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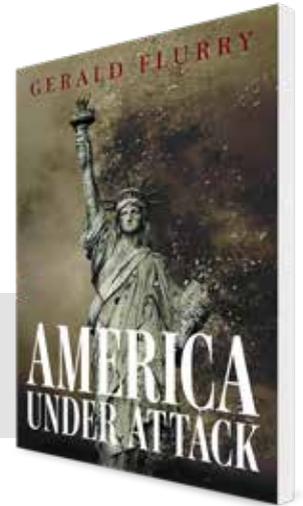
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FROM THE EDITOR
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The Unseen Attacker



The following is the introduction of Gerald Flurry's new book, *America Under Attack*. This is a significantly expanded version of his 2013 booklet of the same title.

ACROSS THE GLOBE, PEOPLE ARE ASKING THE SAME question: *What has happened to the United States of America?*

In just a few short years, the wealthiest, most powerful, most influential single nation in human history has become dangerously radicalized, divided and weak. It has rapidly fallen into political dysfunction, social division, economic woe, judicial and legislative compromise, and catastrophic moral failure. The nation Abraham Lincoln called “the last best hope of Earth” is, as he warned, about to “die by suicide.”

WHY? Why is the nation with every historic, geographical, cultural, economic and military advantage *destroying itself*?

This book, unlike any other, will reveal the core reason. It is *totally unseen* by most people in America and around the world.

This nation is committing suicide at the hands of certain powerful people in government and in society. They are actively, intentionally sabotaging this special nation *from the inside*. These radical elites have rapidly and fundamentally transformed American politics, governance, diplomacy, policing, morality, race, sex, tradition and culture.

This is what makes America's collapse so shocking, so historic and so excruciating: **THE NATION IS BEING ATTACKED FROM WITHIN BY ITS OWN LEADERS.**

How can you explain this? You need to know. As America falls, terrifying new powers are filling the void. The world is becoming a prey to autocratic states like Russia, China and Iran. America's self-destruction has already destabilized the world, increasing the dangers for *all* peoples—and this trend is certain to grow far worse.

This book will show you the **REAL CAUSE** for this crisis.

The Bible actually *prophesied* what is now happening in America. It describes it as “bitter affliction.” This book exposes

the cause of this affliction. It is the *only* book that does so.

The Bible also prophesies that God will *save* America from this affliction, in a specific way, through a specific man. This book gives you advance news of how God will relieve this bitterness soon, giving America its last chance at survival.

Understanding these truths supplies invaluable perspective amid the storms battering America. When you see the *cause*, then you can discern the real *solutions*—and you can have genuine hope in America's future.

America's 'Swooning' Press

It is difficult to understand this spiritual dimension. We cannot see it with our eyes, but we can certainly see its effects.

Let me give you a stunning example that occurred in 2013. I wrote about this in a booklet I published that year, also titled *America Under Attack*. That booklet was only 36 pages, but it vividly exposed the unseen cause of America's crisis. Events have since proved that booklet true, which is why I believe it needed to be expanded significantly.

In his book *Panic 2012: The Sublime and Terrifying Inside Story of Obama's Final Campaign*, author Michael Hastings described the *captivating effect* Barack Obama had on the journalists covering him during his second presidential campaign. Hastings told MSNBC's Martin Bashir, “But that's **THE PRESENCE OF OBAMA**, even on the press corps—even on the people who follow him every day. When they're near him, they **LOSE THEIR MINDS** sometimes. **THEY START BEHAVING IN WAYS THAT ARE JUVENILE, AND AMATEURISH, AND THEY SWOON**” (emphasis mine throughout).

What is that about? Reporters swooning and acting like nervous teenagers around a politician is *not normal*. I have never seen anything like it in American politics!

This is a *damning indictment against our media*. These journalists have a critical responsibility to find out the truth

and inform the public. With Mr. Obama, they instead routinely gave fawning coverage. The mainstream media were practically *bewitched*. To this day, many journalists accept and promote what this man says even when it is provably false.

Even Hastings admitted to getting caught up in this behavior. He described an opportunity he had to interview Obama. “Did I ask the hardball questions? No, I did not,” he admitted with a smile. Instead he asked “soft” questions. Bashir asked if *he* swooned around Obama. “I do,” Hastings laughed. “I totally—oh man!”

This journalist thought this was funny. Was it really funny? Journalists acting this way toward a politician like Barack Obama is a colossal disaster!

Think deeply about this revelation from Hastings (who died a few months later). It is powerful evidence of the core problem afflicting America—a problem that has since grown significantly worse. Because the media swooned over President Obama, he was never held accountable. He was able to amass enormous power to do virtually *whatever he willed to do*. The media were simply unwilling to challenge him.

These journalists didn’t even do their job during Obama’s *first* presidential campaign in 2008. This contest for the nation’s most powerful office came at a crucial time in our history, yet many of Mr. Obama’s dangerous beliefs were unknown to the public before they voted for him. Why? Days before the election, prominent newsmen Tom Brokaw and Charlie Rose admitted that **THE PRESS NEVER DID VET CANDIDATE BARACK OBAMA. THEY FAILED TO CONDUCT A RIGOROUS EVALUATION OF THIS MAN.** They gave him a pass and ignored deeply concerning evidence of his radical roots—evidence we will show you in this book.

On Election Night in 2008, MSNBC’s Chris Matthews said, “The feeling most people get when they hear Barack Obama speak ... I felt this thrill going up my leg.” What happens when the press becomes so spellbound? What could be more dangerous? Without a free and truthful media, a republic cannot survive!

Because the journalists swooned, because they avoided asking difficult questions, because they made a **HERO** out of Barack Obama, **THIS MAN TOOK THE HIGHEST OFFICE IN THE LAND—TWICE.**

What you need to see, and what I will show in this book, is that a **DANGEROUS SPIRIT** was at work here. There is a *powerful spiritual force* behind such inexplicable behavior. And in the years since, it has grown far stronger.

‘The God of This World’

With the increase in evil in our world, I have seen more and more commentators talking about the fact that there is a spiritual dimension to human life. A number have been more open in acknowledging the existence of God. Some have even said

the devil is influencing American politics. They probably do not realize just how right they are.

Most people will scoff at what I am about to write, but it is absolutely true. You can prove it from your Bible.

2 Corinthians 4:4 calls Satan the devil “the god of this world.” What does that mean? To say that he is this world’s *god* means that *he rules*—and that people in this world *worship* him! It means that this evil spirit being has **FRIGHTENING POWER**—power we can hardly imagine. This might sound like an extreme statement, but in these extreme and confusing times, doesn’t it at least warrant consideration? There is a lot at stake for America, and for you personally.

This biblical truth explains the prevalence of evil around us. This is a crucial truth, and you need to prove it for yourself. (Our book *Mystery of the Ages*, by Herbert W. Armstrong, explains it with thorough scriptural proof. We will gladly send you a free copy.)

One of the Bible’s most remarkable passages to help us understand the extent of the devil’s power is in the book of Revelation. Revelation 12 describes a war in heaven where great angelic beings fought against the devil and his demons, of which there are millions. Here is the outcome of that spiritual war: “[T]he dragon [Satan] fought and his angels [the *fallen*



angels—the demons], And prevailed not; neither was their place found any more in heaven. And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the Devil, and SATAN, WHICH DECEIVETH THE WHOLE WORLD: he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him” (verses 7-9).

Notice: Verse 9 says Satan *deceives the whole world*—everybody! His deception affects this world’s education, its religion, its politics, its science—everything. So says your Bible.

Ephesians 2:2 calls Satan “the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience.” The devil is stirring up people’s emotions, moods and attitudes. When people get into a negative emotion or bad attitude, he works on those people even more. He has power to *influence* those wrong emotions; he has deceived the *world* through

them! People don't understand God's Word—they lack spiritual depth—so they simply follow along emotionally, and Satan deceives them. That is stunning, but it is biblical.

Revelation 12:9 is also an end-time prophecy. The book of Revelation puts all prophecy into a time sequence. That means you can know *when* the prophecy will be fulfilled. If you don't understand Revelation, you don't understand Bible prophecy.

This verse tells us that Satan and the fallen angels—*millions* of demons—were driven out of heaven and cast down to Earth and are now **CONFINED HERE!** Never before has this world been so infested with demons. Look around: The evil proliferating in every direction has a source, and this prophecy exposes it.

Why Satan Attacks America

We are now living during this brief period when Satan is full of his worst wrath ever. Revelation 12:12 shows that he is infuriated because he knows his time of ruling Earth is almost over. This is woeful news in the short term, but a sign of *wonderful* news in the long term!

This book focuses on how Satan is attacking *America*. It reveals how he is using human beings—one in particular—to do so.

Why is the devil mounting such a dedicated offensive against this one nation? The answer reveals something profound, even inspiring.

America has been the world's most powerful country for most of the last century. It took over leadership from Britain, which was the greatest empire in history for the century before that. These two powers have occupied an utterly unique place in history, possessing unparalleled wealth and influence and using it in a way that benefited untold *billions* of people.

Our peoples tend to take credit for this spectacular success. But the truth is that *God gave us* these incomparable blessings.

Do you know why? It was not because of our righteousness or worthiness to receive them. Believe it or not, God bestowed these blessings to fulfill promises He had made *millenniums ago*—promises recorded in the Bible.

Yes, the history of these nations traces directly back to the pages of the Bible! This too is a truth you can prove.

Here is another truth you can prove: Most of the prophecies in the Bible are intended for the end time. The Prophet Daniel, for example, didn't even understand what he recorded. He was told to preserve it until it would be unsealed at "the time of the end" (Daniel 12:4, 8-9). The Prophet Isaiah also knew his message was for a time far after his own. God told him, "Now go, write it before them in a table, and note it in a book, that it may be for *the time to come* [meaning '*the latter day*'] *for ever and ever*" (Isaiah 30:8). The Prophet Ezekiel was commissioned to warn "the children of Israel" of impending captivity—yet the Israelites had been conquered and taken captive years before. Like Daniel, Isaiah and the words of other prophets, his writings were recorded and miraculously preserved for thousands of years because the warning was intended for the *modern descendants* of ancient Israel.

There are many such prophecies in the Bible. However, the key that unlocks the meaning of so much biblical prophecy is widely unknown.

That all-important key is the identity of the descendants of Israel today.

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The Bible is a book about God's chosen nation Israel and how God established it—despite the fact that its people were no better than other peoples—to serve as a blessing to all other nations. As the late educator and theologian Herbert W. Armstrong meticulously proved in his book *The United States and Britain in Prophecy*, the modern descendants of the biblical Israelites are in fact the American and British peoples! America's blessings are indeed *birthright* blessings that God promised the descendants of Abraham, Isaac and Israel—specifically those of Joseph's sons Ephraim and Manasseh (modern-day Britain and America; e.g. 1 Chronicles 5:2). End-time prophecy about *Israel* actually reveals the fate of the United States and Britain! (I urge you to request from us a free copy of *The United States and Britain in Prophecy*.)

God prophesied of our power and prosperity. He also warned, throughout the Bible, that He would *remove* His blessing and protection if we rebelled against Him. These nations enjoyed the fulfillment of the first part of those prophecies. They then rebelled against God. Now we are experiencing the *bitter affliction* of the latter part.

And at the same time that God has removed His protection, Satan and his demons are at their fiercest wrath! They hate God and everything He represents. Throughout history, they have concentrated their vilest attacks on God's chosen people.



The Radical Transformation of Canada

Justin Trudeau has dismantled the nation's democracy. Its descent into tyranny contains a critical warning. **BY TIMOTHY OOSTENDARP**

IN THE LAST SEVEN YEARS, CANADA has had a shocking transformation. It has been *directly* led by Prime Minister Justin Trudeau and a small group of radicals who have subjected the country to Trudeau's *will*.

A former president of Trudeau's own Liberal Party observed that the prime minister "has drastically altered Canadian institutions and norms so considerably that usually calm people are raising

their voices in protest. The core of the protesters in Ottawa and other Canadian centers were angry not only about government heavy-handedness in its pandemic policies, but also the changes being brought about by Trudeau."

Canada is churning with the same cultural, political, legal and institutional strife that is rocking the United States, triggered by Barack Obama. This is not a coincidence. It is *designed*. It is made

possible by lawlessness, it is strengthened by deceit and force of will, and it is powered by a distinct spirit.

Here is how it happened—and what it means for Canada.

Creeping in Unaware

The image was awful: An old lady, peacefully protesting the Trudeau government, was run over by a police horse. The February 18 video is a symbol of what the radicals in power have done to Canadians' rights and freedoms.

"My idea of freedom," Trudeau once said, "is that we should protect the rights of people to believe what their conscience dictates, but fight equally hard to protect people from having the beliefs of others *imposed upon them*."

It was not the will of Canadians to stop working, to stop living their normal lives, to lock themselves away. But it *was* Trudeau's will. In order to impose it on them, he had to gain absolute control of his party, make it an empty vessel for his will, win an election, and empower the government, and therefore himself, to gain control over all levels of government and its institutions.

Over the last six years, this has come to pass.

Invading Power

In June 2014, Trudeau was leader of the Liberal Party. He *imposed* his personal abortion beliefs on anti-abortion party members, forcing them to vote like him or face consequences. The party members submitted.

Many shared Trudeau's ardor for abortion. Their later actions would show that they also shared his desire to *impose* beliefs on party members who were in the minority. This episode stood as an ill omen.

Other Liberal Party members remained quiet. The media was shamefully silent. They were too busy pointing fingers at then Prime Minister Stephen Harper, warning that *he* was a dictator and that Canadians must save their freedoms by giving the prime ministership to Justin Trudeau.

Before the 2015 election, Trudeau said in a *National Post* interview, "One of the things that we've seen throughout the past decades in government is the trend towards more control from the prime

minister's office. Actually it can be traced as far back as my father [former Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau], who kicked it off in the first place. And I think we've reached the endpoint on that."

It's now infamous how far Trudeau blasted past that endpoint. But Canadians should have seen it coming. Although the media represented it very favorably, Trudeau's past, including open admiration for *communism*, was a major warning to voters. But they never seemed too concerned.

While Trudeau is often considered a political lightweight, once he took power he adroitly accelerated "the trend towards more control from the prime minister's office," just like his father. Imposing your beliefs, especially when they are radical, requires *power*.

For years, this transformation has been masked—veiled in democratic double talk. Now it is coming out into the open. But we still have not reached the endpoint.

Promising Liberty

Pierre Trudeau held power between 1968 and 1984. Under his rule, the law began to be viewed and applied differently. Over the next three decades, respect for time-tested laws and family morality began to be replaced with immorality and will worship. The established laws that conflicted with this lawless spirit were rewritten, abandoned or ignored. Canadians began pretending that a nation can survive when its leaders, who are responsible for administering the law over the nation's families, have respect for neither law nor family.

The ensuing lawlessness has made the nation vulnerable to an undemocratic, hostile takeover of its government and other federal and public institutions.

Canadians have abandoned the law, the founding principles and God. *The people share the blame for abdicating their freedoms.*

In June 2022, a former clerk of the Privy Council, the office of the top public servant of Canada, warned of the damage the accelerated centralization of power in the prime minister's office (PMO) is having on the Canadian government and its institutions. His comments illuminate what has been happening in the country. Paul Tellier explained,

"There is no way that if I was a cabinet minister, I would allow a bunch of people in PMO to tell me how to do my work. And it's at every level; it's not only for junior ministers, the most senior ministers It's for deputy ministers and departments" (*Policy Options*, May 30).

Every level of the ruling Canadian government—including the cabinet—is controlled by the tyrannical will of the man in the prime minister's office.

"So why, if you trust the minister and if you trust the advisers to the minister in his office and in the department, do you want six people in PMO to review a draft press release or a tweet?" Tellier asked.

Even though he presides over a *minority* government, Trudeau has been embroiled in numerous outrageous scandals, including recent allegations that he colluded with the head of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police to politicize a mass shooting for political gain.

As Tellier explained, Trudeau is *destroying* the public service (the government)—"and the word 'destroying' is not too strong." Here is some rare courage to warn the country. But the media has not sounded the alarm. They are *bewitched* by the prime minister.

The Man Who Made Trudeau

Little do ordinary Canadians know how connected the prime minister is to the Democratic Party in America and how wedded he is to importing their *Communist methods—including Barack Obama's Chicago-style politics.*

Canadian media has given little attention to the Liberal Party's cross-border connections to Obama, the Clinton machine and the Democratic Party.

Prior to the 2015 election that brought Trudeau to power, liberal think tank Canada 2020 connected Canada's elite with elite members of the Democratic Party, including Barack Obama, Hillary Clinton, Al Gore, John Podesta and other lesser-known figures who feature in

both Obama's and Trudeau's tight circles.

Before 2015, the Democratic Party machine invested heavily in Trudeau, according to *Macleans*. That help was amplified by Obama and his operatives. "Trudeau's rise would be abetted by the machinery that helped Obama win the presidency in 2008, forged via connections between Canada 2020, the Liberals



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and Global Progress Initiative, an international network also co-founded by Podesta," *Macleans* wrote (Oct. 12, 2017).

Obama and Trudeau are deeply connected behind the scenes organizationally, and perhaps personally. In many ways, Trudeau was *made* by Obama. In return, Trudeau has been a loyal disciple.

In overall ideology, Obama's Democratic Party and Trudeau's Liberal Party are one, and they are acting together to advance Obama's radical progressive agenda in both nations.

Saving Face—and the Agenda

Barack Obama excels at working behind the scenes. But one exception came during Trudeau's 2019 campaign.

A key weapon for radicals like Obama and Trudeau is the accusation of racism. But in 2019 photos came to light from more than one occasion of a

young Trudeau wearing blackface. His progressive voters were deeply embarrassed by the hypocrisy. A funereal gloom washed over his staff. Election Day was drawing near. Trudeau's socialist transformation of Canada needed saving, desperately. The only man who could save Trudeau—and cleanse him of his racism in the eyes of Canada's progressives—was Barack Obama.

He came through. Five days before the election, Obama tweeted out to his followers that he was “proud to work with Justin Trudeau” and that “[t]he world needs his progressive leadership.”

As one journalist put it, Obama's tweet was like an exploding hand grenade in the federal electoral campaign.

One post-election survey found that 35 percent of voters had waited until the last few days before deciding who to vote for. You could fairly say that Obama decided Canada's 2019 federal election and put Trudeau back into power—shortly before the government would be entrusted with protecting the people from an epidemic outbreak without destroying their liberties.

Trudeau replied to Obama: “Thanks, my friend, we're working hard to keep our progress going.”

Seducing the Public

Trudeau has been in power for almost seven years, during which he has used the coronavirus as a pretext for extremely

mandates and the truckers' Freedom Convoy.

Frustration over vaccine mandates was building for some time. Finally, a truck convoy crossed the nation, protesting the government's tyrannical rule. For many days, as they made their way to Canada's capital, the prime minister remained silent. Canadians nationwide donated more money to the truckers in two weeks than they did to all of Canada's major political parties, combined, in three months. When the beleaguered truckers parked peacefully outside Parliament, Trudeau refused to meet them.

When he finally did speak, the prime minister labeled these everyday Canadians as a “fringe minority” with “unacceptable views.” The mainstream media rallied around his inflammatory statement and amplified it at every opportunity. They repeatedly lied, saying the protesters wanted to overthrow the government in concert with the radical right, Trump supporters and even the Russians. Trudeau fled to an undisclosed location, reportedly thousands of miles away on the other side of the country, as if he feared for his life.

Trudeau's minister of public safety was collaborating behind the scenes with the media. The protesters were painted as would-be terrorists willing to use violence to bring down the government. Snipers nestled on rooftops, and drones overhead lent an air of danger. Subsequent investigations showed there was no evidence of guns, ammunition or other weapons stashes. There was, however, a hot tub, a bouncy castle, grandmothers, mothers pushing baby prams, and little children.

By implying they were terrorists, the prime minister justified his next steps. The capital was deemed “under siege.” With the help of the media and without a shred of concrete evidence, the government told the public that the parked truckers were a mortal threat to Canada. Trudeau invoked the Emergencies Act, giving himself extraordinary, extrajudicial powers designed for *war time*, and said it was the “responsible thing to do.”

“Domestic ideologically motivated extremism is here and it's here to stay,” Trudeau's national security and intelligence adviser Jody Thomas said in an



Trudeau has used the coronavirus as a pretext for extremely strict lockdowns and has sparked unrest even among a population accustomed to socialistic government.

Obama had interfered with a Canadian election. With one carefully timed statement, Trudeau was forgiven, and progressives could rally to their leader, blackface notwithstanding.

One campaign staff member observed, “It recharged the base—those people who had been embarrassed by Trudeau's behavior (in the ‘blackface’ scandal). Obama gave everyone the reassurance that Justin was a great guy and not a racist” (*National Post*, Nov. 13, 2019).

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Obama and Trudeau's radical agenda has betrayed outright hostility to law and to the ancient, enshrined rights of Americans and Canadians.

The long list of the prime minister's scandals and his elaborate schemes to suppress them bear this out. The highest-profile, most egregious examples were his arrogant handling of vaccine

odious smear of ordinary Canadians who happen to dislike the prime minister's government.

The whole thing was set up. What the prime minister and his operatives accomplished is best understood by the *effects* currently happening. The evidence shows that the prime minister's MAIN TARGET OF CONTROL is the intelligence agencies.

The Real Seditonist

When questioned who had made the decision to invoke the act, Trudeau's minister of public safety lied 13 different times about it. He said the police asked for it. Trudeau's own Emergency Preparedness minister said that was not true. The government continually tries to hide its agenda.

The question is not necessarily who invoked the act, but *why was it invoked*. After already locking down the country

The government and the intelligence community are ramping up efforts to expand surveillance powers to spy on Canadians.

to an unprecedented degree, in peacetime, Trudeau smeared the Freedom Convoy in order to *impose greater control* over the federal intelligence agencies to spy on Canadians.

He worked with the Canadian federal intelligence agencies, took counsel from the U.S. government and President Joe Biden, and received help from U.S. intelligence agencies. He hopes to make some of these powers *permanent*.

Using *government-funded* news reports to justify his actions, the prime minister *locked protesters and donors out of their bank accounts*, which likely sparked a run on the banks.

Trudeau's government also imprisoned Freedom Convoy organizers as political prisoners, treating them worse than Black Lives Matter protesters and even worse than repeat violent criminals convicted of murder and sexual assault. The police vowed to track down and prosecute peaceful convoy protesters. Donations to truckers were blocked and then investigated. How reminiscent of the Democratic January 6 playbook, using a false pretext to turn the raw

powers of the intelligence agencies on ordinary Americans.

The invocation of the Emergencies Act was a *display of raw power* and unlawful intimidation by the federal government. How terrifying for ordinary Canadians to have the full powers of the government unleashed on them: the government spying on and prosecuting Canadians it has imposed a "terrorist" label on according to the will and the lies of the prime minister.

Since crushing the protests, the government has sought the power to search and spy on personal digital devices for persons crossing the border. It is also proceeding with legislation that will give the prime minister and the government unprecedented control of speech in the country.

The government and the intelligence community are now also ramping up efforts to expand surveillance powers—

powers calibrated to formulate new methods to spy on Canadians.

Every one of these federal and other agencies that is supposed to maintain a level of independence from federal authority, including the banking system, did exactly what the prime minister *told them to do*.

This shows a frightening level of control over the nation's government and its institutions, as well as commerce and industry.

Completing the Transformation

The Liberal government has now partnered with the New Democratic Party to form a formidable beachhead against attempts to bring Trudeau down. This Communist partnership has given the

Brothers from a distant ancestor.

Canada and America's connection goes further back than a political alliance or even the British Empire. The true history of these peoples is one of the most remarkable stories ever told. Read it in ***The United States and Britain in Prophecy***.

prime minister an unprecedented window of time, with extraordinary power, to ram his final agenda through Parliament and to complete the radical transformation of Canada. His pace is breathtaking. And the legacy media appears to all but love him for it. Canada's institutions, including the judiciary, have been brought even more under control of the prime minister's cabal.

Canadians should be deeply alarmed! Justin Trudeau's radical takeover of the country is complete. Canada will never be the same. Trudeau and his cabal of radical insiders aligned with Obama have fundamentally transformed Canada. This same global progressive agenda has also brought Britain, Australia and New Zealand under authoritarian control, deeply dividing and weakening these nations.

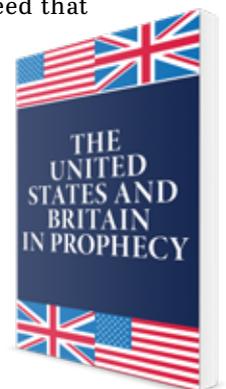
But their efforts won't end as they plan.

Trumpet editor in chief Gerald Flurry has been warning about the hidden cause of society's decline since 1989. He has warned about a treasonous conspiracy led by Obama in the modern nations of Israel to blot out the name of Israel (2 Kings 14:27). Mr. Flurry's new book *America Under Attack* shows how this movement is ultimately empowered by Satan, through lawlessness.

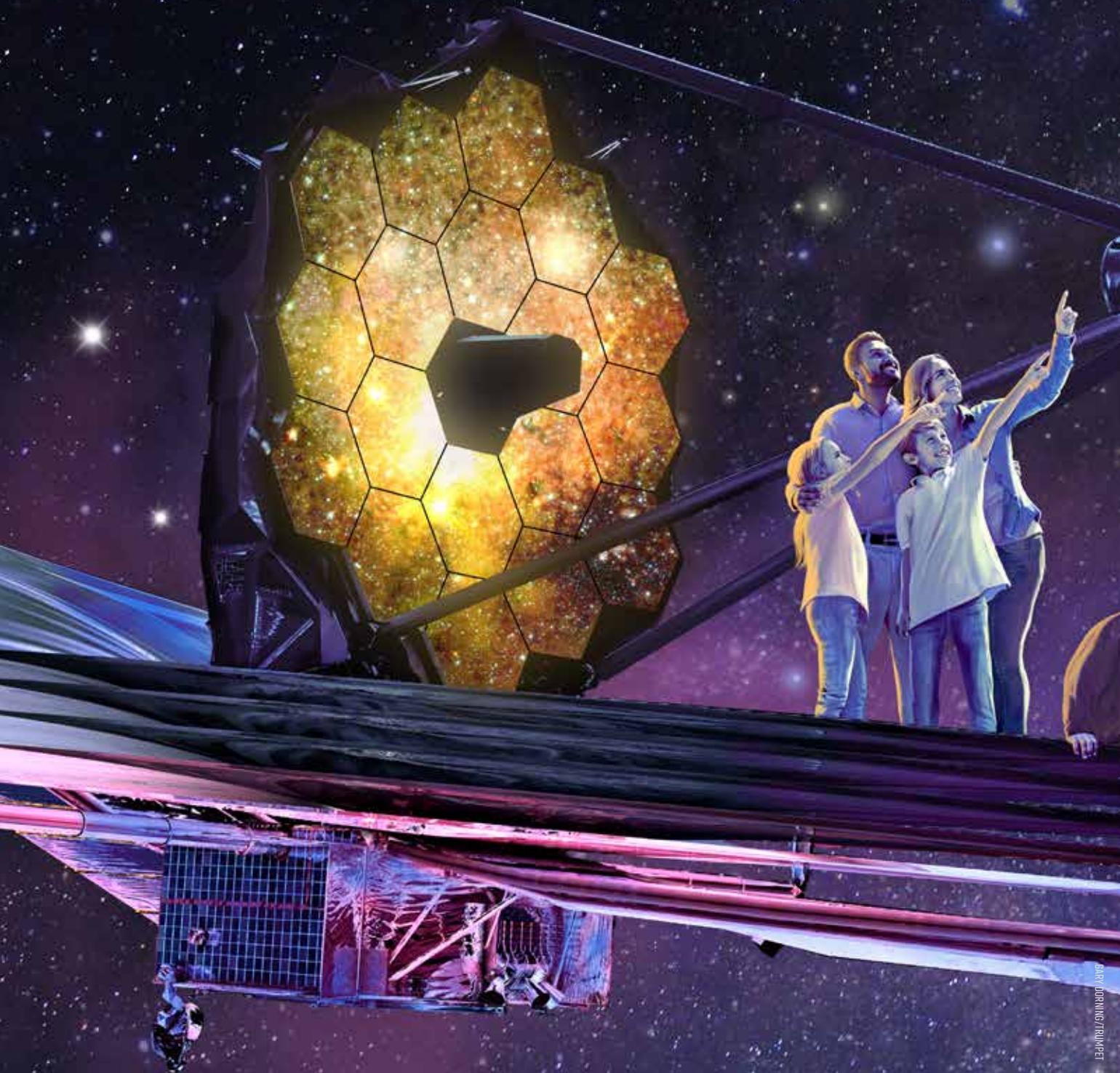
Canada has not escaped this blistering *spiritual* attack.

Prime Minister Trudeau is responsible for his personal sins. But his success in invading and conquering the government and its institutions is, ultimately, because of Canada's national and family sins. God is cursing us for what we have allowed. We are experiencing the consequences of our own actions. A majority of Canadians have lost faith in the country.

A warning message has been going out, through Herbert W. Armstrong and now Gerald Flurry, for 90 years. With Canada *already* transformed, it's time to wake up and heed that warning.



WHERE THE WEBB TELESCOPE IS POINTING



It promises to expand our understanding of the distant past and our vision of an inspiring future. **BY JOEL HILLIKER**

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WE COULD BE ON THE CUSP OF A LEAP FORWARD in our understanding of the universe. The James Webb Space Telescope is just starting its scientific work.

What will it find? What will we learn? What's out there?

More than the greatest scientists have ever imagined.

"We are opening the infrared treasure chest," Webb's senior project scientist, Dr. John Mather, said, "and surprises are guaranteed."

Keep your eyes on the images and data that come in from this telescope. Among its many, many projects, one focus of its studies will help us understand the past; another will increase our vision of the future.

Into the Heavens

It has been 30 years since the telescope was first conceived. The complexity of this instrument and the processes required to construct it defy easy explanation. NASA's chief astrophysics scientist, Eric Smith, said, "When you see Webb go into space ... it's the whole force of human creativity and all kinds of disciplines that push it there."

Everything had to go more than 99 percent perfectly for this telescope to be built in the first place, to fold up into a rocket, to withstand launch safely, to unfold precisely, to arrive at its destination a million miles from Earth, and to calibrate its invisible-light-detecting instruments.

Everything has gone more than 99 percent perfectly. Its 18 gold-plated mirror segments have unfolded and snapped into place, powered by motors capable of nudging them one ten-thousandth of the width of a hair. Now it hangs in the void, its infrared eyes open, looking at the origin of the universe and the beginning of time, and focusing.

What will this telescope tell us?

Many astronomers are extremely eager to find out. Back here on the ground, more than 2,000 groups submitted proposals for how to use the telescope during its first cycle of service. Of those, 286 were chosen for being likeliest to maximize the scientific knowledge this special instrument is capable of producing. "Early Release" programs are designed to educate astronomers on how Webb is performing and ascertain information useful for later projects. "Guaranteed Time" projects are for the scientists who helped build the telescope. "General Observer" proposals are the main category, aimed at bringing knowledge of the unreachable cosmos home to Earth and to man.

JAMES WEBB SPACE TELESCOPE GENERAL OBSERVER CATEGORIES

- EXOPLANETS AND DISKS
- GALAXIES
- INTERGALACTIC/ CIRCUMGALACTIC MEDIA
- LARGE-SCALE STRUCTURE OF UNIVERSE
- SOLAR SYSTEM ASTRONOMY
- STELLAR PHYSICS
- STELLAR POPULATIONS/ INTERSTELLAR MEDIUM
- SUPERMASSIVE BLACK HOLES/ ACTIVE GALACTIC NUCLEUS

Into the Past

Among all these planned studies, perhaps the grandest overall purpose is to peer farther back in space-time than ever before. The Webb telescope is like a time machine, capturing light that left its sources billions of years ago, from close to the birth of the universe.

Astrophysicist Amber Straughn told *60 Minutes*, “It’s like we have this 14-billion-year-old story of the universe, but we’re missing that first chapter. And Webb was specifically designed to allow us to see those very first galaxies that formed”

The spectacular Hubble Space Telescope took man far deeper into cosmic antiquity than any other instrument. It showed that galaxies existed far earlier than astronomers expected—as far back as we can see. The Hubble Deep Field images contain some smudged light that astronomers believe originated about 500 million years after the universe was born. They deduce that those structures had to have started their formation hundreds of millions of years before they arrived at the state in which they were observed.

The light from those heavenly bodies and from that extremely early time in the universe is not only billions of light-years away, but it has traveled so far for so long that it has shifted into the infrared spectrum of light. Hubble can’t see that kind of light. Webb can.

“Hubble, when pushed to its maximum, could see galaxies that were teenagers in terms of age,” astrophysicist Blake Bullock said. “We want to see babies.”

The single project with the most time on the telescope in its first cycle will look past 13.5 billion years of matter, energy and space to study thousands

of the earliest galaxies in existence.

We are about to see baby pictures of the universe.

Writing for *Quanta*, Natalie Wolchover described the work of University of Arizona professor Marcia Rieke, a pioneer in infrared astronomy who helped design one of the four main instruments on James Webb: the “near-infrared camera,” or NIRCAM. “She and her team at Arizona are planning to use more than half of their whopping 900 hours of guaranteed telescope time to do a new deep-field survey, one that will peer deeper into the past than ever before. Whereas Hubble could see the faint smudges of galaxies at redshift 10, corresponding to 500 million years after the big bang, Webb should be able to see those smudges very clearly and spot brand-new galaxies germinating farther away, perhaps as far back as 50 or 100 million years after the big bang.

“Rieke and her team will do one better than the Hubble Deep Field. After using NIRCAM to get an image of their dark patch of the sky, they’ll identify the galaxies in the patch that are farthest away and use NIRSPEC, Webb’s near-infrared spectrograph, to take the galaxies’ spectra, from which Rieke and her colleagues can deduce their chemical compositions” (“The Webb Space Telescope Will Rewrite Cosmic History. If It Works,” Dec. 3, 2021).

This could teach us a lot about our early universe and help us understand mysteries such as how black holes developed at the center of galaxies and what “dark matter” is.

The capabilities of Webb bring mankind tantalizingly close to the beginning. Astronomers are still calling it the “big bang,” as if it were random, chaotic and unintelligent. That theory

tells us more about the astronomers than it does about astronomy.

The big-bang theory is not aging well. For decades now, astronomers have found discovery after discovery making it more and more obvious that the universe had to begin with an act of *creation*.

Modern science is dominated by a belief system that evolution produced life on Earth, that a “big bang” produced Earth, and that you shall not discuss what produced the big bang. In other words, it promotes any theory you can summarize as, “There is no God.” Plenty of scientists are sure to explain every image and data set

that Webb sends—though it be the infrared signature of the Creator Himself—as proof that there is no Creator.

But as the images and data provide an ever clearer picture, there are many scientists who are turning to face reality. They are willing to look at the data in good faith and see what it actually teaches us, even where it further proves that the universe has *design* and *intent*.

“For the invisible things of him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made ...” (Romans 1:20).

Webb is ready to literally see *invisible things* from the creation. If it works, we are about to see power, beauty and even more dazzling proof of the great God who made it, and who made us. There is absolutely no other way that all of this could have come together. Scientific knowledge is increasingly aligning with the descriptions of creation contained in the Holy Bible.

Looking at the cosmos, you are looking at the handiwork of God! With advanced telescopes and other extraordinary instruments, the more we learn, the more impressive it becomes.

Into the Future

Another field of Webb-related science points us to the *future*: that is, what this telescope will teach us about *other planets*.

‘DID IT ALL START WITH A BIG BANG?’

Look at the evidence, in Chapter 3 of **Our Awesome Universe Potential.**

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A BROADER SPECTRUM

With an unimpeded view of outer space, powerful new technologies and science instruments, and a grand primary mirror, the Webb telescope is about 100 times more powerful than Hubble—capable of seeing far into the infrared spectrum.



The study of exoplanets—planets beyond our solar system—is a new field. It is far easier to see stars and galaxies than it is to see these types of non-radiant heavenly spheres. In the last three decades, astronomers have detected exoplanets by observing fluctuations in the light emitted from stars around which they orbit: A planet blocks a fraction of the light when it passes between us and its star, and it reflects it when it rounds the other side. So far, more than 4,500 planets have been identified, among undoubtedly billions. What we know already highlights how singularly spectacular is the life-shielding, life-nourishing combination of factors that exists only on Earth.

The James Webb instruments will provide clearer views than ever of what is happening on these other planets. This includes recognizing what chemical elements exist there, the existence of oceans, and their atmospheric composition. Using a technique called transmission spectroscopy, they will be able to detect which types of molecules compose the planet's sky.

“Existing telescopes have already spotted molecular fingerprints in the skies of hot Jupiters [large planets orbiting close to a star], but these are lifeless planets. Detecting the weaker signals from rocky, possibly habitable planets' skies will require JWST. Not only will the telescope have close to 100 times Hubble's resolution, but it will see exoplanets far more clearly against the background of their host stars, since planets emit more infrared than optical light, while stars emit less. Importantly, Webb's view of exoplanets won't be obscured by clouds, which often prevent optical telescopes from seeing the densest, low-altitude layers of atmosphere” (ibid).

Dozens of the scientific programs will aim Webb at exoplanets, including many specific planets we have already discovered that are in the “habitable zones” of stars—orbital distances that are the right distance for liquid water to exist and, conceivably, life. For example, five different programs will study a planetary system 40 light-years away called TRAPPIST-1, which is thought to have seven Earth-size worlds orbiting one red dwarf star.

Scientists concentrating on this study are interested, as they always are, in the

presence of life on other planets. They are looking for what they call “biosignature gases”—evidence of life that is exhaling carbon dioxide, or photosynthesizing out oxygen.

The Bible reveals that Earth is the only place with life in the universe. So they are not going to find what they're looking for. But the Bible does reveal something extremely exciting about these exoplanets. This is explained in *Our Awesome Universe Potential*, in the chapter “Why the Universe?”

Scriptures like Isaiah 45:18 and 51:16, Hebrews 2 and Romans 8, among many others, show that God did not make the universe in vain. He has plans to bring life to these planets in the future! The universe is *waiting* for that time.

“For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the sons of God; for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of him who subjected it in hope; because the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and obtain the glorious liberty of the children of God. We know that the whole creation has been groaning in travail together until now.”

—ROMANS 8:19-22; RSV

“This passage indicates precisely what all astronomers and scientific evidence indicates—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—waiting until converted humans are born the children of God,” Herbert W. Armstrong wrote of Romans 8 in his book *The Incredible Human Potential*. “Put together all these scriptures I have used in this chapter, and you begin to grasp the incredible human potential. Our potential is to be born into the God Family, receiving total power! We are to be given jurisdiction over the entire universe!

“What are we going to do then? These scriptures indicate we shall impart life to billions and billions of dead planets, as life has been imparted to this Earth. We shall create, as God directs and instructs.”

Through the Bible, God has revealed

the understanding that there are other planets out there, surely billions of them, that sometime in the future His Family is going to beautify and populate!

The James Webb Space Telescope is sure to teach us about some of these specific planets. They will be shown to have zero signs of life on them yet. But we will see that the overall conditions are there, just like when Earth was without form and void (Genesis 1:2). All the elements favorable for life are in place—waiting and ready for a Genesis 1-type re-creation event that introduces *life!*

Look for discoveries from James Webb to give us a much more vivid vision of this inspiring future—if we understand what we are looking at.

Lift Up Your Eyes

These are just two of the exciting areas of study that James Webb will be focusing on and revealing more about in the weeks, months and hopefully years ahead. Just in the first yearly cycle of its use are many more exciting specific projects that will teach us about our universe.

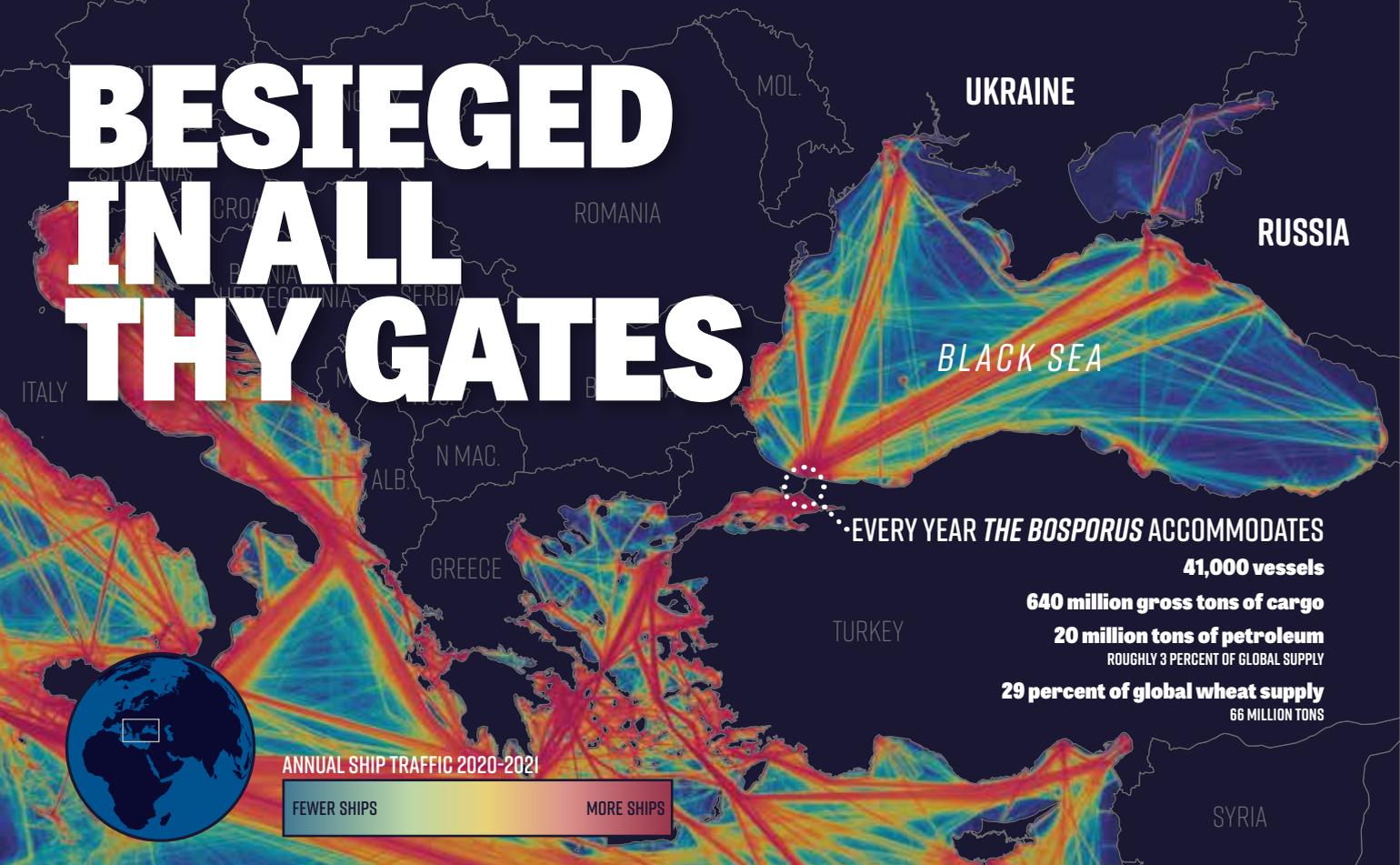
There are specific projects aimed at studying the properties of our own solar system, better understanding the large-scale structure of the universe, extending our grasp of stellar physics, shedding light on supermassive black holes. In just this first cycle of use, 286 specific projects have been allocated telescope time, every one of which is studying some aspect of God's handiwork and promises to help us better understand His creation!

Astrophysicist Grant Tremblay told *Quanta*, “It's going to do amazing things. We'll be in the *New York Times* talking about how this is witnessing the birth of stars at the edge of time, this is one of the earliest galaxies, this is the story of other Earths” (op cit).

World events are hurtling toward the violent climax of man's rule on Earth. Hopelessness and despair are spreading. While human life here deteriorates, while the suffering begins to touch even you and your family, *look up*.

Like Webb, you will be pointing your vision toward something that will set your mind ablaze. Keep your eyes on what this telescope teaches and the majesty of what it reveals to us about the past and about the future, if we have eyes to see.

BESIEGED IN ALL THEY GATES



Is Russia's war at sea a preview of Bible prophecy? **BY ABRAHAM BLONDEAU**

RUSSIA'S GROUND INVASION OF Ukraine did not go as planned. Its lightning strike against the capital, Kyiv, fizzled. Its forces faced unexpectedly strong resistance in other cities and across the countryside and have paid dearly in losses of troops and equipment for any territorial gains.

Most of the media coverage has focused on the war on land and Russia's struggles there. You've probably heard less about the other dimension of the conflict: the war at sea.

This maritime struggle is strangling a nation and affecting the world beyond. It vividly illustrates how major Bible prophecies will soon be fulfilled.

Black Sea Blockade

The Russian Navy enjoys significant technological and numerical superiority over the Ukrainian Navy. This massive advantage traces back several years—to before Russia took over the Crimean Peninsula in 2014. In fact, as Lawrence Freedman wrote in the *New Statesman*, “The Russian move to annex Crimea in 2014 was

in part motivated by its desire to avoid any challenge to its naval base at Sevastopol. In the process of securing this base, it also acquired three quarters of the Ukrainian Navy” (May 19). This gave Russia even greater naval superiority. And sooner or later, naval superiority almost always means military supremacy.

When Russia started its invasion of Ukraine in February of this year, it took immediate advantage of this naval disparity. “[T]he Ukrainian Navy was still small, with only 5,000 sailors and consisting largely of patrol vessels,” Freedman continued. “They were soon targeted by the Russians, and one, the *Sloviansk*, which had been gifted by the U.S. to Ukraine in 2018, was sunk in the first week of March.” The Russian Navy swiftly blockaded the entire Ukrainian coast and effectively divided the Black Sea into two. First, it closed the Kerch Strait, making the Sea of Azov a “Russian lake” and providing control over the land bridge from Crimea to Russia. Second, the capture of Snake Island in the western Black Sea gave the Russian

Navy the means to effectively blockade Odessa, Ukraine's main port city.

Western nations supplied Ukraine with anti-ship missiles, and Ukraine was able to sink the *Moskva*, flagship of the Russian Black Sea Fleet. This hurt Russian prestige and forced Russian vessels further offshore, but it did not break Russia's blockade or cripple Russia's suffocating advantage. It patrols the coast with six submarines and several other naval vessels.

Shipping through the Black Sea has accounted for half of Ukraine's total trade and 90 percent of its grain and sunflower oil exports, which are badly needed elsewhere, especially in Middle Eastern nations. Its significant exports of sunflower oil, corn, barley, wheat and other goods are stuck. Ukrainian farmers who aren't fighting and whose farms have not been destroyed have harvests coming, but they have no way to ship or store them. Millions of tons of grain could be lost.

Ukraine also produces about half of the world's neon gas, which is used to produce semiconductor chips—and semiconductor chips are required for basically every kind of computer technology. Since

February, several merchant ships have been attacked or struck mines, making insurance rates impossibly high. Fears of being intercepted, seized or sunk have stranded about 80 merchant vessels on the Odessa side of the Russian blockade, unable to reach the world's ports.

With Russian warships off of Odessa, Ukraine cannot ship or receive most of the materials and goods it needs to survive. Unless something changes, the Ukrainian economy will be strangled to death. Control of the sea could prove decisive in the Ukraine conflict.

Virtually every nation on Earth relies heavily on trade moving freely across the oceans. In fact, 90 percent of world trade is transported over water. And those seaways go through strategic sea gates: capes, straits, islands, canals and other passages. The situation in the Black Sea and Ukraine is the exact situation that nations across the world could rapidly descend into if the world economy's circulatory system were blocked.

The Importance of Sea Gates

Bible prophecy recorded long before the invention of submarines and aircraft carriers identified sea power as essential to national strength. The late Herbert W. Armstrong explained in *The United States and Britain in Prophecy* how God promised that the descendants of Abraham would become great nations, stating, “[T]hy seed shall possess the gate of his enemies” (Genesis 22:16-18). The modern descendants of Israel today are primarily the United States and the British Commonwealth. Mr. Armstrong wrote, “[T]he ‘gates’ of enemy nations are the strategic SEA GATES of entrance to or exit from these nations. Although all wealth comes from the ground, prosperity and affluence on a national scale always have come also by industry and COMMERCE. And commerce between nations has been transacted almost altogether by the SEA-LANES of the world—by SHIPS and, within a continent, by railroads” (*The United States and Britain in Prophecy*).

Britain and America came to possess every important sea gate in the world, including the Panama Canal, Gibraltar, the Suez Canal, Singapore and Hong Kong. British and American power depended on possession of these vital gates. The British Empire began to expand when it

controlled Gibraltar (1704) and flourished after building the Suez Canal (1869). It was the completion of the Panama Canal in 1914 that made America a world power. Mr. Armstrong wrote, “World War II hinged on these ‘gates’” (ibid). The next world war, what the Bible calls the Great Tribulation, will also hinge on these gates.

A vital sea passage that neither Britain nor America have ever completely controlled is the Dardanelles and Bosphorus, collectively called the Turkish Straits. Since the fall of the Byzantine Empire in 1453, these vital passages have been controlled by the Turkish people. Mr. Armstrong identified the biblical identity of the Turkish people: “The sparse records of history, with other proofs, show that many of the descendants of Esau became known as Turks. Therefore we must remember that prophecies pertaining to the latter days referring to Edom, or Esau, refer generally to the Turkish nation” (ibid).

America, Britain and Turkey are descendants of the patriarch Abraham. They have warred against each other over many centuries; central to many of these conflicts has been the control of the Dardanelles. The Turkish Straits is one of the most important passages on Earth, connecting the Black Sea to the Sea of Marmara and then to the Mediterranean and the rest of the world. Turkey's control of this strategic sea gate will prove fatal to the end-time nations of Israel.

Turkey is a NATO member, yet in the current conflict it is using its control of the straits to aid Russia. When Russia attacked Ukraine, Turkey invoked a 1936 treaty obligating it to cut off sea access to naval vessels in the event of war, thus keeping NATO vessels out but leaving Russian vessels already in the Black Sea free to do as they pleased.

Psalm 83 indicates that Turkey will join an Arab alliance with a German-led Europe against America, Britain and the Jewish state of Israel. Turkey has been increasingly hostile to America under the leadership of President Recep Tayyip Erdoğan. Turkey may temporarily side with Russia over NATO as long as Germany is in a secret alliance with Russia. Eventually, Russia and Germany are prophesied to be in conflict with one another, but for now, Turkey's control

of passages into the Black Sea precisely reflects what Bible prophecy states about Black Sea geopolitics.

Russia's successful blockade in the Black Sea and Turkey's decisive control over the Dardanelles and Bosphorus provide a small preview of what Bible prophecy says will happen soon on a global scale.

Prophesied International Blockade

The Bible prophesied that the United States and Britain would lose those vital sea gates, and this has been happening. Loss of these gates is key to the fulfillment of prophecies in Ezekiel 3 and 4, which outline what happens to end-time Israel during the Great Tribulation (Matthew 24:21-22). *Trumpet* editor in chief Gerald Flurry writes, “In the past, we believed the Great Tribulation would begin when America, Britain and Judah were attacked militarily. Yet Ezekiel 4 describes the Tribulation as actually *beginning* with an economic siege against these nations. One third of the people inside that siege against Israel will die! That equates to more than 100 million people in the U.S. and more than 21 million in Britain, plus some of the Commonwealth nations” (*Ezekiel—The End-Time Prophet*).

This global economic siege is undertaken by what Isaiah 23 calls “a mart of nations,” an economic alliance of European and Asian powers. This same “mart of nations” is taking control of virtually all major sea gates today.

In 1959, Communists took control of Cuba, making the island 100 miles off of Florida a potential vector for Russia or Europe to threaten American shipping in the Gulf of Mexico. In 1999, the United States ceded control of the Panama Canal: The facilities at either end of the canal are now controlled by the Chinese Communist Party. China also has a commanding control over Singapore, Hong Kong, Sri Lanka and the South China Sea, through which 21 percent of world trade passes. Its Belt and Road Initiative is a deliberate strategy to build billions of dollars of overland and oversea trade infrastructure, giving it not only the means of building an economic empire stretching from China to India to Africa to Europe but also the necessity of building and deploying a military to secure it.

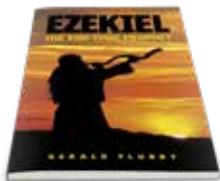
In 1956, Britain lost control of the Suez Canal to Egypt. Whereas 4 percent of world trade passes through the Panama Canal, 12 percent passes through the Suez daily. The prophecy of Daniel 11:40-43 shows that Egypt will ally with Iran, “the king of the south.” Iran will also likely control the Strait of Hormuz and Bab el-Mandeb, through which passes 9 percent of the world’s seaborne oil.

Britain’s loss of the Suez was the beginning of the end of its empire. America’s loss of the Panama Canal was the beginning of the end of its superpower status.

What will happen if many or all of these strategic ports are closed to America and Britain? The Bible answers. Mr. Flurry writes, “For many years, Mr. Armstrong said the siege prophesied in [Deuteronomy 28:52] symbolized America’s economy being battered by foreign competition. ‘And he shall besiege thee *in all thy gates*’ The target here has to be the nations of Israel—not Judah. Who has those gates? America and Britain have or had the gates, and we are going to be besieged in all of them. We have already virtually lost control of all of them. This is a prophecy for this end time.

“The Holy Roman Empire, along with the kings of the east (the Asian nations), will cause economic problems and bring on destruction in many ways The real pressure is coming from without. ‘In all thy gates’ refers to a trade war.”

During this trade war, food, oil, materials and products will be blockaded



If you think inflation is bad now ...

What will happen when America’s economy is blockaded? Your Bible says this will happen to America, Britain and related nations. See the scriptures for yourself in your own Bible and your free copy of ***Ezekiel*** —***The End-Time Prophet***, by Gerald Flurry.

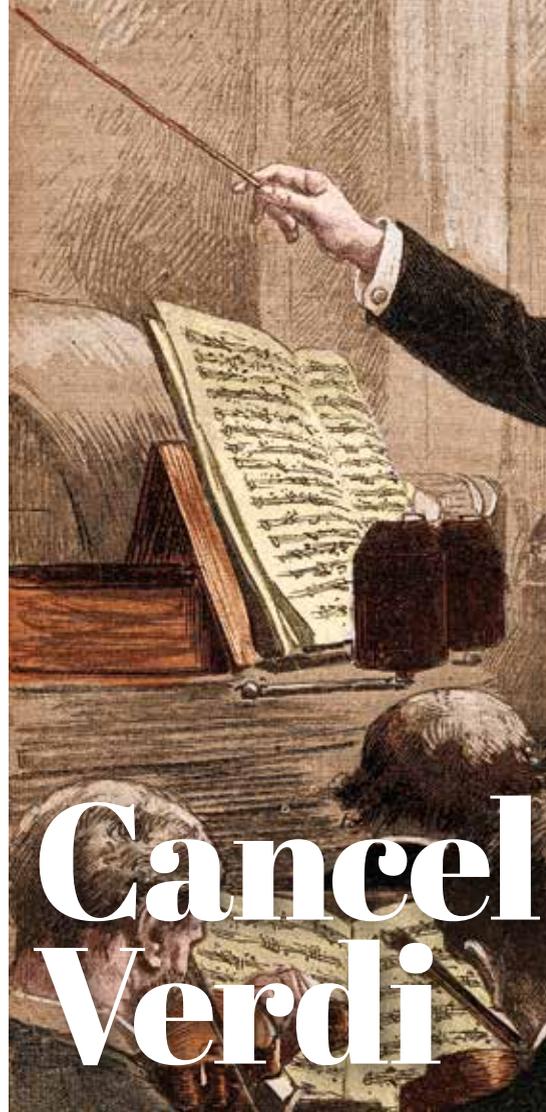
from the United States, Canada, Britain, Australia, New Zealand and other related countries. Overseas manufacturing infrastructure and assets will become useless. Shortages will cause nationwide panic and violence at home, as well as crippling military shortfalls.

The mighty American fleet will be prevented from using the Panama Canal. Enemy forces operating from Cuba could blockade the crucial U.S. port of New Orleans. Like Odessa and every Ukrainian connected to it currently being economically strangled by Russia, American and British port cities and everyone connected to them will suffocate. The Israelite nations will be weakened and vulnerable to foreign invasion.

This international blockade will cause unimaginable suffering in America and the British Commonwealth as our societies implode. Hundreds of millions of people will perish. The instability and violence Ukrainians are experiencing will spread around the world, and throughout America and Britain.

The sudden rise of America and Britain to world power was foretold in Bible prophecy. The decline and collapse of these nations is also foretold. God is revealing these prophecies as a warning to urge the modern Israelites, to urge *you*, to take action.

There is only a short time left to take action. Mr. Armstrong wrote in *The United States and Britain in Prophecy*: “But if *you*—*you* now reading this, *you* as an individual—will be corrected, voluntarily, before God lets this indescribably horrendous chastening strike; if *YOU* come to real REPENTANCE, realizing HOW TERRIBLY WRONG *you* have been; if you can see yourself as you really are—as a rebellious wrong, evil person; and if you can SURRENDER to the loving, all-merciful, yet all-POWERFUL *God*—and make it an UNCONDITIONAL surrender, coming to Almighty God through the living Jesus Christ as personal Savior—then NO PLAGUE shall come near you! (Psalm 91:8-11), but you shall be accounted worthy to *escape* all these frightful things and to STAND before Christ at His return (Luke 21:35-36).” You can escape the siege and be a part of the government, the Kingdom of God, that will end this world’s suffering and bring a world of peace. ■



Cancel Verdi

Should classical music be ‘decolonized’? **BY MIHAİLO S. ZEKIC**

“**C**ANCEL CULTURE” IS REAL. Important figures of history—Theodore Roosevelt, Queen Victoria and even Gandhi—have either had their statues pulled down or called to be pulled down. One would think one realm of Western historical heritage would be safer: classical music, which has for hundreds of years enriched the lives of people in cultures around the world. But even classical music isn’t immune.

The University of Cambridge is offering a class on classical music history: Decolonizing the Ear. The course teaches how to listen to music in a “post-colonial” way. Its premise is that classical music could be “complicit ... in projects of empire and neoliberal systems of power” (*Telegraph*, May 7). Course material includes teaching on how “genres like opera seem particularly susceptible



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to racialized representations.” The class material suggests Giuseppe Verdi’s opera *Aida* as a “starting point.” *Aida*, which premiered in 1871, is a romantic opera set in ancient Egypt.

In the wake of the 2020 Black Lives Matter (BLM) riots, the British classical music establishment has sought ways to become more “inclusive.” The Royal College of Music announced it would “diversify” its classical curriculum. In March 2021, the *Telegraph* accessed documents from Oxford University that called for changes to the school’s music curriculum. “Professors said the classical repertoire taught at Oxford, which spans works by Mozart and Beethoven, focuses too much on ‘white European music from the slave period,’” the *Telegraph* wrote. One Oxford faculty member even said the musical notation system represents “white hegemony.”

One of BLM’s main focuses is to bring “justice” to people of African descent. Its

main targets are the trans-Atlantic slave trade and European colonial empires. Part of BLM’s idea of “justice” is to attack Western historical heritage and memory. First, BLM activists targeted figures like Confederate Gen. Robert E. Lee, then branched out to American presidents associated with slavery. And the scope has widened. Now, *anything* linked with Western cultural heritage is considered fair game.

But consider: Many of the most celebrated composers had nothing to do with the trans-Atlantic slave trade or colonization of Africa. Neither did their home countries. Austria—home of Franz Joseph Haydn, Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, Franz Schubert and others—never once had a colony in Africa. Neither (aside from a weird episode in 1889) did Russia—the land of Sergei Prokofiev and Pyotr Illyich Tchaikovsky. George Gershwin, Felix Mendelssohn and others were Jews—a race facing persecution far longer than colonial Africans.

“Artistic output, which survives multiple decades and even centuries, is passing judgment on those of today,” commented Ryan Malone, composer and program director of the Armstrong International Cultural Foundation. “As I teach my students, we are not judging this music; it is judging us. It has been around much longer than we have, and it is reckless arrogance to think we can dismiss its impact on human civilization with our extremely short-lived blip on the human timeline.”

Aida, the opera that Decolonizing the Ear uses as its “starting point,” is an excellent case study. *Aida* did not premiere in Milan or Vienna or Paris, but *Cairo*. Cairo’s Khedivial Opera House was commissioned by Egypt’s ruler, Isma’il Pasha. Verdi was reportedly furious that more of the general public—the *Egyptian* public—weren’t invited. The plot itself involves an Egyptian warrior fighting to free Ethiopian slaves. At its premiere, a critic wrote: “*Aida* [an Ethiopian slave] and Radames’s [the Egyptian warrior] love for one another becomes a shining example of true devotion that ultimately transcends the vast cultural differences between their warring nations.” Does that sound like a racist production?

Verdi, like today’s activists, had strong political convictions. Another

celebrated opera of his, *Nabucco* (set in ancient Iraq), symbolized Italy’s political struggles. Malone said that Verdi’s “name became an acronym for his people’s struggle for freedom from oppression and nationhood.” These are universal themes one would think anybody could appreciate.

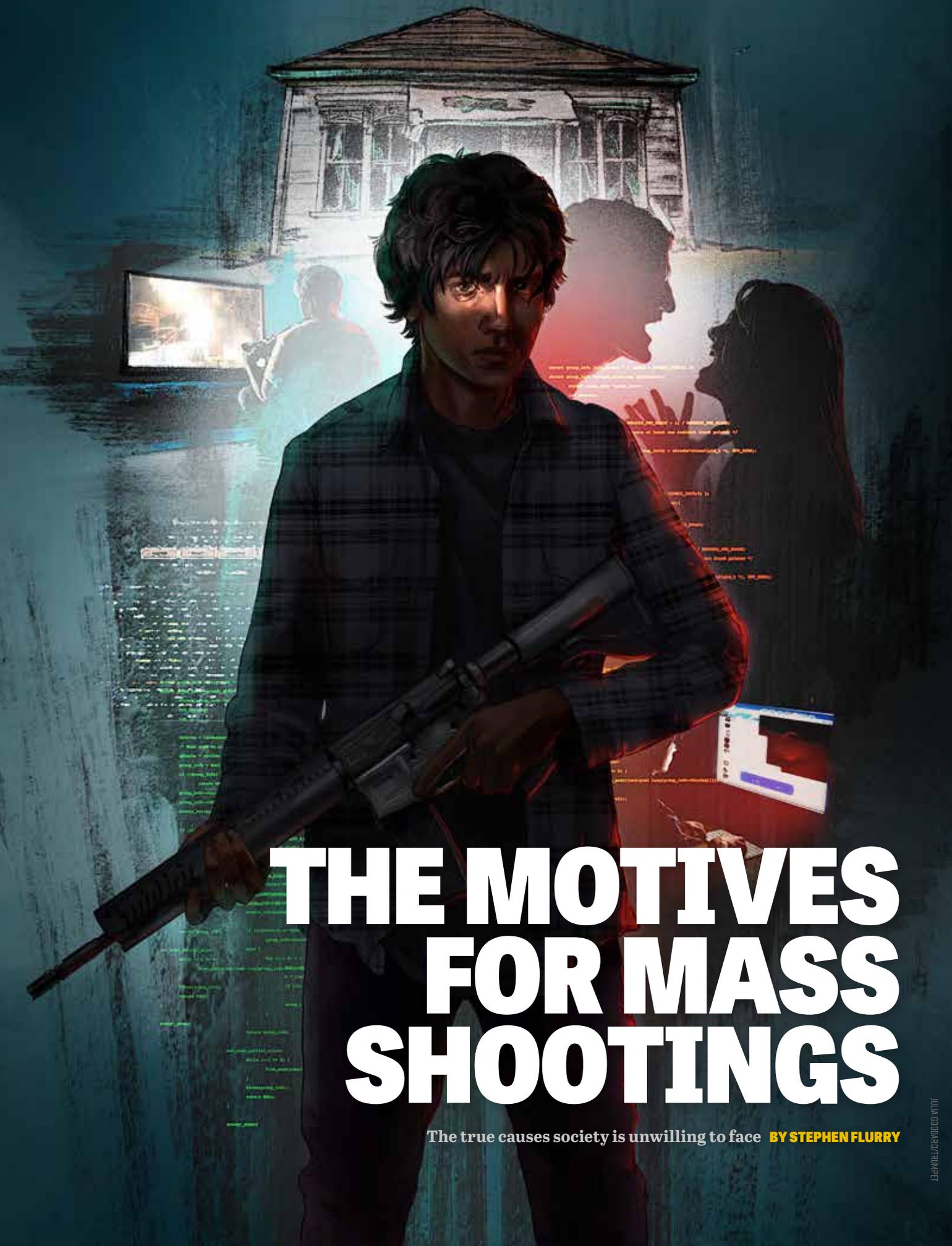
Anything man touches generally reflects prejudices and biases. But the arts are intended to be enjoyed by anyone of any race, religion or economic background. Music is one of the great unifiers of mankind. It should unite, not divide.

“Sound is sound,” Malone said. “The vibrations of molecules—that make up what our naked ears hear as pitch and timbre—are scientifically measurable, and they supersede any culture. For instance, the ‘major triad’ [one of the most common chords in music] is found in the largely inaudible overtones of every pitch. That’s not cultural. Sure, every culture harnesses musical elements differently, and the sharing of such manifestations of the ‘physics of music’ is one of the joys of the human experience—not some ‘appropriation’ to be shied away from. ...

“Great art should ‘colonize’ and ‘imperialize’ our lives in the sense that it is fundamentally human. Music especially is a universal language in many respects—meaning that it rises above our cultures and ethnic backgrounds and enriches our lives. Just as a pillar holds up a structure—no matter what artistic, political, cultural connections are associated with that pillar.”

Classical music is an art form worth preserving, protecting and enjoying, no matter who you are or where you come from.

How does one start learning and appreciating it? For those who haven’t grown up with classical music, it can take time to develop a taste for it. The *Trumpet* website sponsors a podcast hosted by Ryan Malone called *Music for Life*. The program features musical programs organized by the Armstrong International Cultural Foundation. These include such renowned performers over the years as Joshua Bell, the Russian National Ballet and the Vienna Boys Choir. *Music for Life* is a good starting point for acquiring your own classical music taste. Start listening today! ■



THE MOTIVES FOR MASS SHOOTINGS

The true causes society is unwilling to face **BY STEPHEN FLURRY**

DO YOU REMEMBER THE first time you heard about a mass shooting? A deranged murderer went to a crowded place, began pulling the trigger, and rapidly killed and wounded a number of people. It was a breathtaking shock to even hear of such a demonic event. Now we are used to it.

The names of these places become burned into our memories: Columbine, Virginia Tech, Stoneman Douglas High, Sandy Hook, Uvalde. The list keeps growing. According to the Mass Shooting Tracker, the horrifying Uvalde shooting was the 252nd time this year that someone in the United States wounded or killed four or more people in one outburst. At the current trajectory, we are headed for a total of 670 such shootings this year, nearly double what the mass shooting rate was a decade ago.

What has gone wrong? Leftists claim it's the ease with which Americans can purchase firearms. But Americans have purchased firearms with ease for centuries. The percentage of households owning *guns* is actually at a near-40-year low, and numerous gun restrictions have been enacted in recent decades. Gun ownership does not explain why mass shootings are increasing. The leftist agenda is to ban private gun ownership, regardless of what the statistics are. Many conservatives recognize this.

But conservatives do not have the answer to mass shootings either.

A Killer's Mind

One of the worst things a parent can discover is that a school shooter has murdered their child. Perhaps the worst thing a parent can discover is that he or she produced a monster who murdered children.

The only way to understand mass shootings is to understand the mass shooter. The only way to understand the mass shooter is to understand what has influenced his mind, from the beginning. That means you have to understand his family, or lack thereof.

Mass shooters are almost exclusively male, from unsound families, often fatherless, rebellious against authority of all kinds, and susceptible to influences of violence. Institute for Family Studies

research shows that a boy raised by a single mother is twice as likely to end up delinquent compared to boys who have good relationships with their fathers.

The Uvalde shooter, Salvador Ramos Jr., did not have a good relationship with his father, was rebellious against authorities, cared strongly about his access to the Internet, and loved violent video games. Both his parents had criminal histories, they separated when he was young, and Ramos lived with his mother. He had screaming matches with her so intense that police were called to intervene. He reportedly left or was kicked out when his mother discontinued their Internet service. He moved into his grandparents' home. His grandfather, who also had a criminal history, said his grandson was quiet and stayed in his room a lot. Ramos complained about his grandmother and thought about moving in with his paternal grandparents instead, but decided not to because they lacked Wi-Fi.

When Ramos was born in 2004, nothing destined him to become a mass murderer of schoolchildren 18 years and eight days later. His future, like every child's future, would depend on the love, instruction and discipline given to him by his parents. But no one cared enough to teach him, to help him, to correct him, or to keep him from absorbing whatever dark Internet influences interested him. His

“The social scientific evidence about the connection between violence and broken homes could not be clearer.”

— W. BRADFORD WILCOX, “SONS OF DIVORCE, SCHOOL SHOOTERS”

family did not stop him from disrespecting authorities, committing vandalism, torturing animals, intimidating others, getting into fistfights, and purchasing military-style rifles. One day he argued with his grandmother over a telephone bill, shot her in the face, stole her vehicle, crashed it, ran into the local elementary school, shot his way into a classroom, began playing eerie music, and fired 164 rounds at and into innocent third- and fourth-graders and their teachers.

“My mom tells me he probably would have shot me too,” the killer's father said, “because he would always say I didn't love him.”

“[A]s the nation seeks to make sense of these senseless shootings, we must also face the uncomfortable truth that turmoil at home all too often accounts for the turmoil we end up seeing spill onto our streets and schools,” W. Bradford Wilcox wrote in his article “Sons of Divorce, School Shooters.” “The social scientific evidence about the connection between violence and broken homes could not be clearer.”

How true this is in the case of Ramos. Yet this was written in December 2013 regarding the case of Adam Lanza. Wilcox was writing in response to the 2012 Sandy Hook massacre, when Lanza, 20, murdered his mother, then drove to an elementary school and murdered six staff members and 20 children, ages 6 and 7.

Killers Are Made

After Uvalde, Fox News host Tucker Carlson asked Judge Jeanine Pirro if anybody had done a systematic study of what mass shooters have in common. Pirro told him that most prosecutors do not want to answer such questions. Still, many such studies have been done, and mass shooters are almost always fatherless boys addicted to violent entertainment.

“Start with a boy,” commentator Matt Walsh wrote. “Take away his father. Sit him in front of a screen all day. Feed him

porn. Feed him an endless stream of content. Give him no moral formation. No guidance. No companionship. Give him drugs. Isolate him. That's how you make a school shooter.”

What is truly scary is that this country is *full* of boys whose fathers are absent, who sit in front of screens all day, who watch pornography, whose attitudes and ideas are absorbed from and formed by media producers, who have neither authoritative guidance nor companionship, who take illegal and prescription drugs, who are isolated. This country is *full* of parents who have not motivated

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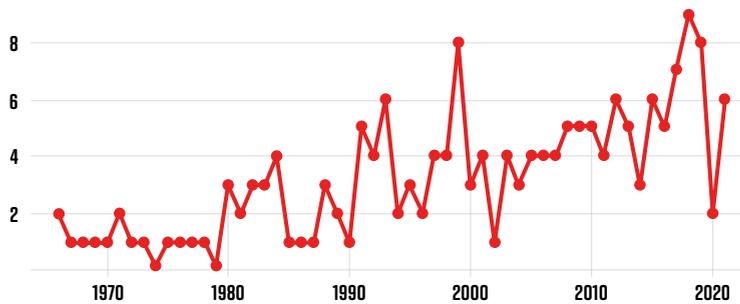
'He must have just snapped.'

Columbine, Aurora, Sandy Hook, Charleston, Parkland, El Paso, Boulder, Buffalo, Uvalde. The list of American massacres continues to grow. *Why?* Face to face with inescapable evidence that spiritual evil exists, Americans continue searching for a physical explanation in politics, psychiatry or pharmaceuticals. They are learning to live with the situation rather than face the real cause of violence, past and future. Ignored, this powerful spirit exerts its influence far beyond a few mass killers—it plots to kill an entire nation.

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MASS SHOOTINGS The frequency of indiscriminate mass shootings (below) is trending upward. The once unfamiliar phrase is now mentioned 56 times more frequently than in 1980. Often it is in response to another heart-wrenching, physically inexplicable massacre of schoolchildren.



The shooting, en masse and individually, continues elsewhere (below). In 2021, **43** people died in indiscriminate mass shootings, **17,619** were shot to death by a murderer, and **24,090** used a gun to commit suicide.



SNAP



THE GUNS When killers have used firearms to commit their atrocities, many people have focused on the most tangible physical factor: the gun itself. Yet gun ownership has declined from 49 percent of American households in 1960 to **42 percent** in 2021 (left) and has not correlated to gun violence. Many of the places with the most gun restrictions have the most shootings.



Gun ownership in America is a constitutional right and a protection against tyranny. But we are becoming more and more fatherless, more addicted to substances, and more saturated with violence.

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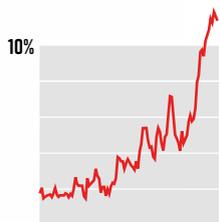
PORNOGRAPHY An enormous amount of printed, television, movie, video game and Internet content is pornographic, even violently so. Revenue estimates range as low as \$1.1 billion per year to more than 10 times that amount. Three of the top 15 websites in the world are pornographic, and Internet users are searching for pornography **13 percent** of the time. An estimated **87 percent** of U.S. adult men watch pornography once a week or more.



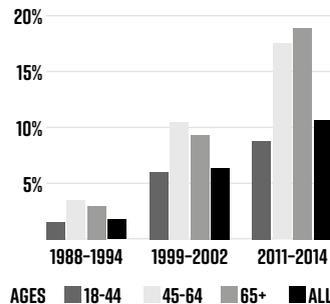
THE FAMILY Everyone has a father and a mother, but **1 in 4** American children grows up with no father at home. Many more have fathers who are uninvolved or worse. Divorce rates steadily rose for decades, then declined as fewer Americans even married in the first place. The influence of a present, involved, caring, disciplined, virtuous father is withering. But children (and adults) have come under heavy influences of other kinds.

\$32,000,000,000

VIDEO GAMES Some of the worst killers, and many others, have developed addictions to violent, demonic, pornographic and other video games. The \$32 billion industry is equivalent to U.S. pro basketball, baseball and football combined. There are **207 million** gamers in the U.S., 45 million of whom spend more than 12 hours per week subject to this influence.

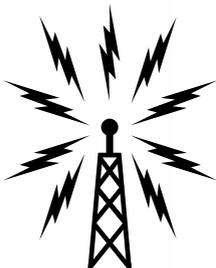


HORROR Few Americans kill, but almost all entertain themselves with violence, torture, murder and the occult, opening their minds to powerful influences. In 1960, 2 percent of all feature films were horror (left). Today it's at **12 percent**, and they are far more demonic.



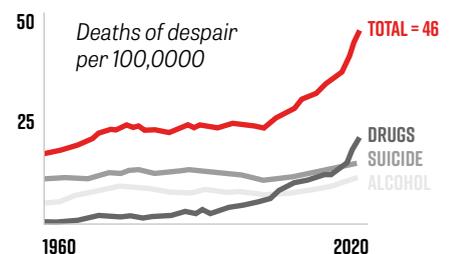
Americans taking antidepressants within the past 30 days

DRUGS Approximately 1 in 10 Americans are currently taking antidepressants (left). Around **48 million** Americans use marijuana, which has become legal in 19 states. About 125 million Americans have used cocaine, 20 million have used ecstasy, and 15 million have used methamphetamine.



MUSIC Heavy beats and lyrics about drugs, sex, rape, hate, crime, torture, murder and demonism characterize rap music (which accounts for **37 percent** of album sales) and heavy metal music (which accounts for **17 percent**).

DESPAIR Heavy influences of drug and alcohol abuse, relationship abuse, crime, suicide and other evil have helped increase, among other things, drug and alcohol abuse and suicide.



their children and have left the door wide open for someone else to do so.

One major influence, if not motivation, is video games through which players live out fantasies of assault, rape and murder. The Columbine killers played *Doom* and *Quake*. The Sandy Hook killer played *Call of Duty*, *Dead or Alive* and *Grand Theft Auto*. The Uvalde killer played *Call of Duty* and *Fortnite*.

Many parents know that a huge percentage of teenage boys play huge amounts of video games. They know that many of the most popular games

Twisted violence in massively popular video games is part of twisted violence across our entertainment. What do you think hyper-realistic, enticing, addicting and gratuitous bodily violence does to those teenagers and children (and adults) who play it over and again in between watching it on television, online and in the movies?

What do you think twisted sex is doing to the minds of boys and men? Numerous studies have demonstrated a link between watching pornography and committing sexual violence. *Psychology Today* has reported that men who act

Yet many Americans remember growing up with boys having hunting rifles in racks in their trucks in the school parking lot. Gun restrictions have drastically increased since then. It's not the guns that have changed society; it's the people.

"The fact is that there's no big advances in firearm lethality compared to what citizens could own decades before we ever had regular mass shootings," Mark Hemingway, a senior writer at RealClearInvestigations, noted on Twitter. "I'm open to hearing about gun legislation, but it's our culture that changed to enable this—not guns" (May 24).

What has changed is that *we don't know how to raise our children*. That is why some of them, in extreme cases that are growing more and more frequent, end up *murdering*. Tom Klebold, Wayne Harris, Salvador Ramos Sr., Peter Lanza and the fathers of other mass shooters may not have raised their children to become monsters. But someone did. There is a spirit of hatred, murder and evil in the world, on the video game console, streaming on Wi-Fi, that is *after your children*. If we don't fight for the *right* spirit, our children are going to be raised by *that spirit*.

And that spirit is even worse now than it ever has been. Families are breaking apart, movies are getting more violent, pornography is more accessible than ever before, mental illness is increasing, and more Americans are taking psychotropic medication than at any point in history. All these factors are contributing to a fundamental transformation of society that is churning out mass shooters and other psychotic criminals!

Something is attacking our boys' *minds* by attacking our *families*!

According to the Violence Project, indiscriminate mass shootings are about six times more common now than they were in the 1970s. This data shows that something dramatic happened to America in the 1980s. My father, *Trumpet* editor in chief Gerald Flurry, explains this in his book *America Under Attack*.

"The tide turned in a big way in 1987," he writes. "Law started to get a lot weaker. And lawlessness started to grow much, much stronger. SUCH A MASSIVE LURCH TOWARD LAWLESSNESS HAS A CAUSE. THIS PROPHECY IN REVELATION 12 REVEALS THAT CAUSE."



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are based on gamers participating in realistic violence. These parents dismiss them as harmless entertainment. But it is a fact that militaries use violent video games to condition soldiers to seeing and participating in violence. It's a fact that viewing even cartoon violence has the same effect on a child's developing brain as viewing actual violence, according to the American Academy of Pediatrics.

Much can be written solely about violent video games. But it's enough to say that you live in a society where millions of males, teenage and older, are spending hours a day playing games like *Amnesia*, *Bulletstorm*, *Dead Space*, *The Evil Within*, *Friday the 13th*, *Hatred*, *Hellblade*, *Kindergarten Killer*, *The Last of Us*, *Left for Dead*, *Manhunt*, *Mortal Kombat*, *Police Shootout*, *Postal*, *Rape Day*, *Resident Evil*, *Sanitarium*, *Silent Hill*, *Soma*, *Splatterhouse* and so many more.

aggressively toward women are typically heavy pornography users.

Our society is pumping out more and more violent video games, twisted Internet forums, dehumanizing pornography, dark movies and violent thrills of endless kinds. It is also pumping out more young male sex perverts and mass murderers.

There have always been a certain number of fatherless children in America. But today's fatherless are far more numerous and indulging in far worse mind-destroying temptations than ever.

When massacres occur, political commentators on both sides launch into their explanations. Radical liberals like former United States President Barack Obama say the problem is the gun. After the Uvalde shooting, he blamed the "gun lobby and a political party that have shown no willingness to act in any way that might help prevent these tragedies."

The Spirit World

People don't want to acknowledge the clear and present reality of a spirit world—even after a dead-eyed 18-year-old spends 80 minutes playing demonic music and murdering children. They make passing references to “family problems,” “absentee fathers,” “violent video games,” “disturbing behavior,” “unnerving online posts,” “anti-social outbursts” and “problems with authority,” then spend the rest of their time parsing whether some psychiatrist got a prescription for psychotropic drugs right, the age at which a person should buy a gun, and how school door locks work.

But they still wonder, “Why are these things happening?”

They are happening because our children's minds are under attack! They are happening because the spirit world is real. There are evil beings just as real as you and me, with personalities and goals that are demonstrated by the violence they are influencing mass shooters to do!

A person doesn't just “snap.” Those “side issues” of family problems, fatherhood failures and wicked entertainment are *the main issues!* Spirit influence is real, but each person makes his own choice on how to act on those influences. Wrong choices in these main areas of mental, emotional, character development open the door wide to the evil, to the point that the horror genre becomes reality at a local elementary school.

Ignoring this truth is radically irrational. Yet that is what most of us do rather than admit that evil exists, that it *comes from somewhere*—and that our society-wide atheistic evolutionary premise is *wrong*.

In *America Under Attack*, my father explains that the Bible prophesies a war in heaven, in which great angelic beings fought against Satan and his demons until God cast Satan down to Earth (Revelation 12:9-12). This happened in 1986, when the late Herbert W. Armstrong died. The dramatic increase in lawlessness that has occurred after his death has been due to Satan being cast down, knowing that he now has “but a short time.”

This is why mass shootings have been increasing for the past 35 years. Demons prey on the fatherless, the neglected and abandoned, the drugged

and empty minds, and those who love violent entertainment.

This is the reason that, while the percentage of Americans who own guns has declined since the mid-1980s, the percentage of fatherless children addicted to violent entertainment has increased. This is why, at this point, the idea of kids carrying gun cases on the bus for riflery class at high school seems like fantasy.

“There is *cause and effect*,” my father wrote in “The Real Solution to Mass Shootings and Violence.” “There is a cause for every problem. The cause of our violent and bloody crimes is that we as a society have rejected God's LAW! ... That law would bring peace and abundance to our society in every way. The more we transgress it, the worse our bloody crimes become” (*Philadelphia Trumpet*, October 2019; theTrumpet.com/21164). The Texas elementary school shooting is proof of this statement. American society has abandoned God's law, so Satan and his demons are exploiting the void to create

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MARK HEMINGWAY, REALCLEARINVESTIGATIONS

a world where corrupted youth commit crime after horrific crime. The Prophet Ezekiel said these bloody crimes would become like links in a chain, where one link leads right to the next and the next and the next (Ezekiel 7:23).

“DEMONS PREY ON EMPTY MINDS! A mind not filled with God's truth is fertile ground for these perverted spirit beings,” my father wrote in October 2017 in “Charlottesville Violence—The Real Danger Is Invisible” (theTrumpet.com/16251). We *must* understand this now and stop believing the mass lie that the spirit world is a fantasy and that the only reality is physical matter and energy. There is a spirit dimension—a right spirit and a wrong spirit—motivating people for good or evil.

“Demons are the HIDDEN CAUSE of our society's many incurable problems,” my father continued. “They have far more power than humans do. The only way we can fight back is with God's power.”

But if we forsake God, God forsakes us. That is the point Jesus Christ was making when He described a demon returning to a man's mind and bringing seven other demons with him (Matthew 12:43-45).

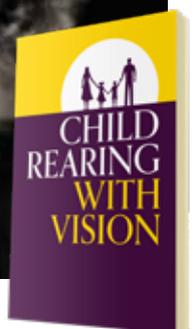
Our society is unraveling because we are forsaking family and the laws of the family. We are indulging in evils, both subtle and blatant. The problem is *inside our families and inside us*. Don't let another school massacre go by without facing that jolting but crucial fact.

The problem is that mass shootings trace back to *how we raise our children*—and we don't know how to raise our children. That is the object lesson to learn, and to learn *now*.

The right spirit, obedience to the law of God, is the *only way* to raise children right. Fight for it, and fight for your sons—because someone else is fighting for them. ■

Your child's mind

Parents are waking up to the importance of who influences their children, how and why. Who your son or daughter is growing up to be is one of the most critical concerns in your life! Learn how to love, guide, teach, discipline, raise and inspire your sons and daughters with your free copy of ***Child Rearing With Vision***.





IS YOUR COFFEE SPYING ON YOU?

The dangers of a society where everything is watching

BY RICHARD PALMER



IN CANADA, TIM HORTONS IS EVERYWHERE. With 4,300 branches, it is roughly three times more numerous than McDonald's. Eighty percent of Canadians stop by at least once a month.

And Tim Hortons is watching.

Six million Canadians, out of an adult population of 31 million, use the Tim Hortons app to order their drinks. One of those was the *Financial Post's* James McLeod, who noticed the app tracking his location and filed a freedom of information request to learn more. "From my

home to my office to a Blue Jays game at Rogers Centre, even all the way to Morocco, where I traveled on vacation last June, the company's app silently logged my coordinates and relayed them back to its corporate servers," wrote McLeod. Based on this data, Tim Hortons figured out where McLeod lived.

If you care about privacy, then it's clear what you have to do: Make your own coffee.

But even that might not be enough. Christopher Balding of New Kite Data

Labs discovered Chinese-made smart coffee machines sending data back to Beijing. The Kalerm machines gathered information about who used them, where they lived, and, if they were used commercially, payment data.

It's easy to dismiss such "scandals." So what? you may think. *The Chinese Communist Party knows how I like my coffee.*

But this is about far more than coffee. It's an example of how common and even mundane high-tech surveillance has become.

For Sale: You

The combination of smartphones and smart homes means an unprecedented amount of private data is now out in the open. Often, your location information is available for purchase by the highest bidder.

Many of the buyers want the ability to market their product to exactly the right consumer, at the right time and place, to maximize their chances of getting a sale. This has become so common and automated we're desensitized to it. It's why, when you search for shoes on Amazon, ads for exactly that size and type of shoe follow you around the Internet for weeks afterward.

Now it's happening offline too. Download the app of a store or mall, and you'll probably be offered some exclusive deals. The app may also log where in the store you spent the most time and which items you probably looked at. Now the products you looked at offline will stalk you around the Web too.

This data is combined and sold—maybe for marketing, maybe for worse. It's hard to imagine an innocent use for a list of data from rape victims or victims of domestic abuse. But it's all available: \$79 gets you the personal details of 1,000 raped women.

Some of the top customers of this type of data are governments. In the United States, the Internal Revenue Service, Department of Homeland Security and other federal agencies buy data from companies like X-Mode and Venntel. X-Mode compiles data from over 100 different apps. Democratic Sen. Ron Wyden accused the government of using "its credit card to get around the Constitution and purchase sensitive information without a warrant." Government lawyers

claim that because consumers voluntarily give their data to these apps, the government can ignore constitutional restrictions on government prying.

In Canada, it's not just coffee shops using this data. In December 2021, the Public Health Agency of Canada admitted to tracking 33 million cell phones during the pandemic. They contracted with BlueDot to track how closely Canadians obeyed lockdown restrictions, tracking when people left their homes, how far they traveled, and for how long.

Perhaps the most concerning example relates to the Jan. 6, 2021, protests at the U.S. Capitol. The Federal Bureau of Investigation used data from Google to track those who attended and then issued over 10,000 warrants. Here the administration is punishing those who attended a protest it didn't like, and using smartphone data to do so.

Who's Listening at Home

These practices are moving into the home. Like smartphone data, smart home data is also up for sale. "Continuous customer engagement and delivering superior customer experience gets a whole lot easier when you know what's happening in your customer's life at any given point in time," boasts one data broker.

What kind of data could this include? "What consumers do first thing in the morning, how they interact with your device, where they like to spend the weekend, and so on," states the website. "It can be used to understand your consumer behavior better."

Security on smart devices is notoriously bad, so it may not just be data brokers watching you. Take smart TVs with a built-in camera. The FBI's Portland field office warned, "Beyond the risk that your TV manufacturer and app developers may be listening and watching you, that television can also be a gateway for hackers to come into your home."

Intelligence agencies are among those worming their way into these devices. WikiLeaks published details of a tool called Weeping Angel, developed by the Central Intelligence Agency and MI5, that turned Samsung smart TVs into undercover moles. It gave these agencies access to the microphone, the Wi-Fi credentials and browser history.

Manufacturers of smart speakers and home camera devices generally give data to the government when served with a warrant. Some manufacturers are very opaque about their relationship with the government, so it's hard to know how much they hand over. But at least these relationships are restricted by warrants—though as the January 6 protests show, this legal caveat can also be abused.

Overseas, it is easy to imagine worse outcomes. Scotland recently extended "hate speech" laws into the home. Certain sentiments are forbidden by law even in a private setting. How long before someone is prosecuted for comments overheard by their smart speaker?

It's not just the smart speaker from Amazon. It's also the smart vacuum cleaner or kettle from some little-known Chinese brand.

Ties to China are even more concerning. Kalerm's coffee machines are not the only smart devices made by companies tied to the Chinese Communist Party. "China is really collecting data on really just anything and everything," Christopher Balding said. "As a manufacturing hub of the world, they can put this capability in all kinds of devices that go out all over the world" (*Washington Post*, June 14).

Microphones are appearing in more and more devices. It's not just the smart speaker from Amazon. It's also the smart vacuum cleaner or kettle from some little-known Chinese brand.

One of the biggest players in the smart home market is Tuya; over 5,000 brands include Tuya's devices in their products. They sell over 1,000 different types of smart devices and have sold well over 100 million products. Like all Chinese companies, they're required to turn over any data China's government demands. Tuya could "siphon the masses of data—including classified government data—created and shared on its networks, and

make it available to the Chinese government," wrote the *Hill*. "Tuya may well be funneling the information picked up on home security cameras and connected health devices—just to name two examples—back to Beijing" (July 30, 2021).

Last year, tech security company Dark Cubed picked 10 smart devices sold in the U.S. Every single one "had a business connection to China and every product was observed communicating with infrastructure in China, without our permission," it wrote.

Sleepwalking Into Surveillance

In June, China gave us an alarming example of what this technology makes possible.

Some Chinese banks were running out of cash and began blocking some depositors from withdrawing money. Angry depositors planned a protest in the province of Henan. Their plan failed.

China requires a COVID passport to travel. Those planning to protest suddenly saw their health codes turn red, locking them in place. Others who planned to travel to Henan but not to protest were unaffected. *The government knew who was likely to protest and locked them in place electronically.* "They are putting digital handcuffs on us," complained one failed protester. Another said, "I can't do anything; I can't go anywhere. You're treated as though you're a criminal."

The U.S. government is already arresting those who attended a protest it disliked. It's not hard to imagine it taking similar action.

Yet in general, we're remarkably unconcerned about all this surveillance. Or rather, many are concerned but not enough to do anything about it. We're not keen on businesses tracking us and selling our data, but not enough to change our behavior or force those businesses to change. Smart tech is just too convenient.

But this technology is giving governments around the world unprecedented reach into our lives. And that gives them unprecedented power.

"GOVERNMENT TYRANNY IS ROUTINE IN HUMAN HISTORY," writes Gerald Flurry in his new book *America Under Attack*. "Let's not be naive and think something like that could never happen here. Our forefathers weren't stupid. They wanted



The End of ‘the End of History’

Russia’s vicious war on Ukraine isn’t just a clash between two militaries. It’s a war between two worldviews. **BY JEREMIAH JACQUES**

IN HIS 1989 ESSAY “THE END OF HISTORY?”, United States State Department official Francis Fukuyama suggested that mankind was seeing not just the conclusion of the Cold War, but the triumph of Western liberal democracy as “the final form of human government.”

“What we may be witnessing,” Fukuyama wrote, “is not just the end of the Cold War, or the passing of a particular period of postwar history, but the end of history as such.”

History, as he defined it, was the protracted struggle between freedom and oppression. And with the decisive victory of American liberalism and freedom over the forces of Soviet totalitarianism, history had come to an end. He argued that though events would continue to happen, humanity’s political evolution had reached its pinnacle. The sun had set on authoritarianism. The era of great powers warring against each other had ended, and liberal democracy, individual freedom and popular sovereignty would continue to spread.

Fukuyama was not alone in this optimistic forecast. U.S. President George H. W. Bush was among the policymakers and leaders who shared his vision. Bush’s 1990 address to Congress hailed a future “free from the threat of terror, stronger in the pursuit of justice, and more secure in the quest for peace.” Mankind was entering a “new world,” he



UKRAINE (clockwise from top): A soldier climbs the stairs of the Mariupol theater hit by Russian air strikes on March 16; destroyed Russian tanks line the street in Bucha on April 4; rescue workers search the rubble of a Kyiv shopping mall bombed on March 21.

said, “quite different from the one we have known, a world where the rule of law supplants the rule of the jungle.”

The “end of history” was an exhilarating hypothesis for Westerners. It became an instant sensation among politicians and pundits. As the 1990s continued, the evidence supporting it mounted: The newly independent Baltic nations cast off all legacy of the Soviet Union and cleaved to the West; all of Eastern Europe’s former Communist regimes were replaced by democratically elected governments; in East and Southeast Asia, capitalist development shifted political might in favor of West-looking classes; soon, even Russia made radical reforms, adopting capitalism and holding real elections—sure it was “gangster capitalism,” but give the Russian people time. There was even talk from Russia about joining the North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

The West was elated. We had won. It was the end of history.

But then some “history” seemed to happen.

Hiccups or History?

The 9/11 terrorist attacks were a bolt from the blue. The West was profoundly jolted. But the optimists remained mostly undeterred. In an Oct. 5, 2001, *Wall Street Journal* opinion piece, Fukuyama reminded readers of the nuance of his thesis and wrote: “I believe that in the end I remain right.”

In 2008, Russian President Vladimir Putin invaded the former Soviet nation of Georgia, bringing two chunks of its territory back under Moscow’s de facto control. His 2014 invasion of the former Soviet nation of Ukraine and de jure annexation of its Crimean Peninsula was even more dramatic.

These were alarming developments that looked disturbingly like “history” was still happening.

Yet even then, many Westerners viewed them as mostly isolated incidents. After all, the parts of Georgia and Ukraine that Putin took were peopled mainly by individuals who didn’t seem to mind being returned to Russia. Surely Putin would stop there and that would be the end of it.

With enough of this sort of wishful thinking, the optimists maintained that *real* history—the great struggles and major wars that have epitomized mankind for millennia—was still basically over. *Despite some hiccups, time is on the side of freedom. Economic interdependence of the great nations is too strong to allow great power war. And the spread and supremacy of liberal democracy is still inevitable.*

Then came February 24 of this year.

As Putin's tanks transgressed the borders of Ukraine that morning, rolling toward Kyiv, anything remaining of the dream that man had reached the end of history was flattened beneath their tracks. Any glimmer of hope that Russia and its partners would eventually integrate into the U.S.-led, liberal democratic order was crushed. The ugly reality could no longer be denied because this was not just a war between the armies of Russia and Ukraine—but a war between two worldviews.

Ukraine's people, for the most part, lean westward. They elected the Jewish Volodymyr Zelenskyy as their leader in 2019. Their worldview is basically aligned with that of the United States. They believe the will of the people should determine a nation's path and that the Western model functions better for more people than any other. They have long sought to join NATO and the European Union, which would make Ukraine a treaty ally to America (and dozens of other democracies). They believe that as an independent nation, they have the sovereign right to try to join these or any other organizations they wish.

Russia, on the other hand, rejects the very idea of liberal democracy as a sustainable model. Vladimir Putin has led the nation for the last 22 years as a ruthless authoritarian, with the support of the bulk of his people. And if his worldview wasn't clear enough after the invasions of Georgia and Ukraine's Crimea, he laid it totally bare in 2019, declaring: "Liberalism is obsolete." Far from leading Russia in a more democratic path as the "end of history" thesis forecast, Putin has steered it in the opposite direction. And tens of thousands of his soldiers are now at work in Ukraine—the flashpoint between

worldviews—where they are committing unspeakable atrocities in an effort to bring about a new global order.

And Putin's Russia is not alone. China, India, Iran, South Africa, Belarus, Cuba, Nicaragua, Venezuela and Kyrgyzstan are among the nations directly or indirectly supporting Russia's illegal war—and thereby throwing their weight behind a return of "history."

Meanwhile, Russia's war has catalyzed moves by Germany and Japan to reverse decades of military hesitancy and to double their defense budgets as they prepare for a return to great power war.

This all adds up to show that history—tangled, unjust, retrograde, sordid, violent and ugly history—has not ended. And analysts are being forced to acknowledge that a dramatic new chapter is just beginning, with implications far beyond Ukraine's borders.

"We are all living in Vladimir Putin's world now," international politics expert Ivan Krastev wrote on February 27, describing it as a world in which brute force crushes democratic rights and rule of law. To complete the picture, he quoted the ancient Greek military general Thucydides: "The strong do what they can, and the weak suffer what they must."

New York Times Australian bureau chief Damien Cave also acknowledged the war as a historic turning point: "[M]any foreign-policy leaders already see Ukraine in dire terms, as marking an official end of the American era and the start of a more contested, multipolar moment."

Even Francis Fukuyama himself admitted that this year's war may well mark the end of "the end of history." He told the *New Statesman* in March that his "ultimate nightmare" is a world in which China and Russia work together, supporting each other's expansionism and totalitarianism. "[T]hen you would really be living in a world that was being dominated by these nondemocratic powers," he said. "If the United States and the rest of the West couldn't stop that from happening, then that really is the end of the end of history."

No one is preventing profound Russo-Chinese cooperation and expansionism today. So it turns out that history did not end in 1989.

The Beginning of History

A great many were seduced by the euphoria of "end of history" sanguinity, but readers of the Bible should never have been taken in by it. Numerous passages of Scripture forecast a third world war—a great power war—that will soon be fought largely under the leadership of totalitarian strongmen in Russia, China and Europe, who will use vast arsenals of nuclear weapons. "[T]here will be greater anguish than at any time since the world began. And it will never be so great again. In fact, unless that time of calamity is shortened, not a single person will survive" (Matthew 24:21-22; New Living Translation).

This conflict will annihilate any remaining vestiges of liberal democracy and make all of mankind's previous wars look like playground skirmishes. It will be by far the bloodiest chapter in mankind's history, and in the lead-up to it, major historic events such as Russia's barbaric invasion of Ukraine should not catch us unawares.

History has not ended. The Scriptures make clear that whether or not Russia wins the current round in its push against the liberal order, a historic new chapter is beginning that will lead into an era of unprecedented global calamity and suffering.

These will be the bloodiest pages in mankind's strife-ridden history. To many on the scene at this future time, the violence and suffering will appear to be humanity's final chapter. But the Bible makes plain that it is actually only the last page of the *prologue* of mankind's exciting future.

Just after Matthew 24:21-22 state that the approaching global war will be so devastating that it *could* kill all human life, a key detail is added: "But it will be shortened ..." (NLT).

Nuclear World War III will be interrupted by the return of Jesus Christ! He will crush the violence before mankind has wiped itself out. He will establish the true "final form" of government over man, the same one that was offered to us in the Garden of Eden. Then He will use this perfect government to force upon the Russians, Chinese, Europeans, Indians, Americans and all people the peace that has always eluded mankind. At that time, chapter one of *real history* can finally begin. ■

OUT OF THE BLANKETING darkness of the Antarctic waters, a shadowy shape comes into view. It's the wreckage of a ship, emblazoned with a name cast in gold: *Endurance*. This historic icebreaker sank 107 years ago beneath the deadly ice floes of the Weddell Sea during the Imperial Trans-Antarctic Expedition led by Sir Ernest Shackleton. Its wreckage was discovered in March by the Falklands Maritime Heritage Trust and the podcast *History Hit*. Named for the Shackleton family motto, "By Endurance We Conquer," the ship has been preserved for a century by icy waters. It provides a glimpse back in time, and an inspiration that is timeless.

Endurance was smashed, broken, crushed and sunk by the unmerciful forces of the Antarctic. Yet its crew is remembered for one of the most epic adventures of exploration in history and for a century has inspired millions of people around the world. It is a story about the awe-inspiring forces of creation and the best of the human spirit.

Spirit of Adventure

Ernest Shackleton left Dudley College at age 16 to join the merchant fleet

and became a master mariner while sailing around the globe. In 1901, he joined Capt. Robert Scott's expedition to Antarctica. Exploring the last unexplored continent on Earth became Shackleton's passion. He embarked on his own expedition between 1907 and 1909, coming within 97 miles of reaching the South Pole for the first time in human history.

What was the source of Shackleton's spirit of adventure and exploration?

Shackleton grew up during the golden age of the British Empire. As a boy he learned about the British explorers who traversed the four corners of the globe and how the Empire brought law, education and civilization to millions of people. Nineteenth-century Britain spearheaded a resurgence in scientific exploration, research and discovery. Shackleton's generation was inspired by the glory of the British Empire and thirsted for adventure and opportunity to explore the unknown. The example of other men in the empire inspired the succeeding generation.

"A man ... who is part of an institution, who has devoted himself to a cause or is a citizen of an imperial power—expands to the scope and fullness of the larger organism,"

James Anthony Froude wrote in *Oceana*. "His thoughts are wider, his interests less selfish, his ambitions ampler and nobler. ... A great nation makes great men; a small nation makes little men."

While being far from perfect, the noble ambitions, virtues and examples of the British Empire gave men like Shackleton a vision to attempt the impossible. At the turn of the 20th century, Antarctica was the last frontier of exploration untouched by mankind. Shackleton wanted to be the first to conquer the unforgiving wilderness.

Journey Into the Unknown

In 1912, Norwegian explorer Roald Amundsen reached the South Pole. With that achievement already accomplished, Shackleton decided to lead the first-ever expedition to cross the entire Antarctic continent. He purchased a 300-ton steam-powered wooden barquentine icebreaker and recruited a 27-man crew to sail into the Weddell Sea and use Canadian sled dogs to traverse the continent via the South Pole before meeting

Shackleton's Impossible Triumph

A recent discovery recalls one of history's most epic adventures of exploration and survival.

BY ABRAHAM BLONDEAU



another ship, the Aurora, at the Ross Sea, 1,800 miles and 150 days later.

In July 1914, the Great War erupted. Shackleton put his ship and men at the service of the Royal Navy, but First Lord of the Admiralty Winston Churchill replied with a simple message: “Proceed.” The expedition left port on Aug. 1, 1914, and entered the Weddell Sea in November.

On December 7, *Endurance* encountered the heaviest pack ice Shackleton had ever seen. Forward progress became painfully slow. On January 18, the ice pack became so compressed the steam-powered ship became trapped. Shackleton had a potentially life-and-death choice to make. He waited for the ice fields to drift either toward land or toward the open sea. Neither occurred. The *Endurance* was stuck for 281 days. The ice floe and the ship inside was constantly moving, and drifted an estimated 1,500 miles.

“Almost like a living creature, she resisted the forces that would crush her; but it was a one-sided battle,” Shackleton wrote in his journal, later published in *South—The Endurance Expedition*. “Millions of tons of ice pressed inexorably upon the little ship that had dared challenge the Antarctic.” After 10 months trapped in the ice, the massive vice grip began to buckle the *Endurance*.

Shackleton had to abandon the expedition and undertake an even greater challenge: Return his men safely to civilization.

The crew abandoned ship on Oct. 26, 1915, and *Endurance* disappeared under the ice on November 21. Shackleton had been meticulously planning for months the emergency plan should *Endurance* become lost. Knowing the desperation of the moment, he spoke plainly to the crew: “I thanked the men for the steadiness and good morale they have shown in these trying circumstances and told them I had no doubt that, provided they continued to work their utmost and to trust me, we will all reach safety in the end.”

Facing a limited food supply and constant Antarctic blizzards and gales, and at the mercy of drifting ice floes, the crew could only hope to survive by working, by keeping their spirits high and by submitting themselves to the government of their leader, who had hundreds of judgments to make between this frozen desert and reaching the lights of a far-flung outpost.

“The task now was to secure the safety of the party, and to that I must bend my energies and mental power and apply every bit of knowledge that experience of the Antarctic had given me,” Shackleton recalled. “The task was likely to be long and strenuous, and an ordered mind and a clear program were essential if we were to come through without loss of life. A man must shape himself to a new mark directly the old one goes to ground.”

Leading Back to Life

Shackleton’s leadership was key in part because he set the right incremental goals and kept the focus of the crew on reaching the next achievement, not on the pain of the hardship. Knowing these were links in the only chain leading them back to life, he exerted a steely will to achieve these goals.

The men carried their supplies by dragging *Endurance*’s three lifeboats over the ice. But this proved frustratingly and dangerously slow. Shackleton decided to encamp on the ice floes, reckoning by the position of the sun using a sextant, recording their longitude and latitude meticulously, the rate and direction at which they were slowly drifting northwest, and waited for the precise moment to take to the water and attempt to row to the nearest island.

Too early, and the boats could be crushed by ice; too late, and they would have been swallowed by the vast South Atlantic.

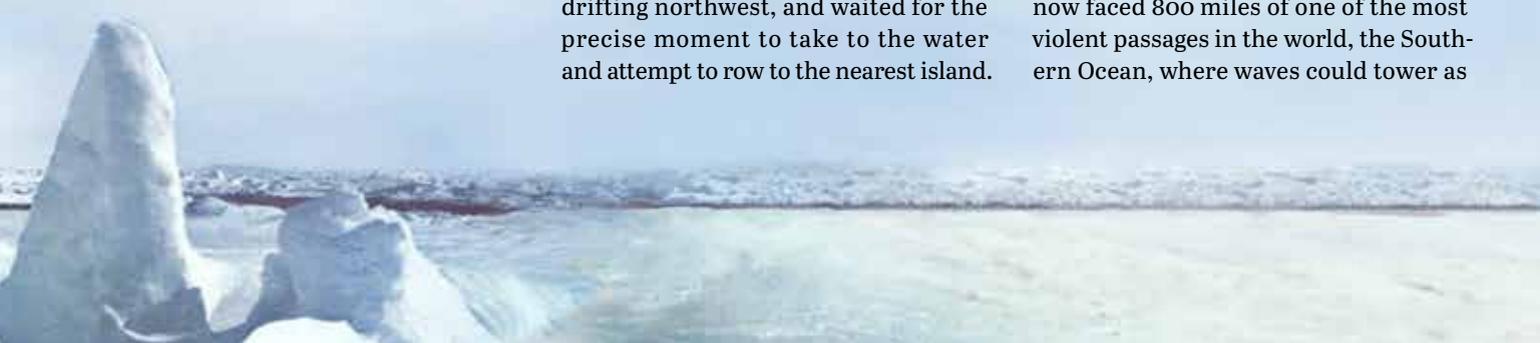
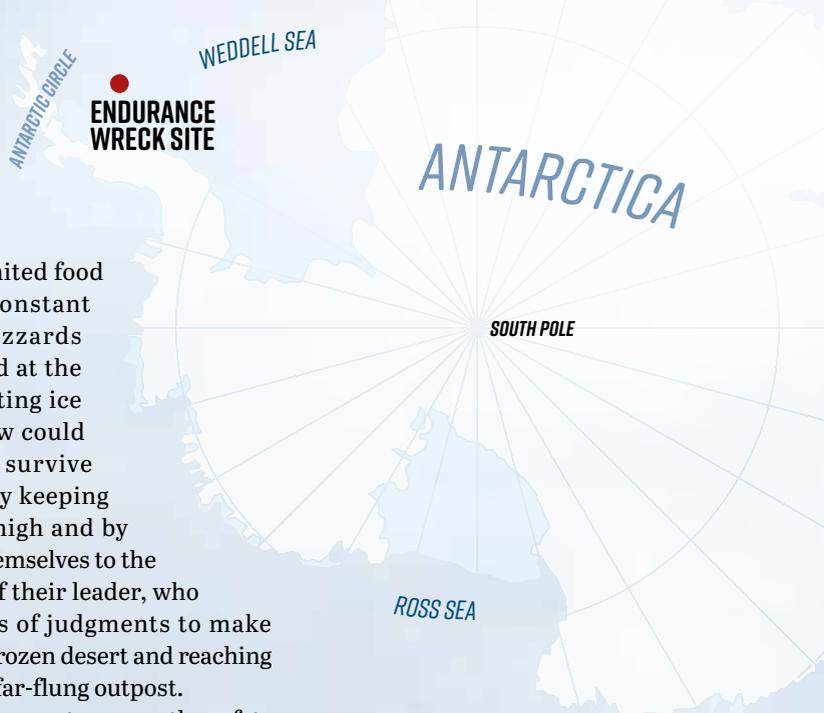
“The ice moves majestically, irresistibly,” he wrote. “Human effort is not futile, but man fights against the giant forces of nature in a spirit of humility. One has a sense of dependence on the Higher Power.”

The men camped on the ice floe for seven months until it began to break up. Then, on April 9, 1916, they launched their boats for Elephant Island.

For six days, they rowed three open lifeboats through the frigid sea, relying on a sextant, the stars and dead reckoning. The boats and men became covered in ice, and several times the three boats became lost and separated during the night. Miraculously, each time they were able to find each other amid the churning sea.

On April 15, the 27 men finally landed on Elephant Island, the first humans to reach it. This was an incredible achievement, but the men were still doomed to a freezing death unless they could reach the island whaling station on South Georgia.

Shackleton, Tom Crean, Timothy McCarthy, Harry McNish, John Vincent and Frank Worsley, a skilled navigator, now faced 800 miles of one of the most violent passages in the world, the Southern Ocean, where waves could tower as



high as 60 feet overhead. On a 22½-foot boat called the James Caird, they had to sail for weeks, chipping off frozen sea spray with an ax, navigating by the stars and sun, maintaining morale, strength and course. Suffering severe frostbite, they constantly had to bail out water and knew that any hour they could drown and, along with them, the hopes of the crew they had left behind.

Shackleton wrote, “We fought the seas and the winds and, at the same time, had a daily struggle to keep ourselves alive. At times we were in dire peril. Generally we were upheld by the knowledge that we were making progress toward the land where we would be, but there were days and nights when we lay hove to, drifting across the storm-whitened seas ... flung to and fro by nature in the pride of her strength. Deep seemed the valleys when we lay between the reeling seas. High were the hills when we perched momentarily on the tops of giant combers. Nearly always there were gales. So small was our boat and so great were the seas that often our sail flapped idly in the calm between the crests of two waves.”

Incredibly, the James Caird reached South Georgia on May 10, 1916. But further complications and mortal threats, including the disappearing strength of three of the men, forced them to land on the opposite side of the island from the settlement. Shackleton, Worsley and Crean became the first humans to cross the uncharted mountain ranges and glaciers, carrying three days’ rations, a lamp and cooker, a carpenter’s adze, and 50 feet of rope. By sheer will and determination, “a terrible trio of scarecrows” reached the other side 36 hours later.

On May 20, the men heard the 7 a.m. whistle of Stromness whaling station. Shackleton wrote, “Never had any one of us heard sweeter music. It was the first sound created by outside human agency that had come to our ears since we left

Stromness Bay. ... It was a moment hard to describe. Pain and ache, boat journeys, marches, hunger and fatigue seemed to belong to the limbo of forgotten things, and there remained only the perfect contentment that comes of work accomplished.”

When the three men walked into Stromness, women and children ran from them. People could scarcely believe they had escaped the Antarctic. He had failed to cross the continent, yet had achieved the impossible.



THE ENDURANCE Pictures of the sunken ship as discovered by the Endurance22 expedition

After winter passed, Shackleton led a rescue party back toward Elephant Island. It failed. So did the second. So did the third. But finally, on Aug. 30, 1916, Shackleton brought the rest of his 27-man crew back to civilization alive, down to the last man.

All Things Are Possible

“I have marveled often at the thin line that divides success from failure and the sudden turn that leads from apparently certain disaster to comparative safety,” Shackleton wrote.

Herbert W. Armstrong would later expound on this same truth that Shackleton’s expedition undeniably illustrates: “Yes, 9 in 10, at least once or twice in a lifetime, come to the place where they appear to be totally *defeated!* All is *lost!*—apparently, that is. They give up and quit, when just a little more determined hanging on, just a little more faith and *perseverance*—just a

little more stick-to-it-iveness—would have turned apparent certain failure into glorious success.”

The Endurance expedition reveals that there are definite laws that govern human conduct and success. The 27 men struggled against the overpowering forces of nature that were out of their control yet brought out the best of their human spirit to survive. You may face problems in your life that seem impossible to overcome and it appears that your dream, your goal, your way of escape seems too far to reach.

Over a hundred years later, the example of these men can inspire us to navigate the ice floes and raging seas in our own lives.

But there is a law, the most important of all, that Shackleton believes was the true source of their miraculous fortunes: “When I look back at those days I have no doubt that Providence guided us, not only across those snow fields, but across the stormy white sea that separated Elephant Island from our land-

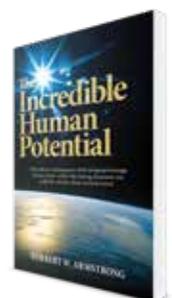
ing place on South Georgia. I know that during that long and racking march of 36 hours over the unnamed mountains and glaciers of South Georgia it seemed to me often there were four, not three.”

Shackleton believed God miraculously intervened and helped guide them to safety. To truly overcome and find success, it takes God’s power and help. The Apostle Paul wrote in Philippians 4:13 that all things are possible through the power of God. That is how we can achieve the impossible.

God has a vision and goal for you that can make you nobler, more selfless and driven by a spirit of adventure. God wants to achieve the impossible in your life, transforming you from a flesh-and-blood human being into a spiritual son in the God Family. It is a journey with trials and tests, a journey where you will need **ENDURANCE**, and it is the only path to your ultimate potential. ■

The best of the human spirit

What is Shackleton’s ultimate potential? What is yours? To live and die? To go to heaven? Find the answer in your own Bible with your free copy of Herbert W. Armstrong’s inspiring book **The Incredible Human Potential**.



For Sale: Your Health

It's enough to make you sick. BY JORG MARDIAN

AMERICA IS SICK. ITS CITIZENS ARE among the least healthy on the planet. For help, they trust in what many regard as the most technological and scientifically advanced health-care system in the world. But what if this system is as sick as they are?

Americans spend \$4.1 trillion on health care per year. Yet while medical, pharmaceutical, food and other health-related industries are rolling in profits, people are getting sicker and sicker.

Something is fundamentally wrong with our approach to health. And it has a lot to do with our approach to money.

Business Insider states that the average family spends 43 percent of its annual food expenditure on eating out. This is a major reason why 74 percent of Americans are overweight and 43 percent are obese. They then turn to medical specialists to fix their problems.

Yet only a fraction of modern medical practice is based on solid evidence from Grade-A randomized, controlled trials. Many medical decisions are subject to a medical professional's arbitrary judgment, and that professional's income is tied much less to improving his patients' health than it is to industry payments.

Some experts estimate that at least \$200 billion is wasted annually on aggressive testing and treatment that can harm or even kill patients. A 2013 study argues that this contributes to between 210,000 and 440,000 patient deaths annually. These numbers make this the third-leading cause of death today.

The profit motive explains why there are endless searches for cures to medical illness instead of straightforward methods of correcting the choices that *cause* the illness. In America, the federal government allows health studies to be funded and conducted by commercial interests, and uses these same studies as a basis for public health policy. As Dr. John Abramson of Harvard Medical School said, "In our opinion, the primary purpose of commercially funded clinical research is to maximize financial return

on investment, not health."

The United States' Food and Drug Administration is beholden to the pharmaceutical industry—for user fees and because of a revolving door of leadership between the FDA and food and drug corporations. It often ignores the fact that safety trials have been fudged and approves products for the open market with a wink and a nod.

Born With a Junk Food Deficiency author Martha Rosenberg cites examples of doctored studies, misleading advertising, governmental collusion, influence peddling and kickbacks to physicians and hospitals. Injuries, lawsuits and even deaths are counted as the cost of doing business.

Even properly prescribed drugs cause 2.7 million adverse drug reactions and 128,000 deaths annually, making prescription drugs the fourth-leading cause of death.

More than 2 million adverse events and almost 67,000 deaths from Pfizer, BioNTech and Moderna COVID vaccines have been reported to the U.S. VAERS system and Europe's EudraVigilance. Yet last year, these companies raked in pre-tax profits of \$34 billion (Reliefweb.int).

Meanwhile, almost every large food and beverage brand in the world is controlled by one of 10 companies. This industry wields incredible power to entice consumers, increase profits, purchase government influence, fight regulations that would reduce revenue, and conduct shady research for unhealthy—but *profitable*—ingredients.

The result: Harmful foods have become ubiquitous in restaurants, vending machines, supermarkets and homes.

The profit motive dominates the origins of food. Most American farmland today is devoted to large-scale industrial agriculture. Profitability comes from corporate-directed, chemically intensive food production in large specialized farms and animal production facilities, using as little labor and as few resources as possible, including bio-engineering,



hormones, antibiotics and other artificial means to produce the largest possible yields.

Since grains are among the more profitable crops, corporate food producers have influenced the Department of Agriculture to increase the grains serving size to double that of any natural food in the "food pyramid," a perfect recipe for obesity.

Entire generations of people don't know where food comes from. The average 2-year-old can identify junk-food brands by name, yet many can't even identify many vegetables by sight.

The results of profit-motivated intensive farming, says the *Natural Medicine Journal*, include the spread of viruses from animals to humans, antimicrobial resistance, unnecessary chemical use, environmental contamination, obesity and chronic disease. Profit-motivated food and beverage manufacturers and distributors, restaurant chains and other corporations feed these polluted foods to consumers. Once we suffer the effects, we turn to a profit-motivated, corporate-influenced health-care system.

We must recognize that it's not just a few executives, a few companies or a few politicians that are corrupt. The nutritional and medical system we have built is a result of our own human nature. That is why the problem is so intractable.

The Creator of human beings, the Earth, food and health is allowing us to learn a hard lesson. We need to recognize that lesson and see the sickness in our own human nature. Once He helps us address the root cause of that sickness, human health around the world will be revolutionized. You can get an inspiring picture of that, in advance, by requesting your free copy of Herbert W. Armstrong's booklet *The Wonderful World Tomorrow—What It Will Be Like*. ■

► **AMERICA UNDER ATTACK** FROM PAGE 3

In this end time they are especially wrathful toward the most powerful of the modern Israelite nations: the United States of America.

God's ambition is to use Israel to help all humanity. The big goal of the devil and his demons is to BRING ISRAEL DOWN. As we will see, they want to blot out even the *name* of Israel!

Evidence of the devil's success is all around us. That is the real story of the political, social and moral transformation of America. Satan has been influencing the minds of the elites in particular, increasingly steering policy and shaping public discourse. The mainstream media have been overcome by the devil. This has influenced millions of people. NEVER HAS ANYTHING LIKE THIS HAPPENED BEFORE. NEVER HAVE AMERICANS SEEN SUCH A SATANIC ABERRATION IN THEIR PRESIDENTIAL POLITICS.

2 Corinthians 11:14 reveals that "Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light." He is skilled at deceit and intimidation, and is using these powers to conquer this nation.

That is what the Michael Hastings example is all about. By Mr. Obama's second term, Satan had all the mainstream media "swooning"! THE REPORTERS SWOONED AS THE DEVIL TOOK CONTROL

OF THE COUNTRY.

This book tells the full story of how Satan has gotten a stranglehold on America. And as you will see, he has done so by using *one man*—a man with such arrogance that he opened himself up to terrible satanic influence.

This book also shows how God *confronted* the attack on America that took place during President Obama's two terms. It reveals the crucial role Donald Trump fulfilled, a role that was also prophesied in the Bible. It also provides spiritual perspective on the presidential administration of Joe Biden, who is effectively a front man for a third Obama term. And it gives you the shocking revelation—made plain in prophecy—of how this satanic attack will be STOPPED.

Prophecy shows that Mr. Trump's role in U.S. politics is *not over*. But what happens when he returns to power will shock you.

It is critical to see the devil's influence in what is happening. But you must also see God's hand. This gives you tremendous perspective, even amid some of the darkest days our nation has ever faced. Knowing why God is allowing this, and how He plans to use these events to ultimately bless every American and every other human being, will give you unsurpassable vision and hope! ■

► **COFFEE** FROM PAGE 23

to guarantee Americans' freedom. They knew that God is a God of freedom; He wants us to be free. That is a gift from God, and they understood that!"

The spread of this technology and its use by the government happened largely while Barack Obama was president. Since then, key institutions like the CIA and FBI have remained under the control of the radical left. During Obama's tenure, Robert Morley wrote in the *Trumpet*, "Perhaps many or even most of the people being targeted by agents at the [National Security Agency] and other law enforcement agencies are actually threats to the U.S. But the larger problem is that *these agencies are expanding rapidly under an administration that actually disdains the law that it is sworn to uphold!*" (May-June 2014).

The Bible describes this time as being one of "very bitter" affliction for the modern nations of Israel: Britain and America. There "was not any shut up, nor any left, nor any helper for Israel" (2 Kings 14:26). If the government is in your home and in your pocket, it is difficult to maintain a free society. And the dangers from abuse by governments at home or abroad are enormous.

The radical left is working to transform America from a constitutional republic, and they are using the power provided by such surveillance as a weapon. As *America Under Attack* shows, the Bible warns that God Himself will have to save America from this kind of tyranny.

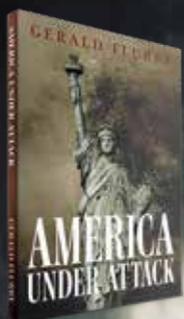
But the Bible also warns that unless we change, America will go right back into tyranny—this time imposed from abroad. Absent America's commitment to freedom, other countries are rising up. They are prophesied to impose their rule by force and could easily take advantage of this kind of technology.

Yet as Mr. Flurry wrote, God is a God of freedom. All this is part of His plan to bring freedom to the world—freedom from tyranny, and freedom from the painful addictions and sins that hold this world in thrall. ■

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You see the attack. Do you see the attacker?

Americans are finally realizing that their nation is being dismantled from within. Perhaps you are one of those who wants to take action. But votes, money and words can't save America. You need to recognize the real enemy. Request your free copy of Gerald Flurry's new, expanded **America Under Attack** today.



Four Steps to Becoming a Person of Your Word

Here's a simple program to help you.

“I’LL DO IT,” YOU SAY. THEN THE TIME COMES TO DO IT. WHAT happens? Do you keep your word? When you tell your friend you will meet him at 6 o’clock, are you there *at 6 o’clock*? When you say you’ll finish that project by Wednesday morning, is it finished on Tuesday night?

“I had something come up.” “I forgot about it.” “I ran out of time.”

Because this attitude is so prevalent, most of us fail to recognize that breaking our word is a SIN. It is so easy to break your word. Other people so often do it to you and to each other that they often won’t even fault you for it. They rationalize it just like you do: *Something came up. I didn’t foresee this other factor. Things happen. No big deal.*

Being a person of your word is an essential aspect of strong character.

Jesus Christ says, “[E]very idle word that men shall speak, they shall give account thereof in the day of judgment” (Matthew 12:36).

Christ also says, “But let your ‘Yes’ be ‘Yes,’ and your ‘No,’ ‘No.’ For whatever is more than these is from the evil one” (Matthew 5:37; New King James Version). Is your *yes* really yes? Is your *no* really no?

It is not complicated to become a person of your word. However, it will take some effort on your part. When you faithfully practice the following four steps, you will be well on your way to achieving your goal.

1) Be careful what you promise.

“Set a watch, O Lord, before my mouth; keep the door of my lips” (Psalm 141:3). Before you tell someone you are going to do something, *think about it*. Carefully consider it. Refrain from saying you’ll deliver on something you know you can’t.

Don’t say you’ll keep a secret if you won’t do it. Don’t tell someone you’ll do a favor that you aren’t going to follow through on. Don’t say you’ll do something or be somewhere if, realistically, you probably won’t. If you are not *sure* you can deliver, then *don’t promise*. Be realistic in what you say you will do.

“Come now, you who say, ‘Today or tomorrow we will go to such and such a city, spend a year there, buy and sell, and make a profit’; whereas you do not know what will happen tomorrow. For what is your life? It is even a vapor that appears

for a little time and then vanishes away” (James 4:13-14; NKJV). This is very practical instruction. We are human; obstructions can arise. It is wise to state plans as *probabilities* rather than absolute promises.

2) Admit when you can’t do it.

If someone asks you something, makes a request or demand, if you know you can’t deliver, admit it. Don’t wiggle around or equivocate because you don’t want to seem rude. Be polite, of course, but learn to say no. If you have plans already, that is a great reason not to make more plans!

Lord Bulwer Lytton said, “Never be ashamed to say, whether as applied to time or money, ‘I cannot afford it’—‘I cannot afford to waste an hour in the idleness to which you invite me’—‘I cannot afford the guinea you ask me to throw away.’ Learn to say ‘No’ with decision, ‘Yes’ with caution—‘No’ with

decision whenever it resists a temptation; ‘Yes’ with caution whenever it implies a promise. A promise once given is a bond inviolable.”

James 5:12 reiterates Christ’s command in Matthew 5:37. If you say *no* with decision and *yes* with caution (because you know it’s a promise), it will be far easier to let those *noes* remain *noes* and those *yeses* remain *yeses*.

3) Once you’ve said it, do it.

When you say you’ll do something, the other person must *know* your promise has value. When your word has gone out of your mouth, it must become a *big deal* to you to *fulfill* it. Write it down so you don’t forget. Use a calendar. Use a memo app on your device. Keep track of the details. Schedule them; follow through.

Fulfill your promise 100 percent: Do what you said you would, without excuse or hesitation.

Your word is your bond, even in the little things. Recognize even a small matter as an issue of *character*. Rather than changing your mind simply because of inconveniences, stick with your commitment and win that victory of character!

Also, keep your word *to yourself*—even when no one is watching. When you say you’re going to exercise three times a week, *follow through*.

Do whatever you must in order to fulfill that commitment, even in the littlest areas—and those successes will begin to multiply.

4) If you blow it, admit it.

Don’t lie or make up excuses. If you can’t do it, or you happen to fail in keeping your word, be honest. When you make a mistake, don’t ignore it. Don’t act like it’s not a big deal. *Apologize!* Be concerned about your reputation in this area. When you make a mistake, *care* enough to do what you can to fix it.

Then determine even more deeply, even more passionately, that the next time you will keep your word.



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WORLDWATCH

MIDDLE EAST

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Lebanon's parliamentary election results announced on May 17 indicate a shift is underway in the nation. The previous government, a coalition of the Shiite Islamist terrorist group **Hezbollah** and its allies, dropped from 70 to 61 seats and lost its majority in the legislature.

Many see the vote as a reaction against Lebanese President **Michel Aoun**, a Hezbollah ally. Aoun's party, the Christian Free Patriotic Movement, lost enough seats to fall behind the Christian Lebanese Forces, a former militia. Lebanon's population is about one third Christian (mostly Catholic), one third Sunni Muslim and one third Shiite Muslim. So Hezbollah's—and, by extension, **Iran's**—strong grip on power could be broken.

Psalm 83 prophesies that it will be. It forecasts an alliance of Middle Eastern peoples that will oppose Israel and will not be allied with Iran. Hezbollah is currently tied to Iran, but since Iran is not mentioned in this psalm, Lebanon must split from Iran for this prophecy to be fulfilled.

Meanwhile, the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) announced on May 31 that Iran is only weeks away from obtaining enough fissile material to build its first nuclear bomb. According to the agency, Iran now has 95 pounds of uranium enriched to 60 percent, compared to only 22 pounds three months ago, and refuses to divulge where some of it is stored. The IAEA announced on June 9 that Iran had disabled surveillance cameras and enrichment sensors at its nuclear facilities, including its underground complex in Natanz.

On June 7, the German government released an intelligence report detailing Iran's 2021 nuclear progress, stating that Iran seeks to develop "one of the largest missile programs in the Middle East" and citing 59 unspecified violations of the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action nuclear deal. Germany has also noted a "significant increase" in clandestine Iranian

activity aimed at obtaining from Germany scientific or industrial equipment for nuclear development and missile construction. The *Trumpet* continues its decades-long forecast that it will not be the United Nations or the United States that will finally confront Iran: It will be Europe, led by Germany. Read about this in our booklet *The King of the South**.

ASIA

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Russia and **China** are growing more powerful, projecting their power against opponents abroad and at home. This is most evident in Russian dictator **Vladimir Putin's** war on **Ukraine** and crackdowns inside Russia against those who oppose the war. But it is also evident in developments that have been less widely reported.

On May 24, the Victims of Communism Memorial Foundation published what it calls "the to-date largest and most significant leak of internal documents from directly within Xinjiang police networks." The files detail the **Chinese Communist Party's** extreme human rights abuses of its **Uyghur** minority.

The Uyghurs are a Muslim Turkic people, whom China has ruled since the mid-18th century. Their desire for independence from China has prompted some to employ terrorist acts. The Chinese government has reacted by forcing the entire province of Xinjiang and its 1 million Uyghurs into one of the strictest police states in the world.

The documents show that the

CCP's "reeducation facilities" are actually concentration camps where prisoners are subjected to egregious human rights abuses. They include 2,884 police photos of prisoners, some as young as 14 years old. They are graphic depictions of prisoner restraint and indeterminate illegal detention. One transcript of a 2017 speech from Xinjiang Party Secretary **Chen Quanguo** records these instructions to guards for when a Uyghur attempts to flee: "Shoot him dead if he runs a few steps. You see, in such a situation, if they run, just kill them. There will be no problem, because we have already authorized this a long time ago." Other abuses perpetrated en masse in Xinjiang include forced sterilizations of Uyghur women, organ harvesting from slain prisoners, and replacing detained fathers with Han Chinese men,



who apparently sleep with the mothers and take over the family.

Meanwhile, China launched its third and most advanced aircraft carrier on June 17. With an estimated displacement of 80,000 tons, the Type 003 carrier is considerably larger than China's first two models and is the world's largest non-American warship. It is equipped with advanced technology, including an electromagnetic aircraft launch system enabling it to launch heavier jets more rapidly.

China's expanding naval power advances it toward its goal of controlling the South China Sea, a development that Gerald Flurry explains is fulfilling Bible prophecy. In his July 2016 article "China Is Steering the World Toward War," he wrote: "[T]he American military is retreating, and other great powers are coming in to fill the vacuum. ... China is intimidating the nations of Southeast Asia into submission to its will. ... Everything is headed in the direction of war." Mr. Flurry cited Deuteronomy 28:52, which

STERILIZATIONS PER 100,000





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Soldiers stand guard behind barriers in Colombo on May 28 as protesters gather during the 50th day of anti-government protests demanding the resignation of Sri Lankan President Gotabaya Rajapaksa over the country's crippling economic crisis.

ANGLO-AMERICA

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America's economy is falling apart while its ruling party is desperately trying to distract people from what is really going on. Yearly consumer price inflation exceeded 8.5 percent, a four-decade high, and average gasoline prices hit all-time highs.

Democrats diverted attention to House of Representatives select committee hearings, which dramatized the Jan. 6, 2021, protests on Capitol Hill. The show trial was designed to make President **Donald Trump** look guilty of leading a violent insurrection, to possibly generate criminal charges against him, creating a rationale for invoking the 14th Amendment to achieve the real goal: bar him from ever again holding public office. The *Trumpet* forecasts that this slanderous assault on Donald Trump will fail and that the stolen 2020 presidential election will be exposed for all the world to see. This forecast is based on Bible prophecy, particularly the prophecy in Amos 7:8.

Meanwhile, the regime is spying on millions of innocent Americans' cell phones.

Motherboard has reported that the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention used location data from the phones of tens of millions of Americans to track whether they complied with government lockdowns. The CDC first received free data about people's movements from SafeGraph in 2019, then paid SafeGraph \$420,000 for continued access to Americans' phone metadata throughout 2021.

Closer to the root of America's problems is the prevalence of hopelessness and resulting drug addiction. Annual drug overdoses in the United States have eclipsed the 100,000 mark for the first time ever, according to government data released on May 11. More than 107,000 Americans died of drug overdoses in 2021, an increase of roughly 15 percent over 2020. Galatians 5:20 warns of "witchcraft," from the Greek word *pharmakeia*, which is better translated as the use or administering of drugs. At the core of American drug use, debt, inflation, tyranny, injustice and other recognizable problems is the fact that millions of Americans have no convictions, no purpose and no hope. ■

warns that the modern descendants of ancient Israel, chiefly the United States and Britain, would lose its "gates." These refer mainly to strategic passages such as those that control access to the South China Sea.

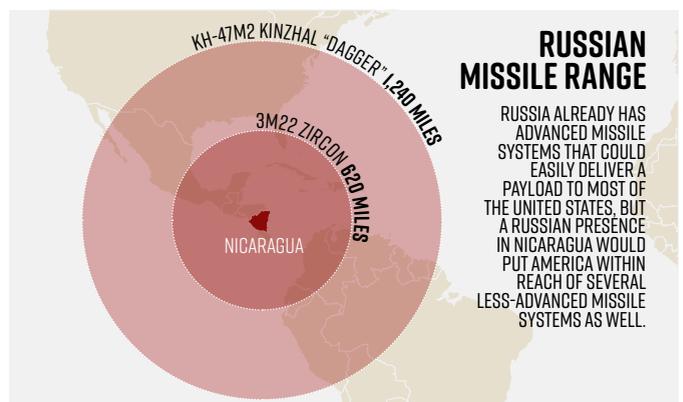
Russia announced on June 11 that Nicaraguan President **Daniel Ortega** has authorized Russian soldiers, planes and warships to enter **Nicaragua** for purposes of "humanitarian aid, rescue and search missions in emergencies or natural disasters." Nicaragua has also authorized Russian troops to enter the nation for "exchange of experiences and training."

Russian state TV called Nicaragua's decision a "most unpleasant cherry atop the democratic cake for the United States," and said that Russia should use this as an open door to move its military assets into the Central American country as payback for U.S. weaponry being positioned in Eastern Europe. "If American missile systems can nearly reach Moscow from the

Ukrainian territory," Russia-1 host Olga Skabeyeva said, "it's time for Russia to roll out something powerful closer to the American city on a hill."

In recent months Russia has also signed numerous cooperation agreements with **Venezuela and Cuba**, further deepening its influence in the U.S. periphery. From these countries, Russia could threaten the sea gates of the Caribbean Sea, through which half of America's seaborne trade passes. In "**Preparing to Storm America's Castle**," the *Trumpet* stated that "the Caribbean is vital to U.S. security. ... This geographic reality is why Russia and China want to challenge U.S. dominance in the Caribbean."

Bible prophecies in Isaiah 23 and Ezekiel 27 show that Russia and other U.S. adversaries will soon join forces to besiege America. The deepening influence Russia is building in Nicaragua and other nations in the region bring the fulfillment of this prophecy nearer. ■



EUROPE

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Germany's parliament agreed on June 3 to change Germany's constitution in order to dramatically strengthen its military. The law now allows for many of the changes announced by Chancellor **Olaf Scholz** on February 27, shortly after **Russia** began its full-scale invasion of **Ukraine**. It exempts this military spending from constitutional restrictions on borrowing, facilitating a special fund of €100 billion (US\$106.5 billion) and an increase in military spending to an average of at least 2 percent of gross domestic product. Within a few years, this will catapult Germany from the world's seventh-largest military spender to the third-largest.

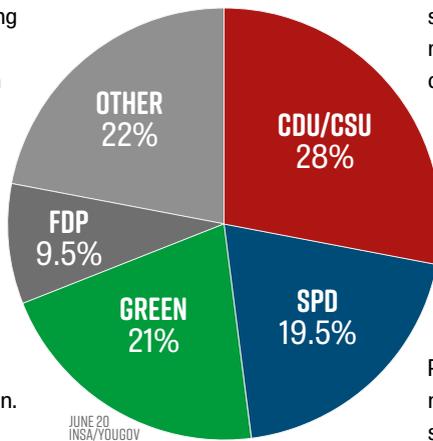
Changing the constitution required support from opposition parties to reach the two-thirds majority. It passed easily, with 567 lawmakers voting in favor, and only 96 against.

Some Germans say that even this drastic increase is not enough. They want Germany to spend at least 2 percent of its GDP every year on its military rather than as a multi-year average. The Association of Reservists chairman told *Handelsblatt* that to have "an efficient force again," the military needs about €300 billion. Historically, when Germany has

had "an efficient force," it has put it to devastating use.

Scholz found plenty of support in upgrading the military, but he has found less and less support for his leadership elsewhere. In early May, his Social Democrats dropped to third place and a historic low in state elections in Shleswig-Holstein. In May 15 elections in North Rhine-Westphalia, Germany's most populous state, support for the party fell to 26.7 percent, the lowest in a lifetime. A national survey showed that the party's popularity has fallen to 19.5 percent, with other parties at 28 and 21 percent. If national elections were held right now, Germany would likely end up with a completely different government from the one elected eight months ago. Germany's leadership crisis continues.

CURRENT GERMAN PARTY POPULARITY



Germans are not the only anxious people. On May 18, **Finland** and **Sweden** formally applied to join the NATO alliance. Finland has Europe's second-longest border with Russia, and was invaded by the Russians in 1939 and 1941. After Russia conquered European territory all the way into Berlin in World War II, these two Nordic countries fearfully pledged neutrality and maintained it for decades throughout the Cold War nuclear standoff. After the Soviet empire collapsed in 1990, they found it advantageous to maintain that neutrality. This makes their recent requests for NATO membership a remarkably clear and fearful reaction to Russia's invasion of Ukraine.

Trumpet editor in chief Gerald Flurry wrote that Russia's invasion of Ukraine "shocked the world. Most of all, it shocked Europe. ... The fear you see in Europe ... is going to cause 10 leaders in Europe to unite in a sudden and dramatic way The reaction within Europe to this crisis is something you need to watch, because it is shaping and molding the future composition of the Holy Roman Empire!"

Mr. Flurry wrote this not after Russia's full-scale invasion earlier this year but after Russia annexed the Crimean Peninsula in 2014. Europe took notice then. Now it has been shocked into dramatic action.

FEATURED FEEDBACK



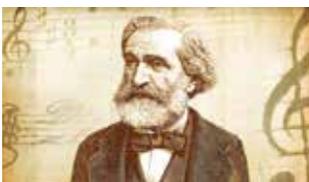
Thanks for this eye-opening article ("Disney and the Fight for Our Children," July 2022). I grew up in the early '60s watching many Disney movies from the back of our station wagon at the drive-in theater. Even as a child I found some Disney movies questionable. When *Witch Mountain* came out in 1975, I really began to question their core values. So far in Montana my grandsons have not been taught such evil indoctrinations. Unfortunately my oldest granddaughter at her school has had poisonous thoughts put in her mind about being "non-binary" Thankfully one day all will have true and untainted education!

Gail Bott E-MAIL RESPONSE

Of all the religious magazines I receive, I get more truth out of yours than the rest. Yours truly teaches the gospel. The others put in their own imaginations and ideas, but yours is the truth.

Mary Hellen Waters MANSFIELD, OHIO

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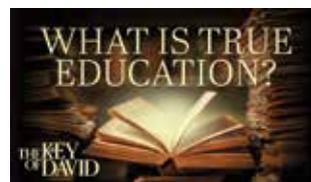
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Where Are the Men?

We recognize the problem. Will we admit the cause?

VIDEO RECENTLY EMERGED OF A BLACK MAN BEHAVING erratically and threateningly on a crowded New York City subway. When he seated himself next to two women, they got up to move away, but the man forcibly grabbed one of them and sat her back down. The woman, eyes closed and terror on her face, repeatedly mouthed, “Help me.” Nobody flinched. They watched (and filmed) as this man, probably no more than 150 pounds, then shouted at her, grabbed her by the hair, and shoved her.

“What does it say about society that not a single man stepped in to help—they allowed it to happen?” Rita Panahi of Sky News Australia asked. That is a terrific question.

The answer is that society is suffering from a dangerous dearth of men willing to stand up as protectors. Panahi rightly called this “another sign that our civilization is in serious decline.”

A much graver incident was the mass murder in Uvalde, Texas. The scene is sickening beyond imagination: A deranged 18-year-old murdering 19 third- and fourth-graders and two teachers, while 19 armed police officers stand outside the room, armed with tactical gear, waiting for permission to enter for nearly an hour. The commander on the scene held the officers back because he assumed all the children were already dead.

Many people were justifiably outraged. Society still shames cowardice. We still expect men to stand and defend those helpless to defend themselves. I find this extraordinary, considering how hard society has worked to cast masculinity as “toxic” and trash man’s duty as protector and defender.

Naturally people are self-absorbed. Men must be *taught* to look after the weak and helpless, to sacrifice for others. We must be *trained* to protect women and children. Rather than teaching this, our “enlightened” society *condemns* it as patronizing and patriarchal. They insist that women can fend for themselves.

The results provide a powerful example of the danger in throwing out tradition and reshaping society based on our own ideas—ideas like sex roles don’t matter and, more perversely, that gender is fluid. As we embrace these errors, we should expect more and more such tragic events. Emasculating our protectors makes us vulnerable to terrible evils.

But it’s not just *tradition* we are throwing out: It is *God’s design*. A man’s duty to protect is *God-given*.

God designed men with a greater capacity for physical

strength, and a tougher mental and emotional temperament, than women. There are obviously weak men and tough women, and God wants women to be strong as well. But He designed her *capacity* for physical strength to be less, and for her to express her strength differently from a man.

Is it arbitrary or unfair for God to give men greater physical, mental and emotional toughness? God created physical strength in men to be unselfishly used to protect those who have less strength—who are being grabbed by the hair, for instance, or menaced by a gunman. God’s purpose is for us men to overcome our natural selfishness, to protect, provide for and defend women and to benefit society.

The Apostle Paul wrote, “I have shewed you all things, how that so labouring ye ought to support the weak We then that are strong ought to bear the infirmities of the weak, and not to please ourselves” (Acts 20:35; Romans 15:1). In Isaiah 1:23, God condemns our selfish society and men who neglect the needs of widows and the fatherless—women without husbands and children without fathers. He says providing a masculine presence and relieving their affliction is pure religion (verse 17; James 1:27).

What a terrible price we are paying for dismantling the godly masculine role.

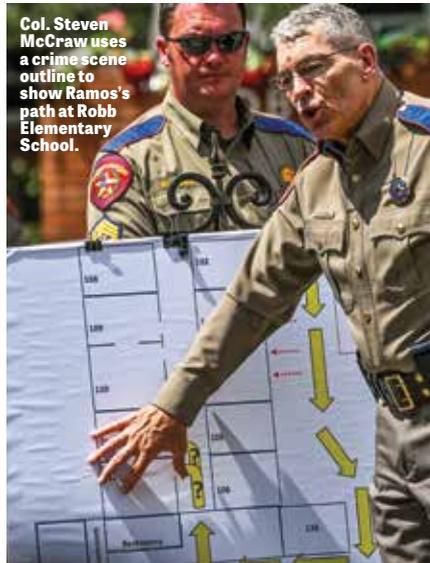
As outraged as people are at the police officers’ cowardice in Uvalde, this is not merely the moral failure of a couple dozen officers. It is the inevitable result of society ignoring, then attacking, God’s law and even God’s natural design—pillars that have supported family and civilization for millenniums.

Society continually accuses police of racism, excessive force and other evils. Should we be so shocked when they hesitate to act in a situation requiring courage and conviction, not to mention force and violence? How can we keep blasting masculinity, then be aghast at the lack of masculinity?

In Isaiah 3:1-3, God says that He has cursed our rebellious society by removing the strong, capable, courageous, masculine leaders. Without the mighty man, the man of war, the captain of 50, the incident commander, the officer, the subway rider willing to confront a threat, a nation is cursed and vulnerable.

In Leviticus 26:19, God warns that if we rebel against Him, “I will break the pride of your power.” This has happened: Our nation has turned into cowards. We cower outside the classroom door, in the face of one skinny man clutching a woman by the hair, and at the prospect of being canceled. Evil spreads—unless it is confronted. And people are cursed.

It is crucial that we men embrace our God-given duty as protectors, and that we teach our sons to do the same. Our book *Biblical Manhood* will educate you about that duty. It provides detailed, practical direction on how to fulfill seven God-given roles for men, including *protector*. It shows how a man can build this godly mindset and come to think more like God, who Himself is a Defender of the weak, a Protector of the helpless. ■



Col. Steven McCraw uses a crime scene outline to show Ramos's path at Robb Elementary School.

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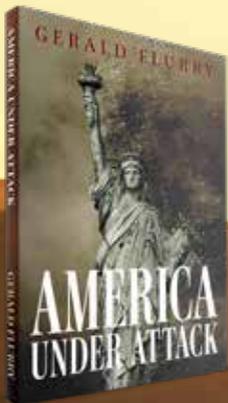
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