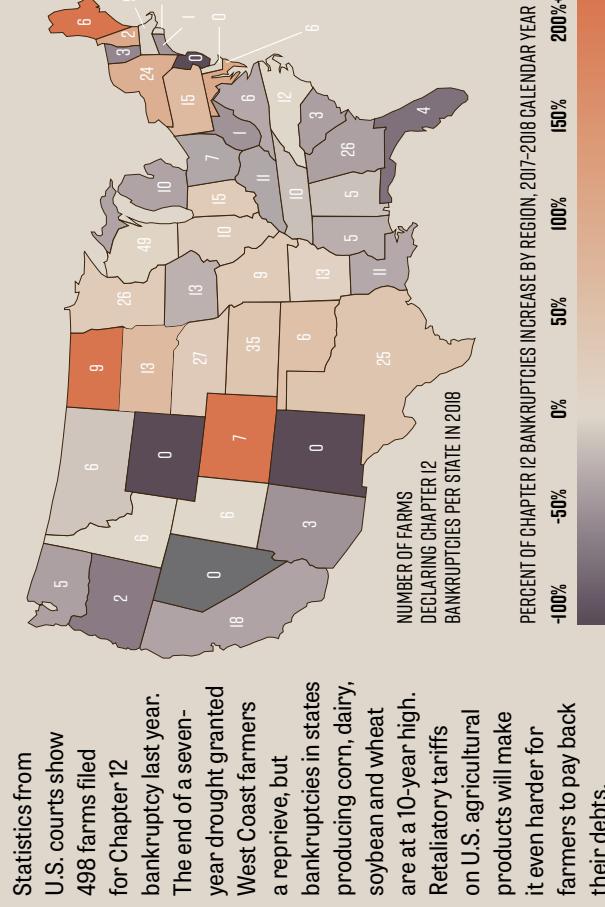


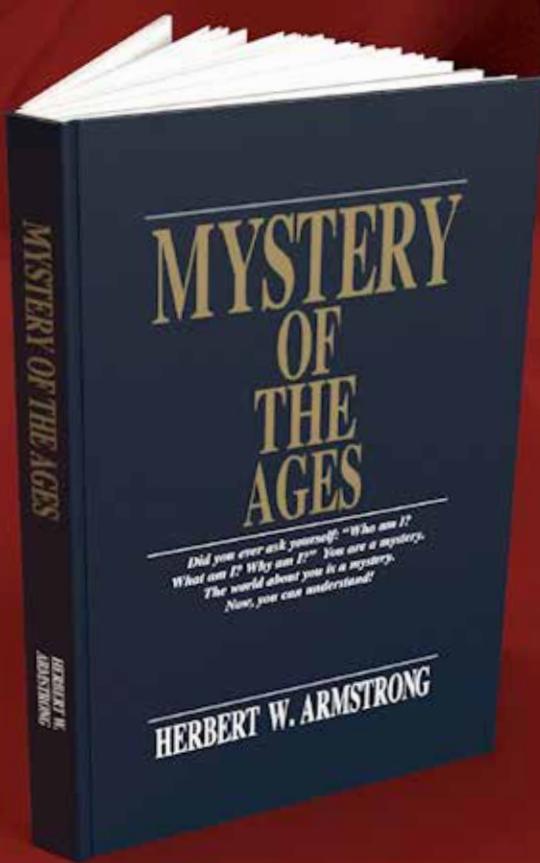
### 5 THE U.S.-CHINA TRADE WAR IS MAKING THESE PROBLEMS EVEN WORSE.

China used to buy 28 percent of all the soybeans grown in the United States. But after the Chinese government put a 25 percent punitive tariff on American soybeans, U.S. soybean exports to China have plummeted, and Brazil has stepped in to take America's place.



### 6 A GROWING NUMBER OF U.S. FARMS ARE GOING BANKRUPT.





# WHY YOU NEED THIS BOOK

Unlock life's mysteries. BY GERALD FLURRY

**W**E GIVE AWAY A LOT OF FREE literature and educational material. The book we have given away more than any other is *Mystery of the Ages*. This is a masterful work by the late educator, philanthropist and unofficial ambassador for world peace Herbert W. Armstrong. Thousands of people have said that this book, when they have applied its teachings, has brought real meaning to their lives and given them true happiness!

*Mystery of the Ages* is a synopsis of the Bible. It allows you to understand God's Word, which would otherwise be a mystery.

On the cover of the book, Mr. Armstrong wrote, "Did you ever ask yourself: 'Who am I? What am I? Why am I?' You are a mystery. The world about you is a

mystery. Now, you can understand!"

With this life-changing book, the Bible is decoded before your eyes, if you want it to be!

Look at society around you. Clearly the Bible is a mystery to most of humanity. It is the world's bestseller that nobody knows. It is a mystery to science, to education, even to religion! God is not real to most people. But *Mystery of the Ages* will make God real to you. This book will make God come alive and understandable to you.

For this reason, Mr. Armstrong considered *Mystery of the Ages* the second-greatest book on Earth after the Bible.

## A Coded Book

Industrially and technologically, the progress or the appearance of progress

in this world is impressive. Yet at the same time, our world is plagued by alarming and appalling evils. How can you solve these problems? Science cannot tell you. Education cannot teach you. Even religion is failing! This is a mystery.

*Mystery of the Ages* shows you how the world's problems will be solved.

Mr. Armstrong knew a lot about humanity. He visited kings, emperors, presidents, prime ministers and many other heads of state. He met more world leaders than any other religious leader in history. He also met with many thousands of the illiterate, poor and poverty-stricken.

Mr. Armstrong craved understanding. He grew up in a Protestant church, but he said in all the time he attended, they never explained these plaguing questions. The Bible was bewildering to him.

Eventually he was challenged on questions regarding Sunday observance and the theory of evolution.

When his wife said that the Sabbath should be kept on Saturday and not Sunday, they faced a marriage conflict that they had to solve. He set out to prove her wrong, but found that, in fact, the Bible indeed commanded that the Sabbath be kept on Saturday, the seventh day of the week. (For more information, request our free booklet *Which Day Is the Christian Sabbath?*)

When studying night and day to prove or disprove evolution, Mr. Armstrong found absolute proof of the existence of God. The theory of evolution was wrong! He proved that the Bible has God's absolute authority behind it.

But WHY can't people generally understand the Bible? "I found the Bible to be a coded book," Mr. Armstrong explained in *Mystery of the Ages*, "with answers to the paramount mysteries confronting all humanity. ... Instead of putting the various pieces of the jigsaw puzzle properly and sensibly together, it has become the practice and custom to read an already-believed false teaching into each particular scripture, taken out of context. In other words to interpret the scriptures to say what they have already been taught and come to believe. The Bible needs no interpretation because it interprets itself."

That is an important point: The Bible interprets itself. How many people truly believe that?

Mr. Armstrong continued, “This becomes clear when one sees the various scriptures of each subject properly put together, as the Bible itself says, ‘here a little, and there a little’ (Isaiah 28:10).”

In the context of this statement, the Prophet Isaiah wrote that even the priests and prophets, religious leaders, are teaching error (verse 7). God is showing us that we will learn nothing unless we get away from the milk, spiritually (verses 8-9). You cannot be tied to the educational system or scholars of this world. You must break away, look into your Bible, and let the Bible interpret itself. Don’t allow men to deceive you. As the Prophet Jeremiah wrote, “Cursed be the man that trusteth in man” (Jeremiah 17:5).

To receive strong spiritual meat (Hebrews 5:14), you must break away. Prove that God exists and that the Bible is His Word, and then rely on the Bible and what God says in it.

“[T]he Bible was a coded book,” Mr. Armstrong wrote, “not intended to be understood until our day in this latter half of the 20th century.” Can you believe that? The Bible was not even intended to be understood until this end time—the time we are living in today—just before the return of Jesus Christ to this Earth to teach the whole world with this Word!

“I learned that the Bible is like a jigsaw puzzle—thousands of pieces that need putting together—and the pieces will fit together in only one way,” Mr. Armstrong continued. “Then the picture becomes crystal clear to the one willing to believe what God our Creator says.

“This present book merely puts the many pieces of the great puzzle together so they can be clearly understood.

“As you read and reread this book, compare constantly with your own Bible.”

Mr. Armstrong challenged readers to compare *Mystery of the Ages* to the Bible, and let the Bible interpret the Bible! Just ask us, and we will send you a free copy of this book. But you have to study it along with your Bible. It takes deep study and meditation to truly understand how profound it is!

In the introduction to his book, Mr. Armstrong wrote, “Time may prove this to be the most important book written in almost 1,900 years.”

This world truly has been blinded to the wonderful truth in *Mystery of the*

*Ages*. They don’t know why man; what is our purpose. All this mystery is being decoded in the end time for a great purpose—a purpose that God planned.

### Closed to Man

Read the last few verses of Genesis 3. There, after Adam and Eve sinned, God drove them out of the Garden of Eden and closed off access to the tree of life. Mankind was CUT OFF from that tree so they wouldn’t live forever in a miserable, unrepentant state. There are *conditions* to receiving the tree of life.

Regarding this point, Mr. Armstrong wrote, “God had closed the Holy Spirit and eternal life to mankind in general until the removal of Satan at the Second Coming of Jesus Christ.”

Consider what this means! Many people believe there is a battle going on between Satan and God for people’s souls. But if that were true, Satan is clearly winning the battle! That is not true at all! All the way back to Adam and Eve, God cut man off from the tree of life, from Himself, and from the Holy Spirit!

Traditional Christianity also teaches that Christ was sent to Earth to win that battle and to try to turn the whole world to God and save mankind. Of this view, Mr. Armstrong made this astounding statement: “For some years I had come to partially realize the error of this assumption, but the full truth on this point had not come crystal clear to me until very recently.” He wrote that when he was 92 years old! Only then did he finally understand the full picture!

“This truth is indeed mind-boggling,” he continued. “It clears what had been clouded in mystery.”

Mankind in general has been cut off from the tree of life. God always calls a few to understand His truth and to proclaim His message. But for the most part, mankind has been cut off from God because they won’t submit to Him.

After Jesus Christ returns, everyone will have access to God (John 8). No one will be cut off unless they simply refuse to obey God.

This understanding, which can be proved from your Bible, explains so much! God is not desperately trying to win the world over and defeat Satan in battle. There is no contest. God is doing exactly what He planned to do.

### Seven Mysteries—Revealed!

*Mystery of the Ages* explains many truths that mystify this world. It has seven chapters that are each built around removing the veil around a major mystery.

The first is “Who and What Is God?” God reveals Himself through the Bible. The truth is far more inspiring than most religions realize, because people’s eyes are blinded to it. If religionists would just believe God and His revelation, they would understand this truth.

The second is “Mystery of Angels and Evil Spirits.” The Bible says this world is ruled by unseen evil spirits—but this is a terrible mystery to this world.

Third is “Mystery of Man.” What is humanity here for? Traditional Christianity teaches that you have an immortal soul, but is that true? You need to find out!

Fourth is “Mystery of Civilization.” This world has made awesome progress in some areas, but developed terrifying evils as well. Technology, science, industry and religion profess to have understanding, but they cannot solve their own problems. That is the truth!

Fifth is “Mystery of Israel.” This is a crucial biblical truth that few understand. Is Israel the chosen people? What is Israel’s purpose? Does God have favorites? You need the answers because the Bible is a book about Israel!

Sixth is “Mystery of the Church.” Is there one true Church, or are there many sects and denominations? Is it a large, universal church, or a small, persecuted church? These are vital questions you need to answer.

Finally is “Mystery of the Kingdom of God.” This is the gospel message! Gospel means “good news,” and that news is a message about the coming Kingdom of God that will administer the government of God. That gospel is a mystery even to religion, but we must understand what the gospel is about!

### God Reveals

If you read through the Bible, you will be bewildered. It is truth that must be revealed by God. Once you follow God’s formula, then He reveals the Bible to you. That is happening for many people in this end time.

There are steps we must take, however.



# The Nazi Underground—Revealed!

Recent studies prove a stunning truth about postwar Germany, and illuminate that nation's present and future. **BY RICHARD PALMER**

**W**E DON'T UNDERSTAND German thoroughness. From the very start of World War II, they have considered the possibility of losing this second round, as they did the first—and they have carefully, methodically planned, in such eventuality, the third round—World War III! Hitler has lost. This round of war, in Europe, is over. And the Nazis have now gone UNDERGROUND. In France and Norway they learned how effectively an organized UNDERGROUND can hamper occupation and control of a country. Paris was liberated by the French underground—and Allied armies. Now a Nazi underground is methodically planned. They plan to COME BACK and to win on the third try."

This is what prophetic news analyst Herbert W. Armstrong declared on May 9, 1945, during the founding conference of the United Nations, just hours after

World War II ended. Europe was in ruins. Nazis going into hiding, with secret plans to evade detection, could not possibly be real, could it?

Seventy years on, the truth is clear. A series of reports have detailed secret Nazi plans to infiltrate German business, politics and military, and return to power. This is no conspiracy theory: It has been the subject of government investigations and reported by mainstream media. Yet no one has asked what these discoveries mean for modern Germany and its future.

The Nazi war machine went underground in two main ways. First, Nazi leaders, the brain trust of Nazism, plotted to survive. By 1943, it was clear they might lose, and in 1944, it was obvious they would. Individuals were calculating how to avoid jail or execution by Allied tribunals. The more ambitious looked for ways to cling to their wealth and power. Die-hard loyalists to the ideology

sought to facilitate a revival even after they were gone. So they drafted plans to run and hide.

Second, Nazi leaders found ways to infiltrate the new government and administration. After the war, almost every German insisted that he had not supported the Nazis. Hundreds of thousands of Nazi members without high profiles and famous names renounced their ideology, blended into the background, and stayed in their jobs. Hiding in plain sight, these ex-Nazis ran the postwar government—and helped their more high-profile colleagues get away.

## Planning to Go Underground

The evidence of senior Nazis planning to go underground is clear.

On Aug. 10, 1944, government and SS representatives met with leading industrialists. Representatives from Volkswagen, the steel manufacturer Krupp, and the armaments company Rheinmetall were there, with several others. A United States intelligence document describing the meeting was declassified in 1996. It reported that the group was told, "From now on also German industry must realize that the war cannot be won and that it must take steps in preparation for a postwar commercial campaign. Each industrialist must make contacts and alliances with foreign firms, but this must be done individually and without attracting any suspicion. Moreover, the ground would have to be laid on the financial level for borrowing considerable sums from foreign countries after the war."

After this meeting, a smaller group got together. Here, a handful of industrialists were told that the Nazi Party "would be forced to go underground," according to the U.S. intel document.

At the same time, others were preparing for the end.

From 1942 to 1945, Maj. Gen. Reinhard Gehlen commanded the Wehrmacht's Foreign Armies East military intelligence unit, a highly capable intelligence network in Eastern Europe and Russia. With his detailed knowledge of Russia's advance, he clearly saw that the war would be lost. So he too prepared. He had his intelligence files printed on microfilm and stored in watertight containers, and he hid them in the Alps. As we will see, this helped him later.

Within the Catholic Church, planning to shelter key Nazis also began before the war ended. In 1942, Monsignor Luigi Maglione contacted the Argentine ambassador, asking about the nation's willingness "to apply its immigration law generously, in order to encourage at the opportune moment European Catholic immigrants to seek the necessary land and capital in your country." Clearly he anticipated Germany's defeat and an exodus of Nazis seeking refuge.

As the war wound down, many were preparing to hole up. "One day we shall come back. Until then, à bientôt." Those were the words of a military spokesman on Nazi radio, Sept. 1, 1944, offering only a "goodbye for now."

On May 7, when it surrendered unconditionally to the Allies, Germany presented a clear public face to the world: It said Nazis would be eradicated and good people found to fill their political, judicial and executive offices. Within four years, a new government sprang up and an Allies-friendly democratic state existed in West Germany. On the surface, everything looked great.

But look underground, and a different picture emerges.

### Nazi Bureaucrats

While the high-profile Nazis fled, most Nazi-era bureaucrats were allowed to remain. For years, functionaries in Germany's postwar government maintained their innocence. They were no Nazis, they insisted. Some may have served the Nazis, but did not support them and merely did the minimum required.

The truth is very different, as has been revealed by a series of shocking studies by the German government over the last decade.

In October 2010, an 880-page book detailing the German Foreign Ministry's wartime cooperation with the Nazis was revealed. "The Foreign Ministry wasn't just somehow involved in national socialism or even a hotbed of resistance, as was long claimed," Prof. Eckart Conze, who chaired the study, told Spiegel Online. "From day one, it functioned as an institution of the Nazi regime and backed its politics of violence at all times. After 1945, there was a high degree of staffing continuity within the ministry, and some of its diplomats were seriously tainted....

"The ministry contributed, as an institution, to the violent crimes of the Nazis, even including the murder of the Jews. In this sense, one can say that the Foreign Ministry was a criminal organization" (Oct. 27, 2010).

It gets worse. The diplomats of the Nazi-era Foreign Ministry were largely allowed to keep their posts once the war ended. These experts then aided fellow Nazis, serving as their legal team and helping them dodge prosecution for war crimes overseas.

After that bombshell dropped, the Finance Ministry opened its books. Like the Foreign Ministry, finance officials claimed not to be Nazis. They said they did the bare minimum on their jobs and even opposed the Nazis when they could. The truth: "The Reich's Finance Ministry literally plundered the assets of the Jews," said former Finance Minister Peer Steinbrück. "It was systematic. ... The Jews were stripped of savings, assets, anything with a financial or material value."

Prof. Hans-Peter Ullmann, who chaired the Finance Ministry study, said that at one point, 30 percent of the German government was financed by stolen Jewish

"None of this information is new," noted Spiegel Online in March 2012. "For years, the notion that partisans of the Nazi regimes were able to manipulate their way into the top levels of government in the young federal republic, and that former Nazi Party members set the tone in a country governed by the postwar constitution in the 1950s and '60s has been a subject for historians"—not for conspiracy theorists. It is a matter of fact.

Spiegel Online noted that historian Michael Wildt "is convinced that it will become clear that all government institutions, provided they existed at the time, were involved 'in the mass crimes of the Nazis.' ... Ministries and government agencies have 'covered up, denied and repressed' their dark history" (emphasis added throughout).

Spiegel Online also said that "police and the intelligence services were largely staffed with civil servants from the old, criminal organizations." It warned, "Hardly anyone in law enforcement was not tainted with a Nazi past."

The Justice Ministry published an investigation in 2016. It concluded that around three quarters of Justice offi-

## The truth has been revealed by a series of shocking studies by the German government.

assets. The *New York Times* commented, "Plundering Jewish assets could not have been possible without an efficient civil service" (Dec. 26, 2010). The department had been full of enthusiastic Nazis who remained in place after the war.

In December 2011, the German government published a report on the prevalence of Nazis among government staff. It concluded that after the war, "continuities in personnel among civil servants were relatively high." Their experts estimated that 70 percent of government personnel were allowed to keep working; other experts said the figure could be as high as 90 percent.

The same government papers revealed that 25 cabinet members, one president and one chancellor of postwar Germany were former card-carrying Nazi Party members. A postwar minister of justice and a finance minister were members of Hitler's stormtroopers, the group that forcefully facilitated his rise to power.

cials in postwar West Germany were former Nazis. The *Financial Times* called it a "surprisingly high figure, much bigger than the researchers had expected." Thirty-four of the ministry's leading judges and lawyers were stormtroopers for Hitler. The *Local* wrote, "The fascist old-boys network closed ranks, enabling its members to shield each other from justice, the study found—helping to explain why so few Nazi war criminals ever went to prison" (Oct. 10, 2016).

Remember, this was the ministry responsible for finding, trying and convicting ex-Nazis—and it was full of Nazis. "The Nazi-era lawyers went on to cover up old injustice rather than to uncover it and thereby created new injustice," said Heiko Maas, then Germany's justice minister.

So it continues. Some of the worst offenders in the government have still not examined their history. The chancellery, for example, contained several well-known Nazis after the war. An

investigation of the chancellery began in 2016 and is expected to conclude in 2020.

## The Secret Service

This profusion of Nazis in German politics allowed them to continue in other key positions. One of the most influential was Maj. Gen. Reinhard Gehlen, whom we left back in 1944 hiding intel in the Swiss Alps. Gehlen surrendered to the Americans and offered them a deal: *I control the leading German intelligence unit focused on the Soviets, and all my intelligence is stashed away. Set me free, and I can hand you a ready-made anti-Soviet espionage unit.*

Incredibly, America accepted. Gehlen was freed. He was paid to rebuild his organization, using many of his old staff. He also recruited other ex-Nazis. He wasn't picky: Ex-Gestapo, ex-SS, war criminals, Nazis who had participated directly in the Holocaust—all were welcome. According to one estimate, 10 percent of his staff had worked for SS head Heinrich Himmler. The Americans let Gehlen's network flourish to counter the Soviets.

In 1956, Gehlen's spy agency was formally transferred to West German control and became the Federal Intelligence Service (BND). Gehlen remained the spymaster.

Unsurprisingly for an organization full of Nazis, the BND helped Nazis on the run. In 2011, documents leaked to *Bild* found that the organization had helped cover for Adolf Eichmann, one of the chief organizers of the Holocaust. It also recruited Klaus Barbie, the "Butcher of Lyon," as an agent in 1965, despite his war crimes being so extensive and well documented that he had been sentenced to death. Just last year it was revealed that the BND employed the daughter of Heinrich Himmler, the "Princess of Nazism," who remained an ardent Nazi and supporter of ex-SS members until her death.

But the full extent of the BND's Nazi history is lost forever. The BND destroyed the files on around 250 of its early officials. According to an independent commission of historians, these included the files on those who had held "significant intelligence positions in the SS, the SD (the intelligence agency of the SS and the Nazi Party) or the Gestapo."

When did this cover-up take place? The late 1940s? The '50s perhaps?

It happened in 2007. Yes, as recently as 12 years ago, the BND was actively covering up its Nazi past.

## The Military

After the war, Germany was initially banned from having a military. But the German government still formed one secretly. In May 2014, the German intelligence agency published papers showing that ex-Nazis started a secret army in 1949. It could have fielded 40,000 men and had 2,000 officers.

The army faded once Germany founded its own more official army in the 1950s. But many of the secret army's top leaders became important figures in Germany's official military establishment.

Albert Schnez, a colonel during World War II, organized the army. He later became a lieutenant general in the Bundeswehr and inspector of the army, the most senior serving office. He also was closely associated with German Defense Minister Franz Josef Strauss.

Gehlen, the intelligence chief, knew and met with Schnez. He passed on information about the army to German Chancellor Konrad Adenauer. The government allowed the army to continue and assigned Gehlen to monitor it.

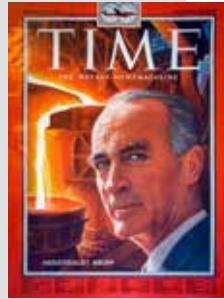
The papers also indicate that Hans Speidel and Adolf Heusinger supported the army. Speidel became NATO supreme commander of the Allied army in Central Europe, and Heusinger the first inspector general of the Bundeswehr.

Another key figure was Anton Grassner, a general in World War II who became an inspector general at the German Interior Ministry in the 1950s. In this position he ensured that the secret army could access the equipment and munitions of the German Police tactical units in an emergency.

Those who analyzed the papers released in 2014 testify to their inadequacy. There's little information about how or when the organization was wound down. None of its paperwork survived.

Other documents show that SS war hero Otto Skorzeny also set up a secret army. Schnez and Skorzeny kept in touch with each other, but little else is known about Skorzeny's group. All that historians know for sure is that secret military units were set up and many of their leaders went on to serve in very senior positions in the German military.

In 1951, Alfried Krupp, along with all other imprisoned German industrialists, was officially pardoned and released. Six years later, he appeared on the cover of Time magazine as "the wealthiest man in Europe—and perhaps the world." He died in 1967 with a copy of *Mein Kampf* on his nightstand.



Once the official German Army was established, it quickly filled with personnel from the older, Nazi-era military. In 1976, for example, out of 217 Bundeswehr generals, *only three* had not served in Hitler's military.

## Industry

During the war, Germany's industrial giants worked intimately with the Nazis. Perhaps the most infamous is Alfried Krupp, who supported Hitler for years and whose weapons manufacture was basically a government department making war matériel. One of his representatives attended the 1944 meeting in which the Nazis planned to go underground.

Krupp was arrested after the war. But in 1951, he was released from prison. Even more shocking, just two years later he was allowed to retake control of his company, ThyssenKrupp AG. When he died in 1967 he still had Hitler's *Mein Kampf* on his bedside table. His company has since returned to weapons manufacturing.

In fact, just about all the companies represented at that secret meeting are now back at it, manufacturing weapons. Rheinmetall is a huge armaments manufacturer. The company merged with the German truck manufacturer MAN to create one of Europe's largest defense firms. Büsing, another company at the 1944 meeting, is also part of the conglomerate, having merged with MAN in 1971. Earlier this year, the Rheinmetall-MAN consortium bought a 55 percent stake in Britain's BAE Systems military vehicle production. Messerschmitt, one of the more famous attendees of the 1944 meeting, returned to aircraft manufacturing under the name Airbus. After several mergers and takeovers, it became a core part of European Aeronautic Defense and

Space Co.—Europe's top manufacturer of military helicopters and fighter jets.

All these companies followed the same pattern. Before World War II, they agreed to go underground. After the war, they were shut down or cut back. They resurrected in a civilian capacity, then later returned to weapons manufacture.

## Vanishing Commanders

It is beyond dispute that Nazis went underground after the war ended. They conspired to keep each other hidden and avoid punishment for their crimes. Secret reports published decades later confirm exactly what Herbert Armstrong forecast in 1945. How could he know?

He based his forecast on Bible prophecy. He long taught that Germany was the modern descendant of biblical Assyria (see our article at [theTrumpet.com/11897](http://www.thetrumpet.com/11897)). The Bible has some very specific prophecies about Assyria.

For example, Nahum 3:17 states: “Your commanders are like swarming locusts, And your generals like great grasshoppers, Which camp in the hedges on a cold day; When the sun rises they flee away, And the place where they are is not known” (New King James Version). Jamieson, Fausset and Brown Commentary explains, “[C]old deprives the locust of the power of flight; so they alight in cold weather and at night, but when warmed by the sun soon ‘flee away.’ So shall the Assyrian multitudes suddenly disappear, not leaving a trace behind.” On a cold day, a hedgerow may be covered in grasshoppers. But just a few hours later, they’ve all vanished.



Some of Germany's most successful businesses have a history of arming Germany with the tools of war. They rebounded remarkably from their World War II defeat to dominate the modern European Union. Go to [www.thetrumpet.com/18696](http://www.thetrumpet.com/18696) to learn more from our infographic "**The Roots of German Military Might.**"

But this scripture is not simply describing “the Assyrian multitudes.” It’s more specific: It’s about the “commanders” and “generals.” During the war, these “commanders” dominated the headlines. Afterward, they vanished.

Lower-level personnel insisted they had nothing to do with the Nazis. The Nazis had almost conquered the globe, but once Germany was conquered, it became very hard to find any.

Another key prophecy forecast this dramatic vanishing act. Revelation 17:8 describes a beast, symbolic of a major world power, that “was, AND IS NOT, and YET IS.” This beast exists, then vanishes—only to then “ascend out of the bottomless pit.” You could say it comes out of nowhere—from “underground.”

Here is how *Trumpet* editor in chief Gerald Flurry explains this prophecy in his booklet *Prophecy Again*: “During World War II, we saw the Hitler-Mussolini axis, but then it disappeared from the scene. It ‘was not’! And yet, God says, ‘it is’! The Axis powers lost the war, but as Mr. Armstrong preached time and again, they just went underground—into ‘the bottomless pit’ (verse 8). They’re still there—they’re just *underground*.”

This passage adds something vital: What goes down, underground, will come back up again.

There are signs that beneath the surface, the Nazi spirit still lives in Germany.

## A Beast Underground

Some of the first signs came as Germany reunified in the early 1990s. Some in Germany seemed to take this as a sign that the nation was about to rise again. Extremist crime exploded. In 1991, there were 1,483 recorded incidents of violent crime—10 times more than the year before. The number of organized right-wing extremists jumped from an estimated 32,000 in 1990 to 65,000 in 1992.

That year, the small Baltic seaport of Rostock shocked the world. A group of neo-Nazis attacked a refugee center for Romanian Gypsies. Locals cheered. One officer later admitted, “The police had an *arrangement* with the rowdies not to intervene.” State authorities said they knew *in advance* that the attack was planned, but did nothing.

Hoping to stop the violence, the government decided to remove all foreigners

from the city and deport around 100,000 gypsies to Eastern Europe.

Buoyed by the victory, far-right violence spread.

The government eventually restored some control. But the violence of the early 1990s is a potent sign that Nazism is not dead—it is merely underground.

Around the same time, there was more crucial evidence that the beast was alive beneath the surface. Shortly after East Germany and West Germany reunited, the German government began asserting itself in world politics. Its old World War II ally and site of the Jasenovac extermination camp, Croatia, declared independence from Yugoslavia. Almost the whole world opposed it, but Germany supported Croatia. It successfully pressured NATO into providing the fire-power to forcibly break up Yugoslavia.

The United Nations special mediator on the crisis, Cyrus R. Vance, called the conflict “Mr. Genscher’s war,” because of the role German Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher played in starting it. It was a war begun by Germany (for more information, request our free booklet *Germany’s Conquest of the Balkans*).

Germany quickly began supplying the breakaway republics with weapons, violating UN weapons embargoes. The beast was emerging out of the pit.

More recently, signs of this underground beast abound.

The rise in anti-migrant violence in the wake of the migrant crisis similarly indicates this new, emerging power.

From 2014 to 2015—the start of the migrant crisis—attacks on refugee camps increased fivefold. Last year, Germany saw its worst far-right clashes since the early 1990s. In Chemnitz, a small city in East Germany, violence spiraled out of control.

A new fringe-right-wing party—Alternative für Deutschland—is nearly Germany’s second-most popular party. Some of its leaders openly praise the Nazis; one said that Germany should be “proud” of its “accomplishments” in World War II. Meanwhile, a new wave of historians push a radical view of the glories of Germany’s history and its unfair victimization by Britain and America.

There are similar signs in Germany’s military and intelligence service.

powers of appointment, removal and pardon.

Mueller said that one clause criminalizes otherwise lawful actions the president would take, such as firing someone or shutting down a case. Barr argues that this “would impermissibly infringe on the president’s constitutional authority and the functioning of the executive branch.” THE IDEA THAT “ANY ACT THAT INFLUENCES A PROCEEDING” IS CRIMINAL OBSTRUCTION WOULD COMPLETELY BIND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE LAND! “[T]he Constitution vests plenary [or full and complete] authority over law enforcement proceedings in the president, and therefore one of the president’s core constitutional authorities is precisely to make decisions ‘influencing’ proceedings,” Barr wrote.

“The crux of Mueller’s position is that whenever the president exercises ANY of these discretionary powers and thereby influences a proceeding, he has completed the [guilty act] of the crime of obstruction,” Barr wrote. “To establish guilt, all that remains is evaluation of the president’s state of mind to DIVINE whether he acted with a ‘corrupt’ motive.” Mueller believes that if he can find a “corrupt” motive in the mind of the president, then the president is guilty of obstruction.

This is diabolical reasoning that would destroy the president’s authority to enforce the law!

That is not the way the law works. These men who are bringing down America are psychoanalyzing people, searching for corrupt motives. But that isn’t the way the law is; it deals with clear and specific actions.

These men think they can “divine” whether Trump acted with a corrupt motive. That is a well-chosen word William Barr used, and it really is appropriate for what they are doing. It means “to prophesy, to guess, to find out by intuition.” Mueller thinks he can perceive corrupt motive based on intuition—and is basing his case against the president of the United States on intuition! LUDICROUS! And he has over 15 lawyers who have an extremely biased, even hateful, view of President Donald Trump. How could these radical-left lawyers ever reach a just verdict with their intuition? As Barr wrote, “[I]f a DOJ investigation is going to take down a democratically elected president, it is imperative to the health of our system and to our national cohesion that any claim of wrongdoing is solidly based on evidence of a *real* crime—not a debatable one.” How true!

Another definition of *divine*, as an adjective, is, “of, like, or from God or a god.” That too is appropriate, because these men are acting as if they are God! Do you really want to be ruled by someone who thinks he can sit there and act like God, telling you that you have a corrupt motive? Do you want these men with corrupt minds judging you?

### **Mr. Integrity?**

Barr continued, “Mueller seems to be claiming that the obstruction statute effectively walls off the president from exercising constitutional power over cases in which his own conduct is being scrutinized. This premise is clearly wrong constitutionally. ... The Constitution itself places NO LIMIT on the president’s authority to act on matters which concern him or his own conduct. On the contrary, the Constitution’s grant of law enforcement power to the president is plenary. Constitutionally, it is wrong to conceive of the president as simply



LAWFUL  
President Trump  
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the highest officer within the executive branch hierarchy. HE ALONE IS THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH. As such, he is the sole repository of *all executive powers* conferred by the Constitution. Thus, the full measure of law enforcement authority is placed in the president’s hands, and no limit is placed on the kinds of cases subject to his counsel and supervision.”

Beyond all this is the issue of whether President Trump could even obstruct justice if he didn’t commit the initial crime, collusion with the Russians. Mueller found *no* evidence of collusion. And since Mr. Trump didn’t collude, then he had nothing to cover up. William Barr addresses this issue as well: “[I]f an investigation was bogus, the president ultimately had legitimate grounds for exercising his supervisory powers to stop the matter.” President Trump wasn’t obstructing justice; he was trying to destroy a witch hunt that was wrong and evil. Barr concluded, “Either the president and his campaign engaged in illegal collusion or they did not. If they did, then the issue of ‘obstruction’ is a sideshow. However, if they did not, then the cover-up theory is untenable.”

Mr. Mueller is called “Mr. Integrity.” But is that true? These men are so self-righteous they can’t see any problems with themselves. Their reasoning is right out of the mind of the devil!

Last year, newly FBI-released documents showed that back in 2002, when he was FBI director, Mueller opposed pardons for four men whom the FBI had wrongfully imprisoned for decades—because he didn’t want the bureau’s misconduct exposed. For political purposes, he purposefully let those innocent men rot in prison! Two of them died there. The other two exposed what happened and successfully sued the U.S. government for \$102 million.

Who wants to live in a world where evil men will jail you and leave you there to avoid exposure? They act like they are full of

compassion. These unelected men parade themselves as if they know everything and can lead the country competently. But in reality, their thinking and actions are diabolical!

Many Democrats thought Mueller would be able to prove absolutely that the president obstructed justice. That was Mueller's goal. But Barr somehow understood what Mueller was doing and produced this memo, a masterpiece of law-based reasoning that exposed and condemned everything they were doing. Then Barr became attorney general, and Mueller was made to look like a fool! Between that memo and Barr's quick ascension to attorney general, the Mueller team had to change their strategy.

Mueller's efforts were part of the deep state that flowed from President Obama's administration right into Mr. Trump's presidency. Those unelected lawyers think they know better than everyone. I think God set them a trap—and then shredded the case for obstruction that Mueller was trying to prove. That is part of God temporarily saving America by the hand of Jeroboam.

Now they are being pursued by a man who reveres the law and loves the Constitution. I believe we are going to start to get an even clearer view of the rot that was there, and it will be significantly cleaned up! There are already whistle-blowers who see what Barr is doing and are coming forward to reveal the wrongdoing they are privy to.

I believe that God had a hand in Mr. Barr coming along. Somebody had to come in, *reverse* what the Obama administration had done, and help Jeroboam save Israel! And Amos 7:13 indicates that the president is going to gain control of what is done in those powerful federal buildings and be able to rule the country.

### **Restoring Rule of Law—Temporarily**

It is refreshing to see America regaining some sense of sanity thanks to an attorney general who honors the law and the Constitution. But remember, the national resurgence brought about by this end-time Jeroboam is *only temporary*. Prophecy is clear that America's ultimate fate is just as devastating, and even far worse, than the kingdom of Israel's was anciently!

Why is the land only being saved TEMPORARILY? For the same reason this occurred anciently: because of the people's rebellion against God! (Read "The King Who Saved Israel Temporarily" on page 4 of this issue for a short history lesson.)

King Jeroboam II "did that which was evil in the sight of the Lord: he departed not from all the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who made Israel to sin" (2 Kings 14:24). The original Jeroboam had rejected God's rule from the throne of David and changed the nation's religion to suit his own purposes. (You can read all about this in my book *The Former Prophets*. Chapter 9 is, "Israel: The Way of Jeroboam"; request a free copy.) Jeroboam II led the nation in the same false religious practices.

A movement in America today that supports the president has the appearance of religiousness and piety, but YOU CANNOT JUDGE TRUE RELIGION BY APPEARANCES! You must "prove all things" from the Bible, and *very* few are willing to do that! (1 Thessalonians 5:21).

Whether or not people realize it, this modern-day Jeroboam and his supporters are committing the very same sin that their ancient counterparts did: *rebelling against the throne of David*, which is really GOD'S THRONE! The confrontation prophesied in Amos 7 underlines that fact; a similar confrontation with a true messenger of God will happen again.

The resurgence in America will not last long. God will begin chastening the nation and its leader in order to bring them to repentance. Soon the *whole world* will have to repent of their sin of rejecting His throne!

Bible history and prophecy clearly show that this nation—along with Britain and the Jewish state, who together form the three leading modern nations descended from ancient Israel—is about to experience the most terrifying time you can imagine! This holocaust will lead to the ultimate destruction of every nation on Earth!

But this nightmare is prophesied to be very short. And it will quickly be followed by the greatest resurgence in history—and a resurgence that is PERMANENT!

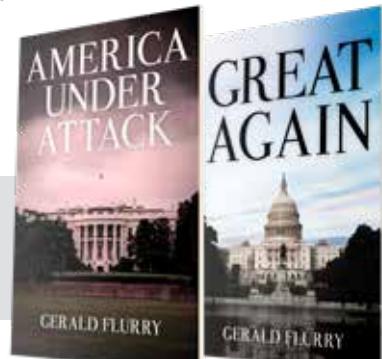
The tribulation to come will lead directly into the establishment of David's throne—the throne from which Jesus Christ will rule the whole Earth as King of kings! (Isaiah 9:6-7; Luke 1:32). He will restore God's truth and administer God's law over the Earth and eventually the universe! (Habakkuk 2:14; Acts 3:19-21).

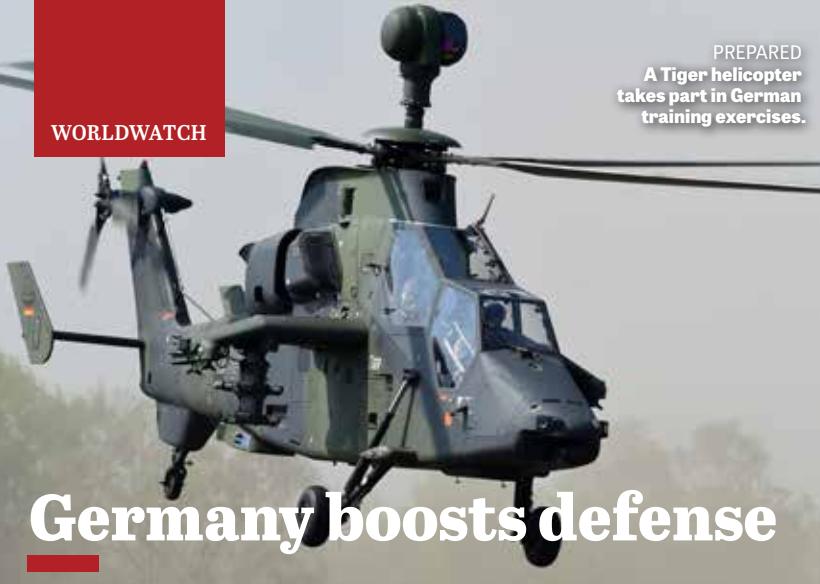
How wonderful that God reveals that spectacular future in advance, to give us all hope as we face such horrifying times. How marvelous that He explains the events that lead to that future, including what it means when a Jeroboam-type leader comes along and shocks everyone—especially the opposition—by turning things around in America. How magnificent to understand these events in the context of the larger prophetic panorama! Even the nightmares of the Great Tribulation make sense when you apprehend the inspiring bigger picture. Receiving this kind of understanding is priceless!

In fact, God says that those to whom He reveals this truth and who help Him proclaim it, those who wholeheartedly turn to Him and conquer the devil, will share His throne and help Him rule! (Revelation 3:19-21; 20:4). It may involve confrontation in the short term, as it did for Amos. But it comes with the magnificent honor of sitting on the throne of David with Jesus Christ forever! That should make your imagination soar! See that vision! Be moved and stirred by it—and turn with your whole heart to the God who will transform that vision into reality!

## This goes deeper than the deep state.

News networks and publications cover what is happening in the United States government, but they are unable to explain it. To learn the hidden reason for the inexplicable turmoil in the government, request your free copies of Gerald Flurry's booklets ***America Under Attack*** and ***Great Again***.





PREPARED  
A Tiger helicopter takes part in German training exercises.

## Germany boosts defense

**G**ermany informed NATO on May 17 that it will raise its military spending by \$5.6 billion this year, to \$52.8 billion. This means that Germany will devote more resources (1.35 percent of gross domestic product) to its military than any time since reunifying after the Cold War. It is still short of the 2 percent minimum required by NATO.

Defense Minister Ursula von der Leyen has called for even more, saying that the military needs an increase of at least \$13.4 billion to prevent major German and joint-European defense projects from collapsing.

Germany's low military spending compared to its strong economy—especially as world conditions

destabilize—has motivated the United States and other nations to ask it to shoulder more of the global security burden. So far, Germany's leadership has been slow to deploy its military or expand its military capability. However, this will soon change.

The Bible prophesied that the Holy Roman Empire

would rise and fall seven successive times throughout history (Revelation 17:10). (Request your free copy of *The Holy Roman Empire in Prophecy*.) This empire rose for the sixth time during World War II. We are seeing the early stages of its final resurrection. It will soon return to power, led by an economically, politically and militarily dominant Germany. ■



ENGAGED  
A Tornado jet fighter at al-Azraq air base

## German military increases in Syria

**F**oreign Minister Heiko Maas said on May 31 that Germany would increase its military presence in Syria. This is part of a United States plan to establish a security zone in northeastern Syria.

Maas's statement makes Germany "the first European country to publicly express its willingness to participate in

maintaining the security zone," according to Kurdistan 24.

Germany already supports U.S. forces in Syria with aerial refueling and aerial reconnaissance. Maas hinted that Germany would likely provide additional military assets once the U.S. reduces its forces in Syria.

The plan still commits only German aircraft, not ground

troops. But it shows that German leaders want to get more involved in Syria. One reason is to stem the destabilizing tide of Syrian refugees flowing into Europe. Another is to attempt to destroy current and potential terrorist havens in the region.

Germany's increased involvement in Syria is part of a broader trend prophesied in Daniel 11:40-43. Events in the Middle East will escalate to the point where radical Islam, led by Iran, will provoke Germany and other European nations to substantially increase their military involvement in the region—and attack "like a whirlwind, with chariots, and with horsemen, and with many ships; and ... overflow and pass over." Trumpet editor in chief Gerald Flurry discusses this trend more in his special report *Germany's Secret Strategy to Destroy Iran*. ■



## Germany revives historic connection with Latin America

**G**erman Foreign Minister Heiko Maas hosted a Latin America and Caribbean conference in Berlin from May 28 to 29 that included more than 20 foreign ministers from the region and almost 1,000 guests. The conference marks the beginning of the new Latin America and Caribbean initiative that Maas announced in February, an alliance that will hurt the United States.

In his opening address at the conference, Maas accused China of using its economic power to apply political pressure, Russia of creating "political facts with military force," and the U.S. of becoming "somewhat unpredictable." Maas urged that such shifting global challenges must cause the two continents to "move closer together. We have to become neighbors in this new world."

Based on Bible prophecy, the *Trumpet* and its predecessor, the *Plain Truth*, have predicted this "new world" for decades. Late *Plain Truth* founder Herbert W. Armstrong predicted this German-Latin American alliance, based on the two continents' shared history, culture, religion and languages. The May 1962 *Plain Truth* stated, "[T]he United States is going to be left out in the cold as two gigantic trade blocs, Europe and Latin America, mesh together and begin calling the shots in world commerce." To learn more about this prophecy, request our free booklet *He Was Right*. ■

## Kurz takes a break from the chancellery

Sebastian Kurz lost his job as Austria's chancellor on May 27 after the nation's parliament passed a vote of no-confidence against him and his government. New elections are set for September. Kurz is gone for now, but he is standing for election and has strong support in the polls. He could return more powerful than ever.

Austria's political turmoil began on May 17 with the publication of a video that had secretly recorded Vice Chancellor Heinz-Christian Strache offering government contracts in return for political donations. Strache immediately resigned, and Kurz began attacking Strache's party, the Free Democrats, even though it was his coalition partner, and pushed out their ministers.

The biggest opposition party, the Social Democratic Party, objected to what it called Kurz's "shameless, unbridled and irresponsible grab for power." It joined with the Free Democrats, former rivals, to force Kurz from office.

While some in Austria's media claim Kurz is responsible for



DOWN BUT NOT OUT  
Kurz speaks after losing a confidence vote.

what happened, many have criticized the no-confidence vote. A majority of Austrians believe Kurz should have continued his chancellorship.

Until September, Austria will be ruled by a transitional government, which adds to Austria's and Europe's feeling of uncertainty. Kurz may be able to capitalize on this and make a "shining comeback," as Germany's *Die Welt* put it.

So far, Kurz has been a major force in advancing the European Union. His time out from the chancellorship may benefit him in the next election. Beyond Austria, it could also increase the pressure on Europe's already struggling leadership. ■



## Iran acquires first Mediterranean port

Iran has leased Syria's chief commercial port in Latakia, situated along the Mediterranean Sea, it was reported in April.

Talks to lease the port reportedly began during Syrian President Bashar Assad's previously unannounced visit to Iran in February. According to Critical Threats, Assad leased the Syrian port to a company affiliated with Iran's powerful Revolutionary Guard. The *Jerusalem Post* reported that companies affiliated with the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps have already begun shipping goods through the port.

The agreement officially grants Iran use of the Port of Latakia only for economic purposes. But in reality, as the

Asia Times wrote, "nothing prevents them from transforming it into a military facility."

Critical Threats stated that the port provides Iran with "a vital medium for illicit trade and smuggling."

On January 28, Iranian Vice President Eshagh Jahangir discussed linking Latakia with Iran's railway infrastructure. Such a link would accomplish a major Iranian goal: uniting Iraq, Lebanon and Syria into an Iranian-dominated Shia Crescent.

A foothold on the Mediterranean gives Iran yet another front for attacking Israel and the capability to threaten Europe's soft underbelly. It could prove a powerful weapon for the biblically prophesied "king of the south" (Daniel 11:40). ■

## Political dysfunction bedevils Israel

Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and the Knesset agreed on May 29 to conduct a national election on September 17, Israel's second in less than six months. The election is necessary because, for the first time in Israel's history, a prime minister-designate failed to form a coalition government within six weeks of national elections.

One reason for Netanyahu's failure to form a government was the refusal of his opponent and potential coalition partner, Avigdor Lieberman, to join.

Netanyahu also faces deep resentment and hatred from Israel's left and especially the nation's emotional, opinionated and ideological left-wing media.

As a result, Israel has an increasingly dysfunctional government that is at war with itself and destroying the average Israeli's trust in government, the media and democratic system.

Like the United States and Britain, the Jewish nation faces unprecedented political chaos.

Hosea 5:5 states, "And the pride of Israel doth testify to his face: therefore shall Israel



and Ephraim fall in their iniquity; Judah also shall fall with them." This prophecy is referring to Britain, America and the Jewish state in the end time, the time immediately prior to the return of the Messiah.

This prophecy says these three nations will collapse at the same time! Notably, the people of all three nations are simultaneously experiencing terrible political division and a sense of growing danger and hopelessness. ■

## Reelected, Modi will bring India even closer to Russia

**I**ndian Prime Minister Narendra Modi was sworn in for a second term on May 30 with a strengthened mandate that could result in India becoming closely allied with Russia.

Russian President Vladimir Putin was among the first world leaders to congratulate Modi on his landslide reelection to a second five-year term. Putin said he is "convinced" Modi will "further strengthen the centuries-old friendship" between Russia and India, a friendship that has already improved considerably under the two leaders.



SIMILARITIES  
North Korea's recent missile launches resemble Russia's Iskander missiles (shown).



## North Korea launches Russian-style missiles

**N**orth Korea has conducted new test launches of short-range nuclear-capable missiles that inescapably resemble Russian weapons.

The May 4 and 9 launches ended a pause in North Korean ballistic missile tests that started in November 2017 after North Korea and the United States tried to negotiate a deal to denuclearize the North and lift sanctions against the country. But in February, a meeting collapsed after U.S. President Donald

Trump insisted on full sanctions relief for full denuclearization, while North Korean leader Kim Jong-un insisted on partial denuclearization in exchange for partial relief. Days later, Russia announced that it would host Kim for a landmark meeting with Russian President Vladimir Putin, which took place on April 25.

The timing of the launches suggests that Russia encouraged North Korea to resume missile testing. In addition, the actual missiles tested bear uncanny similarities to Russia's

about this force in his booklet *The Prophesied Prince of Russia*. Pointing to prophecies in Ezekiel 38, he states: "[T]he two key nations are Russia and China," but "there will also be other powers involved."

He explains that among these "other powers" will be India: "Ezekiel's prophecy says the Russian-led army will include ... Ethiopia, and Libya ..." (Ezekiel 38:5-6). ... Ethiopia and Libya should be translated 'Cush' and 'Phut.' Some of Cush and Phut migrated to African nations, but the rest settled in parts of India.

The context of this passage shows that it refers to modern-day Indians (and perhaps Pakistanis) rather than Africans."

Mr. Flurry explained that when India's vast population is combined with the populations of China, Russia and other Asian nations, "it is easy to see how an army of 200 million soldiers could be formed."

The significance of Modi's strengthened mandate and his determination to draw India nearer to Russia is revealed in these prophecies. To learn more about India and the end-time Asian military force that is in the early stages of unifying, order your free copy of *The Prophesied Prince of Russia*.

## China and Japan: Burying the katana

**J**apanese Prime Minister Shinzō Abe said on May 17 that he is eager to work with China to bring the two nations into "a new era" of cooperation.

Speaking in Tokyo with China's top diplomat, Yang Jiechi, Abe said he aims to "further develop bilateral ties that have returned to a normal track and jointly create a new era for Japan and China."

Yang, a member of the politburo of the Chinese Communist Party's Central Committee, said he perceives "new momentum" in Japan-China relations. "I'm confident that our ties are not only back on a normal track," he said, "but will continue to develop in a healthy and stable manner."

The *Trumpet* closely watches the thaw between China and Japan because it is leading to the fulfillment of Bible prophecy. Scripture shows that one of the main players in the third and final world war will be a confederation of Asian nations, which Revelation 16:12 calls "the kings of the east," and which prophecy shows will include both China and Japan.

# Millennials are poorer than any living generation

**A**merican Millennials (born between 1981 and 1996) are in worse financial condition than any previous living generation, according to data published by the *Wall Street Journal* on May 19. Though they have more formal education, they are staying in school longer, making harmful personal financial choices, and taking longer to start families.

Delaying buying a home, marrying and having children, Millennials have accumulated 40 percent less net worth than their parents had in 2001, and 20 percent less than their grandparents had in 1989. The

student loan debt of the average Millennial in 2017 was \$10,600, more than double that of Generation X in 2004, according to economist Christopher Kurz.

The Bible discourages debt and outlaws coveting and related sins. Psalm 37:21 says, "The wicked borrows, and cannot pay back, but the righteous is generous and gives" (Revised Standard Version).

Trumpet editor in chief Gerald Flurry wrote in the April 2018 issue, "Deficit spending is not limited to America's government. The average American citizen loves to accumulate debt just as much as his government does! We are addicted to it at every level of society."

## Colleges caving to leftists

**P**ew Research data indicates that the more college education a person has, the further left their political views become.

In the late 1960s, 43 percent of U.S. college professors self-identified as left of center. Around 2001, that number began to shoot up, increasing to 60 percent by 2016. Between 2001 and 2010, those identifying as "far left" more than doubled, according to the American Institute for Economic Research (May 1).



The result can be seen in radicalized, angry students marching or even rioting en masse. It can be seen in the places these college graduates go on to inhabit: businesses, news media, entertainment studios, law firms, legislatures, courts and political offices.

## America five years from debt death spiral

**T**he United States government has borrowed more than \$22 trillion. Last year, it paid an astounding \$324.7 billion in interest on its debt—half of what it spends on defense. New data from the U.S. Treasury Department's Office of Debt Management, published on May 1, shows that the government is only five years away from spending every new dollar it borrows from outside investors on interest on the national debt. This is called a debt death spiral.

The report states that in 2024, all new government debt will be used to pay interest (an estimated \$700 billion to \$1.2 trillion per year). The government will be borrowing money to pay the interest on the money it has already borrowed. Then it will have to borrow more money to pay the interest on the money it

borrowed to pay the interest on the money it borrowed. Unless the government drastically cuts spending, economic collapse is unavoidable.

God instructed the ancient nation of Israel that blessings come from obedience to His laws, and curses come from disobedience. In Deuteronomy 28, God warned if the Israelites turned away from Him, strangers would lend them money, but they would not lend to others. Today, the U.S. government owes more than \$6 trillion to foreign nations, in addition to the \$10 trillion it owes to domestic investors and the \$6 trillion it has looted from its own Social Security Trust Fund. America's financial predominance is about to disappear as it struggles to borrow enough money just to pay for the interest on the money it has already borrowed.

### INTEREST ON U.S. DEBT

2018	\$324.7 BILLION
2024 EST.	\$1.2 TRILLION

## Abortion laws: Battle lines drawn

**T**he legal battle over abortion is intensifying in American state legislatures. On May 15, Alabama's governor signed a law that makes providing an abortion a felony in nearly all cases. Similar bills have been introduced in Louisiana, Texas and South Carolina. Other states are also increasing their protection of life in the womb. So far, Arkansas, Georgia, Kentucky, Mississippi, Missouri, Ohio and Utah have passed laws making the cutoff point for legal abortions earlier. Most of these allow abortions only before six or eight weeks, which is when existing technology can first detect the baby's heartbeat.

Other states are moving in the opposite direction, considering bills to promote abortion until

the point of birth. New York passed its law on January 22. Rhode Island and Virginia have debated similar measures. Illinois Democrats are pushing a bill that would be the nation's most extreme, removing all abortion restrictions and expanding insurance coverage of abortion. Virginia Governor Ralph Northam supported a bill that would allow an "abortion" after a baby was delivered.

As conservatives finally push back against abortion in a meaningful way, how radical will abortionists get? The more that people acquiesce to Satan's influence, the uglier things will get. For more on this subject, read "The Inspiring Truth Abortionists Should Know" ([theTrumpet.com/18691](http://theTrumpet.com/18691)).

In 2018, the German government uncovered a plot formed by 200 members of Germany's special forces, the Kommando Spezialkräfte. These neo-Nazi elite soldiers planned to kill Claudia Roth, leader of the Green Party; Heiko Mass, the sitting foreign minister; and Joachim Gauck, Germany's former president. Their hit list included other left-wing leaders and leaders of asylum-seeker groups. They had stockpiled weapons and ammunition near the border with Switzerland and Austria.

In the aftermath, police discovered a neo-Nazi effort to infiltrate the military. A lieutenant colonel in military intelligence had tried to cover up the group. To reach this level, it goes far beyond a handful of far-right recruits who managed to slip through what is meant to be a strict screening process.

Reports have also trickled in of murky connections between the German intelligence service and neo-Nazis. It is yet another unbelievable story, but here it is, in the words of Israel's Ynetnews: "It's April 6, 2006, at 5 o'clock in the afternoon. Halit Yozgat, a 21-year-old German citizen of Turkish descent, is sitting behind the counter in the small Internet café he recently opened in Kassel, Germany. He is waiting for his father to come and relieve him from work when two shots pierce his head, killing him instantly."

"A few seconds later, Andreas Temme, an undercover agent for the German Federal Intelligence Service, the BND, gets up from one of the computer stations positioned only several meters from where Yozgat is now lying dead. He places a few coins on the counter as payment for his time there and leaves. Next to the coins are three drops of blood."

"Later, Temme will testify that he did not hear the shots—fired by an unknown assailant with a Česká manufactured pistol with a silencer—and he did not see Yozgat's body, either, which was sprawled behind the counter near the entrance" (April 24, 2017).

Yozgat was ninth in a series of immigrants, mostly Turkish, gunned down in broad daylight. The police had blamed the shootings on Turkish gangs. Instead, it was the work of the National Socialist Underground (NSU), a neo-Nazi group.

There is yet more evidence linking

these killings to the intelligence services. Yavuz Narin, a lawyer of Turkish decent, spent years exposing the connections between the NSU and the BND. Ynetnews wrote, "Narin has many more examples of either direct or indirect involvement by security agencies in the NSU's activities." He told Ynetnews, "The government, security agencies, the Interior Ministry and, unfortunately, even the chancellor's office are trying to prevent a full investigation on the matter."

"The worrying question that arises is whether the German security agencies merely failed at doing their job, or did they actually turn a blind eye and intentionally enabled the NSU's activities," Ynetnews continued. "And if so, could neo-Nazis have infiltrated Germany's spy agencies and actively encouraged the crimes? The authorities' insistence on covering up information and stonewalling the investigation on the matter only raise further suspicions."

Put some of these isolated examples together and you see a pattern. Nazis never left top German institutions. To this day, these same institutions are beset by scandals revolving around Nazis in their midst. We are seeing glimpses of an underground beast.

### They Shall Wonder

The signs of this beast are there, but few recognize them. Revelation 17 says that when this power fully ascends, "the people who belong to this world ... will be amazed at the reappearance of this beast" (verse 8; New Living Translation).

But you do not need to be "amazed."

Built into this same passage is another prophecy—a prophecy of an individual God would use to expose this beast. Verse 10 says, "And there are seven kings: five are fallen, and one is, and the other is not yet come; and when he cometh, he must continue a short space."

These seven kings reign one after the other. But during the time of the sixth king, a man would be there to explain what this scripture means, to teach the world what is happening.

The same individual is on the scene once the sixth king has disappeared,

when this beast "was, and is not." In *Prophecy Again*, Mr. Flurry writes: "The beast disappears from the scene for a time, and a prophet must show people what the truth is. ... This revelation is about the period when Mr. Armstrong ... was doing this work of God. God revealed to him secrets about this sixth resurrection of the Holy Roman Empire, which 'was, and is not, and yet is.'"

This is how Mr. Armstrong could pinpoint what was going on within Nazi Germany in 1945. These documents were all classified, the investigations not yet done. But "God revealed to him secrets," as Mr. Flurry writes. This is why all those secret files have proved him right. He was the individual foretold in this scripture to explain what this underground beast means.

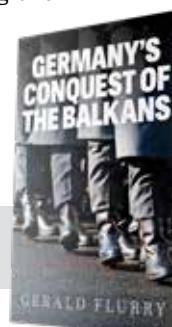
All these major developments were forecast in advance in your Bible. And the same God who had these remarkable prophecies preserved ensures that He has a man to explain them.

This is why the Bible says that beast "was, and is not; and shall ascend out of the bottomless pit" (verse 8). The verb tense here is important. While Mr. Armstrong was alive, this beast "was, and is not." Mr. Armstrong was there during World War II, and when the beast went underground. But the beast's ascension out of this bottomless pit is *future tense*—it was to happen later, once the man explaining all this had passed from the scene. Mr. Armstrong died in 1986. Just three years later, Germany unified, and soon the early signs of its rise were visible.

This beast is still rising today, but it is a mystery to the world. You, however, can understand. God reveals secrets to the man He is using.

"The Bible really comes alive when we know specifically what is happening," writes Mr. Flurry. Understand these secrets, and you can understand world events. More importantly, your Bible comes alive, revealing the great, all-powerful God who reveals the secret plans of the world's most powerful nations. ■

Request Gerald Flurry's ***Germany's Conquest of the Balkans*** to learn how postwar Germany has already started another armed conflict.



# How Can You Know Which Church to Attend?

Find the answer in the Bible.

**W**HAT IS THE MOST IMPORTANT FACTOR IN choosing a church? Familiar denomination? Proximity to your home? An engaging pas-

tor? Nice people? The right answer depends not on what *seems* right, but on solid understanding of fundamental Bible truths.



**JOEL HILLIKER**

The Bible actually says there are churches that can lead you *away* from God. Christians are to follow Jesus Christ (1 Peter 2:21; 1 John 2:6), but He Himself warned that *false churches* would arise, claiming to speak in His name. “Take heed that no man deceive you,” He told His disciples. “For many shall come in my name, saying, I am Christ; and shall

deceive many” (Matthew 24:4-5). Many people today *claim* to be Christian. They *proclaim Christ*. Yet they *deceive many*!

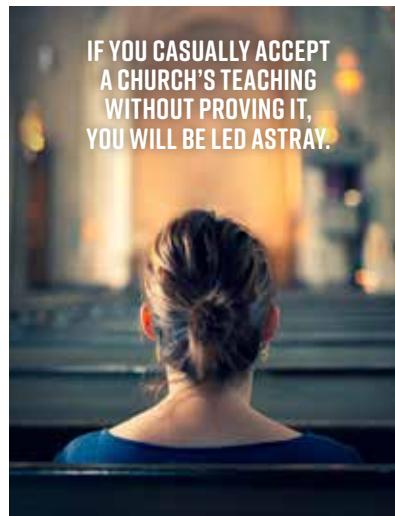
The Apostle Paul also warned against “false apostles, deceitful workers, transforming themselves into the apostles of Christ. And no marvel; for Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light. Therefore it is no great thing if *his ministers* also be transformed as the ministers of righteousness ...” (2 Corinthians 11:13-15). Did you know that Satan has ministers?

To discern a false minister, or a false church, you must know the *teachings* of Jesus Christ. If you casually accept a church’s teaching because it sounds right, you will be led astray. Follow the example of the Bereans: *Search the Scriptures* to see whether what you’re hearing matches the Bible (Acts 17:11). “Prove all things; hold fast that which is good” (1 Thessalonians 5:21).

Jesus prophesied of false Christian churches. But He also promised that His Church, which He personally founded, would always exist. “I WILL BUILD MY CHURCH,” He said, “and the gates of *hell* [or, the grave] shall not prevail against it” (Matthew 16:18). If you believe Jesus, you know that His true Church exists somewhere on Earth today!

To recognize that Church, you need to understand the *purpose* for which Christ founded it. This may shock you, but the Bible clearly shows that the Church’s purpose is NOT to help God “save the world.” Jesus made no attempt to gain converts or to invite people to “give their hearts to Him” or to “accept Him as their personal Savior.” Instead, He “called out” 12 disciples, or students. He gave them special instruction but HID the truth from almost everyone else!

Read Matthew 13, where Jesus told these few men, “[I]t is given unto you to know the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven,



but to them it is not given. ... But blessed are your eyes, for they see; and your ears, for they hear. For verily I say unto you, That many prophets and righteous men have desired to see those things which ye see, and have not seen them; and to hear those things which ye hear, and have not heard them.” Jesus gave that understanding to only a handful. His Church is a comparatively “little flock” (Luke 12:32). At the end of Jesus’s human life, only 120 people were ready to become part of the true Church (Acts 1:15). The *rest of the world* was cut off from God—and still is!

The Bible shows that God has a master plan for saving the world—people, living and dead, who were not true Christians. But that phase of His plan comes after Christ’s Second Coming. Members of the true Church are called to prepare for that future time of salvation. Churches that are ignorant of this fundamental biblical truth are not being led by Jesus Christ and will lead you into serious error!

This raises another CRUCIAL point regarding the question of which church to attend. The Bible shows not only that Jesus Christ *founded* the Church, but also that He is its living *Head* (Colossians 1:18; Ephesians 5:23). He actively *guides* it.

Does it make sense that the Church that Christ founded would be divided into many sects and denominations? That Christ would lead different organizations, each teaching different and conflicting doctrines? God is not the author of confusion; He does things “decently and in order” (1 Corinthians 14:33, 40; the word “churches” in verse 33 merely refers to various congregations of the one true Church). Teachings that contradict one another cannot all be true and cannot be inspired by Christ!

The reality is, Christ founded *one* Church, and He actively leads *one* Church. No other teaching can be supported by Scripture.

“Now I beseech you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye *all* speak the SAME THING,” God inspired the Apostle Paul to write, “and that there be NO DIVISIONS among you; but that ye be PERFECTLY JOINED TOGETHER in the same mind and in the same judgment” (1 Corinthians 1:10). That is true unity! We should expect to see this unity within the Christ-led Body of believers. There should be *no division* in what is believed, taught or preached.

The many differing and opposing churches of Orthodoxy, Catholicism and Protestantism definitely do not “all speak the same thing.” When looking for which church to be a part of, the very existence of so many churches, denominations and sects, believing vastly different doctrines, emphasizes how easy it is to become part of a false church!

Find the true Church by comparing its teachings with the Bible. You can do this doctrine by doctrine. For more biblical guidance on this process, read “Where Is God’s True Church Today?” at [pcg.church/articles/5538](http://pcg.church/articles/5538). For a more comprehensive understanding, request *Mystery of the Ages*, by Herbert W. Armstrong, and read Chapter 6, “The Mystery of the Church.” ■

**I am very pleased to be receiving your magazine. It's very informative, and I am gaining knowledge from your articles. You are doing the world a service with your magazine.**

Michael Elliott TEXAS

Jorg Mardian very wisely warns of the health dangers of toxic fragrance ingredients ("The Scent of Danger," July 2019, [theTrumpet.com/20700](http://theTrumpet.com/20700)). He suggests essential oils as a safe option. I must caution your readers that even essential oils can cause dangerous, and life threatening, allergic and respiratory reactions in humans and pets. This can even happen when used in a diffuser or applied elsewhere than the body. Always test first!

Dee Davis ARKANSAS

This does not surprise me at all, because to destroy the family is to destroy the nation ("Transgenderism Is Being Forced on Us," [theTrumpet.com/20689](http://theTrumpet.com/20689)). The god of this world knows he has but a short time, and he is out to do just that. Our only hope is the return of Jesus Christ. May that day be soon.

Dieter Arp ONTARIO, CANADA

I have to congratulate you for your bravery in tackling this subject ("Abortion Laws in America: A Life-and-Death Battleground," [theTrumpet.com/20745](http://theTrumpet.com/20745)). Any rational human being should be able to look at the facts you bring up and agree that abortion is murder, but too many people these days, especially on

the left, seem drunk on irrationality. Nowhere is this irrationality more evident than in what they believe regarding sex and reproduction. Women worried about becoming mothers should give the children to adoption. That is not an ideal situation, *but it is far better than murdering one's own child*. At the very least, perhaps the child would find a family that cares about it. Better yet, wait until marriage. Women would spare themselves a lot of emotional and physical trauma if they did that. But if you told anybody that, they would look at you as if you are the one who is irrational. And abortion is not as popular as the social justice warriors make it out to be. Even progressive "utopias" like Puerto Rico are trying to pass more restrictions on the procedure.

Simeon Zekic

Shalom! I just wanted to say thank you for providing me with your magazine and for the necessary work you do by giving people a chance to know the truth about Scripture and our world. Thank you!

Scott Lawson TEXAS

Thank you for remembering so eloquently! ("Why You Need to Remember D-Day,"



[theTrumpet.com/20774](http://theTrumpet.com/20774)). I hope I will be able to work up my imagination so this will be more real to me. I will keep your words in mind: "Fail to do so, and one day reality will brusquely intrude without warning and impose its inescapable lesson firsthand." I am thankful to God for His Church and His truth. Nothing can be more inspiring.

Wanda Furer ARKANSAS

To the good people at the *Philadelphia Trumpet*, thank you so very much for remembering me. The *Trumpet* is still helping me to better understand my Bible. And since I've come to realize that I can't rely on the news on TV to give an honest report on what's really going on in the world, I look forward to reading the bits of news that you include toward the back of your magazine. God bless you all and keep up the good work!

David Brodigan MISSOURI

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# Environmentalists' Attack on Family

Save the planet by ... not having kids?

BY BRAD MACDONALD

**T**HE MOST EFFECTIVE WAY TO REDUCE HUMANITY'S CARBON footprint and halt climate change, some environmentalists say, is to have fewer children.

I heard this recently while watching the news with my 3-year-old daughter, a magnificent little person who brings immeasurable meaning and joy to our family. It is my hope that over the coming years, my daughter will begin to add meaning and value to her family, her friends, her local community and, eventually, the larger family of human beings.

Many environmentalists, however, believe that the planet would be better off without my child. And yours.

This push—subtle now, but certain to grow more aggressive—is underway even as fertility rates across the Western world plummet. Many nations face a demographic crisis. Americans, Australians, British, Canadians, Germans, Italians and people in several other Western countries have fewer than two children per woman, ranking in the bottom third of 200 countries.

A fertility rate of 2.1 children per woman is required to sustain a population. Measured strictly by this number, the populations of Britain and America are *already* headed toward extinction. Yet these climate-change activists want us to have even *fewer* children.

One group, called the Voluntary Human Extinction Movement (VHEMT, pronounced “vehement”), supports wiping out mankind. Its website says, “Phasing out the human race by voluntarily ceasing to breed will allow Earth’s biosphere to return to good health.”

To be fair, many reports encourage having “fewer” children, not refraining from having children entirely. But it’s the *direction* that is concerning, as well as the radical intent. This is an assault on *family*, the basic building block of human existence.

Westerners already have small families, but the Population Matters organization in the United Kingdom, actively supported by Sir David Attenborough, Jane Goodall and other influential figures, aggressively promotes having even fewer children. Under the headline “Life in a Smaller Family,” its website states: “Smaller families can free people to devote more money and time to other aspects of their lives, such as friendships, careers, travel and activities that give them pleasure. Those who choose to be child-free will have very much more freedom, including (if they choose) to do other things to help protect the planet or help others.”

“People who do want to experience the pleasures and challenges of becoming parents will often find raising their children much easier if they have a small family.”

This language is polite, civilized and sophisticated—and instantly appealing to selfishness. Put your own happiness, affluence, hobbies, entertainments and pleasures ahead of the awesome, joyful miracle of having children. This is the language of the devil!

But it gets worse. The website also states, “While nuclear families are still the norm, in the 21st century, families come in all shapes and sizes. Choosing to be a parent also does not have to mean making children of your own and bringing more people into the world.”

In other words: *Don’t have children. You can still be a sophisticated, 21st-century “family” if you engage in homosexual and other relationships of “all shapes and sizes.”* This is an attack on the traditional roles within traditional, *real* marriage. It is an attack on the most important and beautiful physical accomplishment that two humans can experience together: the creation of a son or daughter!

This radical-leftist, anti-children, anti-reproduction movement is about *the destruction of the traditional family!*

What is ultimately motivating this assault on human family and the human race? The answer is found in Revelation 12:9, which says that Satan the devil has been cast down to this earth. And Satan *hates* family. “Satan hates the family because it is a God-plane relationship,” Trumpet editor in chief Gerald Flurry writes in *The God Family Vision*. “That means it is a type of the God Family. The individual human family was designed to help prepare us for the God Family.”

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The Bible teaches that God created human reproduction within marriage to teach us His plan, to teach us the purpose of human life! As the late Herbert W. Armstrong wrote in *The Missing Dimension in Sex*, “[H]UMAN REPRODUCTION PICTURES SPIRITUAL SALVATION!”

The ultimate purpose of each new human life is nothing less than the expansion of the God Family! (Request your free copy of Mr. Armstrong’s *The Incredible Human Potential*.)

Satan’s hatred for family is becoming more visible, more dominant and more dangerous. We must not allow it to influence us. The way to counter Satan’s perverted message about family is to fill your mind with God’s divine purpose for family, which you can read about in the books mentioned above. God gives parameters for human reproduction and He wants us to be good stewards of the environment. But the Creator of the environment and of human families *loves family*. He *loves marriage*. And He *absolutely loves children!*

## ► MYSTERY FROM PAGE 21

Jesus Christ thanked God that the truth was hidden from educated, wealthy people and instead revealed to babes, or humble people (Matthew 11:25). You must be childlike to understand God's truth. Unless you become humble as a little child, Christ said you will never be in the Kingdom (Matthew 18:4).

The beginning of wisdom is the fear of God. Those who keep His commandments have that fear (Psalm 111:10). Traditional Christianity teaches that those commandments were done away; they are no longer necessary. They believe that Christ took care of that for us. Is that true?

To understand God's truth, you need God's Holy Spirit. God gives us His Spirit to open up the human mind (1 Corinthians 2:9-11). To receive that Spirit, you must follow the formula the Apostle Peter gave: "Repent, and be baptized" (Acts 2:38). You must turn to God, change your ways, and be baptized by a true minister of God.

Are you willing to take such steps to have this invaluable understanding? Mr. Armstrong was filled with unspeakable joy as he learned these new truths. If we have God's truth, we will be filled with joy!

Think about the time we live in. Mankind does not know the way of peace or joy. Half the world's population is illiterate. Many live in filth and squalor, plagued by starvation and disease. These are hopeless circumstances!

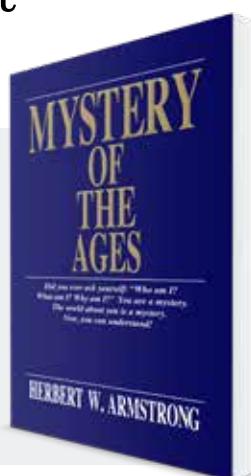
Many nations possess nuclear weapons, and it only takes one madman to start a nuclear World War III. The Bible tells you that one madman will do just that. These are terrifying times. But science, education and religion do not have the solutions. There is no way they can solve these problems that, if left alone, will lead to human annihilation.

But God has the solutions. He has had them all along. But we have rejected them and tried to solve things our own way. It has never worked, nor ever will.

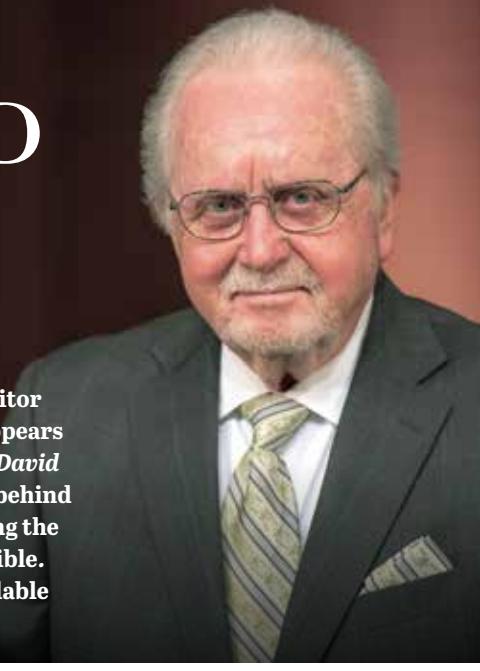
Christ says that mankind has closed their eyes! (Matthew 13:15). But you can understand these seven mysteries and the truth of God in a way that you never have before! That is God's goal for you. Will you accept His offer? ■

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