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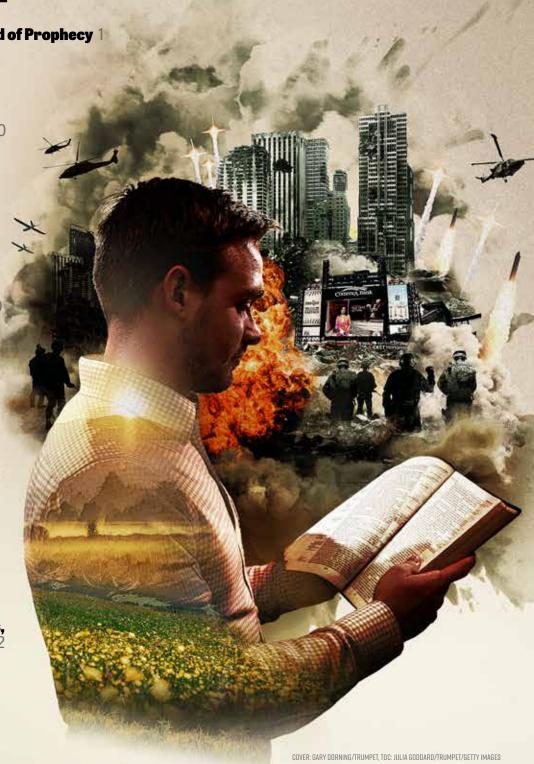
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We Have a More Sure Word of Prophecy

Even in dark times, this understanding brings light and hope into your life!

HAT DOES BIBLE PROPHECY MEAN TO YOU? IT IS FAR more important than most people think.

Our world today is gripped by war. Leaders wrestle with towering decisions that dramatically affect their peoples' lives, even determine the fate of nations. Their mistakes ruin economies and cause terrible bloodshed.

Bible prophecy explains WHY these crises happen. It also shows where they are leading. It shows the presence of the great God in world events and helps us come to know God!

Millions of people face desperation and hopelessness because they miss the truth of Bible prophecy. But you can understand it.

Note this powerful statement from the Apostle Peter: "WE HAVE ALSO A MORE SURE WORD OF PROPHECY; whereunto ye do well that ye take heed, as unto a light that shineth in a dark place, until the day dawn, and the day star arise in your hearts" (2 Peter 1:19).

This verse shows what a blessing prophecy can be! The more sure word of prophecy must be *personal* to each of us. It should guide us in our day-to-day lives.

But what is this "more sure word of prophecy"? Read verses 16-18, where Peter talks about having been "eyewitnesses of his majesty." He links back to a spectacular vision he saw many years before on a mountaintop.

A Glorious Vision

In Matthew 16:28 Jesus Christ told His disciples, "Verily I say unto you, There be some standing here, which shall not taste of death, till they see the Son of man coming in his kingdom." Obviously, these men all died, and Christ hasn't returned yet. So He wasn't talking about that future event. He was referring to a VISION God would give those men—and that still stirs our hope to this day.

In the very next chapter, we read that Jesus was "transfigured before them: and his face did shine as the sun, and his raiment was white as the light" (Matthew 17:2). Then God the Father's words sounded from heaven: "This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased; hear ye him" (verse 5).

What a spectacular event! Afterward, the three disciples were eager to share it. But as they descended from the mountain, Jesus told them, "Tell the vision to no man, until the Son

of man be risen again from the dead" (verse 9). That was just a *vision*—but the time would come, sometime AFTER Christ was killed at His first coming and then resurrected, that the REALITY of that vision would come to pass! Christ is going to return in glory!

This experience reminded the disciples of an Old Testament prophecy about an event that would *precede* the Second Coming. They asked, "Why then do the scribes say that Elijah must come first?" Jesus answered, "Indeed, Elijah is coming first and will restore all things" (verses 10-11; New King James Version).

What a prophecy! Think of its implications. Just before Christ returns, God would send a man in the spirit of Elijah the prophet—and he would "RESTORE ALL THINGS." This means that, in the days before Christ's spectacular Second Coming, most spiritual truths would be LOST—otherwise God would not need to send a man to RESTORE them! This man would bring the wonderful truths of God that had been lost in a world of religious confusion.

Did you know that this prophecy has been fulfilled in modern times? This end-time type of Elijah—this signal of the Second Coming—has already come and gone! His name was Herbert W. Armstrong. (Learn about this in our free booklet *A Pivotal Sign of the End Time.*)

That means we are very close to Christ's glorious return. What Peter saw in a vision, we are about to see in reality!

If you understand this truth, you realize that this present world is not yet ruled by God. In fact, the "WHOLE WORLD" is deceived by Satan the devil (Revelation 12:9). The *whole world* includes everybody—except a "little flock" (Luke 12:32).

This vision helps us understand the evil around us. But more than that, it gives us a LIVING HOPE.

Spiritually Begotten

What is the "more sure word of prophecy" in 2 Peter 1:19?

As I write in my booklet *The Epistles of Peter—A Living Hope*: "When Peter saw that image of God's Kingdom, he didn't have God's Holy Spirit *in* him. He is saying that when the Spirit of God comes into you and gives you revelation, then that is the most sure, certain word of prophecy there is—having God Directly inject it into your mind via the Holy Spirit!"

Many people think they have this Spirit already, but they don't. To receive God's Holy Spirit, you must be baptized and have hands laid on you by one of God's ministers (Acts 2:38; 8:14-17). And God gives His Spirit only to those who obey Him (Acts 5:32).

Receiving the Holy Spirit is a *spiritual begettal* by God the Father. Once you receive it, you can have the very mind of Christ in you (Philippians 2:5). Go on to live the way Christ did, and you will be filled with joy and happiness and do a lot of glorious deeds for God.

If you are obeying God and hungering and thirsting for instruction from Him, then you will receive spiritual understanding, revelation from God (1 Corinthians 2:9-14). You will have "a more sure word of prophecy." That is a promise!

"A more sure word of prophecy" comes *directly from God Him*self through His Holy Spirit! You can UNDERSTAND the prophecies of the Bible because God Himself *gives you* that understanding.

Having this "more sure word" compels us to support God's work of publishing His message to this world. God will reward you and open doors for you—and give you *even greater* prophetic understanding!

Light in a Dark World

2 Peter 1:19 says we should "take heed" to this sure word of prophecy "as unto a light that shines in a dark place, until the day dawn."

Peter wrote his epistles just before he was martyred. Though he was about to die, he wrote this most hopeful book because he saw God's vision and the reward God promises those who obey Him now and help get His message to this world.

The Apostle Paul had that same vision and was also killed for doing God's work. Those men lived in dark times. Yet their words are recorded for us because the dangers they experienced were only a type of those coming in our day.

Our world today is one dark place—and it is about to get far darker! Weapons are proliferating and being developed that would destroy all human beings on Earth! Prophecy shows that the greatest tribulation ever is coming if we don't repent and turn to God (Matthew 24:21; Daniel 12:1; Jeremiah 30:7). That is vital revelation from God—part of the more sure word of prophecy.

But a new dawn is coming. Right on the heels of all these terrible crises, the World Tomorrow will begin. That "dawn" is Jesus Christ's Second Coming, the greatest event in history! When He returns, He will stop all these terrifying problems.

When Paul says "the day star arise in your hearts," he is talking about the day when God's saints become glorified as spirit beings, full Spirit-born members of the God Family!

God is expanding His Family by working with and perfecting human beings! That is the greatest wonder in the world. But we must allow God to work in us. (Request our free book *Mystery of the Ages*; it will explain this staggering truth to you in a powerful way.)

The Morning Star

God has called a few out of this world, and He is going to reward them like nobody else if they get this message out.

But be aware that doing God's work is not easy, just as it was not for Peter and Paul. "Beloved, think it not strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you, as though some strange thing happened unto you: But rejoice, inasmuch as ye are partakers of Christ's sufferings ..." (1 Peter 4:12-13). Our faith is tried and tested. But Peter said those trials are more precious than gold (1 Peter 1:7). He is telling us, *Don't worry about the trials and tests. God tries and tests you because He loves you. He is shaping and molding you, building His character in you!*

God's true Church is being scrutinized and evaluated right now (1 Peter 4:17). We must be building with gold, silver and precious stones—or everything we build in life will burn like wood, hay and stubble, which means losing our reward (1 Corinthians 3:12-15).

Far too many of God's own people have become spiritually lukewarm and blind to this prophetic understanding because they have rejected His authority (Revelation 3:17). You must obey God to receive this understanding—and you must obey God to keep it!

What thrilling rewards await those who do the work of God today. *Thayer's Greek Lexicon* says about the "morning star": "I will give to him the morning star that he may be irradiated with its splendor and outshine all others." Who is "the morning star"? Revelation 22:16 tells us it is Jesus Christ! Christ is the brightest of all the stars, and those who receive Him are going to become His Bride! (Revelation 2:28; 19:7).

Paul said that one star differs from another star in glory (1 Corinthians 15:41). God will give us glory in the stars according to what we do in this work today, before the Second Coming. The more we put our heart into God's work, the more He will bless and reward us.

The Greatest Opportunity

The greatest opportunity to do God's work is today. We are broadcasting and publishing the more sure word of prophecy. In this magazine we cover many Bible prophecies. We also distribute booklets that explain them in even greater detail, and we offer them all to you free.

All these prophecies support God's overarching goal: to re-create Himself in man!

How much is this future reality part of your day-to-day life? God wants a *living hope* in you! (1 Peter 1:3; Revised Standard Version). Do you have this wonderful, joy-filled, LIVING HOPE?

If you have this hope, then you have everything! There is no reason to fear events in this world. Peter was about to die, yet he was filled with hope!

Even if you are facing death, you can be filled with hope as Peter was—*knowing* that the moment you are resurrected, you will receive a spectacular reward!

WE HAVE A MORE SURE WORD OF PROPHECY! Our understanding of prophecy comes directly from God. He tells us what is coming and how it leads to the return of Jesus Christ. We need this joyful anticipation of the glorious future that awaits God's Family to motivate us to work diligently for God.

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Hope in the darkness

You can have a living hope, despite all the troubles erupting worldwide. Read Gerald Flurry's free booklet *The Epistles of Peter—A Living Hope* and be inspired.



onald Trump wants badly to end the Ukraine war. America's president has poured himself into the effort. He has repeatedly dispatched negotiation teams. He has brandished carrots and sticks, offering incentives and imposing economic pressure. He has personally arranged and attended meetings. He has risked his credibility as a dealmaker and a peacemaker.

Why has it not worked?

Why does the war keep grinding on with a lasting solution seemingly as elusive as ever?

Within a few intoxicating days in August, he hosted Vladimir Putin in Alaska, then Ukraine's president and several other European leaders in the Oval Office. His splashiest effort yet sent hopes soaring—then the peaceniks got punched in the mouth. Russia launched some of its fiercest attacks of the war. It struck an American-owned manufacturing firm, then Ukraine's Cabinet of

Ministers building in Kyiv, which houses the prime minister's office and some government ministries. A couple weeks later, Russian suicide drones crossed into Polish air space, and Poland scrambled jets to shoot them down. NATO activated Article 4, a united response to a threat against a NATO member.

The contradiction between Putin shaking Trump's hand and the ruins smoldering after record drone strikes is jarring.

What is President Trump missing?

The Dam Is Breaking

In recent months, it seemed the world was hurtling toward war. All the talk was about the death of NATO, the return of nationalism, the surge in militarism, the retreat to the trenches and bunkers, and the looming threat of world war. Cracks in the dam of the international order were springing leaks.

Then in August, it seemed the Western world's commitment to peace through negotiation enjoyed a resurgence, thanks to Donald Trump. Putin visiting American soil for a chat, Europe's luminaries rushing to Washington—these looked like extraordinary signs of confidence in a peace process driven entirely by the world's most powerful man. Finland's president gushed, "I think in the past two weeks, we've probably had more progress in ending this war than we have in the past $3\frac{1}{2}$ years."

Trump's efforts to talk his way to peace appeared to have patched the fissures.

Alas. Events proved otherwise.

Signs are becoming clearer that all the muscle President Trump is putting toward this peace effort isn't swaying the Russian despot's mind one iota. Putin's actions show that his heart is unchanged. And Putin wants war.

Trump has enjoyed some success in pacifying other hotspots: India-Pakistan, Rwanda-Congo, Thailand-Cambodia, Armenia-Azerbaijan (article, page 15), though the long-term effects will take time to assess. But Russia's butchery in Ukraine is proving to be a Gordian knot.

Putin is highly skilled at saying what people want to hear—then doing what he wants to do. Remember when President George W. Bush met him and said he was "straightforward and trustworthy"? Now, with an American president convinced of his personal ability to "solve anything" and eager to cement his legacy as a peacemaker, and a team of diplomats with little experience and a lot of credulity, Putin has a lot of leverage.

What Is Putin After?

Consider the man whom Trump believes can be talked into simply calling off his war hounds. The man who planned, orchestrated and launched this war. The man most responsible for the bloodshed, for sustaining and intensifying it for 3½ years.

Vladimir Putin's justifications that he is "denazifying" Ukraine and preventing "genocide" of ethnic Russians in the Donbas have been widely discredited. However, many believe his claim that NATO's eastward enlargement since the 1990s breaks post-Cold War promises and is meant to encircle Russia.

To whatever degree this is true, what is certain is that Putin aims to restore Rus-

sian dominance. Ukraine was the breadbasket of the Soviet empire. Russia's president views it as an artificial, illegitimate state within his nation's historical sphere and is fighting to prevent it from becoming a "Western bulwark."

"Putin has long known that if Ukraine allied with Europe, it would significantly diminish his power. His goal is to resurrect the Soviet empire," Mr. Flurry writes in his booklet *The Prophesied 'Prince of Russia*.' "The

architecture of that empire was built around Ukraine being a part of it. ... Putin applied all that pressure on Ukraine because that nation is the linchpin of his goal of a renewed imperial Russia!"

He is wickedly serious about this. Even after Ukraine and the West proved surprisingly strong and his invasion failed to achieve a quick victory as in Crimea, Putin didn't back down. He dug in. And though Europe and America have committed enough help to keep Ukraine in the fight, it has not been enough to win.

Putin has thus directed his military to bomb residential areas; cut off food, water and electricity; deploy chemical weapons; torture, mutilate and execute civilians; and use sexual violence against women, men and children as young as 4 years old, often in front of victims' families. He has ordered his soldiers to Russify occupied areas, suppress Ukrainian identity and culture, and conduct the mass kidnapping, deportation and brainwashing of children (see "Your Parents Don't Want You—but Russia Does" at the Trumpet.com/31836).

And for 1,260 days and counting, he has proved himself willing to expend

some 200 of his own countrymen's lives per day—day after day after day.

Negotiations will not change Putin's goals. Granted, if he decides that a settlement works to his advantage, he may put his signature to one. But it will not alter the fundamental reality of who Russia's leader is and what he is willing to do. The "security guarantees" Ukraine's allies are seeking from Russia



are no different from those Putin agreed to before and then broke.

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As much as these leaders want peace, they are dealing with a man who wants something very different. Everything he does for "peace" is only meant to buy more time and create more opportunity.

Unintended Consequences

What is the *real* solution to the Ukraine war? These leaders will not admit it, but THEY DO NOT KNOW.

As Isaiah prophesied, "THE WAY OF PEACE THEY KNOW NOT; and there is no judgment in their goings: they have made them crooked paths: whosoever goeth therein *shall not know peace*" (Isaiah 59:8; also Romans 3:17).

There is a WAY OF PEACE. World leaders, certainly including President Trump, believe they know it. They believe that the solution to war—the land claims, trade disputes, cultural conflicts, missed opportunities, lost childhoods, poverty, homelessness, malnutrition, disease,

rape, crime, torture and slaughter—somehow lies within their own judgment and their own goings. It does not.

In fact, to this point, much of what President Trump has done has had the *opposite* effect to what he hoped.

He has repeatedly said he just wants to "stop the killing." That is an important goal—especially given the tragedies unfolding in Ukraine. Some 9,000-plus

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people have died every month, and will die next month, until this is stopped. Yet after every "perfect phone call" with Trump, Putin has intensified his murderous war.

Trump hoped to pry China and other countries away from Putin to isolate Russia. Instead, over the past 3½ years China has drawn even closer to Russia, as have other Asian nations. While the U.S. threatens and institutes sanctions, these countries are actively saving Russia from economic collapse. In August, President Trump raised India's tariff rate to 50 percent and insisted that it stop buying Russian oil. India responded by strengthening its commitment and even tightening its defense ties with Russia. Prime Minister Narendra Modi visited the Shanghai Cooperation Organization meeting in China and literally hugged Putin.

Perhaps the most critical unintended consequence of Trump's peace efforts is the most unrecognized. Trump hoped to increase European security and boost NATO's strength by encouraging European militarization and jump-starting diplomacy. But renewed hope for an agreement could backfire. One could foresee Putin drawing out "peace" talks with a litany of demands that Ukraine and Europe would never agree to-but that Trump would be unwilling to stand against. Right now, the Europeans are trying to appease the president by appearing receptive to whatever he suggests. But in the end, he wants to make a

deal and walk away. They don't have that luxury. When the prospects of peace are exposed as illusory, it will be one more nail in the coffin of the trans-Atlantic alliance (article, page 6).

But dividing Europe from the U.S. isn't the only hidden danger of Trump's Ukraine peace efforts. His demand that the Europeans arm themselves more powerfully, they are carrying out—vig-

orously (article, page 10). And here is the ultimate unintended consequence: Bible prophecy reveals unequivocally that those weapons and forces, before being directed against Russia, are going to be turned against America. (Read about this in our Trend article "Why the Trumpet

Watches Europe's Push Toward a Unified Military" at the Trumpet.com/15727.)

As Mr. Flurry wrote in our April issue, "Peace is a noble goal, but if it is pursued the wrong way, that effort ends up achieving the opposite!" ("Does Donald Trump Know the Way to Peace?", the Trumpet.com/31135).

In the end, the cracks in the international order are destined to give way.

Dams burst suddenly, furiously. History repeatedly reminds us that assurances of peace are at their most grandiloquent just before the most shocking eruptions of violence. It is as 1 Thessalonians 5:3 says: "For when they shall say, Peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them"

Perils of Human Nature

Human nature resides in all of us. It is inspired by Satan the devil, the father of liars and murderers, who as "prince of the power of the air" broadcasts his attitudes of selfishness, vanity, greed, competition, hatred and malice into human minds (John 8:44; Ephesians 2:2). (You can find a thorough biblical explanation of this truth in our free booklet *Human Nature: What Is It?*)

One expression of human nature can be seen in the deceitful, murderous actions of the dictator of Russia, grasping for land, lying about his intentions, upending lives.

Here is an insightful paragraph from that April article: "Putin is an evil, ruthless, vindictive agent with Soviet-style methods of psychological warfare, assassination and war. He has disgusting and devastating policies that are sick to the core and even satanic!" In another article, "Should Donald Trump Trust Vladimir Putin?", Mr. Flurry wrote, "This is a man with beastly power and with a beastly desire to rule the world! He is a vengeful, monstrous friend of the devil with all sorts of anti-God policies. He is steeped in secrecy, deception, manipulation, aggression, intimidation, coercion and force, and there is far more about him that we do not know" (the Trumpet.com/14519).

Another, contrasting expression of human nature is the inability to recognize evil. This causes the erroneous belief that, deep down, everyone really wants peace. Because we don't want to acknowledge the evil within our own hearts, we can be naive about the reality of evil within others. We are seduced by promises of peace when there is no peace (e.g. Ezekiel 13:10). In its extreme, people reject reality and tell the prophets, "Prophesy not unto us right things, speak unto us smooth things, prophesy deceits" (Isaiah 30:10).

Several episodes in history warn of what happens when individuals embodying the first of those tendencies prey upon individuals exhibiting the latter.

In President Trump, this natural credulity is coupled with yet another mark of human nature: swelling self-confidence. It is a truly toxic combination. "Trump believes he can negotiate with Putin, giving him sections of Ukraine and expecting this to pacify him," Mr. Flurry wrote in that April article. "That reveals a total lack of comprehension of the man he is dealing with."

He then asked, "Can God get along with the devil?"

That is a searching question. It exposes the real battle playing out both on the ravaged steppes of Ukraine and in the halls of diplomacy echoing with plans for peace.

The real roadblock to peace is not merely an ex-kgb agent seeking to restore the motherland's past glories. Nor is it a comedian-turned-commander refusing to capitulate to foreign aggression. Nor is it a security alliance that is encroaching too close, or, conversely, advancing with insufficient force. Nor is it a lack of ingenuity or acumen in finding the precise penalties and ideal

incentives to get someone to sign a piece of paper, or in devising the perfect compromise that all parties can live with.

The real roadblock to peace is minds clashing with minds, all saturated with human nature, all inspired and manipulated by the devil.

The way of peace they know not. The results prove it. Yet even in the face of failure, they are not consulting the one Being who does know that way, the Being who authored the way of peace—the Being who promises to restore that way to the whole Earth very soon.

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Ambassadors of Peace

The God that these presidents, ambassadors and envoys ignore is allowing them their day. He is giving them their chance to try every pact and plan, to forge every confederation and compact, to deploy every tool of diplomacy they can devise. And ultimately, they will all prove that "There is a way [of peace] which seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death" (Proverbs 14:12).

The same prophet who condemned our modern-day leaders for their ignorance of the way of peace also foretold the outcome of their labors. When all is said and done, he wrote, "THE AMBASSADORS OF PEACE SHALL WEEP BITTERLY" (Isaiah 33:7).

The Bible's prophecies of the horrors that are about to befall this world—when America has fallen from its perch, when the armies of a hypermilitarized Europe mobilize, when the forces of Putin's Russia combine with those of the rest of populous Asia to wreak carnage on a scale even the victims in Ukraine cannot now fathom—truly depict conditions that will bring bitter weeping.

But God is allowing all these failures and calamities for a purpose—to teach a lesson that we can learn even today, before conditions get worse: *There is no hope in man.*

"Thus saith the Lord; Cursed be the man that trusteth in man, and maketh

flesh his arm, and whose heart departeth from the Lord" (Jeremiah 17:5). Can you look at the world today and recognize the truth in that scripture? Trusting in man brings CURSES. And those curses are about to proliferate and overtake the nations and every person on Earth.

By contrast, though, "Blessed is the man that trusteth in the Lord, and whose hope the Lord is" (verse 7).

God knows the WAY OF PEACE. He reveals that way in His Word. It is rooted in the law of God, His commandments, which define good and evil, distinguish

righteousness from wickedness. "And the work of righteousness shall be peace; and the effect of righteousness quietness and assurance for ever. And my people shall dwell in a peaceable habitation, and in sure dwellings, and in quiet resting places" (Isaiah 32:17-18).

God is a God of peace (Romans 15:33; 16:20; Philippians 4:9). He promises, again through the Prophet Isaiah, "I create the fruit of the lips; Peace, peace to him that is far off, and to him that is near, saith the Lord; and I will heal him" (Isaiah 57:19).

When this evil world culminates in a paroxysm of violence, Jesus Christ will return in glory, bringing the peace this world lacks and yearns for. How will He establish that peace and prevent the wicked from shattering it? After all, "the wicked are like the troubled sea, when it cannot rest, whose waters cast up mire and dirt. There is no peace, saith my God, to the wicked" (verses 20-21).

He will not negotiate. He will *rule* with a rod of iron and bring His enemies to their knees (Revelation 19:15; Isaiah 45:23). Christ will replace Satan as the god of this world (2 Corinthians 4:4; Zechariah 14:9). He will imprison the devil and silence his broadcast (Revelation 20:1-3, 10), enabling the reeducation of mankind and the weeding out of human nature in all its forms. That is the only way the roadblocks to peace can be overcome.

Jesus Christ will demand and enforce the way of peace. Isaiah called Him the Prince of Peace—and foretold that "Of the increase of his government and peace there shall be no end ..." (Isaiah 9:6-7). The PEACE that flows from His governance will increase forever!



RESIDENT DONALD TRUMP looked like a naughty schoolboy. Leaders of the G-7 nations, led by German Chancellor Angela Merkel, loomed over him. America's leader looked back, defiant but outnumbered. The photo of the G-7 meeting in Canada, June 2018, became one of the most iconic of Trump's first term.

His second term has provided a replacement. Now it's the European Union's leaders looking like the naughty schoolkids, sitting before Principal Trump's Resolute desk.

Backed up by America's unmatched military and dominant economy, and thanks to his powerful persona, President Trump humiliated Europe's leaders repeatedly this summer.

Don't expect them to take this punishment for long. President Trump is giving Europe a good hard look at what a strongman can accomplish.

Trade War I

July 27 was a "dark day" for Europe, said former French Prime Minister François Bayrou. The European Union had been "eaten for breakfast," according to Hungarian Prime Minister Viktor Orbán. Alberto Alemanno, professor of EU law at HEC Paris, said it reflected "Europe's economic and ideological surrender"



(Project Syndicate, July 30). They were horrified by European Commission President Ursula von der Leyen's announcement of the trade deal she had struck with Trump.

"There is no hiding the fact that the EU was rolled over by the Trump juggernaut," one ambassador said. "Trump worked out exactly where our pain threshold is" (*Financial Times*, July 28).

The U.S. will impose a 15 percent tariff on most EU goods. To bring that down from the threatened 30 percent, the EU promised that its businesses will invest \$600 billion in the U.S. by 2028. It also promised to spend \$750 billion on U.S. energy over three years.

To rub salt in the wound, the deal was worse than the one *Britain* concluded with Trump, despite Europe's insistence the United Kingdom would lose out in trade with America, thanks to Brexit.

"[N]o matter how much the euro-fanatics try to spin it, in reality Donald Trump, as he might put it himself, has knocked this one out of the park," Matthew Lynn wrote in the *Telegraph*. "... Short of having to ship the *Mona Lisa* to Mar-a-Lago, it is hard to see how it could have worked out better for President Trump. After two decades of relative economic decline, and with crushing taxes and regulation suffocating the life out of its industry, the EU is now too weak to stand up to the U.S.

Its fragility has been painfully exposed—and this deal will only make it worse" (July 27).

A month later, more details revealed that American cars would be allowed into Europe without being modified to meet Europe's different safety standards. "We almost fell off the chair when we read this," EuroIntelligence wrote. "This statement reads like a U.S. Commerce Department wish list" (August 22).

Many feared the EU and U.S. would engage in a full-blown trade war. That was avoided—for now—because Europe waved the white flag before the war even began.

Phony Lovers

The other divide between the two blocs is the war in

Ukraine. President Trump focused much of his attention this summer trying to forge a new deal there. (See "The Roadblock to Peace," page 3.) On August 15, he hosted Russian President Vladimir Putin. A few days later, he invited Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy to visit. But Zelenskyy didn't come alone. Many of Europe's leaders felt he needed moral support.

This showcased the divide between the EU and America: EU leaders didn't trust President Trump and felt they had to fight for their interests in person. But it also clearly showed that America is in the driver's seat. European leaders could come to beg or cajole, but what Trump says goes.

Europe's leaders are not Trump fans, but they've not condemned him openly. Instead, their main response has been flattery. They still need the United States, so they are trying to steer President Trump by playing nice. Complaining about the trade deal is fine—President Trump is quite happy to be told he struck a great deal and get everything he could want—just don't personally attack the president.

This strategy took effect after Zelenskyy's first visit to Washington in February, which ended with him being chewed out by Trump and Vice President JD Vance.

In April, Italian Prime Minister Giorgia Meloni led the way with a plan to "sweettalk Trump on tariffs," as *Politico* put it.

German Chancellor Friedrich Merz followed suit. The night he was elected, February 23, he spoke of Europe's need for military independence from an unpredictable U.S. administration: "My absolute priority will be to strengthen Europe as quickly as possible so that, step by step, we can really achieve independence from the U.S.A.," he said. Yet he sang a different tune on June 5, during his first meeting with Trump. He was all smiles, and the visit was entirely drama-free. Merz presented Trump with a framed copy of his German grandfather's birth certificate and expressed gratitude for ongoing German-U.S. cooperation.

Carlo Masala, director of the Institute for Strategy and Forecasting at Germany's University of the Federal Armed Forces, described the European strategy as "constantly giving Trump the feeling that he is a great statesman with a clear vision." He added, "I believe that this flattery combined with European self-confidence is the appropriate strategy."

NATO Secretary General Mark Rutte epitomized this strategy when he characterized President Trump as "Daddy" trying to get Iran and Israel to stop fighting like children in the schoolyard.

Yet you only have to look at these leaders' public statements to see through the flattery.

Step by Step

As Merz acknowledged, Europe cannot break from America immediately, no matter how much it wants to. But it is working, step by step, toward that goal.

One thing Europe desperately needs is greater unity. If 27 separate nations go up against the United States, President Trump can play one off against the other. But a united Europe facing off against a united America would be a conflict between equals.

Europe's failure in trade negotiations "exposes the fundamental weakness of European governance," wrote Alemanno. "Lacking a true EU-wide governance system, the bloc remains incapable of translating competing national agendas into a unified position" (op cit). With all its conflicting national interests, the EU couldn't agree on a way to fight back.





ABOVE German Chancellor Angela Merkel deliberates with U.S. President Trump on the sidelines of the G-7 summit on June 9, 2018. RIGHT President Trump hosts the NATO secretary general; the presidents of Ukraine, Finland and France; the German chancellor; the European Commission president; and the prime ministers of Italy and the UK on August 18 in the Oval Office.



Retaliation against America would end up hurting Europe, and some countries would suffer more than others. No one would agree to suffer pain unevenly. This is why the bloc had little choice but to do a deal.

However, it is clear that such unity cannot be created with all 27 EU member states included. Thus, former German Defense Minister Karl-Theodor zu Guttenberg told Austria's Brutkasten in a video published September 5: "We now have to get to a point where we can say that if it doesn't work with 27, then it will work with 13 or 15 or 17—think of the euro as an example. So we need to be bolder here."

As long as Europe's big beasts—Germany, France and Italy—act together with a few others, a united Europe would have the clout to stand up to America. Unity is more important than size.

Another disadvantage for the Europeans is the current dominance of the dollar. The euro so far has been unable to match the dollar's appeal. But President Trump may solve this for them. By expanding America's already massive debt and putting political pressure on the Federal Reserve, Trump is hastening the dollar's end. Delaying tactics could make sense for the EU. Wait long enough, and the dollar will fall.

But the biggest thing Europe needs to fix is its military. At the end of the day, it cannot engage in a trade war against the nation it is relying on to keep it safe.

The unspoken threat behind all of Europe's dealings with America is that if it chose to do so, America could pack up and leave. It is U.S. troops that make the difference in Europe, as well as the nuclear weapons that Germany, the Netherlands and other nations rely on.

A typical U.S. president would never actually withdraw these benefits. But Donald Trump is not a typical president.

This fear that America could simply walk away has kept Europe from using its so-called nuclear option: its anti-coercion instrument. This is not literally nuclear, but it would mean the legal persecution of American companies across the EU. European politicians boast about its power, but during trade negotiations, they didn't even raise it as a threat.

"The trade deal is a humiliation for the EU, but it reflects the imbalance of power," Clemens Fuest, president of the Ifo Institute in Germany, posted on X. "The Europeans need to wake up, focus more on economic strength, and reduce their military and technological dependence on the U.S. Then they can renegotiate."

"Europe's dependency on America's security guarantee was a further argument against trade confrontation, especially for the bloc's eastern and northern members," the *Financial Times* reported. "Fears that Trump would cut off weapons supplies to Ukraine, pull troops out of Europe, or even quit NATO overshadowed the talks, diplomats said" (July 28).

European leaders also know they would be better able to stand against America if they had other allies.

At a meeting of EU leaders in June, von der Leyen and Merz called for the creation of an alternative World Trade Organization. "You all know that the WTO doesn't work anymore," Merz said.

He is right. Starting with Barack Obama, U.S. presidents have sabotaged the wto by refusing to appoint anyone to its Appellate Body, effectively its supreme court. This prevents the wto from ruling on any appeals. Von der Leyen suggested replacing the wto by joining the giant Asian trade bloc, the Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership.

These nations are seriously considering the creation of a new world trade partnership that limits or excludes the United States.

All of these are necessary steps for Europe to stand a chance in the next round of potential trade war. But something is yet missing, and President Trump is demonstrating it perfectly: a strong leader.

Wanted! A Strongman

While talking to European leaders, Trump decided he also wanted to speak with Putin. Any other leader would have had his people schedule a time with Putin's people, spend hours prepping, and finally have a conversation some days later. Trump just picked up the phone. Even his critics, outraged at the flood of activity coming out of the White House, have to admit that Trump gets stuff done.

Meanwhile, the Dutch governing coalition fell apart. Then the caretaker coalition that was supposed to manage things until an election could be held fell apart. France has failed to pass any major legislation, and its prime minister was ousted in September for trying to cut spending. Germany's Merz has been

busy with foreign policy but has accomplished little at home. After Trump was elected in 2024, the *New York Times* ran the headline "Missing in Europe: A Strong Leader for a New Trump Era." Nearly a year later, that remains the case.

Europeans need a strongman who can get things done. Typically, European leaders avoid putting strong personalities in top EU jobs for fear of them encroaching on their own power. But if it comes to a choice between a strong European leader or kowtowing to Trump, you can be sure they will pick the European.

Intriguingly, there could soon be a vacancy at the top of the EU. European Commission President von der Leyen is plagued with scandals around her conduct during the COVID-19 pandemic. Her contacts with Pfizer CEO Albert Bourla were covered up, and various government bodies have launched investigations. She survived a no-confidence vote in the European Parliament this summer. Parliament Vice President Katarina Barley reportedly said this would be her "absolute last chance."

After President Trump was elected, Mr. Flurry wrote: "There is a big leader-ship vacuum. Germans know something dramatic must be done, and quickly! You see this in recent election results with the rise of fringe parties like the Alternative für Deutschland. Voters are showing themselves willing to embrace out-of-the-ordinary politics. They are clamoring for a strong leader! ...

"This is where Bible prophecy is so invaluable. Prophecy tells us that Germany is about to shock the world with its power" (*Trumpet*, January 2025).

With all these factors in place, EU trade talks with the U.S. will end very differently the next time around.

Trade War II

The EU may need to stand up against President Trump soon. The Americans say Europe promised to invest billions in America; the EU sees these figures as aspirations. And it is hard to see how the EU could meet them even if they wanted to. As socialist as the EU is, it doesn't control every business in Europe. The trade bureaucrats have no way to force them to invest \$600 billion in the U.S.

The commitment Europe made regarding energy in particular is

gigantic. In 2024, the EU imported \$75 billion in energy from America. They have promised to raise that to \$250 billion annually. To hit that target, the EU would have to get two thirds of its total energy needs from the U.S. Even if it completely stopped buying liquified natural gas from Russia, Algeria, Qatar, Nigeria and Norway and got it all from America, it would struggle to buy half the amount it has committed to. On top of that, the U.S. would struggle to supply that much. Total U.S. energy exports to the entire world last year were \$318 billion. Other countries like Japan have also committed to buying much more U.S. energy as part of their trade deals.

What happens when it becomes clear that the EU is nowhere near the \$250 billion in energy imports it committed to? What happens if European companies fail to follow through on the EU's promise of \$600 billion in investments? Then the deal will have to be renegotiated. The seeds of the next trade war are already planted.

The EU is certain to prepare for this moment. Soon, its leaders will drop the flattering facade and reveal their true face

Europe's leaders despise Donald Trump. Many of them think like Guttenberg. This man is out of office, but as a commentator he speaks for many Germans when he says, "Trump is not a friend of the Germans," and calls him "the blond maniac," "bully" and "likely the greatest scumbag that we have ever had in U.S. politics."

Europe's true feelings are revealed in Bible prophecy. Jeremiah 1:13 describes them as a "seething pot."

"This symbolic language is describing modern Germany," explained Mr. Flurry in "Why Germany Just Betrayed America." "Beneath the surface, that nation is full of simmering dissatisfaction with the current world order. Germans are angry at the U.S. The imperialistic ambition that prompted Germany to start both world wars is alive and well. It is 'seething'!" (Jan. 31, 2022, the Trumpet .com/25182).

They may hide it, biding their time—but at some point, the hatred will boil over. Jeremiah describes these same powers as "lovers." But they are deceitful lovers who "will despise thee, they will

seek thy life" (Jeremiah 4:30).

Other related prophecies forewarn that the Europeans are going to get their strongman. This man will unite the world against America in a catastrophic trade war that will bring America down.

The iconic image portraying Europe's relationship with the U.S. will change radically. Instead of pupil and schoolmaster, it will be an image of master and slave. As unnerving as it may sound, the Bible warns that America's loftiness will be brought low—and the nation will indeed be enslaved (Ezekiel 5).

This is what the late Herbert W. Armstrong foretold based on Bible prophecy. Much of what he said has already been fulfilled or is nearing fulfillment.

1978: Watch for "a sort of soon-coming 'United States of Europe'—a union of 10 nations to rise up out of or following the Common Market of today. Britain will not be in that empire soon to come."

1954: "Germany inevitably [will] emerge as the leader of a united Europe. It will require some spiritual binding force to inspire this confidence—to remove these fears—and that spiritual binding force must arise from inside Europe! All Europe is actually ready—just waiting for the confidence-inspiring leader"

1953: "[T]en powerful European nations will combine their forces."

1959: This European power will set up "a gigantic world-trading system."

These forecasts are clearly well on their way to being fulfilled.

These statements are backed by specific prophecies. And world events are forcing Europe in this direction. Revelation 17 and 18 describe a "beast power" led by "10 kings," or 10 nations. Revelation 18 describes this empire's total dominance of the global economy. Once it falls, the businessmen of the Earth will weep.

This past summer, we witnessed the humbling of Europe by the United States. Bible prophecy warns us to watch for a devastating payback. You can be sure Europe is already preparing to strike back.

A German Trump?

Europe is struggling due to a major leadership vacuum. This is soon about to change! Order your free copy of **A Strong German Leader Is Imminent** to learn what is about to happen in Europe.

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Plowshares Into Swords

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'Made in Germany' may soon evoke tanks instead of cars. BY JOSUÉ MICHELS

HEINMETALL, GERMANY'S LARGest armaments manufacturer, has surpassed automotive giant Volkswagen in market value. That inflection point, which occurred in March, was one signal among several that investors are losing confidence in the nation's automotive industry—and gaining confidence in its weapons industry.

Germany and other European nations are building weapons factories rapidly. The sector is becoming ever more lucrative, and more industrial facilities are turning to the dark side of manufacturing.

"It says a lot about the world we live in when battery factory openings fail one after another," Germany's *Handelsblatt* wrote, "while ammunition factories are ceremoniously inaugurated" (August 28).

Europe is turning plowshares into swords on an industrial scale.

One After Another

"The German economy is currently experiencing a clash between industrial crisis and arms boom," Germany's *Tagesschau* reported. "Some companies that previously had little to do with the military see this as an opportunity ..." (August 12).

"Once the pride of the nation, Germany's car industry is reeling from an annus horribilis of poor sales, job losses and the threat of unprecedented factory closures," the *Telegraph* wrote on June 22. "But defense firms have found a silver lining in the decline of the 'auto' trade: rehiring skilled workers to build equipment for a new German Army that may soon have to defend Europe from Russia. ... Sources in the European defense industry, which will play a critical role in German rearmament, say they are eager to snap up engineers who have been let go by car companies so they can be put to work producing tanks and infantry fighting vehicles."

Deutz AG is one example. It produces engines for tractors, combine

harvesters, excavators, bulldozers, loaders and other agricultural and construction equipment. Only 2 percent of the 160-year-old company's business has involved military equipment, but its leaders want to boost this to 5 to 10 percent in the coming years.

In February, Franco-German arms manufacturer KNDs acquired the Alstom train factory in Görlitz. Then German Chancellor Olaf Scholz actually

attended the event, remarking: "Instead of train carriages, parts for the defense industry will be manufactured here from next year." He called it "very good news that industrial jobs will be preserved."

Germany is the world's fourth-largest military spender, allocating about 2 percent of its gross domestic product on the military last year. By 2029, it plans to spend 3.5 percent (\$177 billion) on core military costs.

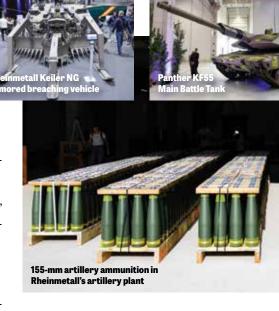
"We would all prefer to live in a world where none of this would be necessary," German Defense Minister Boris Pistorius said at the opening of a Rheinmetall ammunition factory on August 27. But Germany knows it is necessary. As you read this, Europe's newest and largest artillery factory is ramping up to produce 350,000 155-millimeter shells per year by 2027.

Since Russia invaded Ukraine in 2022, Rheinmetall's stock value has increased 20-fold. The \$86 billion corporation, one of Germany's largest, has been busy in recent weeks: It has explored further expansions, including a strategic partnership with Anduril Industries to produce military drones; planned to take over shipbuilder Naval Vessels Luerssen; explored a new missile partnership with Lockheed Martin; invested \$1.2 billion in new Bulgarian factories; and received an order from Germany's armed forces for about 1,400 military logistics vehicles.

Germany's automotive sector is currently still about 10 times the size of its weapons industry. But as the trend continues, more and more workers find themselves producing deadly weaponry instead of civilian products.

"Volkswagen's major shareholder Porsche SE is coming under increasing pressure," *Bild* reported on August 13. "The holding company controlled by the Porsche and Piëch families is feeling the effects of the crisis in the automotive industry and is now looking for new business areas beyond traditional mobility. In the future, it plans to invest more heavily in the defense industry."

The *Telegraph* wrote, "The dramatic shift in German defense policy, known as the 'Zeitenwende' or turning of the times, has created unprecedented opportunities for the German arms industry,



which used to be a pariah in the country due to its Nazi past" (June 22).

The Porsche and Piëch families are part of a group of wealthy families that David de Jong highlights in his book Nazi Billionaires: The Dark History of Germany's Wealthiest Dynasties. The history of these companies and their present-day dealings are a sobering reminder of how quickly a peaceful Germany can convert into a high-tech, high-output war machine.

Many people recognize the names Volkswagen and Porsche. Fewer know that Ferdinand Porsche designed the Volkswagen Beetle at the request of Adolf Hitler. Volkswagen Group was founded in 1937 by the Nazi government, with the stated goal of mass producing the car for the *volk* (the people). Instead, its factories were used to produce military vehicles to launch and fight World War II. Porsche *continued* to work for Hitler and the Nazis, and only after the war ended were his cars sold to civilians. Today, Volkswagen and Porsche are two of the top eight carmakers in the world (as are Mercedes-Benz and BMW).

But there's much more.

In 1996, the United States government declassified an intelligence document that detailed a 1944 meeting between Nazi leaders and industrialists where they agreed to go underground to keep the Nazi party's goals alive after the war. Executives from Volkswagen attended that meeting.



Volkswagen Group, the largest company in the EU by revenue, is now returning to its military roots. Oliver Blume, the chief executive of Europe's largest car manufacturer, told the *Telegraph:* "My take on it is, if there was the option of military vehicles going forward, we would have to look at the concepts. We did that in the past" (March 11).

Consider this casual reference to World War II—and the lack of reaction. Has the blood of the millions dried to the point that we no longer remember it? Have the screams of concentration camp inmates faded into silence?

Global Trend

Like Germany, Japan used its industrial and technological greatness to wreak horrors on innocent human beings in World War II. Like Germany, Japan vowed to abstain from militaristic ambitions after the war. And like Germany, Japan is rapidly reversing this trend.

At the end of last year, Japan approved a record \$55.1 billion defense budget for the 2025 fiscal year, the nation's 11th annual increase in a row.

Now Japan wants to step up its plowshares-to-swords transformation. Lawmakers are now pushing for a nuclear weapons program. With decades of nuclear expertise in the civilian field and at least 45 tons of separated plutonium, Japan could quickly become a formidable nuclear power.

The Stockholm International Peace

Research Institute reported that world military expenditure reached \$2.7 trillion in 2024, an astonishing increase of 9.4 percent from 2023 and "the steepest year-on-year rise since at least the end of the Cold War." It added that military spending "increased in all world regions,

with particularly rapid growth in both Europe and the Middle East."

Its Yearbook 2025 further warned that nuclear stockpiles, which had been shrinking since the Cold War, are growing again. China has at least 600 warheads and is rapidly making more. India probably expanded its arsenal last year, while Pakistan is improving its ability to make nuclear weapons.

And nukes are only one aspect of the world's militarization. "The coming nuclear arms race is going to be as much about AI, cyberspace and outer space as it is about missiles in bunkers or on submarines or bombs on aircrafts," states the report. "It's going to be as much about the software as about the hardware."

Swords Into Plowshares

"Why do we find a world of awesome advancement and progress, yet paradoxically with appalling and mounting evils?" the late Herbert W. Armstrong asked in *Mystery of the Ages.* "Why cannot the minds that develop spacecraft, computers and marvels of science, technology and industry solve the problems that

demonstrate human helplessness?"

We are indeed nearing the days of which Jesus Christ prophesied, "except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved [alive]" (Matthew 24:22).

The Bible also has specific prophecies that reveal what will happen during this period of great tribulation.

As explained in our booklet *Germany* and the Holy Roman Empire, Bible prophecy reveals that Germany will trigger global calamity and another world war.

In this context, the Bible prophesies that civilian manufacturing will be repurposed for war-making on a massive scale. "Proclaim ye this among the Gentiles; Prepare war, wake up the mighty men, let all the men of war draw near; let them come up: Beat your plowshares into swords, and your pruninghooks into spears: let the weak say, I am strong" (Joel 3:9-10).

"The worst nuclear nightmare imaginable is almost upon us," *Trumpet* editor in chief Gerald Flurry writes about this passage in his booklet *The Prophet Joel* (request a free copy).

Verse 12 reads, "Let the heathen be wakened, and come up to the valley of Jehoshaphat: for there will I sit to judge all the heathen round about." God will assemble all the remaining military might of the world—and measure His strength against man's. It will take God's intervention to teach mankind that building ever more powerful weaponry while allowing hatred to grow is a path to disaster.

The repurposing of civilian goods for weaponry reveals a lot about the state of our world. But thanks to God's coming intervention, a time will come when mankind will "beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruninghooks: nation shall not lift up a sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more" (Micah 4:3).

No war, no sickness, no tears



A new world is coming, and you can gain a comprehensive glimpse of it in Herbert W. Armstrong's free booklet *The Wonderful World Tomorrow—What It Will Be Like*.



URKEY IS AN IMPORTANT
world power. Its strategic location, bridging
Europe and Asia, and its
control over key waterways like the Bosporus
make it geopolitically
vital. Its economy, while
facing challenges like inflation, is one of
the largest in the region, with a gross
domestic product of approximately \$1.3
trillion.

Turkey has been a member of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization since 1952, locked into an agreement with America and Europe to protect all members from enemy nations. Turkey has the second-largest military in NATO after America. It is a formal ally of the United States, hosting U.S. troops at bases like Incirlik and contributing to NATO missions, including one in Afghanistan.

As part of that alliance, Turkey hosts U.S. nuclear bombs designed to fit its fighter jets. It is unusual for a country to risk giving its bombs to another country, but that is what America has done. America supposedly retains control of those weapons. But do we really?

Is Turkey a good ally for America?
Bible prophecy says Turkey is going to betray America.

Trust Erdoğan?

Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdoğan has allied himself with the Muslim Brotherhood in Egypt. This is the terrorist organization that spawned Hamas and al Qaeda and has connections with jihadists around the world, including those in America. Under Erdoğan's leadership, Turkey has fought the Kurds in Syria, who are America's allies. And he regularly and publicly expresses

his hatred for the Jews and Israel, America's number one ally in the Middle East.

Still, President Donald Trump considers him a trusted ally. "Turkish officials bet that ties with the U.S. would flourish during Trump's second term following years of strain," Bloomberg wrote on May 15. "And with the U.S. focused on foreign-policy aims, including ending the war in Ukraine and integrating Syria into the international system, Erdoğan is reemerging as the regional power broker."

President Trump has proved he is willing to work with just about anyone in pursuit of a deal. This is most concerning with reference to Turkey's president.

Erdoğan accuses Israel of committing genocide in Gaza. He hates the Jewish state so much he wants to see it blotted out! He has publicly prayed for Allah to destroy Israel. His government has stoked anti-Israel sentiment domestically with state-controlled media campaigns. He has worked to rally the Muslim world

against Israel, hosting summits and pushing for boycotts.

Erdoğan has wished mercy on the "martyrs" of Hamas. He provides safe haven and Turkish citizenship to Hamas operatives, whom he praises as "freedom fighters."

Despite all that, America and Britain view Turkey as an ally.

They really ought to consider what God thinks.

God has strong words for Turkey in Bible prophecy. They express His view of the direction Erdoğan is taking his nation and why we should be especially wary of an alliance with it.

An Ominous Prophecy

The book of Obadiah contains one of the most ominous prophecies in all the Bible. The context shows that it will be fulfilled just before Jesus Christ returns to Earth.

Verse 1 says, "The vision of Obadiah. Thus saith the Lord God concerning Edom; We have heard a rumour [a report or a prophecy] from the Lord" There is a report that must be revealed and delivered. This tells us that God is going to reveal the meaning of this prophecy in the end time through someone who will proclaim it for Him! It has to be done!

Where is this message in these latter days? Do you believe every word of God, the way Christ said we must? (Matthew 4:4). Or do you selectively believe what you want? Where is God's message? These are hard questions we must answer.

The prophecy concerns *Edom*, which is another name for Esau (Genesis 25:30; 36:1). The late Herbert W. Armstrong said that in Bible prophecy *Esau* refers to Turkey. Obadiah focuses on this nation, though there is a spiritual fulfillment as well. (My free booklet *Obadiah* explains the spiritual application for the Church of God.)

In Obadiah 9, God says "O Teman," speaking of the grandson of Esau. This could be where the name *Ottoman* came from. This nation sits astride one of the great sea gates of the world (verse 14). It is part of Europe and Asia and has great geopolitical significance that we need to understand.

Of this nation, God says, "[T]hou shalt be cut off for ever"! (verse 10). Why would God declare that He is going to physically destroy a nation? What could cause Him to make such a prophecy?

You urgently need to understand this because it is going to impact your life personally.

Esau and Jacob

Esau was the firstborn son of Isaac and Rebekah. He had a twin brother, Jacob, who was born just after him.

When Rebekah was pregnant with these two boys, God told her, "Two NATIONS are in thy womb, and TWO MANNER OF PEOPLE shall be separated from thy bowels; and the one people shall be stronger than the other people; and the elder shall serve the younger" (Genesis 25:23). These are two different nations, distinct national types. There was conflict between those two sons from the beginning, and it has continued to this very day.

Obadiah's vision has an ominous portent of what will happen in these

latter days to the descendants of Esau and Jacob.

Jacob's name was later changed to *Israel*. He went on to have 12 sons, who fathered the 12 tribes of Israel. In Genesis 49:1, Jacob called all his sons together and said, *I'm going to show you, my 12 sons, what's going to happen to you in the LATTER DAYS*. Those tribes grew into nations of their own, and those nations remain on Earth to this day. Where are the descendants of those 12 sons?

Prophecies about *Israel* concern these modern nations. We must know who they are, or we cannot understand Bible prophecy. All this is explained and proved from the Bible and from history in Mr. Armstrong's book *The United States and Britain in Prophecy*, which we will send you free upon request.

Psalm 83

The Ottoman Empire ruled Turkey for four centuries (1517–1917). In World War I, it allied with Germany's emperor, Kaiser Wilhelm II. Germany lost that war to Britain and America, and the Turks lost their empire. That foreshadowed what is yet to come upon the nation.

Psalm 83 is another prophecy that refers to Edom, or Turkey. This shows that it is in an alliance with "Assur," the ancient capital city of the Assyrian Empire. Assyria refers to modern-day Germany. (Read "Is Germany in Bible Prophecy?" at the Trumpet.com/17944.) Turkey is going to ally with Germany.

Psalm 83 reveals a shocking alliance built on HATRED for "Israel"—America, Britain and the Jewish nation in the Middle East. "They have said, Come, and

What we see today from Turkey—particularly the hatred for the State of Israel—is exactly what we would expect from a nation that is part of the Psalm 83 alliance.

People seem mystified by this, but this is what Christ meant when He said we must live by every word of God. We are to believe EVERY WORD of both the Old and New Testaments.

God wants us to *know* who these modern nations are. He focuses on three nations in particular in this end time: the birthright nations, America and Britain, and the scepter nation, Judah or the Jews in the Middle East (verse 10).

Esau was to receive the birthright blessing, but he rejected that gift, surrendering it for a bowl of soup (Genesis 25:32-34; Hebrews 12:16-17). *Edom* means red soup, and it is a very meaningful name. (God says there is a church in this end time that did the same thing, selling their spiritual birthright for a bowl of soup. This is explained in my *Obadiah* booklet.)

The birthright then went to Jacob—and believe it or not, that is why America and Britain have had such unparalleled wealth and power for over 200 years! All those blessings would have gone to Esau if he hadn't rejected the birthright. Genesis 25:34 says Esau "despised his birthright." God did not take that lightly!

let us cut them off from being a nation; that the name of Israel may be no more in remembrance" (verse 4). This prophecy reveals a plot to blot out the name of Israel. It foretells a terrible BETRAYAL of these nations!

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Turkey's hatred for Britain, America and the Jews in the Middle East is why God has a powerful prophecy against it. Turkey is prophesied to face DISASTER!

This same nation today has America's nuclear bombs! This alliance has been very unstable for America and Britain, to say the least. What does this mean for the people of Britain, America and the Jewish state? What does it mean for you?

'In the Crossway'

Obadiah 14 says Turkey is "in the crossway." That means the crossroads of the world. Look at a map to understand what this means. Turkey controls the Bosporus Strait and the Dardanelles Strait, which connect the Black Sea to the Aegean and Mediterranean.

These are crucial gateways. Even in this age of jets and space-age technology, world trade is transported mainly by ships. Raw materials and minerals from the soil have to be shipped, and that is where the sea gate, that crossroads of the world, plays a vital role.

After winning in World War II, if Russia had been unable to trade through the Bosporus and the Dardanelles, it could never have sustained its world power. Having access to a warm-water port has meant everything to its stature and power in the world.

These critical sea gates are controlled now by Turkey. A big reason is that the U.S. has backed and supported it. Russia would likely have taken control of them if not for America. But how much geopolitical influence do America and Britain now have in this crossroads of the world and in the Middle East and that surrounding region?

History shows that if you lose out in that region, you can lose EVERYTHING! Russia came to power as the Soviet Union because it had access to that sea gate. Britain lost that access, and it lost its empire! America is doing the same, and look what is happening: America has almost no influence in the Middle East.

We don't understand the geopolitical implications of events in this region. Tur-

key is geopolitically critical. If we lose this ally, we are going to suffer mightily.

Betrayal

Edom, or Esau, has a history of betraying the nations of Jacob, or Israel. The historian Josephus recorded that 20,000 Edomites were received as defenders of Jerusalem in A.D. 70. Once inside, they betrayed the Jews by robbing and killing them—their own brothers!

This is getting to the heart of why God is going to punish Turkey so severely. Obadiah 5-6 describe how it is going to be utterly ravaged and picked clean. Verse 10 says, "For thy violence against thy brother Jacob shame

shall cover thee" God does hold us accountable for our sins! He says, *Vengeance is mine!* (Romans 12:19).

Obadiah 11 says Esau was "as one of them." That means he was allied with Germany and other nations, probably European nations—but *as* one of them, not a member. Turkey has tried to join the European Union, but EU leaders have never accepted them. I believe this shows they never will.

"But thou shouldest not have looked on the day of thy brother in the day that he became a stranger; neither shouldest thou have rejoiced over the children of Judah [the Jews] in the day of their destruction; neither shouldest thou have spoken proudly in the day of distress" (verse 12). God condemns the Edomites for *rejoicing* at their brothers' fall!

Now look at the *context* of verse 14: "Neither shouldest thou have stood in the crossway, to cut off those of his that did escape; neither shouldest thou have delivered up those of his that did remain in the day of distress." This is describing Jacobite *refugees* coming through those sea gates at the crossroads of the world and the Turks KILLING them and delivering them up to the Germans! God takes that personally!

This is prophesying of a battle over rulership of the world! Evil nations want to DESTROY America, Britain and the Jewish state, and we ought to be able to see that!

God foretells a time of unparalleled suffering just ahead of us. Jeremiah 30:7 calls it "the time of Jacob's trouble." The end-time nations of Jacob—America and Britain—are going to have a lot of trouble! And the Jewish state will face the same fate (Hosea 5:5). Three nations in particular are singled out because they received such special blessings and will be held accountable for them.

Turkey has a massive coastline on the Mediterranean Sea, a lot of islands and a powerful navy. What happens if we lose control of the eastern Mediterranean to an aggressive enemy? In a way, it is already happening, and Germany is quickly moving in.

TURKEY IS GOING TO BETRAY AMERICA! This is clear in Bible prophecy. And we must understand it.

Christ's Return Draws Near

Obadiah 15 says, "For the day of the Lord is near" This is about the catastrophic final days of the age of man that precede the Second Coming of Jesus Christ. The unhappy world we live in is going to be transformed into a wonderful new world under Christ's rule as King of kings. And when you see this prophecy in Obadiah transpire—which events today are rapidly leading into—that day truly is NEAR!

Obadiah's prophecy concludes with a truly inspiring vision: "And

saviours shall come up on mount Zion to judge the mount of Esau; and the kingdom shall be the Lord's" (verse 21). All these events are leading right into the establishment of God's Kingdom on Earth. And this verse says SAVIORS, PLURAL—speaking of the people who serve God and proclaim His prophecies and warnings to the world today—will be right there with Jesus Christ, helping Him bring SALVATION to the whole world!

This prophecy, and all of God's prophecies, truly is aimed at *saving lives!* Will you turn to God today and get behind His work so you can be among those SAVIORS?





United States President
Donald Trump attempted
to solve a conflict that has
festered since the 1980s. On August 8,
he hosted Azerbaijani President Ilham
Aliyev and Armenian Prime Minister
Nikol Pashinyan in Washington to sign
a joint peace declaration. It was the first
diplomatic breakthrough between the
two former Soviet countries in decades.
If successful, it will change the geopolitics of the region and the world.

Each side declared acceptance of the other's territorial integrity, committed to opening its borders with each other and with neighboring countries, and its willingness to sign a formal peace treaty. Armenia and Azerbaijan also agreed to the establishment of the Trump Route for International Peace and Prosperity (TRIPP), an economic supply chain connecting Azerbaijan with Turkey and the rest of Europe through southern Armenia.

Azerbaijan's economy relies heavily on fossil fuel exports, but currently these and other goods must pass through Iran,

Russia or Russia-influenced Georgia.
TRIPP would fix this.

Armenia is also influenced by Russia and technically has a security alliance with it, but when Armenia activated that alliance during its last major skirmish against Azerbaijan, Russia gave little support. So the Armenians want to find a new security partner, and the Americans are interested in the Armenians.

The declaration is a nonbinding statement of intent, but if implemented, the U.S. will oversee the process and enable private American contractors to develop the corridor. This could include armed military and nonmilitary U.S. personnel.

The Caucasus has been an important area since Noah disembarked from the ark in this general vicinity. This temperate, mountainous region connects Europe and Asia, and passing through it are travelers and goods from the Black Sea, Caspian Sea, Russia, Turkey, Iran and points beyond. For thousands of years, peoples, nations and empires have warred over control of its warm-water ports, mountain passes, railways and, today, pipelines.

The U.S. drastically boosting its interest and its stake in the Caucasus would be a major move. But in such an important and complex region, it would need help.

Context

The roots of the Armenia-Azerbaijan conflict go back about 100 years. As dictator Joseph Stalin drew the boundaries of the Soviet Union's socialist republics, he left Armenians in Azerbaijan and divided Azerbaijan in two, split by Armenia. Stalin and the Soviets tightly controlled both states, so these unnatural divisions made little difference until 1988, when Soviet rule was collapsing. At that point, the Armenian-majority territory of Nagorno-Karabakh voted to leave Azerbaijan and join Armenia, and the two sides erupted into war. A 1994 ceasefire put Nagorno-Karabakh under Armenian control, and the conflict remained frozen until 2020, when the Azerbaijanis launched a lightning military offensive. Since then, Azerbaijan has conquered Nagorno-Karabakh and even parts of Armenia proper.

President Trump is trying to create an entry point for a direct American presence in this small territory. Not only would this create opportunities for surveillance and projecting power, it would also diminish Russia's and Iran's economic leverage as Azerbaijan does business directly with Turkey and Europe. China, which is expanding its own trade networks to Europe, would also lose out in this region. The U.S. would gain a geopolitical advantage it has never had before, at minimal financial and diplomatic cost.

But there is one complicating factor: Turkey.

Self-serving Sultan

The complicated history and politics of the Caucasus force those who want to do business between Europe and Asia to pass through countries influenced by Russia or Iran, or through actual Russian or Iranian territory. TRIPP would offer an attractive way to bypass them by routing transit through Azerbaijan's western exclave of Nakhchivan and its small border with Turkey.

Turkey is interested, to say the least. Though Armenia has yet to implement TRIPP, Turkey has already started constructing a significant rail line on its side of the border that would serve the plan. The Turkish government wants unimpeded access to Azerbaijan, especially its ports on the Caspian Sea; trade with Kazakhstan and its uranium; trade with Turkmenistan and its huge natural gas reserves; and trade with the rest of Central Asia, which has strong connections to Turkish history, culture and language.

However, there is a catch.

Since becoming Turkey's leader in 2003, President Recep Tayyip Erdoğan has pushed to restore Turkey's strength as one of Eurasia's great powers. To this end, he has cracked down on dissent at home, helped oust the Assad regime in Syria, propped up governments in places like Libya, and sponsored terror groups like Hamas and the Muslim Brotherhood. Analysts call his vision for Turkey "neo-Ottoman," because it attempts to restore the power Turkey had in the Ottoman Empire, which controlled much of the Middle East, Eastern Europe and North Africa from the 16th to the 20th century.



The Turks and the Ottomans lost control of the Caucasus well over a century ago, and it has never controlled Central Asia. TRIPP has the potential to help Erdoğan build a partially revived, partially brand-new economic empire out of what used to be Russia's empire.

For all that the U.S. would gain from staking a new interest in the Caucusus, it would also become heavily dependent on Turkey. If Armenia and Azerbaijan descend into war again or other powers cause problems there, the U.S. would likely rely on Turkey, a NATO ally, to help it project power, or, if the worst should happen, to shelter Americans as they evacuate.

But is Turkey a true friend of America and the West?

Erdoğan and his regime have clashed with Trump over a few issues, arbitrarily detained domestic and foreign journalists, and provided major resources to Hamas, even temporarily allowing the terrorist group to set up offices in Istanbul.

U.S. diplomats might dismiss these warning signs as insignificant, but should they?

Fatal Flaw in Peace Deals

The Armenia-Azerbaijan breakthrough brought reactions similar to those from the 2020 Abraham Accords between Israel and the United Arab Emirates. In both cases, the development was unexpected, likely wouldn't have happened without President Trump's efforts, and

offered new potential in a troubled region.

Many were excited about President Trump's Israel-U.A.E. deal, but *Trumpet* editor in chief Gerald Flurry wrote: "We all want peace. But sadly, these peace pacts have a deadly flaw. Biblical prophecy gives us deep insight into these recent agreements. It actually foretells that moderate Arabs will unite, somewhat like we are now seeing. But they are prophesied *not* to cooperate with the United States or Israel! A prophecy in Psalm 83 exposes a HIDDEN REALITY behind these peace deals. We are already in the beginning stages of its fulfillment" ("Deadly Flaw in Mideast Peace Deals," *the Trumpet.com/23199*).

Psalm 83:1-4 read, "Keep not thou silence, O God: hold not thy peace, and be not still, O God. For, lo, thine enemies make a tumult: and they that hate thee have lifted up the head. They have taken crafty counsel against thy people, and consulted against thy hidden ones. They have said, Come, and let us cut them off from being a nation; that the name of Israel may be no more in remembrance."

The Jewish nation in the Middle East is called the State of Israel today. But the Jews come from the tribe of Judah, which was only one of the 12 tribes of ancient Israel. Judah and Israel were actually *separate* and even warring kingdoms for most of their biblical history. So when the Bible prophesies about "the name of Israel," this actually includes other modern nations that descended from the other 11 ancient tribes, principally the

United States and Britain. (Request your free copy of *The United States and Britain in Prophecy*, by Herbert W. Armstrong; article, page 23.)

THE UNITED STATES AND BRITAIN IN PROPHECY

Verses 6-8 list these enemies of Israel: "The

tabernacles of Edom, and the Ishmaelites; of Moab, and the Hagarenes; Gebal, and Ammon, and Amalek; the Philistines with the inhabitants of Tyre; Assur also is joined with them" Neither biblical nor secular history records such an alliance, either in composition or purpose. Therefore Psalm 83 is a prophecy for our day. But what does this list of archaic, seemingly random peoples mean for us today?

"The key to unlocking this prophecy," Mr. Flurry wrote, "is to know the modern descendants of these peoples. And God in this end time has supplied this key. Based on biblical and historical research and with God's inspiration, Herbert W. Armstrong gave a good general idea of which nations these peoples correspond to today, equating the Ishmaelites with Saudi Arabia and the Gulf states, the Hagarenes with Syria, the Philistines with the Palestinians, Gebal and Tyre with Lebanon, Moab and Ammon with Jordan, and Edom and Amalek with Turkey. ... Notice too that Assur, or Assyria, is on this list. This refers to modern-day Germany" (ibid).

"While it seems that these nations are moving away from radicalism and violence," Mr. Flurry wrote, "we must look beneath the surface. After all, this prophecy reveals that they will take 'crafty counsel'—subtle and shrewd dealing. This sure prophecy shows that these nations will ally to try to blot out the name of Israel forever! That is intense hatred!"

The prophecy lists Turkey as part of this alliance. Another prophecy forecasts in greater detail what the modern Turks will do.

Concerning Edom

Millenniums ago, God promised Abraham that his descendants would become great nations, nations that would change the course of human history (see Genesis 12, 15, 17, 26-28 and 35). This line of descendants went through Abraham's son Isaac, and Isaac's son Jacob, whose name God changed to Israel. It bypassed Jacob's older brother, Esau, father of the Edomites.

The book of Obadiah is a prophecy "concerning Edom" (verse 1). It states that the descendants of Esau still have bitterness toward the descendants of Israel and will perpetrate a stunning betrayal against them!

"For thy violence against thy brother Jacob," God thunders to Edom, "shame shall cover thee, and thou shalt be cut off for ever. In the day that thou stoodest on the other side, in the day that the strangers carried away captive his forces, and foreigners entered into his gates, and cast lots upon Jerusalem, even thou wast as one of them" (verses 10-11).

This connects to other prophecies that forecast the nations of Israel coming under attack by German-led Europe and the nations of the Psalm 83 alliance. The Turks will join this war, and notice what God tells them: "Neither shouldest thou have stood in the crossway, to cut off those of his that did escape; neither

events are leading to an even greater world event!

"But upon mount Zion shall be deliverance, and there shall be holiness; and the house of Jacob shall possess their possessions. And the house of Jacob shall be a fire, and the house of Joseph a flame, and the house of Esau for stubble, and they shall kindle in them, and devour them And saviours shall come up on mount Zion to judge the mount of Esau; and the kingdom shall be the Lord's" (verses 17-18, 21).

The events of Bible prophecy, which could *only* be known in advance by God, are leading to God's direct intervention and the reestablishment of His government on Earth!

"God is sending saviors," Mr. Flurry writes in *Obadiah: The Most Terrifying Message in the Bible*. "This is the good news. If God's Laodiceans and the world heed our message, it will save them physically *and* spiritually....

"THIS WORLD'S GREATEST NEED IS FOR SAVIORS! ... Strife on our weary planet is about to end forever! Jesus Christ is

The terrifying prophecies recorded in Psalms, Obadiah, the Gospels and throughout the Old Testament and New Testament are unfolding now.

shouldest thou have delivered up those of his that did remain in the day of distress" (verse 14).

What does this passage mean?

The Trumpet explained in 1997: "These panic-stricken Israelitish refugees, by running to Turkey, will think they are entering friendly territory. ... [T]o find favor with this terrifying European power, Turkey will betray the peoples of the very nations it is allied with today—ancestrally its own

twin brother!" (December 1997).

Watch for this deal to ultimately empower Turkey most of all—and for Turkey to betray America! (article, page 12).

What else does Obadiah's prophecy reveal? It reveals that these massive, consequential, dire world about to rule this Earth. We must not overlook the greatest Savior of all pictured in this book. '[T]he kingdom shall be the Lord's'—FOREVER!"

The terrifying prophecies recorded in Psalms, Obadiah, the Gospels and throughout the Old Testament and New Testament are unfolding now. The fulfillment of these prophecies is ultimately good news! If the Bible accurately, intricately recorded the rise of the nations of Israel, as well as

their imminent fall, you can trust that it is accurate in its record of the next great world event—Jesus Christ's return and the establishment of the literal Kingdom of God over Armenia, Azerbaijan, Russia, Iran, Turkey, Israel, the United States and all nations.

Read Gerald Flurry's article "Deadly Flaw in Mideast Peace Deals" to see the vital ingredient missing from peace talks (theTrumpet .com/23199).



The Islamic Resistance Movement, abbreviated as Hamas, began in 1987 as an offshoot of the Palestinian branch of the Muslim Brotherhood, but the relationship has evolved. It has governed the Gaza Strip since 2007. According to its original 1988 charter, its goal is the complete annihilation of the State of Israel.

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

Article 7 "The Prophet, Allah bless him and grant him salvation, has said: 'The Day of Judgement will not come about until Muslims fight the Jews (killing the Jews), when the Jew will hide behind stones and trees. The stones and trees will say O Muslims, O Abdulla, there is a Jew behind me, come and kill him. Only the Gharkad tree (evidently a certain kind of tree) would not do that because it is one of the trees of the Jews.' (related by al-Bukhari and Muslim)."

Article 28 "Arab countries surrounding Israel are asked to open their borders before the fighters from among the Arab and Islamic nations so that they could consolidate their efforts with those of their Muslim brethren in Palestine."

Article 32 "The Islamic Resistance Movement considers itself to be the spearhead of the circle of struggle with world Zionism and a step on the road."

FUNDING

The Gaza Strip is a tiny 141-square-mile enclave packed with 2.1 million people. Hamas raises \$350 million in annual revenue by taxing the Gaza population, but its main source of revenue is foreign aid. It receives roughly \$350 million per year from the Islamic Republic of Iran, which also seeks Israel's annihilation. It also receives \$360 million per year in international aid funneled through Qatar. Much of this aid, instead of being used to care for Gaza's people, is used to finance Hamas's war against Israel.



Khaled Meshaal

- · Born in West Bank
- Studied at Kuwait University
- Resides in Qatar



Khalil al-Hayya

- Born in Gaza
- Studied at University of Jordan
- · Resides in Qatar



Zaher Jabarin

- · Born in West Bank
- Studied at An-Najah National University
- Resides in Turkey



Mohammed Ismail Darwish

- Born in Lebanon
- Resides in Qatar

CONTROL

The chairman of the Hamas Political Bureau is the overall and de facto leader, but the position has been vacant since Yahya Sinwar was killed on Oct. 16, 2024. The group is led by a five-man council until a new election is scheduled. The council consists of four senior leaders plus an unnamed adviser.



shipments to Gaza are enough to feed the enclave's entire population with **3,347 calories** each. Yet the food is not reaching most of the people. Veteran Israeli journalist Ehud Ya'ari has highlighted how, since the beginning of the war, Hamas has pocketed at least \$500 million from selling captured aid. The U.S. Agency for International Development says that many Palestinians raid the

food trucks and hoard the food before everyone gets what they need. In other words, Hamas and

its supporters are selling food to procure weapons—while their own people starve.

TERROR

On Oct. 7, 2023, Hamas launched a surprise attack on Israel, killing about 1,200 people and taking more than 250 hostages. This was the third-largest terrorist attack on record. Hamas-led terrorist attacks since 1987 have killed about 2,500 people total, with the October 7 victims making up nearly half that number.

Nine Deadliest Terrorist Attacks Since 1970

9/11 attack (United States, 2001)

2,996

Tikrit attack (Iraq, 2014)

1.700

October 7 attack (Israel, 2023)

1.200

Badush Prison massacre

670

Safari Hotel bombing

588

Dhading attack

51

518

Cinema Rex fire

422

Tora Church attack

400

Karada bombing

400

DECEIT

Hamas employs 1,500 propaganda operatives, including hundreds of combat photographers, to make it look like Gaza's Palestinian population is oppressed by Israel instead of the Muslim Brotherhood. These operatives also work to brainwash the Palestinian population by producing children's programming designed to indoctrinate children to hate the Jews. In 2009, Hamas's al-Aqsa Television featured a Mickey Mouse lookalike named "Farfur" who was killed by Jews in a fictional TV show in an attempt to turn children against Israel.





U.S. intelligence figures estimate that only 9,000 to 12,000 terrorists are actively fighting for Hamas—less than **0.6 percent** of Gaza's entire population of 2.1 million. Public opinion polls conducted by the Palestinian Center for Policy and Survey Research indicate that 37 percent of Gazans support these fighters, but the majority of Gaza's Palestinian population are unwillingly oppressed by an Islamic dictatorship.



MAGA: Split Over Israel

One Make America Great Again movement, two conflicting positions on the Jewish state BY ANDREW MILLER

Again movement is splintering over its view of Israel.

Ever since the creation of the State of Israel in 1948, the United States has treated the Jewish state as one of its closest allies. But now, both Democrats and Republicans are questioning whether America should support the Israelis as they battle violent Islamic extremism. The bonds of brotherhood are breaking.

In 1962, President John F. Kennedy coined the term "special relationship" to describe the unusually close partnership between America and Israel. (Interestingly, the only other such "special relationship" he noted was with Britain.) Yet ever since Barack Obama's election in 2008, the Democratic Party has portrayed the Jewish state as an evil colonial movement oppressing "indigenous Palestinians."

The Republican Party rejected that neo-Marxist treatment of the Jews and remained a resolute ally of Israel throughout the Obama years. However, since the emergence of "America first" thinking under President Donald Trump, many conservatives assert that this means the U.S. should stay out of most foreign conflicts, including the Jewish nation's fight for survival. These isolationists want to focus on U.S. interests and do not want a "special relationship" with Israel.

Some leading voices—such as JD Vance, Steve Bannon and Matt Walsh—assert that America should stop policing the world, even in Israel. Others—such as Tucker Carlson, Candace Owens and Marjorie Taylor Greene—are motivated by religious animosity against Zionism, the movement to reestablish a Jewish state in the Middle East.

During an interview with a Palestinian Lutheran pastor in April, Carlson highlighted how Israel's war on Hamas terrorists in Gaza was negatively affecting ancient Christian communities in Gaza, the West Bank and Israel proper. He unequivocally blamed Israel for the violence and made clear he wanted American evangelicals to disfavor the Jews and embrace the Arab Christian communities in the Middle East who view the Promised Land as theirs by divine right.

The worsening MAGA divide—and the fact that it is over Israel—is relevant.

not only to conservative Americans, the Republican Party and President Trump, but also to the nation and the world because it relates directly to Bible prophecy!

Herbert W. Armstrong's book *The United States and Britain in Prophecy* explains that the Americans and Jews (and the British) share a special relationship: They are *all* descendants of the ancient nation of Israel. And God had and has a special plan for the Jewish nation, the rest of the modern Israelite nations and the true Christian Church—yet few Christians know anything about it!

Replacement Theology

Carlson hosted Sen. Ted Cruz on June 18 and engaged him in a fiery debate over whether the U.S. should intervene to save Israel from Iran. The two men clashed for two hours, including over a specific passage in the Old Testament. Some viewers thought this debate came out of nowhere. In fact, it encapsulates the core conflict within MAGA over Israel.

"As a Christian growing up in Sunday school," Cruz said, "I was taught from the Bible, 'Those who bless Israel will be blessed, and those who curse Israel will be cursed.' And from my perspective, I'd rather be on the blessing side of things."

This was a loose paraphrase of Genesis 12:1-3: "Now the Lord had said unto Abram, Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and from thy father's house, unto a land that I will shew thee: And I will make of thee a great nation, and I will bless thee, and make thy name great; and thou shalt be a blessing: And I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee: and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed."

Cruz and many other Christians believe that this passage applies to the Jewish people, even specifically to the Jewish state called *Israel*. Carlson and many others believe it applies to the Christian church.

Evangelical Protestants like Cruz, a Southern Baptist, view God's covenant with Abraham as continuing today in His relationship with the Jewish people. They believe the creation of the Jewish state fulfills Bible prophecy. Meanwhile, mainstream Christians like Carlson, an Episcopalian, disagree. They believe the sacrifice of Jesus Christ ended God's pact with physical Israel and transferred all the promises God made to Abraham to spiritual Israel (the Christian church).

Most Christians in Israel are Arabs. This means that mainline Christians, as well as Catholics, tend to favor the Palestinians against the Jews.

The belief that God's covenant with Abraham now applies to the Christian church rather than to Abraham's physical descendants is called "replacement theology," or "supersessionism." It was popularized in the second century by Pseudo-Barnabas, Melito of Sardis and Justin Martyr.

Christ's disciples were mostly Jews who kept the seventh-day Sabbath and the Old Testament holy days. Yet after the second temple was destroyed and public sentiment turned against the Jews, Catholic fathers started teaching that the new covenant superseded the Mosaic covenant and the Abrahamic covenant; therefore, the Jews were no longer the chosen people.

The Catholic view that they have replaced the Jews as the rightful heirs to God's promises to Abraham has sparked strife between Jews and Catholics for 1,900 years. In the seventh century, the strife led the Jews to support the enemies of the Catholic Byzantines, who then lost control of Jerusalem. Catholics and Orthodox Christians were thus further embittered against the Jews. Later, from the 11th century through the 13th century, Catholics launched more than eight crusades to reconquer the Holy Land, which by then was controlled by

when the scattered Jewish people regathered in the Holy Land before the Messiah returns. This is likely the view Senator Cruz learned in Sunday School, where he heard that "those who bless Israel will be blessed, and those who curse Israel will be cursed."

Johanna and Ebenezer Cartwright, two Baptists who spent time in Amsterdam, encapsulated this sentiment when they

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Islamic powers. The Catholics were and still are powerfully motivated by the belief that the promises to Abraham belong to Catholicism—as do the holy sites of Jerusalem.

In the Protestant Reformation of the 16th century, several groups split from the Roman Catholic Church, forming the Anglican, Calvinist and Lutheran mainstream Protestant denominations. They have largely retained Roman Catholicism's replacement theology doctrine. This is one reason why so many Christians are unsympathetic to Jewish claims to the Holy Land.

One of the hottest current controversies in high-level American politics and Middle Eastern security comes straight from Genesis 12! Is that promise really in force today? And if so, what does it really mean?

Christian Zionism

Tucker Carlson was raised Episcopalian, an American branch of Anglicanism. Senator Cruz comes from a very different religious background. He is a Southern Baptist, a denomination that originated in the English Puritan movement. The Puritans studied Bible prophecy more than the mainstream denominations. They understood that God promised Abraham not only that one of his descendants (Jesus Christ) would be a blessing to "all the families of the earth," but also that his descendants would become great physical nations. Some few of them—such as Vincenzo Galilei, Henry Spelman and John Sadler—argued that the British were one of the lost tribes of Israel. But most adopted the belief that God's promises to Abraham and other prophecies could be fulfilled only if and wrote in 1649, "[T]his nation of England, with the inhabitants of the Netherlands, shall be the first and the readiest to transport Israel's sons and daughters on their ships to the land promised to their forefathers, Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, for an everlasting inheritance."

This type of thinking began the Christian Zionist movement, whose supporters believed that Christians had a role to play in returning Abraham's physical descendants to the Promised Land. Among those predicting a Jewish return to Palestine and the rebuilding of Jerusalem were Sir Henry Finch, Thomas Brightman and Sir Isaac Newton. Sir Arthur Balfour acted on these predictions in 1917 when he signed the declaration allowing Jews to resettle the Holy Land more than 18 centuries after the Romans expelled them in the first century.

The Roman Catholic Church has never been supportive of Jewish control over Jerusalem, arguing during the Crusades that it should be administered by a Catholic king, or today, as an "international city." American Anglicans, Calvinists and Lutherans are not as dogmatic in their view of the Middle East, but as a rule offer the Jewish state little support.

American evangelicals are different. Ever since they emerged from the English Puritan movement about three centuries ago, they have been among Israel's strongest supporters. They are largely the reason for the "special relationship" and the diplomatic and security support that has helped keep the State of Israel alive.

Pete Hegseth said in 2018, "There's no reason why the miracle of the re-establishment of the temple on the Temple Mount is not possible. I don't

know how it would happen; you don't know how it would happen. But I know that it could happen." He is now U.S. secretary of defense.

For years, U.S. leaders have made foreign-policy decisions that ultimately trace back to the belief that it is America's destiny to help the Jewish state. This makes Hegseth similar to Senator Cruz and other prominent evangelicals (Baptists, Methodists, Pentecostals, etc) who make up about half of President Donald Trump's inner circle.

The other half are from mainstream denominations (Catholic, Episcopalian, Lutheran, Orthodox, etc), pulling the president's foreign policy on Israel in the opposite direction.

This explains why the Trump administration's Israel policy vacillates between support for Israeli Prime Minister Netanyahu and seemingly inexplicable diplomacy overtures to Hamas terrorists. The Israel-Arab conflict and control over Jerusalem is always a "burdensome stone" (Zechariah 12:3), especially when half your supporters think it is their Christian duty to help the Jews return to the Promised Land and the other half think the Jews have been replaced as God's chosen people.

Abrahamic Promises

"Few indeed realize that hundreds of years before Christ, God had made certain unbreakable and irrevocable promises to the descendants of the patriarch Abraham," Herbert W. Armstrong wrote in the May 1983 Plain Truth. "This has never been realized or proclaimed by 'traditional Christianity.' Abraham is designated in the New Testament as the 'father of the faithful,' since all of God's promises of salvation and eternal life through Christ were made to Abrahamand Jesus Christ was directly descended from Abraham. But what not even theologians understand is that God made dual promises to Abraham. He made the promise of grace, to come through Abraham's descendant Jesus Christ-but

also He made unbreakable promises of race—overlooked entirely by 'traditional Christianity' and theological 'scholars.'"

Mr. Armstrong explained that God's promise in Genesis 12:2 to make Abraham's descendants into a great nation applied to his physical descendants, but His promise in verse 3 to bless all nations through Abraham applied to his spiritual descendants. Most mainstream denominations teach that both verses are promises of grace that apply to the Church, while some evangelical leaders apply both verses to physical Israel. Yet verse 2 is clearly about a "great nation," while verse 3 is about "all families of the earth" being blessed. These passages are about Israel and the Messiah.

Every Christian should read *The United States and Britain in Prophecy*, which also explains God's promise to multiply Abraham's seed as the stars of heaven (Genesis 15:5); to make Abraham the father of many nations (Genesis 17:1-4); to give Abraham's descendants control over strategic gates (Genesis 22:17); to grant Abraham's descendants "the dew of heaven, and the fatness of the earth, and plenty of corn and wine" (Genesis 27:28); and to make Abraham's great-great-grandsons Manasseh and Ephraim into a nation and a company of nations (Genesis 35:11).

Evangelicals are correct in understanding that these promises were made to Abraham's physical descendants. But what most evangelicals do not understand is that the Jews are only *one* of the 12 tribes of ancient Israel—the tribe of Judah. As God kept His promise to Abraham, He multiplied his descendants into the nation of Israel. Judah was only *one* of its 12 tribes. It absorbed two of the other tribes (Levi and Benjamin), yet the remaining tribes were and are separate from the Jewish nation!

God fulfilled the promises of national greatness: Manasseh and Ephraim became the United States and British Commonwealth—the greatest nation and company of nations in world

history. This is the real reason President Kennedy noted a special relationship between America, Britain and Israel: These are three brother nations descended from Jacob.

The prophesied regathering of Israel did not occur in 1948, as some teach, because only three of the 12 tribes returned (Judah, Levi and Benjamin). So the time to rebuild the temple is not yet come. Yet the Jews do have a right to live in the Promised Land. God delivered the Promised Land from the Ottoman Empire in 1917 and placed it in the hands of the tribe of Ephraim (the British Empire), which in turn made a decree that their Jewish brothers could return

Today, radical Islamic extremists are trying to destroy the Jewish nation with the tacit support of many mainstream Christian denominations. It is the duty of Judah's brother Joseph (i.e. America and Britain) to defend the Jews.

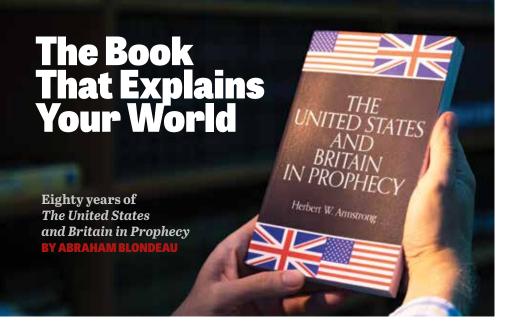
The Prophet Isaiah described a dramatic unraveling to occur just before the end-time appearance of the prophesied Messiah. "Manasseh shall devour Ephraim, and Ephraim Manasseh; Together they shall be against Judah ..." (Isaiah 9:21; New King James Version). The growing MAGA divide over Israel may play an important role in this unraveling.

But as dire and deep as these divisions are, think about this: The God who made these promises millenniums ago is still the same today! He does not change (Hebrews 13:8). Think seriously about the power and faithfulness of the God who can and will bring His promises to pass. It says a great deal about the reliability of biblical prophecy and of the soundness of all God's promises in Scripture. "For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts," God says. "For as the rain cometh down, and the snow from heaven, and returneth not thither, but watereth the earth, and maketh it bring forth and bud, that it may give seed to the sower, and bread to the eater: So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it" (Isaiah 55:9-11).

A hidden enemy

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HO IS THE ISRAEL OF THE Bible? Tucker Carlson and Sen. Ted Cruz argued over this question on Carlson's podcast, which averages over 1 million views. Both men are Christians but have diametrically opposite biblical beliefs.

This is a microcosm of the confusion over the identity of biblical Israel in religion, society and government worldwide. It is debated, with weapons, in the Middle East, where conflicts over religion, over Jerusalem and ultimately over the Israel of the Bible threaten to engulf the region and the world. In fact, it is a question *you* need the answer to because it affects *your life*.

"It behooves us without delay to quickly review that history and open our eyes to divine promises and warnings almost wholly unrealized by our peoples. It is all connected with the generally ignored plain and simple Bible story that leads to knowledge of our incredible ancestry and modern prophetic identity. And it is the most amazing and fascinating story you ever read. Stranger than fiction—yet it is TRUE!"

These riveting words in *The United States and Britain in Prophecy*, requested by millions of people, are by Herbert W. Armstrong, the most important televangelist, educator, philanthropist and theologian of the 20th century. Written 80 years ago this year, this book is even more relevant and important today.

This anniversary also reminds us that the truth in this book was attacked, nearly destroyed, then miraculously saved.

Master Key

The United States and Britain in Prophecy explains the "master key" that unlocks all Bible prophecy.

Bible prophecy, whether delivered by Old Testament prophets, by Jesus Christ or by New Testament apostles, focuses on one people: *Israel*.

Mr. Armstrong came to a crossroads in 1926. His business endeavors were wiped out repeatedly by events beyond his control, and he was simultaneously confronted with his wife's challenge on the Christian day of worship and her sister-in-law disputing what he believed about creation. He began a six-month, night-and-day study to *find answers*.

The answers came, one after another,

as he compared scientific literature to the Bible, and various passages of Scripture to one another. He found irrefutable proof of the Creator, the Bible as the Word of God, the Christian day of worship and the reality of Bible prophecy.

He didn't know it then, but this began one of the most important developments in the 20th century. The Bible foretold

that God would send a man like the ancient prophet Elijah (Isaiah 40:3; Malachi 4:5). Jesus Christ confirmed that he would "truly come," and specified that he would also "restore all things" (Matthew 17:10-11). God was calling Mr. Armstrong to fulfill this role—to restore biblical truths that had been lost by God's true Church over centuries of persecution,

migration and spiritual lethargy. (To learn more, request your free copy of *The True History of God's True Church.*)

One truth Mr. Armstrong restored was the identity of modern Israel. This is the master key to unlock Bible prophecy.

One third of the entire Bible is prophecy. A true Christian needs this master key! When you know the modern descendants of nations that appear in the Bible, you can understand how ancient prophecies apply to our time.

After 3½ more years of study, along with his wife, Loma, Mr. Armstrong found the church that most closely kept the doctrines of the Bible: The Church of God, headquartered in Missouri. (Mr. Armstrong later understood that this was the Sardis era of God's Church.)

"After exhaustive study and research, I had found it proved that the so-called 'lost 10 tribes' of Israel had migrated to Western Europe, the British Isles and later the United States," Mr. Armstrong wrote in his autobiography. "This truth was written in a lengthy manuscript of close to 300 typed pages and mailed to this editor and leader of this church." In response to the manuscript, Andrew Dugger—leader of the Stanbury Sardis Church-wrote in a letter dated July 28, 1929: "You are surely right, and while I cannot use it in the paper [the church publication] at the present, you may be assured that your labor has surely not been in vain."

That admission encapsulates the problem with the Sardis era; they would



not take this truth to the world! The Sardis members of God's Church did nothing with it, but Mr. Armstrong did—and in dramatic fashion.

Mr. Armstrong was ordained into the ministry in June 1931, and through him, God revealed more Bible truth. He also began a humble radio broadcast that became the *World Tomorrow* program in

1934, as well as the Plain Truth magazine.

Then, in 1945, this small work, dynamically alive with restored truth, reached a turning point. That was the year that Mr. Armstrong published *The United States and Britain in Prophecy.*

The book constituted a loud trumpet blast, not only informing modern nations that they descended from ancient Israel but also alerting them to prophecies warning them to repent.

In 1947, Mr. Armstrong founded Ambassador College and the publishing department. The work of proclaiming Bible prophecy grew rapidly.

The wonderful restored truth of the identity of the U.S. and Britain in Bible prophecy has been under attack ever since.

War Over the Truth

Mr. Armstrong expanded the book in 1967 and continued offering it on radio and television and in print and advertising, with 6 million requests coming in over his lifetime.

In the 1970s, as Mr. Armstrong was traveling and meeting hundreds of heads of state, legislators and other world leaders, rebellious Church leaders began to water down doctrines and bring liberal ideas into Ambassador College. They gutted the content of *The United States and Britain in Prophecy*, unfairly calling it racist and unscholarly.

The rebellion climaxed in 1979, when the rebels convinced the California attorney general to attack Mr. Armstrong and the Worldwide Church of God (WCG) in a breach of religious liberty. He fought back, won in court and in the California legislature. He then reinforced the truths in this book, updating it in 1980 and making it available in hardcover.

Mr. Armstrong died on Jan. 16, 1986. His successors vowed to follow his footsteps—then almost immediately attacked the biblical truths he had taught. They committed a shocking betrayal and a systematic, subtle, deceptive transformation of the Church's doctrines, including those in *The United States and Britain in Prophecy*.

Over time, the betrayal became more obvious. The new leader of the church, Joseph Tkach Jr., accused Mr. Armstrong of having plagiarized J. H. Allen's 1902 book *Judah's Sceptre and Joseph's*

Birthright. As Chapter 4 of Raising the Ruins explains, Mr. Armstrong read Allen's book during his research but found much of it to be in error, as can be easily seen by simply reading both books. The conclusions and prophetic accuracy are completely different.

In 1987, wcg editors slashed more than two thirds of the book, reducing it from 184 pages to 53, falsely claiming to have done so to save on postage. The next year, they stopped publishing *The United States and Britain in Prophecy* permanently. They wouldn't tell Church members the real reason—that they rejected what it taught—until years later. In the same manner, they tried to destroy Mr. Armstrong's greatest book, *Mystery of the Ages*.

The United States and Britain in Prophecy, the book that had built God's Church, the book that constituted one of the most effective warnings to the people of Britain and America, was out of print, buried in a grave of treachery.

But the war for the truth wasn't over.

Hold Fast

Dec. 7, 1989, was another historic pivot point. Tkach Jr. had summoned two wcg ministers to his office for refusing to reject the truth Mr. Armstrong had taught in *Mystery of the Ages* and throughout his long ministry. Most wcg ministers went along with Tkach's changes or were complicit in the conspiracy. But these two ministers, Gerald Flurry and John Amos, held on to what they had been taught from the Bible by Mr. Armstrong. Tkach fired them.

As he left that office, Mr. Flurry said, "This is the first sip of a very bitter cup you are going to have to drink."

A new organization, the Philadelphia Church of God (PCG), began, dedicated to holding on to the truths of the Bible restored by God through Mr. Armstrong.

Exactly seven years after it was officially incorporated, the PCG printed *Mystery of the Ages* on Dec. 20, 1996,

The key to understanding

You cannot understand your Bible without knowing the truth in Herbert W. Armstrong's book *The United States and Britain in Prophecy*, free upon request.

resurrecting Mr. Armstrong's greatest work. Within days, wcg lawyers sent a cease-and-desist letter, then filed a lawsuit claiming copyright infringement. Mr. Flurry filed a counterclaim, demanding the rights for all of Mr. Armstrong's major books, including *The United States and Britain in Prophecy.*

The battle lines were drawn for a court battle: The wcg was using its copyright to suppress the teachings of its own founder. The PCG was fighting for its constitutional rights and for the truth of God.

The history of the wcG's transformation and the yearslong copyright litigation is documented in *Raising the Ruins*.

Victory

The Worldwide Church of God lost its lawsuit in district court, but won on appeal. When the Supreme Court declined to hear the case, the PCG appeared to have no hope. Then, on Jan. 16, 2003, exactly 17 years after Mr. Armstrong died, the WCG inexplicably acquiesced to terms for a settlement. They sold the PCG full rights to print Mystery of the Ages, The United States and Britain in Prophecy and 17 other books and booklets by Mr. Armstrong. God had granted a miraculous victory!

This vital truth began going out to the world again as our civilization approached its greatest crisis.

It has now been a lifetime, 80 years, since God used the end-time Elijah to restore the truth of the Bible, to reveal the identity of Israel today, and to warn modern-day Israelites. A war has been fought—and won—to give you the opportunity to read this book next to the Bible. The truth it contains, and its warning, could change your life.

What has been your response to the master key of prophecy? Do you believe it is surely right, but have no use for it? This history teaches us a vital lesson: Once we have the truth, we must do something with it!

Read this book again, or for the first time, and answer the challenge Mr. Armstrong concluded it with: "By God's direction and authority, I have laid the truth before you! To neglect it will be tragic beyond imagination! To heed it will bring blessings, happiness and glory beyond description! The decision is now YOURS!"

We Need to Talk About Anti-Semitism

It is in a city near you.

BY MIHAILO S. ZEKIC

N THE MORNING OF JUNE 24, 1922, German Foreign Minister Walther Rathenau left his villa in Berlin in an open limousine. Another open-topped vehicle overtook them, and two black-clad assassins sprayed bullets into the limousine and blasted it into the air with a grenade.

Why kill Rathenau? He had worked for Kaiser Wilhelm II and was still working to make Germany strong again. The killers were right-wing extremists with the same ultimate goal. But they wanted to wage a bloody "internal war" to force "the exclusion of Jews" from German government.

The Rathenau murder was a steppingstone to the Holocaust. Most Germans were aghast at the violence, but a lessextreme resentment toward Jews was simmering below the surface. Many believed some variant of the "stab in the back" myth: that the kaiser and Germany had lost World War I because socialists and Jews had sabotaged the war effort at home. In the U.S., prominent men like Henry Ford and Charles Lindbergh promulgated similar ideas about "Jewish conspiracies." Replace these phrases with "Israel lobby," "Palestinian genocide" or "Free Palestine," and the sentiments of the 2020s echo those of the 1920s.

By the time World War II was raging, many Europeans of all walks of life had found it to be a logical progression to exclude Jews from government, from basic rights and from society in general. Because the anti-Semitism undercurrent never reversed, those who had been shocked by the Rathenau murder in 1922 were giving the "Heil Hitler" salute by 1941 and loading Jews into cattle cars to exterminate them at Auschwitz and Treblinka by 1942.

The same attitude simmers today.

On April 13, 2025, Cody Balmer set the Pennsylvania governor's residence on fire in an attempt to assassinate Gov. Josh Shapiro, who is Jewish. On May 21, Eli Rodriguez committed a terroristic double murder of engaged couple Yaron Lischinsky and Sarah Milgrim outside the Capital Jewish Museum in Washing-

ton, D.C. On June 1, a man attacked peaceful pro-Israel protesters in Boulder, Colorado, with Molotov cocktails and a flamethrower, causing the death of an 82-year-old woman. When Rep. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez, usually a vehement critic of Israel in Congress, cast a vote in favor of Israel on one

occasion, her office was vandalized and she received death threats.

Meanwhile in Europe, more people are targeting Jews for intimidation, harassment and violence. During the annual Glastonbury Festival on June

28, British punk rock duo Bob Vylan led the crowd in a hateful condemnation of the Israel Defense Forces, chanting, "Death, death to the IDF." At a July 20



concert, Belgian authorities arrested two Israelis after a pro-Palestinian group accused them of "severe violations of international humanitarian law" with no evidence other than the fact that they had waved IDF flags. On July 22, an Israeli cruise ship blocked its passengers from disembarking on the Greek island of Syros because 300 protesters had encamped at the port to intimidate them.

These people are targeting Jews because they are Jewish—and because they feel they can express anti-Semitism with impunity. Many times, they are right. It is the pro-Israel who suffer consequences.

Holocaust

9.354

8,873

Most people would condemn the brutal murders of Lischinsky and Milgrim, just as most condemned the assassination of Rathenau. But many today, as then, also feel that resentment toward Israelis and Jews is legitimate.

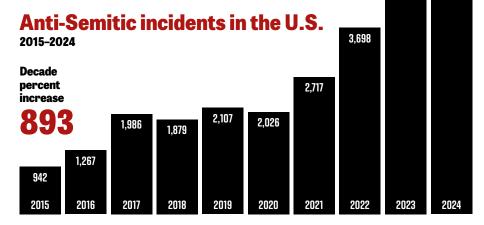
Mystery of Israel

Why is the Bible about Israel? Are the Jews Israel? If so, why did the Jews split from the kingdom of Israel anciently? If not, where is Israel today?

CHEST V. LEWISTON

What's ahead for its future? Why does it matter? Read the answers in your own Bible along with your free copy of Herbert W. Armstrong's book

Mystery of the Ages.





Vandalism incidents by white supremacists

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They don't recognize anti-Semitism for what it is: *a warning sign*, a harbinger of worse to come.

Anti-Semitism is madness, yet it has thrived in Western culture for 2,000 years. Ancient

Rome taxed the Jews extra heavily and treated them as second class. Medieval Europeans branded all Jews as guilty of killing Jesus Christ, of causing the Black Death and of cannibalizing Christian children. The evils of both capitalism and communism have been blamed on Jews.

Where does this special hatred for this special people come from?

Before the descendants of Judah became a nation, God prophesied that the Messiah would come from the tribe of Judah (Genesis 49:10). Jesus Christ was born a Jew. He said that "salvation is of the Jews" (John 4:22). He had a special relationship with the Jews during His human lifetime. Revelation 5:5 identifies Christ as "the Lion of the tribe of Juda." Romans 3:1-2 state that God preserved "the oracles of God" (His Holy Scriptures and the Sabbath day) through the Jews. The Jews rejected Christ as the Messiah at His first coming, but Romans 11 establishes that this does not negate them from being God's people. God even says true Christians must become spiritual Jews to be saved (e.g. Romans 2:29). In other words, if you believe the Bible, you believe that God has given the Jews a special role.

"Jesus Christ grew up as a Jewish lad," *Trumpet* editor in chief Gerald Flurry writes in *The Key of David.* "God gave the Jews a very prominent place in His plan. From these facts we must assume that God the Father and Jesus Christ have a close connection to the Jewish race—but only to further their spiritual plan."

The Bible also reveals that the devil exists, opposes God's plan, and is so powerful as to be "the god of this



Assaults on visibly Jewish individuals

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world" who "deceives the whole world" and is the "accuser of our brethren" (2 Corinthians 4:4; Revelation 12:9-10). He is attacking God, God's work and God's people, including true Christians, the nations of Israel and—as is abundantly evident—the Jews.

Revelation 12 reveals that in the "short time" prior to the Messiah's return, the devil is "cast down" and confined to Earth. Jesus Christ prophesied to His disciples about the same time period, saying that Jerusalem (which today is controlled by the Jews) will be surrounded by armies inspired by Satan—and be desolate (Luke 21:20). He warns His people "in Judea" to flee before carnage engulfs the city (verse 21). "[A]nd Jerusalem shall be trodden down of the Gentiles, until the times of the Gentiles be fulfilled" (verse 24).

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17 CEMETERY

109 JEWISH-OWNED BUSINESS

243 OTHER

607 HOME/HOUSING

670 BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENT

860 K-12 SCHOOL

1,694 COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY

1,702 JEWISH INSTITUTION/SCHOOL

PUBLIC AREA 3,452

"When a race receives honor as God has honored the Jews, Satan hates them for that," Mr. Flurry writes. "He inspired enemies to rise up and strip them of all dignity! The Nazis often shaved their heads, took their clothes, beat them, and used them for medical experiments. God says it will be far worse the next time around. Do you believe God? ...

"The Jews say, 'Never again!' Sadly, we have to tell them they are dead wrong. It is going to happen again, and it's going to make the Holocaust look like a dress rehearsal. The Jews suffered horribly

in World War II. That history is a stark warning of What IS ABOUT TO COME UPON THEM!" (ibid).

Christ criticized those who did not "discern the signs of the times" of Bible prophecy (Matthew 16:3). In Luke 21:36, He warns that we must watch the evil happening in our time and be *stirred*—or we too will become victims: "Watch ye therefore, and pray always, that ye may be accounted worthy to escape all these things that shall come to pass, and to stand before the Son of man."

Hope

"They need to know what an exalted role God has given them!" Mr. Flurry writes of the Jews in *The Key of David*. "They need HOPE! This *whole world* needs hope."

Jesus Christ prophesied that the very reason He will return to Earth is to stop the devil, take away his rule as "god of this world," and reestablish God's government on Earth.

"And then shall they see the Son of man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. And when these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh" (Luke 21:27-28).

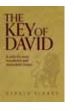
Jesus Christ is the Messiah of the Jews and of all mankind. He is coming to a specific city, Jerusalem, and bringing the truth to the world specifically through true Christians and through the nations of Israel. (See page 23 and request your free copy of *The United States and Britain in Prophecy.*)

"God is no respecter of persons" (Acts 10:34), as the history of the Jews and all of Israel attests. The reason the Bible, from beginning to end, is about Abraham's descendants in *Israel*, is that God is using them in His plan to reach all humanity.

Anti-Semitism's dramatic rise worldwide should alarm everyone. It should also motivate us to study more deeply into its origin and what the role of the Jews and other peoples of Israel is. This study brings the Bible—and Bible prophecy—roaring to life!

What's so special about the Jews?

The world's most popular book, the Bible, answers this question. Study it alongside your free copy of Gerald Flurry's newly expanded book **The Key of David**.





or decades the sun shone full strength on China's economy. As it rose from Maoist poverty to become the world's manufacturing hub, with a rapidly growing workforce and soaring productivity, its growth was unparalleled by any nation in modern history. From the 1980s to the mid-2010s, China averaged a radiant 9 percent growth in gross domestic product per year.

The nation seemed unstoppable. It looked like the dawning of the "Chinese Century."

But in the mid and late 2010s, it became clear that the weather was changing. The one-child policy that Chinese Communist Party planners had implemented in the 1970s to curb population growth was shrinking the workforce and aging the population. Also darkening the skies were a cooling real estate market, mounting debt, overcapacity in heavy industry, soaring youth unemployment, low domestic consumption and trade friction with the United States.

It was plain that China's economic summertime was over.

Darkening Skies

The government reacted in 2016 by reversing the one-child policy. But

this came decades too late to reverse the demographic crisis, and by then, few citizens took them up on the offer. Chinese couples continued to have fewer children than needed for population replacement, and the nation's workforce kept shrinking.

Then in late 2019, with conditions already o minous, China unleashed covid on the world. The CCP reacted with lockdowns on its people so draconian and prolonged they made Western restrictions look leisurely.

The open tyranny traumatized the Chinese people and began awakening much of the rest of the world to the ineptitude and despotism

of the Chinese government. Domestic consumption and foreign investment continued to decrease, further darkening the economic clouds.

At the same time, years of speculative overbuilding, staggering developer debt,

tightening credit policies and collapsing consumer confidence were catching up to the real estate market. Soon what had been a *cooling* property sector essentially froze over.

The storm broke, causing a flood of defaults among public developers. And since real estate had been the primary trade wind of Chinese growth and the single-largest store of the nation's household wealth, the storm raged far beyond construction sites. "This is just like the U.S. financial crisis on steroids," famed hedge fund manager Kyle Bass told CNBC. "... The basic architecture of the Chinese economy is broken" (Feb. 5, 2024).

The storm surge battered banking, asset management, local government finance and the industrial sector. Suddenly, analysts and investors across the country and around the world doubted the durability of China's economic model.

Hope for Sunshine?

In December 2022, China finally ended its catastrophic "zero-covid" measures. This was woefully belated, coming some 18 months after almost all other nations had ended their restrictions. But experts had a "better late than never" attitude and forecast that reopening the Chinese economy would bring the sunny skies back.

Instead, the opposite happened.

"China's economy is in serious trouble," Paul Krugman wrote in the Jan. 20, 2024, *New York Times*, adding that the nation was "entering an era of stagnation and disappointment."

He pointed out that even official CCP statistics, which officials routinely massage to give an appearance of economic vitality, couldn't hide the fact that China was suffering chronically weak domestic consumption, deflation and soaring youth unemployment. Almost every other indicator measurable by outside economists confirmed that the nation was still woefully underperforming.

Part of the reason for the persistent economic gloom, Krugman argued, was

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CHINA GDP 1975-2024 Between 1975 and 2021, China experienced an average increase in GDP of 9 percent. In 2021, that changed dramatically. \$164 B **CHINA CONSUMER SPENDING** 2014-2024 **Household consumption** -10 Retail sales (annual) Retail sales (monthly) -15 -20 2014 2016 2018 2020 2022 2024

Mystery of the Kingdom of God

The true gospel Jesus Christ preached is far more exciting and inspiring than most people realize. BY GERALD FLURRY

UST WHAT IS THE KINGDOM OF God? It is an unsolved mystery in this world, and that includes this world's churches, theologians and Bible scholars!

Jesus Christ came to this Earth with a message. Matthew 4:23 puts it this way: "And Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, and PREACHING THE GOSPEL OF THE KINGDOM" Christ's message was the GOSPEL, which means the good news. And that message was all about the Kingdom of God.

Why do churches disagree on what the gospel is? That, too, is a mystery. They have many definitions and dispute over whether it is even *about* the Kingdom of God. Some speak of a gospel of salvation, a gospel of grace, a gospel about Christ, a social gospel, a religious science or a gospel about their particular denomination.

Some say the Kingdom of God is all the Christian denominations. Is that true? Can you prove anything like that from the Bible?

One televangelist said the Kingdom of God is within you and used Luke 17:21 to "prove" it. But the original Greek and several translations show that this is a mistranslation that should be rendered "in the midst of you." Jesus Christ represents that Kingdom. He is, in fact, the King of the Kingdom of God—and that King and Kingdom are often used interchangeably. The Kingdom was not something within the unrighteous Pharisees to whom Christ was speaking. Rather, THE KING OF THE KINGDOM was in their midst. That King is going to rule the Kingdom that will govern this Earth and the whole universe!

All those different definitions of the Kingdom of God are wrong—every one of them!

Study the actual gospel message that Christ preached, and you will realize that few people preach or discuss that message. Why? One prominent evangelist's answer is that it is just not for us today to know. Does that make sense? That God *doesn't want us to know* the message Christ brought?

How can people be a member of God's Kingdom if they don't know what it is?

This is a serious subject, and it is the last mystery Herbert W. Armstrong examined in his book that unlocks the meaning of the Bible, *Mystery of the Ages*.

Let's understand, from the Bible, just what is the Kingdom of God.

A Counterfeit Gospel

Mark 1:14-15 record that "Jesus came into Galilee, preaching the gospel of the kingdom of God, And saying, The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand: repent ye, and believe the gospel."

We must believe the gospel to be saved. And the gospel is "the gospel of the kingdom of God."

Throughout His ministry, Jesus went everywhere preaching "the Kingdom of God." After He was resurrected from the dead, He returned to His disciples and preached the Kingdom of God (Acts 1:3). Christ *really* wanted them to understand this message!

Galatians 1:8-9 discuss the gospel and pronounce a double curse on any man or even an angel who dares preach *another gospel* besides the true gospel of the Kingdom of God. Yet how many people understand this?

Jesus Christ preached the true gospel. But did you know that within just a century of His ministry, that gospel was suppressed? Another gospel, a *counterfeit*, was introduced. That is why so many don't understand the true gospel! That is the origin of the many different conflicting definitions and ideas about the gospel and the Kingdom of God!

Daniel Reveals the Gospel!

The Kingdom of God is not only discussed in the New Testament. It appears throughout the Old Testament as well—the whole Bible, beginning to end.

Long before Christ's ministry, God revealed to the Prophet Daniel what the Kingdom of God is. The book of Daniel was written *only* for the end time (Daniel 12:4, 9)—and it talks about the gospel repeatedly.

The kingdom of Judah was conquered by the Babylonian Empire, and young Daniel was one of the Judeans taken captive in 585 B.C. and made a servant to King Nebuchadnezzar. The king had a dream, and he demanded that his magicians and astrologers tell him not only the dream's meaning but what his dream was. None could do it, so the king sentenced them all to die.

But God revealed the dream and its meaning to Daniel. "[T]here is a God in heaven that revealeth secrets, and maketh known to the king Nebuchadnezzar what shall be in the latter days," Daniel said (Daniel 2:28). He told the king that his dream was a prophecy of events in *our time today!* Nobody can reveal or interpret God's Word. You must let the Bible interpret itself. Only God can reveal the secrets of the Bible!

Daniel told Nebuchadnezzar that he had dreamed of a great statue. The king himself was represented by the figure's head of fine gold. The figure's silver breast and arms, its brass belly and thighs, and its legs of solid iron depicted three other empires. These four parts of the figure represented four successive world-ruling empires that have dominated human history—the Babylonian, Medo-Persian, Greek and Roman empires (verses 31-33, 37-43).

But then, a strange thing happened. A stone came from heaven, smashed all those empires, and grew to replace them (verses 34-35, 44-45). This represented the establishment of the Kingdom of God! "And in the days of these kings shall THE GOD OF HEAVEN SET UP A KINGDOM, which shall never be destroyed ..." (verse 44).

The Kingdom of God is a literal kingdom—just like the kingdoms of Nebuchadnezzar, the Persians, the Greeks and the Romans. A kingdom is a government that rules over people. It's not some ethereal sentiment in your mind

or something within you. The Kingdom of God is a real kingdom, a literal kingdom that is going to rule everything on Earth and in the universe!

The news of the coming Kingdom IS THE TRUE GOSPEL! That is the good news! That is the message Jesus Christ preached as a human being and preaches through His one true Church today: A literal, specific kingdom is coming, and it will rule the entire Earth!

When people think about the gospel or the Kingdom of God, they don't think about one supreme Ruler ruling the Earth and the universe. Yet that's what it is.

When Jesus Christ returns, He does so for the purpose of establishing the Kingdom of God! He will restore the rule of God on this planet—the most colossal event *ever* on this Earth! This is big news!

Not Flesh and Blood

All those whom God has called out before Christ's return—His Old Testament prophets and true Christians in the New Testament Church—were and are preparing for that day and will be born into that Kingdom when He returns. They will help Him govern the people of the Earth.

"The Kingdom of God will rule over the peoples and nations of the Earth," Herbert W. Armstrong wrote in *Mystery of the Ages.* "Yet these mortal peoples and nations will NOT be the Kingdom, not even *in* the Kingdom of God. They shall be merely RULED OVER BY IT!"

Flesh and blood cannot inherit the Kingdom of God (1 Corinthians 15:50). The Kingdom is not comprised of flesh and blood, but of spirit beings.

God's people whom He has called out before Christ's return will be born into God's Family at His return and therefore be part of that Kingdom to help Christ rule the nations. But we will only be born into that Family as immortal beings if we do what Christ tells us to and let Him direct our lives.

Realize: Most people throughout history never understood the Kingdom of God. This has been a *mystery* to the vast majority. Billions of people have never even heard much, if anything, about Christ's return to Earth and ruling all nations with a rod of iron! The Bible is filled with those scriptures, yet millions, even in the churches, don't hear about it. People are *deceived* about this truth. But

how can you be part of the Kingdom of God if it's a mystery to you? How can you possibly be saved?

I'm not exaggerating—I am simply telling you what the Bible says! You can read it for yourself. You need to read these scriptures and think about them. They reveal your future and mine.

God has a plan to resurrect all mankind and give *everybody* a chance to learn what His Kingdom really is. He will remove the confusion and deception about Christianity, the gospel and the Kingdom of God.

Ten Kings

Look again at Daniel 2:44. This critical verse begins, "And in the days of these kings" This is what the 10 toes, made partly of iron and partly of brittle clay, of the Daniel 2 statue represent. "The days of these kings" refers to a time just before Christ's return, when there are 10 kings, represented by those 10 toes.

This is for OUR TIME TODAY. Connect this prophecy with Daniel 7, Revelation 13 and 17, and you can understand that this is referring to an empire *now* forming out of the European Union. It is ready to burst onto the world scene, and it will have 10 kings, or 10 kingdoms. It will unite and become a superpower very rapidly! Then it will shock and stun the world by starting World War III! So say many prophecies in your Bible.

But Daniel reveals that "in the days of these kings," the stone strikes this European empire and grows into a mountain that dominates the Earth. This represents Jesus Christ returning in glory and power, *smashing* the evil governments of men, and setting up the literal Kingdom of God to rule Earth and the universe forever! This is leading into the beautiful World Tomorrow!

Remember, "gospel" means good news! This is the BEST NEWS we could ever hear!

Jesus Christ came preaching that gospel message everywhere! He preached the *Kingdom of God*.

Forever and Ever

Did you know that this world has been sentenced to 6,000 years of being cut off from God because Adam turned away from God and was *put out* of the Garden of Eden and cut off? This whole world has followed in his footsteps and been cut off as well.

God is in control of everything, but He has let Satan rule this world for now. We are all learning what a disaster occurs when we follow the devil and do things our own way. It is not God's choice, but He gives us that choice. He is trying to get us to choose life, but men keep choosing death! (Deuteronomy 30:19).

God gives human beings leeway to sin, but that doesn't mean He isn't ruling overall and shaping events to fulfill His plan. He is preparing now for a seventh 1,000-year period, when Jesus Christ will take over and rule the Earth with a rod of iron. He came to Earth and qualified to kick Satan off his throne, and He is about to do that.

At that time, everybody will have an open mind and be able to receive the Spirit of God. All people will have the opportunity to enter the Family of God, and most of them will. But God isn't going to force it on anybody.

Revelation 11:15 prophesies, "... The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever." God is going to rule with His government and His law forever and ever!

During Jesus Christ's trial before His crucifixion, Pilate the governor asked Him, "Are you a king then?" Jesus answered, "[T]o this end was I born" (John 18:37). He was born to be a king.

King over what? Over all nations! He is going to establish the Kingdom of God over the whole Earth to give everyone the opportunity to enter God's Family. What a beautiful plan!

A Prophecy of Peace

What will life be like in this new civilization, the Kingdom of God? This is the gospel message, the good news!

Isaiah 2 tells us: "And it shall come to pass in the last days, that the mountain of the Lord's house shall be established in the top of the mountains, and shall be exalted above the hills; and all nations shall flow unto it. And many people shall go and say, Come ye, and let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the house of the God of Jacob; and he will teach us of his ways, and we shall walk in his paths; for out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem. And he shall judge among the nations, and shall rebuke many

people: and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks: nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more" (verses 2-4).

Mountains represent governments, nations. God's government will rule over all the nations. God's law—which most Christians today reject and say is "done away"—will be established. God will literally rule with His law and government over the whole Earth from Jerusalem! And what will be the result? Peace and joy like you can't even imagine!

Part of that passage is inscribed on the United Nations building in New York City. Human beings *want* a world and a government like that, but they are helpless to bring it about, and they resist God. They want peace, yet the nations and even so-called Christians resist His law and guidance and authoritative government. That is the problem!

When Christ assumes His throne, He will remove Satan the devil (Revelation 20). He will reeducate mankind and eradicate human nature. And eventually, He will extend His rule beyond this planet.

The Bible reveals that Earth is only the *starting point!* Eventually, God will liberate the *universe* from its bondage to decay: "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 ..." (Romans 8:20-21; Revised Standard Version).

The creation—including all the galaxies and stars and planets—has been "groaning in travail" ever since Satan rebelled against God and subsequently led mankind into rebelling against God as well. The creation, the *universe*, is awaiting God's plan *here on Earth* to bring human beings under His rule and into His Family as His sons!

That is good news! That is the real gospel of the Kingdom of God!

The one true gospel?

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the nation's supreme leader: "President Xi Jinping is starting to look like a poor economic manager, whose propensity for arbitrary interventions—which is something autocrats tend to do—has stifled private initiative."

As tax revenues continued to slump, Xi's government attempted to weather the storm by doubling down on credit expansion. Soon its debt ballooned to levels that exceed even those of the profoundly profligate United States—and most every other nation. Today, China's total debt is more than 300 percent of its gross domestic product. This is up from 200 percent only a decade ago, with no indication that it will stabilize.

Chinese citizens reacted to the economic headwinds by further slashing their consumption, which exacerbated the storm. Pessimism became entrenched. By mid-2025, so few were taking out mortgages or any other type of credit that China's banks reported a decline in yuan loans for the first time in 20 years. The government seemed to panic and announced a new policy on August 12 to subsidize loans to householders and businesses.

Economists said the unprecedented measure could make a difference but that it was unlikely to be significant. "Overall, Chinese consumption is not very heavily credit fueled, as Chinese households tend to have a rather high savings rate," Lynn Song, chief China economist at ING, told the *Financial Times*. "Unlocking these savings by restoring confidence would likely be a bigger game changer, but that is obviously a lot harder to do" (August 13).

King Over the 'Kings of the East'

The subsidy could block some of the short-term economic damage. But China's fundamental structural problems remain unresolved: The workforce keeps shrinking, housing demand keeps dropping, consumer sentiment keeps darkening, foreign direct investment keeps declining and debt keeps growing. This means that even if China doesn't descend into a full-blown economic typhoon, the economy and its controller, Xi Jinping, are still growing measurably weaker.

This is significant because the *Trumpet* has been anticipating a reduction in the power of China's strongman relative to his counterpart in Russia.

Bible prophecy speaks of a huge end-time Asian military force called "the kings of the east" (Revelation 16:12). Ezekiel 38:2 reveals that the *leadership* of this Asian group will be headed by "the prince of Rosh, Meshech, and Tubal" (New King James Version). *Meshech* and *Tubal* are ancient names corresponding to modern Russian cities, and *Rosh* is a variation of an early name for Russia. This "prince" is clearly a Russian leader.

The verse says "the land of Magog," which includes modern China, will be a crucial member of this alliance. But the phrasing makes plain the leader of this "kings of the east" power bloc will not be Chinese but rather Russian.

Trumpet editor in chief Gerald Flurry has identified Russia's president as the man who will fulfill this role. "We need to watch Vladimir Putin closely," Mr. Flurry writes. "He is the 'prince of Rosh' whom God inspired Ezekiel to write about 2,500 years ago!" (The Prophesied 'Prince of Russia').

The next weather front moving in on the Chinese economy could determine how soon and to what degree the power of Xi Jinping and China will decline. Meanwhile, 3½ years into its war on Ukraine and despite geopolitical tensions and international sanctions, Russia's economy is showing remarkable resilience. Real wages are rising significantly, unemployment is at historic lows, India is working more closely with Russia, and somehow the sun is always shining on President Putin. The power balance in the Russia-China axis is shifting in accordance with Bible prophecy.

To understand the biblically prophesied role that Vladimir Putin will play in end-time events, and how mighty China will assist him in it, order your free copy of The Prophesied 'Prince of Russia.'



or you, darkness itself is not dark, and night shines as the day." The teachers, parents and schoolchildren sitting in church heard this reading of Psalm 139 and were about to respond "Alleluia" when the windows shattered. People screamed as the pop-pop of gunfire pierced the morning air more than 100 times. Some of the worshipers slumped to the floor. Twenty-one of them, in their 80s down to age 6, were wounded. An 8-year-old and a 10-year-old died.

Children were wounded and murdered at random by a demonic, perverted former student as they were praising God in church. How could this happen? How could God allow it?

Doesn't God hear our prayers?

The subject of prayer became controversial immediately. The same day, the mayor of the city sharply told reporters, "Don't just say this is about thoughts and prayers right now. These kids were literally praying." The next day, he said that "thoughts and prayers are not going to cut it." He and many other liberals demanded new "assurances" like state and federal firearms bans.

"Prayers does not end school shootings," another prominent Democrat posted. "Prayers do not make parents feel safe sending their kids to school. Prayer does not bring these kids back. Enough with the thoughts and prayers."

Others recognized this as an attack on prayer. The vice president called it "bizarre." He posted: "'How dare you pray for innocent people in the midst of tragedy?!' What are you even talking about?" The White House press secretary called it "disrespectful to the millions of Americans of faith."

Liberals *are* attacking prayer, disrespecting those who are religious, and using this atrocity for their agenda. Millions of Americans *do* have various faiths and *do* pray. But why *aren't* our "thoughts and prayers" ending school shootings?

Prayer is not merely a mental exercise or way to "uplift the spirit," as some have said. Prayer can stop evil, but *only* if it is the kind of prayer taught in the Bible!

Jesus Christ lived His entire life by powerful prayer—not casual prayer, not ritualistic prayer, but real, effective prayer. He got up before dawn to pray in a solitary place (Mark 1:35). When His disciples asked Him, "Lord, teach us to pray" (Luke 11:1), He taught them how from experience.

But God does not hear *all* prayers! Throughout the Old Testament and the New Testament, the Bible repeatedly shows that

many prayers are not heard.

Unanswered prayers are a warning sign!

Isaiah 59:2 says, "But your iniquities have separated between you and your God, and your sins have hid his face from you, that *he will not hear*." That is clear: If we knowingly disobey God, He will not hear our prayers.

If we want God to hear our prayers, we must *confess* our sins before Him (1 John 1:9). We must *repent* of our sins and begin keeping God's commandments. God will forgive us—but if we don't repent toward Him and receive His power to turn further and further away from sin and toward His command-

ments, then our iniquities separate us from our God!

Simply professing belief in God, but not obeying Him, will not enable us to get through to God. "He that saith, I know him, and keepeth not his commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him" (1 John 2:4). Titus 1:16 describes worshipers who "profess that they know God; but in works they deny him, being abominable, and disobedient, and unto every good work reprobate." Jesus Christ warned the religious people around Him that if they "profess to know God," they must not deny Him in their actions (Matthew 23:1-3). The New Testament describes churches that "have a form of godliness," but deny the power thereof (2 Timothy 3:5). So there is definitely such a thing as false religion and false Christianity.

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God is able to answer. God *wants* to answer! But He cannot and will not answer if we are praying to the wrong god, in the wrong faith, in the wrong way, in the wrong attitude, in lack of faith, or for the wrong things (James 4:1-3). The fault is not with God but with our own wrong thoughts and actions.

But there *are* keys to having our prayers answered.

God *does* hear your prayers when you pray according to His will, believe Him, strive to obey Him, pray with proper fear, fervor and persistence, and through the power of Jesus Christ. These are seven of the Bible's keys to answered prayer. You can learn much more about them in our book *How to Pray* (see back cover to order your free copy).

God has a plan to bring all mankind—even those who have died—into a relationship with Him. He is ready to hear *your* prayers. Jesus Christ gave His life to make this happen, and He

stands ready to help those who will repent, believe and obey. Pray the way God commands: with obedience, belief, fervor, humility, selflessness—and hope!



WorldWatch

EUROPE

he German military held
its largest exercises so far
this year from August 29
to September 12, leading more
than a dozen countries in a major
Baltic Sea naval operation. The
"Northern Coast" drills focused on
combatant vessel deployments
and supply logistics necessary for
transporting troops to Lithuania.
Germany is strengthening its
presence in Lithuania, where
it has established its first
permanent foreign military base
since World War II.

Germany is Europe's top
military spender and became
Europe's top arms exporter
last year, approving a record
\$11.7 billion in exports, according
to government data. Most of
these exports are being actively
field-tested in the Ukraine
war. Highlighting the overall
trend toward militarization was
Rheinmetall's August 27 opening
of the largest artillery shell
factory in Europe.

Meanwhile, defense spending among the 27 European Union member states surged by 19 percent last year to a record \$400 billion, equivalent to 1.9 percent of the bloc's gross domestic product, the European Defense Agency reported September 2. Spending for this year is projected to reach \$419 billion.

European integration also continues. German Chancellor Friedrich Merz and French President Emmanuel Macron met in France on August 29, discussing eight strategy papers and 20 projects covering industry, technology, research, quantum physics, artificial intelligence and defense.

Germany unveiled Europe's
most powerful supercomputer
on September 5. The \$500 million
machine, called Jupiter, contains

24,000 advanced Nvidia chips and can perform 1 quintillion calculations per second. It will be used for simulations and training large artificial intelligence models.

The German government is serious about enhancing its military and technological capabilities, and may help pay for it by taking the painful step of cutting social spending. Merz said in a speech on August 30, "We simply can no longer afford the system we have today. This will mean painful decisions. It will mean cuts."

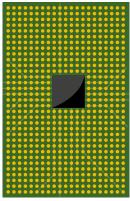
On August 27, the German federal cabinet approved a new military service bill designed to quickly expand the number of personnel in the military. It introduces increased incentives and the possibility of conscription.

On the same day, the cabinet approved a new National Security Council, a stronger, more centralized body chaired by the chancellor and better able to plan for and quickly act on emergencies.

To understand where these trends are leading, read "Germany Is Arming for World War III."*

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MIDDLE EAST

rance will recognize the State of Palestine." "[T]he UK will recognize the State of Palestine." "Canada intends to recognize the State of Palestine." "Australia will recognize the State of Palestine." "Belgium will recognize Palestinian statehood." These statements from French President Emmanuel Macron, British Prime Minister Keir Starmer. Canadian Prime Minister Mark Carney, Australian Prime Minister Anthony Albanese and Belgian Foreign Minister Maxime Prévot came in quick succession starting on July 24, constituting a coordinated diplomatic attack on the State of Israel.

This comes in spite of the Palestinians lacking a strong identity, unified culture, historical claim, fixed borders, central government, control over their laws, wherewithal to perform basic government functions, and peaceful relations with their neighbor. And despite the fact that the Palestinians are divided between one regime in the West Bank and another in Gaza, the fact that the latter threw members of the former off of rooftops, and the fact that the latter demoniacally terrorize, brutalize, rape, kidnap and mass murder their neighbors on account of their race and nationality. The coordinated effort to recognize what would likely become a failed state isn't about "justice for the Palestinians" but rather pressure on Israel and its war effort against Hamas terrorists and war criminals. Its goal is to limit Israel and keep Islamic terror in place.

Herbert W. Armstrong proved in his book *The United States*



and Britain in Prophecy that

the English-speaking peoples, as well as the French-speaking, descended from the lost tribes of ancient Israel. Most of the members of this family of nations are ganging up on their Jewish brother nation. God said in Zechariah 11:14 that He would "break the brotherhood" between Judah and the other tribes of Israel because of the sins of the people. This brotherhood is breaking right now.

Egypt has been training Palestinian security personnel

for several months to replace
Hamas in Gaza, the Middle East
Eye reported on August 12:
"Egypt has been training young
people from Gaza or who hail
from the enclave, some residing
and educated in Egypt, others
who fled to Cairo after the war



began, and others residing in the West Bank whose families originally came from the Gaza Strip, to carry out security administration, take on police duties, and later govern the Gaza Strip." This has reportedly been underway since just after the war started in late 2023.

In other words, after the Hamas massacre on Oct. 7, 2023, Egypt immediately began creating an alternative government to Hamas, a day-after plan that, at least in part, aligns with Israel's war goals and occupation effort.

The Washington Institute for Near East Policy conducted a poll in November and December 2023, immediately after the October 7 atrocities, About 75 percent of Egyptians who responded had a positive

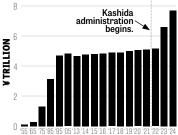
opinion of Hamas; 41 percent of respondents, "very positive." These percentages have likely increased since Israel's invasion and Hamas's use of human shields turned Gaza's cities into fields of rubble, accusations against Israel for starving Palestinians, and Hamas terrorists being portrayed as "martyrs."

The *Trumpet* forecasts massive changes for Egypt because a prophecy in Daniel 11 says Egypt will ally with "the king of the south," radical Islam led by Iran. An Islamist revolution could cause this switch. The Egyptian government's support of Israel adds fuel to a smoldering fire. Watch for a dramatic change in how Egypt reacts to what is happening in Gaza. THETRUMPET.COM/MORE/MIDDLE-EAST

ASIA

he Defense Ministry of Japan requested a 2026 fiscal year budget of \$60.1 billion on August 29, its largest since World War II. The proposal represents the 14th consecutive year of increasing defense spending for Japan. At present, much of this militarization is driven by fear of nations like China and North Korea. But biblical prophecy shows that the Japanese will soon lay aside their differences and join forces with other Asian powers. Our Trends article "Why the Trumpet Watches Japan's March Toward Militarism" states: "The Bible makes plain that an Asian superpower will very soon rise up, and it tells us that the resulting war-thanks partly to the participation of the Japanese war machine-will be the most devastating one mankind will ever have endured."

The leaders of Russia. China. India. Pakistan. North Korea. Iran and more than a dozen other Asian and Middle Eastern nations assembled in Tianiin, China, on August 31 for the 25th Shanghai Cooperation Organization heads of state summit. The bloc was founded in 2001 by Russia. China, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan and Uzbekistan and has since expanded to represent nearly half of the global population. During the two-day summit, Chinese General Secretary Xi Jinping unveiled a set of far-reaching proposals to expand the SCO's purview and draw the nations into closer cooperation with each other and against the United States, Eric Olander, editor in chief of the China-Global South Project, said the summit showcased "what a post-American-led international order begins to look like" and that



the pressures the Trump administration has applied "to counter China, Iran, Russia and now India have not had the intended effect." The SCO is becoming one of the main tools China and Russia are using to achieve their goal. For an in-depth study on the role of Russia and China in end-time events, order your free copy of Russia and China in Prophecy.

Two days after the SCO summit. Xi stood in Beijing's Tiananmen Square along with Russian President Vladimir Putin. North Korean Supreme Leader Kim Jong-un and many other heads of state to view the largest military parade in China's history. The event, which commemorated the end of World War II, represents a belligerent challenge to the U.S.-led global order.

"The Chinese nation is never intimidated by any bullies and always forges ahead," Xi stated. China showcased its strategic land-, sea- and air-based systems for conducting nuclear strikes. including the Donfeng-5C hypersonic nuclear missile, which has the entire globe within its strike range. Xi also showed off the AJX002 underwater drone and an array of new laser weapons. Prophecy foretells the end of America's dominance and a shift in the global power balance toward foreign blocs. Among those blocs will be a unified Asia that forges a massive combined military, unparalleled in size by any in human history. The way these Eastern strongmen are rapidly building up their military power and working with one another is leading directly to the fulfillment of that prophecy.

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ANGLO-AMERICA

resident **Donald Trump** has taken bold action to confront crime in American cities, dramatically escalating Immigration and Customs Enforcement actions; federalizing the California National Guard to protect federal personnel and property; deploying armed National Guard troops in Washington, D.C., and federalizing the city's police department; and announcing plans to use federal agents and Guard troops to confront crime in Chicago and several other large cities.

President Trump also issued an executive order on August 25 calling for the secretary of defense to provide a "standing National Guard quick reaction force to be resourced, trained and available for rapid nation-wide deployment."

These measures, which are being challenged in court, may or may not lower crime in certain cities, but the Bible prophesies that in the longer term, America's crime problem will get worse as the American people turn away from God's law (Ezekiel 7:23).

In addition to cleaning up America's streets, President Trump is also trying to clean up political corruption. His administration has uncovered evidence that President **Barack Obama**, Central Intelligence Agency Director **John Brennan**, Director of National Intelligence **James Clapper**, Federal Bureau of Investigation Director **James Comey** and others faked evidence to portray Trump as illegally colluding with Russia.

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Attorney General Pam Bondi directed Department of Justice prosecutors to launch a grand jury investigation and ordered a federal prosecutor to initiate legal proceedings. To learn how Obama's plot was prophesied in 2 Kings 14, request your free copy of America Under Attack.

On the other side of the world, **Australia**'s drug problem has reached record levels. The National Wastewater Drug Monitoring program concluded that between August 2023 and August 2024, **Australians** consumed a staggering 24.5

tons of illegal drugs, a 34 percent increase over the year prior. Cocaine usage was up 69 percent; methamphetamines, 21 percent; MDMA, 49 percent; and heroin, 14 percent.

Drug usage increased in every state and territory, and the total estimated street value of these illegal drugs is estimated at \$11.5 billion, which includes \$8.9 billion in methamphetamines.

Galatians 5:16 condemns giving in to the "lust of the flesh." God describes the compulsion to indulge in intoxicants as slavery, and several verses later lists "works of the flesh." The original Greek word translated "witchcraft" in verse 20 is pharmakeia, which translates to "the use or the administering of drugs." In ancient times, the hypnotic qualities of the poppy plant were well known. Today, many still rely on opium, heroin and other drugs in a vain attempt to fill the spiritual void in their lives.

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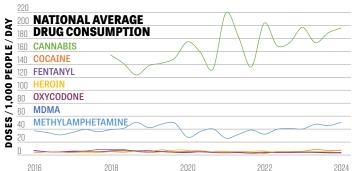
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OUNG PEOPLE AREN'T GROWING UP THE WAY THEY USED TO. Most young American adults under 30 still live at home. In 1975, 45 percent of adults ages 25 to 34 had not only left home but were working, married and had kids. Now that figure has dropped by more than half: only 21 percent. In Britain, the number of people ages 25 to 35 who are unmarried has more than doubled to 5.8 million.

Why the shift?

Rather than seeking fulfillment through marriage and family, more people are looking for it in careers, entertainment or hobbies. Some take the easier route of staying at home due to lack of ambition or motivation, due to addictions or rising house prices

and rent. Though some people might have good, unselfish reasons to live with their parents into their 30s, the overall result is that millions of young and not-so-young people are avoiding responsibility.

Refusing to take responsibility for your own life, for marriage and for family is a societal malaise, even a disease. It is showing up in the growing levels of anxiety and mental health problems. In a 2023 UK study of over 25,000 adults born 1946 to 2002, young adults had the highest levels of anxiety and depression.

Many people have taken responsibility for their lives, of course, but many of us still view this negatively. In fact, some people view it as something to be relieved of—for eternity.

The late Herbert W. Armstrong relayed a discussion he had with a professor about Jesus Christ's teaching on the afterlife: Christians receive eternal life (Romans 6:23), responsibilities awarded according to their works (Matthew 16:27), and positions of

rulership on Earth (Matthew 5:5; Revelation 5:10; Daniel 7:27).

"I don't want your kind of religion," responded the professor. "I don't want to be saddled with responsibilities for all eternity. I'd rather just accept Christ, decide for myself how I'll live the rest of this life, and then go to heaven with nothing to do for eternity."

This professor held the responsibility of a high-level job. Yet he resented the burden it imposed on him.

Mr. Armstrong said he met up with this professor many years later after he had retired. "I wish I had something to keep me busy like you have," he said. "All I do is sit here in my little

living room all day long, day after day, with nothing to keep me occupied. It's the most boring existence I could imagine."

Life without responsibility is a curse! Without responsibility there can be no achievement, no success to take joy from.

Leaving your parents' home, establishing a career, getting married, and having children can seem daunting. The weight of responsibility demands strength. But it also *builds* strength and enables you to experience the wholesome joys in life—fulfillment and happiness you cannot otherwise experience.

"As a young advertising man at age 20, I was given the responsibility to try to sell a magazine advertisement to a certain manufacturer," wrote Mr. Armstrong. "I succeeded. As I left

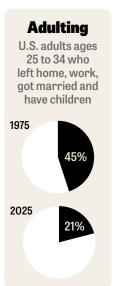
the factory office with signed contract in hand, it seemed I was walking on air. A feeling of ecstasy thrilled me as I walked from that office.

"Years later, I had completed my first evangelistic campaign of nine nights, with three new converts baptized, the very first of my entire ministerial experience. The fact that God had blessed my efforts with this accomplishment electrified me through and through in a far more intense thrill of joyous ecstasy than I had ever experienced before. I have learned by experience that nothing else is as satisfying and rewarding as achievement of a responsibility accomplished" (Ambassador College Bible Correspondence Course).

That kind of thrill is what God wants for all mankind—for eternity. "We shall be constantly looking back on happy accomplishments and anticipating even more pleasurable accomplishments ahead," wrote Mr. Armstrong. "It will be one continuous pleasure after another for all eternity" (ibid).

Perhaps it is natural for young people to want the benefits and freedoms of adulthood without realizing the duties that go with them. As we grow up, we might come to view responsibility itself as an unpleasant burden.

Avoid this mistake. A negative view of responsibility can hold you back from embracing God's plan for your life. It is crucial that you see responsibility for the blessing it is. God has created you to continually grow in responsibility, with the duties you have grown into preparing you for greater responsibilities ahead—and greater accomplishments and greater joys!



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Anniston WSWH-LD-FAMILY TV 6:30, Sun; WSWH-LD-RETRO TV 7:30, Sun; WVUA 5:30, Sun

Birmingham WABM 10:00, Sun; WBMA 6:00, Sun; WBMA-LD-NEST 6:00, Sun; WSWH-LD-FAMILY TV 6:30, Sun; WSWH-LD-RETRO TV 7:30, Sun; WUOA-BUZZR5:30, Sun

Decatur WNAL-LD-FAMILY TV 6:30, Sun; WNAL-LD-RETRO TV 7:30, Sun Demopolis WJMY-CD 5:30, Sun Dothan WJJN-LD-FAMILY TV 6:30, Sun; WJJN-LD-RETRO TV 7:30, Sun; WRGX 7:30, Sun; WTVY-DT 8:30, Sun

Florence WNAL-LD-FAMILY TV 6:30, Sun; WNAL-LD-RETRO TV 7:30, Sun Homewood (Birmingham) WTTO-COMET TV 7:00, Sun

Huntsville WAFF10:30, Sun; WHDF (Chan. 15) 8:00, Sun; WNAL-LD-FAMILY TV 6:00, Sun; WNAL-LD-RETRO TV 7:30, Sun Mobile WBQP-CD-RETRO TV 7:30, Sun; WJTC 8:30, Sun

Montgomery KYMB-LD 6:30, Sun; WCOV-TV 5:30, Sun

Montgomery-Selma WAAO-LD-RETRO TV 7:30, Sun; WBMM-DT/WNCF-DT 8:30, Sun; WDSF-BUZZR 5:30, Sun

Opelika WGBP 9:30, Sun; WLTZ-DT 9:30, Sun; WQMK-LD-RETRO TV 7:30, Sun Tuscaloosa WSWH-LD-FAMILY TV 6:30, Sun; WSWH-LD-RETRO TV 7:30, Sun; WVUA 5:30, Sun

ALASKA

Anchorage KYUR-DT 8:30, Sun Fairbanks KATN-DT 8:30, Sun Juneau KJUD-DT 8:30, Sun ARIZONA

Phoenix KDVD-LD 4:30 MT, Sun; KFPB-LD-RETRO TV 9:30, Sun; KSAZ 5:30 MT, Sun; KTVK-COMET TV 6:00 MT, Sun; KUTP 9:30, Sun; KUTP-BUZZR 4:30, Sun

Prescott KFPB-LD-RETRO TV 9:30, Sun Yuma KAJB-NEST 9:00, Sun; KECY-DT 8:30 MT, Sun

ARKANSAS

Bentonville K28NT-D 5:30, Sun El Dorado KNOE-DT 8:30, Sun Fayetteville K28NT-D-FAMILY TV 6:30, Sun; KAJL-LD-BUZZR 5:30, Sun; KHBS-DT/KH0G-DT 8:30, Sun

Fort Smith K28NT-D-FAMILYTV 6:30, Sun; KAJL-LD-BUZZR 5:30, Sun; KFTA 9:30, Sun; KHBS-DT/KH0G-DT 8:30, Sun Harrison K26GS-D-COMET TV 7:00, Sun Jonesboro KATT3-HD 9:30, Sun; KJOS 8:30, Sun

Little Rock KATV-COMET TV 7:00, Sun; KATV-NEST 6:00, Sun; KQPS-BUZZR 5:30, Sun Mountain Home K07XL-D 5:30, Sun Pine Bluff KATV-NEST 6:00, Sun; KQPS-

BUZZR 5:30, Sun **Rogers** K28NT-D-FAMILY TV 6:30, Sun; KHBS-DT/KHOG-DT 8:30, Sun

Springdale K28NT-D-FAMILY TV 6:30, Sun; KFTA 9:30, Sun; KHBS-DT/KHOG-DT 8:30. Sun

CALIFORNIA

Bakersfield KBFX-CD-COMET TV 5:00, Sun; KBFX-CD-NEST 7:00, Sun; KCBT-BUZZR 3:30, Sun; KGET-DT 9:30, Sun Cathedral City KRET-CD 3:30, Sun Chico KCVU-NEST 7:00, Sun; KHSI-DT 9:30, Sun; KRCR 9:00, Sun; KXCH-LD-FAMILY TV 7:30, Sun; KXCH-LD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun

El Centro KECY-DT 8:30, Sun Eureka KBVU-NEST 7:00, Sun; KECA-LD/KVIO-DT 9:30, Sun

Fresno KAIL 3:30, Sun; KG0F-LD-FAMILY TV7:30, Sun; KJKZ-LD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun; KMPH-TV-COMET TV 5:00, Sun; KMPH-CD-NEST7:00, Sun; KMPH-TV-NEST7:00, Sun; KVBC-BUZZR 3:30, Sun

Los Angeles KBEH-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun; KCAL-NEST 7:00, Sun; KCOP 10:30, Sun; KCOP-TV-BUZZR 3:30, Sun; KDOC-TV-COMET TV 5:00, Sun; KXLA 10:00, Sun

Modesto KSAO-BUZZR 3:30, Sun Monterey KION 9:30, Sun; KYMB-LD 3:30, Sun; KYMB-BUZZR 3:30, Sun Oak KGO 5:30, Sun

Oakland KQSL-LD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun Palm Springs KCWQ/KESQ-DT 9:30, Sun Redding KCVU-NEST 7:00, Sun; KHSL-DT 9:30, Sun; KXCH-LD-FAMILY TV 7:30, Sun; KXCH-LD-RETRO TV 8:30. Sun

Sacramento KMAX-TV-COMET TV 5:00, Sun; KSAO-BUZZR 3:30, Sun Salinas KION 9:30, Sun; KYMB-LD 6:30, Sun

San Diego KSDY-LD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun; KUSI 11:00; Sun

San Francisco KBCW-COMET TV 5:30, Sun; KKPX 6:00, Fri; KPYX 1:30 p.m., Sun; KPYX-NEST 7:00, Sun; KQSL-LD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun; KTVU-BUZZR 3:30, Sun

San Jose KQSL-LD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun Santa Barbara-Santa Maria KSBY-DT 9:30, Sun

Santa Rosa KUKR-LD-RETRO TV 8:30. Sun

Stockton KSAO-BUZZR 3:30, Sun; KSAO-LD 5:30, Sun

Victorville KVVB-LP-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun Visalia KG0F-LD-FAMILY TV 7:30, Sun; KJKZ-LD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun; KMPH-CD-NEST 7:00, Sun; KMPH-TV-COMET TV 5:00, Sun; KMPH-TV-NEST 7:00, Sun; KVBC-BUZTR 3:30, Sun

COLORADO

 $\begin{tabular}{ll} \textbf{Colorado Springs} & KXRM 9:30, Sun; \\ KXTU 6:30, Sun \\ \end{tabular}$

Denver KAVC-LD-FAMILY TV 8:30, Sun; KAVC-LD-RETRO TV 9:30, Sun; KCD0-BUZZR 4:30, Sun; KTFD-TV-NEST 9:00, Sun; KWGN-TV-COMET TV 6:00, Sun Grand Junction KJCT-DT 8:30, Sun

Gunnison K13AV-D 4:30, Sun Montrose KJCT-DT 8:30. Sun

CONNECTICUT

Hartford W24EZ-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun; WCCT-TV-COMET TV 8:00, Sun New Haven W24EZ-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun; WCCT-TV-COMET TV 8:00, Sun; WCTX-COMET TV 8:00, Sun

Waterbury WCCT-TV-COMET TV 8:00, Sun

FLORIDA

Daytona Beach WZXZ-CD-FAMILY TV7:30, Sun

Fort Myers-Naples WGPS-LD-BUZZR 6:30. Sun

Fort Pierce WMMF-LD-FAMILY TV 7:30, Sun; WMMF-LD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun; WPEC-NEST 7:00, Sun; WWHB-CD-NEST 7:00, Sun

Fort Walton Beach-Pensacola WBQP-CD-RETRO TV 7:30, Sun; WFGX-COMET TV 8:00, Sun; WPMI-NEST 6:00, Sun Gainesville WCJB-DT 9:30, Sun; WCJB 6:30, Sun; WGVT-LD-RETRO TV 8:30. Sun; WNBW-DT-COMET TV 8:00, Sun **Jacksonville** WBXJ-CD 6:30, Sun; WCWJ 6:00, Sun; WJXB-CD 8:30, Sun; WJVF-LD-FAMILY TV 7:30, Sun; WJVF-LD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun; WKBJ-LD-BUZZR 6:30, Sun

Melbourne WZXZ-CD-FAMILYTV7:30, Sun Miami WTXI-BUZZR 6:30, Sun Orlando WACX 12:30, Sun; WOTF-TV-COMET TV 8:00 Sun; WRBW-BUZZR 6:30, Sun; WZXZ-CD-FAMILY TV7:30, Sun Panama City WECP 7:00, Sun; WJHG-

DT 8:30, Sun
Pensacola WJTC 8:30, Sun
Sarasota WDNP-LD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun
St. Augustine WQXT-CD-RETRO TV

St. Petersburg WDNP-LD-FAMILYTV 7:30, Sun; WDNP-LD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun Tallahassee WTWC 10:30, Sun; WTLF-COMET TV 8:00 Sun; WTLF/WTLH-DT 9:30. Sun

Tampa WDNP-LD-FAMILY TV 7:30, Sun; WDNP-LD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun; WTTA 8:30, Sun; WXPX 6:00, Fri

Tampa-St. Petersburg WTVT-BUZZR 6:30, Sun

Thomasville WTLF-NEST7:00, Sun West Palm Beach WMMF-LD-FAMILY TV7:30, Sun; WMMF-LD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun; WPEC-COMET TV 8:00, Sun; WPEC-NEST7:00, Sun; WWHB-CD-NEST7:00, Sun; WX0D-BUZZR 6:30, Sun

GEORGIA

8:30. Sun

Albany WGCW-LD 8:30, Sun; WFXL-COMET TV 8:00, Sun; WPCH 7:00, Sun; WSWG-DT 9:30, Sun Atlanta WAGA-TV-BUZZR 6:30, Sun; WANN-CD 6:30, Sun; WDNV-LD-FAMILY TV7:30, Sun; WDNV-LD-RTRO TV 8:30, Sun; WPCH 7:00, Sun; WUPA-COMET TV 8:00, Sun; WXIA 6:30, Sun

Augusta-Aiken WAGT-DT 9:30, Sun; WFXG 8:30, Sun

Brunswick WPXC 6:00, Fri Chickamauga WOOT-LD-RETRO TV 8:30. Sun

Columbus WLTZ-DT 9:30, Sun; WQMK-LD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun; WXTX 7:00, Sun Macon WGXA-COMET TV 8:00, Sun; WMAZ-DT 9:30, Sun

Savannah WSAV-DT 9:30, Sun; WTGS-COMET TV 8:00, Sun

Thomasville WTLF/WTLH-DT 9:30, Sun Trenton W00T-LD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun IDAHO

Boise KKJB-BUZZR 4:30, Sun; KYUU-LD-COMET TV 6:00, Sun; KYUU-LP/ KBOI-DT 8:30, Sun; KYUU-LD-NEST 9:00, Sun

Idaho Falls KIFI-DT 8:30, Sun; KVUI-BUZZR 4:30. Sun

Lewiston KLEW-TV-COMET TV 6:00, Sun Pocatello KIFI-DT 8:30, Sun Twin Falls KMVT-DT 8:30, Sun Urbana WICD-COMET TV 6:00. Sun

Bloomington WEEK-DT 8:30, Sun **Champaign** WBXC-BUZZR 5:30, Sun; WBUI-NEST 6:00, Sun

ILLINOIS

Chicago WCIU 9:30, Sun; WEDE-CD-RETRO TV 7:30, Sun; WGN 10:30, Sun; WPWR-BUZZR 5:30, Sun

Decatur WBUI-NEST 6:00, Sun **Harrisburg** WUWT-CD-RETRO TV 7:30, Sun

Peoria WEEK-DT 8:30, Sun
Quincy WGEM-DT 8:30, Sun; KHQA-TVCOMET TV 7:00, Sun
Peolifical WIEEY 10:00 Sun: WIEEY DT

Rockford WREX 10:00, Sun; WREX-DT 8:30. Sun

Springfield WBUI-NEST 6:00, Sun; WICS-COMET TV 6:00, Sun

INDIANA

Bloomington WTTV-COMET TV 8:00, Sun Evansville WEHT 10:00, Sun; WYYW-CD-FAMILY TV 6:30, Sun; WYYW-CD-RFTRO TV 7:30. Sun

Fort Wayne WISE-DT 9:30, Sun; WLMO-LD-COMETTV 8:00, Sun Indianapolis WALV-CD 6:30, Sun; WSDI-BUZZR 6:30, Sun; WSWY-LD-FAMILY TV 7:30, Sun; WSWY-LD-RETRO TV 7:30, Sun; WTHR 5:00, Sun; WTTV-COMET TV 8:00. Sun

Lafayette WLFI-DT 9:30, Sun South Bend ESBT/WSBT 7:30, Sun; WCWW-LD 6:30, Sun

Terre Haute WTHI 6:00, Sun; WTHI-DT 9:30. Sun

IOWA

Cedar Rapids KFXA-NEST 6:00, Sun Des Moines KAJR-LD 5:30, Sun; KDSM 9:30, Sun; KDSM-TV-COMET TV 7:00, Sun; WBXF-CD-RETRO TV 7:30, Sun Keokuk WGEM-DT 8:30, Sun Mason City KAAL 8:30, Sun; KTTC-DT

8:30, Sun **Ottumwa** KTVO-COMET TV 7:00, Sun;
KWOT/KYOU-DT2 8:30, Sun

Sioux City KMEG-COMET TV 7:00, Sun; KMEG-NEST 6:00, Sun; KTIV-DT 8:30, Sun

KANSAS

Hutchinson KMTW-NEST 6:00, Sun Kansas City KCKS-LD 5:30, Sun; KCKS/-BUZZR 5:30, Sun; KCKS-LD-RETRO TV 7:30, Sun; KCTV-COMET TV 7:00, Sun

Lawrence-Leavenworth-Olathe KCKS-LD-RETRO TV 7:30, Sun

Louisburg KMJC-LD 5:30, Sun **Pittsburg** KFJX-DT2 8:30, Sun; KSXF 9:30, Sun

Topeka WROB-BUZZR 5:30, Sun; WROB-LD 5:30, Sun; WROB-LD-RETRO TV 7:30, Sun; WROB/KCTV/KCKS 7:30, Sun; KTKA-DT 8:30, Sun

Wichita KCTU-LD 5:30, Sun; KSAS-TV-COMET TV 7:00, Sun

Wichita-Hutchinson KGPT-BUZZR 5:30, Sun; KSMI-LP-FAMILY TV 6:30, Sun; KSMI-LP-RETRO TV 7:30, Sun KENTUCKY

Bowling Green WBKO 8:30, Sun; WBKO-DT 8:30, Sun/12:30, Fri; WCZU-BUZZR 5:30, Sun; WDNZ-LD-NEST 6:00, Sun

Hindman-Hyden WLFG-BUZZR 6:30, Sun Jenkins-McRoberts-Whitesburg WLFG-BUZZR 6:30, Sun

Lexington WBON-LD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun; WDKY7:00, Sun; WDBZ-BUZZR 6:30, Sun Louisville W5OCI-BUZZR 6:30, Sun; WBNM-LD-FAMILY TV 7:30, Sun; WMYO-CD-COMET TV 8:00, Sun

Paducah KBSI-COMET TV 8:00, Sun; WDKA-NEST 6:00, Sun; WUWT-CD-RETRO TV 7:30, Sun

LOUISIANA

Alexandria KALB-DT 8:30, Sun Lafayette K210B-D-RETRO TV 7:30, Sun; KATC-DT 8:30, Sun Lake Charles KPLC-DT 8:30, Sun Monroe KNOE-DT 8:30, Sun

New Orleans WNOL-TV-COMET TV 7:00, Sun; WQDT-BUZZR 5:30, Sun; WQDT-LD-NEST 6:00, Sun

Shreveport KRHP-BUZZR 5:30, Sun; KSLA 5:00, Sun; KVPO-LD-FAMILY TV 6:30, Sun; KVPO-LD-RETRO TV 7:30, Sun

MAINE

Bangor WABI-DT 9:30, Sun **Presque Isle** WAGM-DT3/WBPQ 9:30. Sun

Portland-Auburn WGME-NEST7:00, Sun Waterville-Portland WPF0-COMET TV 8:00. Sun

MARYLAND

Baltimore WMAR 10:30, Sun; WMJF-CD-BUZZR 6:30, Sun; WNUV-COMET TV 8:00, Sun; WNUV-NEST 7:00, Sun Hagerstown WMDE-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun Salisbury W14DK-D-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun; WMDT-DT 9:30, Sun

MASSACHUSETTS

Boston WCRN-LD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun; WSBK-TV-COMET TV 8:00, Sun; WLVI-BUZZR 6:30, Sun; WUTF-NEST 7:00, Sun Burlington WVMA-CD-RETRO TV

8:30, Sun Holyoke WWLP-DT 9:30, Sun Manchester WCRN-LD-RETRO TV

Springfield WWLP-DT 9:30, Sun

Alpena WBAE 9:30, Sun
Bay City WSMH-COMET TV 8:00, Sun;
WSMH-NEST7:00, Sun; WURO 8:30, Sun
Cadillac WFQX-DT 9:30, Sun; WPBN/
WTOM-COMET TV 8:00, Sun
Detroit WDIV 5:00, Sun; WHNE-LDRETRO TV 8:30, Sun; WJBK-BUZZR 6:30,
Sun; WORD 3:30, 12:30 p.m., Sun
Flint WSMH-COMET TV 8:00, Sun;
WSMH-NEST 7:00, Sun; WURO 8:30, Sun

Grand Rapids WLLA-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun; WOTV-CHARGE 6:30, Sun; WXSP-CD-NEST7:00, Sun Lansing WLAJ-DT 9:30, Sun Marquette WBKP-DT/WBUP-DT

9:30, Sun **Saginaw** WSMH-COMET TV 8:00, Sun; WSMH-NEST 7:00, Sun; WURO 8:30, Sun

Sault Ste. Marie WPBN/WTOM-COMET TV 8:00, Sun

Traverse City WFQX-DT 9:30, Sun; WMNN-BUZZR 6:30, Sun; WPBN/WTOM-COMET TV 8:00, Sun

MINNESOTA

Alexandria K16CO-D-FAMILY TV 6:30, Sun; K16CO-D-RETRO TV 7:30, Sun Duluth KDLH-DT 8:30, Sun Mankato KMNF-LD2 8:00, Sun; KWYE

8:30, Sun Minneapolis KKTW-LD-FAMILY TV 6:30, Sun; KKTW-LD-RETRO TV7:30,

6:30, Sun; KKTW-LD-RETRO TV7:30, Sun; KMSP 5:30, Sun; KSTP 10:30, Sun; WFTC-BUZZR 5:30, Sun; WUCW-COMET TV 7:00, Sun Rochester KTTC-DC 8:30, Sun

Rochester KTTC-DC 8:30, Sun Saint Paul KKTW-LD-FAMILY TV 6:30, Sun; KKTW-LD-RETRO TV7:30, Sun; KMSP 5:30, Sun; WTC-BUZZR 5:30, Sun; WUCW-COMET TV 7:00, Sun

MISSISSIPPI

Biloxi WXXV7:30, Sun; WXXV-DT 8:30. Sun

Clarksdale WHCQ 5:30, Sun Cleveland WHCQ-LD 5:30, Sun Columbus W07BN-D-RETRO TV7:30, Sun: WCBI-DT 8:30, Sun

Greenwood WBWD 8:30, Sun Greenwood WBWD 8:30, Sun

Gulfport WLOX 10:00, Sun; WXXV-DT 8:30, Sun

Hattiesburg WHLT-DT 8:30, Sun Houston W07BN-D-RETRO TV 7:30, Sun Laurel WHLT-DT 8:30, Sun

Meridian WTOK-DT 8:30, Sun Oxford W34BJ-D-RETRO TV 7:30, Sun Tupelo W07BN-D-RETRO TV 7:30, Sun; WCBI-DT 8:30. Sun

West Point W07BN-D-RETR0 TV 7:30. Sun

MISSOURI

Cape Girardeau KBSI-COMETTV7:00, Sun; KBSI 10:30, Sun; KFVS/QFVS, 9:30, Sun; WUWT-CD-RETRO TV 7:30, Sun Columbia KOMU-DT 8:30, Sun; KRCG-COMET TV 7:00, Sun Hannibal WGEM-DT 8:30, Sun; KHQA- TV-COMET TV7:00, Sun

Jefferson City KOMU-DT 8:30, Sun;

KRCG-COMET TV7:00, Sun

Joplin KFJX 7:00, Sun; KFJX-DT2 8:30,
Sun; KJLN-LD-FAMILY TV 6:30, Sun;

KJLN-LD-RETRO TV7:30, Sun; KOAM

10:30. Sun; KPJ0-LD-BUZZR 5:30. Sun;

KSXF 8:30, Sun **Kansas City** KCMN-LD-NEST 6:00, Sun; KCTV-COMET TV 7:00, Sun; KCWE 8:30. Sun

Kirksville KTVO-COMET TV 7:00, Sun; KYOU-DT2 8:30, Sun

Louisville WBNA 6:30, Sun Paducah KFVS/QFVS, 9:30, Sun Pittsburg KJLN-LD-FAMILY TV 6:30, Sun; KJLN-LD-RETRO TV7:30, Sun; KOAM 10:30, Sun

Springfield KRBK 9:00, Sun; KSFZ-LD-FAMILY TV 6:30, Sun; KSFZ-LD-RETR0 TV7:30, Sun; KXMP-LD-FAMILY TV 6:30, Sun; KXMP-LD-RETR0 TV 7:30, Sun St. Joseph KNPG-LD 8:30, Sun St. Louis KDNL-NEST 6:00, Sun; KUMO-LD-RETR0 TV 7:30, Sun; KPLR 7:00, Sun; KPLR-TV-COMET TV 7:00, Sun; KSDK 5:00, Sun; WBGU-BUZZR 5:30, Sun; WPXS-RETR0 TV 7:30, Sun

MONTANA

Billings KSVI 10:00, Sun; KTVQ-DT 6:30, 8:30, Sun; KQHD-LD-RETRO TV 9:30, Sun Bozeman K04QX-D-RETRO TV 9:30, Sun; KBZK-DT/KXLF-DT 8:30, Sun Butte K04QX-D-RETRO TV 9:30, Sun; KBZK-DT/KXLF-DT 8:30, Sun Glendive KWZB 8:30, Sun Great Falls KRTV-DT 8:30, Sun Helena KTVH-DT 8:30, Sun Hissoula KPAX-DT 8:30, Sun; KTMF 9:30, Sun

NEBRASKA

Hastings KWBL/KCWH-LD 8:30, Sun Kearney KWBL/KCWH-LD 8:30, Sun Lincoln KWBL/KCWH-LD 8:30, Sun Omaha KPTM-COMET TV7:00, Sun; KXVO-NEST 6:00, Sun; WOWT 6:00 Sun North Platte KIIT-LD2/KWPL 8:30, Sun Scottsbluff KGWN-DT 8:30, Sun NEVADA

Las Vegas KGNG-BUZZR 3:30, Sun; KVCW-COMET TV 5:00, Sun; KVGA-LD-FAMILY TV 7:30, Sun; KVCW-NEST 7:00, Sun; KVGA-LD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun Reno KCNL-LD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun; KNSN-TV-COMET TV 5:00, Sun; KNSN-NEST 7:00, Sun; KOL03/KREN-DT 9:30, Sun; KRMF-LD-FAMILY TV7:30, Sun

NEW MEXICO

Albuquerque KCHF-RETRO TV 9:30, Sun; K0B 4:30, Sun; KRTN-LD 4:30, Sun; KYNM-CD-FAMILY TV 8:30, Sun; NRQE 5:30, Sun

Santa Fe KCHF-RETRO TV 9:30, Sun; KOB/KOBF 6:30, Sun

NEW YORK

Albany WCWN-NEST 7:00, Sun; WNGX-LD-FAMILY TV 7:30, Sun; WRGB-COMET TV 8:00, Sun; WYBN-BUZZR 6:30, Sun; WYBN-LD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun

Binghamton WBNG-DT 9:30, Sun Buffalo WBXZ-BUZZR 6:30, Sun; WBXZ-LD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun; WNYO, 12:00 p.m., Sun; WNYO-NEST 7:00, Sun; WNYO 9:00 p.m. Sun; WNYO-TV-COMET TV 8:00, Sun; WUTV 10:30, Sun Elmira-Corning WENY-DT 9:30, Sun New York City WLNY-NEST 7:00, Sun; WPIX 11:30, Sun; WWOR, 8:00, Sun; WWWR-TV-BUZZR 6:30, Sun Plattsburgh WPTZ-DT 9:30, Sun; WYMA-CD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun; WVMA-CD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun; WUHF-Chester WBGT-CD 6:30, Sun; WUHF-C

COMFT TV 8:00. Sun

Schenectady WCWN-NEST 7:00, Sun; WNGX-LD-FAMILY TV 7:30, Sun; WRGB-COMET TV 8:00, Sun; WYBN-LD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun

Syracuse WONO-CD 6:30, Sun; WSTM-TV-COMET TV 8:00; WSYR 9:00, Sun Troy WCWN-NEST 7:00, Sun; WNGX-LD-FAMILY TV 7:30, Sun; WYBN-LD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun Utica WKTV-DT 9:30. Sun

Watertown WWTI-DT 9:30, Sun NORTH CAROLINA

NORTH CAROLINA Anderson WASV-LP-RETRO TV 8:30,

Sun; WNGS-LD-FAMILY TV 7:30, Sun Asheville WASV-LP-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun; WLOS-NEST:7:00, Sun; WNGS-LD-FAMILY TV 7:30, Sun; WYCW 9:00, Sun Bowling Green WBK0 12:30, Fri Charlotte WAXN 3:00, Sun; WAXN 10:00, Sun; WCCB 5:00/10:30, Sun; WHKY-TV-COMET TV 8:00, Sun; WMYT-BUZZR 6:30, Sun; WVEB-LD-NEST7:00, Sun Durham WDRH-LD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun; WIFL-NEST 7:00, Sun; WNCB-BUZZR 6:30, Sun; WIFL-NEST 7:00, Sun; WNCB-BUZZR 6:30, Sun; WRDC-COMET TV

8:00, Sun; WTVD 6:30, Sun **Fayetteville** WDRH-LD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun; WLFL-NEST 7:00, Sun; WTVD 6:30, Sun

Greensboro WMYV-COMET TV 8:00, Sun; WXLV-NEST 7:00, Sun Greenville WCTI-TV-COMET TV 8:00, Sun; WJGC-LD-FAMILY TV 7:30, Sun; WJGC-LD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun; WNCT-DT 9:30, Sun; WYDO-NEST 7:00, Sun Hickory WHKY-TV-COMET TV 8:00, Sun High Point WMYV-COMET TV 8:00,

Sun; WXLV-NEST 7:00, Sun New Bern WJGC-LD-FAMILY TV 7:30, Sun; WJGC-LD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun; WCTI-TV-COMET TV 8:00, Sun; WNCT-DT 9:30, Sun; WYDD-NEST 7:00, Sun

Raleigh WDRH-LD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun; WLFL-NEST 7:00, Sun; WRDC 10:30, Sun; WRDC-COMET TV 8:00, Sun; WNCB-BUZZR 6:30, Sun; WTVD 6:30, Sun Salem WMYV-COMET TV 8:00, Sun Washington WJGC-LD-FAMILY TV 7:30, Sun; WJGC-LD-ETRO TV 8:30,

Sun; WNCT-DT 9:30, Sun; WYDO-NEST 7:00, Sun Winston-Salem WXLV-NEST 7:00, Sun Wilmington WECT 6:00 Sun; WSEY-TV

Wilmington WECT 6:00,Sun; WSFX-TV 6:30, Sun

Winston WMYV-COMETTV 8:00, Sun NORTH DAKOTA

Bismarck KXMD 8:30, Sun
Dickinson KXMD/KXMC-DT2 8:30, Sun
Fargo KCPM-RETRO TV 7:30, Sun; KXJB
8:30, Sun

Minot KXMD/KXMC-DT2 8:30, Sun Valley City KXJB 8:30, Sun OHIO

Akron W27DG-D-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun; WIVX 8:30, Sun; WIVX-LD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun

Cinilicothe WWHO-COMETTV 8:00, Sun Cincinnati WKRC-NEST7:00, Sun; WOTH-BUZZR 6:30, Sun; WSTR-TV-COMETTV 8:00, Sun

Cleveland W27DG-D-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun; WEKA-LD-BUZZR 6:30, Sun; WIVM/ WIVX 8:30, Sun; WIVX-LD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun; WJW-TV-COMET TV 8:00, Sun; WUAB 7:30, Sun

Columbus WOCB-BUZZR 6:30, Sun; WSYX-NEST 7:00, Sun; WWHO-COMET TV 8:00, Sun

Dayton WKEF 10:00, Sun; WKEF-NEST 7:00, Sun; WKGT-TV-COMET TV 8:00, Sun New Philadelphia WIVD-LD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun

Steubenville WBW0 9:30, Sun Toledo WNW0-TV-COMET TV 8:00, Sun Youngstown EYTV 11:30, Sun Zanesville WBZV 9:30, Sun

Ada KTEN-DT 8:30, Sun Lawton KAUZ-DT 8:30, Sun Oklahoma City KBZC-LD-BUZZR 5:30, Sun; KOCB-COMET TV 7:00, Sun; KOKH-NEST

KOCB-COMETTY 7:00, Sun; KOKH-NEST 6:00, Sun; KWRW-LD-RETRO TV 7:30, Sun **Tulsa** KMYT-TV 5:30, Sun; KQCW 9:30, Sun; KTUL-COMET TV 7:00, Sun; KTU0-LD-RETRO TV 7:30, Sun; KU0C-LD-BUZZR 5:30, Sun

OREGON

Bend KTVZ-DT 9:30, Sun **Eugene** K44JP-D-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun; KMTR-COMET TV 5:00, Sun

Medford-Klamath Falls KTVL-COMET TV 5:00, Sun; KTVL-DT 9:30, Sun Portland KATU-COMET TV 5:00, Sun; KUNP-NEST 7:00, Sun

Yakima-Pasco-Richland-Kennewick K20MJ-D-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun PENNSYLVANIA

Altoona WHVL-BUZZR 6:30, Sun; WJAC-TV-COMET TV 8:00, Sun

Erie WSEE-DT/WICU-DT 9:30, Sun Johnstown WHVL-BUZZR 6:30, Sun; WJAC-TV-COMET TV 8:00, Sun; WJAC-TV-COMET TV 8:00, Sun; WPSG-NEST 7:00, Sun; WTXF-TV-BUZZR 6:30, Sun

NEST 7:00, Sun; WTX-T V-BUZZR 6:30, Sun; WPNT-COMET TV 8:00, Sun; WPNT-NEST 7:00, Sun; WPTG-CD 6:30, Sun; WPTG-CD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun

Scranton WSWB-COMET TV 8:00, Sun; WSWB-NEST 7:00, Sun

State College WANT/WWCP 8:30, Sun; WHVL-BUZZR 6:30, Sun; WJAC-TV-COMET TV 8:00, Sun

Wilkes-Barre WSWB-COMETTV 8:00, Sun; WSWB-NEST 7:00, Sun

RHODE ISLAND

Providence WJAR-COMETTV 8:00, Sun **SOUTH CAROLINA**

Anderson WLOS-NEST 7:00, Sun; WYCW 9:00, Sun

Charleston ECIV 8:30, Sun; WCBD-DT 9:30, Sun; WCIV-NEST7:00, Sun; WLOW-LD-RETRO TV 8:30. Sun

Columbia WACH-COMET TV 8:00, Sun Florence WPDE-TV-COMET TV 8:00, Sun; WTNG-CD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun; WWMB-DT 9:30, Sun; WWMB-NEST 7:00, Sun

Greenville WASV-LP-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun; WLOS-NEST 7:00, Sun; WNGS-LD-FAMILY TV 7:30, Sun; WNGS-LD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun; WYCW 9:00, Sun; XXXX-BUZZR 6:30, Sun

Hardeeville WTGS-COMETTV 8:00, Sun Myrtle Beach WPDE-TV-COMETTV 8:00, Sun; WTNG-CD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun; WWMB-DT 9:30, Sun; WWMB-NEST 7:00. Sun

Rock Hill WMYT-TV-BUZZR 6:30, Sun Spartanburg WASV-LP-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun; WLOS-NEST7:00, Sun; WNGS-LD-FAMILY TV 7:30, Sun; WNGS-LD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun; WSPA 12:00 p.m., Sun; WYCW 9:00. Sun

SOUTH DAKOTA

Rapid City KLCO-DT 8:30, Sun; KRPC-LP-FAMILY TV 8:30, Sun; KRPC-LP-RETRO TV 9:30, Sun

Sioux Falls-Mitchell KRPC-LP-RETRO TV 7:30. Sun: KSFY-DT 8:30. Sun

TENNESSEE

Chattanooga WDNN-CD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun; W00T-LD-FAMILY TV 7:30, Sun; W00T-LD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun Jackson WNBJ 8:30, Sun

Kingsport-Johnson City WLFG-BUZZR 6:30. Sun

Knoxville WKNX 1:30 p.m., Sun; WKXT-

LD-FAMILY TV 7:30, Sun; WKXT-LD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun

Memphis KPMF-BUZZR 5:30, Sun; WHBQ 5:30, Sun

Nashville WJNK-BUZZR 5:30, Sun; WNAB-NEST 6:00, Sun; WWHL-LD-RETRO TV 7:30, Sun; WUXP-TV-COMET TV 7:00, Sun; WUHL-LD-FAMILY TV 6:30, Sun Spring City WOOT-LD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun

TEXAS

Abilene KTXS-DT 8:30, Sun; KVII-TV-COMET TV 7:00, Sun

Amarillo KCIT 9:30 p.m., Sun; KLKW-BUZZR 5:30, Sun; KVII-DT/KVIH-DT 8:30. Sun

Austin KGBS-CD-NEST 6:00, Sun; KTBC-BUZZR 5:30. Sun

Beaumont KAOB-LD-RETRO TV 7:30, Sun; KBTV-TV-COMET TV 7:00, Sun; KBTV-TV-NEST 6:00. Sun

Brownsville KCWT/KNVO-DT 8:30, Sun; KGBT-TV-COMET TV7:00, Sun Corpus Christi K33QP-D-RETRO TV7:30,

Sun; KIII ABC 9:30, Sun; KRIS-DT 8:30, Sun **Dallas** KDAF 7:00, Sun; KDFI-BUZZR 5:30, Sun; KFWD-RETRO TV 7:30, Sun; KTXD-NEST 6:00, Sun; KTXD-TV-COMET TV 7:00. Sun

EI Paso KFOX-NEST 9:00, Sun; KFOX-TV-COMET TV 7:00, Sun; KTSM 7:00, Sun Fort Worth KDFI-BUZZR 5:30, Sun; KFWD-W5:00, Sun; KFWD-RETRO TV 7:30, Sun; KTXD-TV-COMET TV 7:00, Sun; WFAA 5:30. Sun

Harlingen KCWT/KNVO-DT 8:30, Sun; KGBT-TV-COMET TV 7:00, Sun; KTFV-CD-NEST 6:00, Sun

Houston KIAH-COMET TV 7:00, Sun; KVQT-LD-RETRO TV 7:30, Sun Laredo KLDO-TV-NEST 6:00, Sun; KYLX

8:30, Sun Longview KDKJ-BUZZR 5:30, Sun; KLNM-LD-FAMILLY TV 6:30, Sun; KLNM-LD-RETRO TV 7:30, Sun; KYTX-DT 8:30, Sun Lubbock KLCW-DT 8:30, Sun; KYML-

BUZZR 5:30, Sun **Lufkin** KLNM-LD-FAMILY TV 6:30, Sun; KLNM-LD-RETRO TV 7:30, Sun;

Midland KWAB-DT/KWES-DT 8:30, Sun; KWES 10:00 Sunday

Nacogdoches KLNM-LD-FAMILY TV 6:30, Sun; KLNM-LD-RETRO TV 7:30, Sun; Odessa KWAB-DT/KWES-DT 8:30, Sun; KWES 10:00 Sunday; KWWT 5:30, Sun Port Arthur KAOB-LD-RETRO TV 7:30, Sun; KBTV-TV-COMET TV 7:00, Sun; KBTV-TV-NEST 6:00, Sun; KFDM, 2:05, Sat/8:30, Sun

San Angelo KTXE 8:30, Sun San Antonio KABB 6:30, Sun; KMYS-NEST 6:00, Sun; KOBS-BUZZR 5:30, Sun; KRTX-LP-FAMILY TV6:30, Sun; KRTX-LP-RETRO TV 7:30, Sun

Sherman KTEN-DT 8:30, Sun Sweetwater KTXS-DT 8:30, Sun Tyler KDKJ-BUZZR 5:30, Sun; KLNM-LD-FAMILY TV 6:30, Sun; KLNM-LD-RETRO TV 7:30, Sun; KTRE 11:30, Sun; KYTX-DT 8:30, Sun

Victoria KVCT-DT3/KWVB 9:30, Sun Waco K20KJ-D-RETRO TV 7:30, Sun; KZCZ-BUZZR 5:30, Sun; KZCZ-LD-COMET TV 7:00, Sun; KWKT 6:30, Sun

Weslaco KCWT/KNVO-DT 8:30, Sun Wichita Falls KAUZ-DT 8:30, Sun; KFDX 6:00, Sun

U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS Charlotte Amalie WVXF 6:30, Sun UTAH

Salt Lake City KBTU-BUZZR 4:30, Sun; KJZZ-TV-COMET TV 6:00, Sun; KMTI-LD-RETRO TV 9:30, Sun; KUTO-LD-FAMILY TV 8:30. Sun **Paiute-Richfield** KSVC-LD-RETRO TV 9:30. Sun

VERMONT

Burlington WFFF 10:00, Sun; WPTZ-DT

9:30 VIRGINIA

Abingdon-Meadowview WLFG-BUZZR 6:30, Sun

Bristol WCYB-TV-COMET TV 8:00, Sun Charlottesville WVIR-DT 9:30, Sun Dryden-Big Stone Gap-Norton WLFG-BUZZR 6:30, Sun

Grundy-Vansant WLFG-BUZZR 6:30, Sun Hampton-Norfolk WSKY 9:00, Sun Harrisonburg WVIR-DT 9:30, Sun; W29DH-D-COMET TV 8:00, Sun Lynchburg WSET-TV-COMET TV 8:00, Sun

Newport News WTKR 6:30, Sun Norfolk WAVY-NEST 7:00, Sun; WTKR 6:30, Sun; WTVZ-TV-COMET TV 8:00, Sun; WVBT 6:30/10:00, Sun

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WJLA-TV-COMET TV 8:00, Sun; WMDERETRO TV 8:30, Sun; WTTG-BUZZR
6:30, Sun

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Kennewick KORX-NEST7:00, Sun; KUNW-CD-NEST7:00, Sun; KVVK-CD-COMETTV 5:00, Sun; KVVK-CD-NEST7:00, Sun Norfolk WVEC 9:30, Sun

Pasco KEPR-DT 9:30, Sun; KORX-NEST 7:00, Sun; KUNW-CD-NEST 7:00, Sun; KVVK-CD-NEST 7:00, Sun

Richland KEPR-DT 9:30, Sun; KORX-NEST 7:00, Sun; KUNW-CD-NEST 7:00, Sun; KVVK-CD-NEST 7:00, Sun

Seattle KCPQ 7:00, Sun; KUNS-NEST 7:00, Sun; KYMU-LD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun Spokane KREM 6:00, Sun

Tacoma KUNS-NEST 7:00, Sun; KYMU-LD-RETRO TV 8:30, Sun Yakima KEPR-DT 9:30, Sun; KORX-NEST

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WEST VIRGINIA

Beckley WVVA-DT 9:30, Sun Bluefield WVVA-DT 9:30, Sun Charleston WTZP-BUZZR 6:30, Sun; WVAH-NEST 7:00, Sun; WVAH-TV-COMET TV 8:00, Sun

Fairmont WVUX-LD 6:30, Sun Huntington WVAH-NEST 7:00, Sun Oak Hill WVVA-DT 9:30, Sun Parkersburg WCWP/W0VA-LD2 9:30. Sun

Wheeling WBW0 9:30. Sun

WISCONSIN

Appleton WCWF-NEST 6:00, Sun Eau Claire WXOW-DT/WQOW-DT 8:30. Sun

Green Bay WCWF10:00, Sun; WCWF-COMET TV 7:00, Sun; WCWF-NEST 6:00, Sun

La Crosse WXOW-DT/WQOW-DT 8:30. Sun

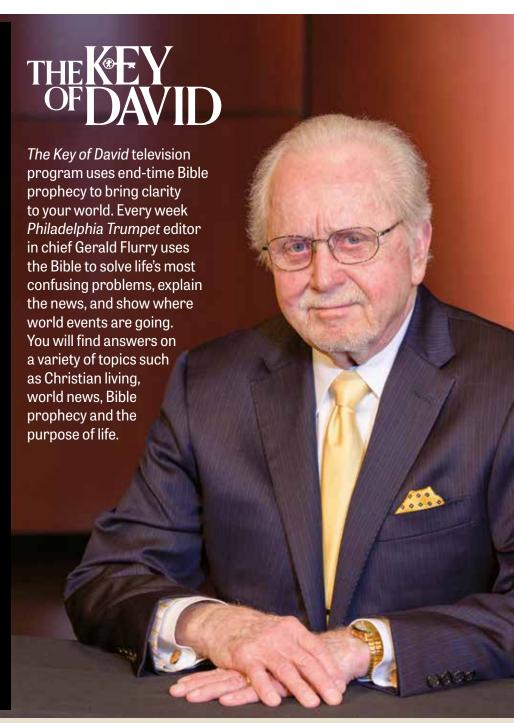
Madison WKOW 5:30, Sun; WMSN-TV-COMET TV 7:00, Sun

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Rhinelander WAOW/WYOW 8:30, Sun Superior KDLH-DT 8:30, Sun Suring WCWF-COMET TV 7:00, Sun Wausau WAOW-DT/WYOW-DT 8:30, Sun WYOMING

Casper KCWY-DT 8:30, Sun Cheyenne KGWN-DT 8:30, Sun Jackson Riverton KCWY-DT 8:30. Sun

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