"The Well from Hell" The End-Time Apocalypse Has Begun!

Devastation in the Gulf of Mexico staggers the human mind. Oil, like coagulated blood, washes up on shorelines, kills fish and birds, and wreaks havoc on the oceans. What is the cause? Where is it all leading? What does the future hold? Have the judgmental curses of God begun to rain down upon mankind?

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This is an urgent message – a sobering alert! The situation has become much more serious. No doubt that the "times of Jacob's troubles" has begun. The time of great tribulation is now beginning, and will ramp up and become much, much worse, before the END comes rushing upon us!

The cover-up has been intense – and immense. But the truth is beginning to escape, just like the oil spewing up from the underwater geyser called the Deep Horizon Oil Disaster.

"Beyond Comprehension"

Warns a recent article: "Scientists Warn Gulf Of Mexico Sea Floor Fractured 'Beyond Repair." The article speaks of a dire report circulating in the Kremlin, that was prepared for Prime Minister Putin by Anatoly Sagalevich of Russia's Shirshov Institute of Oceanology. He warns that the Gulf of Mexico sea floor has been fractured "beyond all repair" and our world should begin preparing for an ecological disaster "beyond comprehension" unless "extraordinary measures" are undertaken to stop the massive flow of oil into our Planet's eleventh largest body of water.

The articles continues:

"Most important to note about Sagalevich's warning is that he and his fellow scientists from the Russian Academy of Sciences are the only human beings to have actually been to the Gulf of Mexico oil leak site after their being called to the disaster scene by British oil giant BP shortly

after the April 22nd sinking of the Deepwater Horizon oil platform.

"BP's calling on Sagalevich after this catastrophe began is due to his being the holder of the World's record for the deepest freshwater dive and his expertise with Russia's two Deep Submergence Vehicles MIR 1 and MIR 2 [photo 2nd left] which are able to take their crews to the depth of 6,000 meters (19,685 ft).

"According to Sagalevich's report, the oil leaking into the Gulf of Mexico is not just coming from the 22 inch well bore site being shown on American television, but from at least 18 other sites on the "fractured seafloor" with the largest being nearly 11 kilometers (7miles) from where the Deepwater Horizon sank and is spewing into these precious waters an estimated 2 million gallons of oil a day.

"Interesting to note in this report is Sagalevich stating that he and the other Russian scientists were required by the United States to sign documents forbidding them to report their findings to either the American public or media, and which they had to do in order to legally operate in US territorial waters.

"However, Sagalevich says that he and the other scientists gave nearly hourly updates to both US government and BP officials about what they were seeing on the sea floor, including the US Senator from their State of Florida Bill Nelson who after one such briefing stated to the MSNBC news service 'Andrea we're looking into something new right now, that there's reports of oil that's seeping up from the seabed . . . which would indicate, if that's true, that the well casing itself is actually pierced . . . underneath the seabed. So, you know, the problems could be just enormous with what we're facing."

Russia is now urging the United States to use technology used in Russia to "nuke" the seabed well. Pravda, the best-selling Russian daily newspaper, asserts that although based on Soviet experience there's a one-in-five chance a nuke might not seal the well, it's 'a gamble the Americans could certainly risk.'

The Obama administration is caught on the horns of a dilemma. What would the short-term political repercussions be if the well were nuked? Would such a solution work 5,000 feet under the sea, or only exacerbate the problem?

The Scope of the Disaster

Imagine a pipe spewing crude oil like a fire hose from what could be the world's largest and most high-pressurized oil and gas reserve on the planet. With the best technology known to man, British Petroleum (BP) at the Deepwater Horizon rig punched a hole into such a reserve six miles below the earth's surface at sea level and was overwhelmed by Nature's response. Like popping the cork on a bottle of champagne, the contents exploded to the surface in an ongoing drama of incredible proportions, with no end in sight.

If the disaster continues, the entire oceans of the world could become poisoned, and all oceanic life killed in the greatest human catastrophe since the Flood.

The Core of the Disaster

Joshua S. Burnett writes in "The Market Oracle": "First, let's review the facts:

"The spill has continued, unimpeded, for two months now. No advancement has been made on actually plugging the leak. Every attempt at plugging the leak thus far has failed, and failed totally. It's not as if we've made progress and fallen just short. We haven't done jack. Not only have we not made any progress in plugging the leak, the estimates of how much oil is actually leaking have grown steadily to the point where the official rate is now twelve times higher than initially released (from 5,000 bbl/day) and the private estimates double the official rate (120,000 bbl/day).

"Before this, Exxon Valdez was the worst oil spill in American history. That took months for the initial cleanup and much of the oil spilled was unrecoverable (boom operations, the bread and butter of oil cleanup, only captures 20% of spilled crude) and continues to contaminate the area, years afterward. If current official estimates are to be believed (and they're on the very low end of plausibility) we've got 15 Exxon Valdez's already spilled in the Gulf. The equivalent of another Exxon Valdez is spilled every four days (every two days if private estimates of leak rates are true).

"We're now in hurricane season. We've averaged 11 named storm systems per season for the past 53 years.

"Oil generally floats to the top of the water (exceptions to be explained later) which is the first liquid to be picked up by storm systems. One quart of oil contaminates 250,000 gallons of water. The Deepwater Horizon oil spill is located right off the Mississippi Gulf Coast."

Declares Burnett:

"Just considering these facts here's what I would consider to be the expected outcome (not the worst case): first, we wouldn't need anything more than a tropical storm (of which we can expect 11 in the geographical vicinity this year) to pick up a massive quantity of oil and rain it all over the coast to an inland distance of several hundred miles (it isn't uncommon for hard rain from a tropical storm to reach as far north as Tennessee). This oil will destroy all vegetation it lands on and poison any surface water and probably shallow water tables. These water sources are what all local wildlife subsists on and the source for all city water purification I know of. You obviously see the problem here. I can see some of the hardier trees surviving if we get enough pure rainfall immediately following a tropical storm or hurricane drenching, but all this would do is to rinse the oil into ponds, lakes, streams, rivers, and the water table; cleaning this up would be a multiple year nightmare; recovery for the region would be measured in decades.

"But that's not all of it; here's where I outline my 'worst case' scenario. The main reason

they're having such incredible problems capping the darn thing is not because of depth; it's because of internal well pressure. In the pre-drilling geological surveys a massive methane pocket was discovered coinciding with the oil deposits; this pocket is sitting at a pressure of 100,000 psi. Current engineering technology doesn't exist to contain something at 100,000 psi, meaning efforts to cap this puppy are useless. The presence of this methane pocket is becoming harder to ignore as 40-70% of the emissions from the leak are now comprised of natural gas (and we're still blowing out 60,000-120,000 barrels of oil a day). Best estimates put the amount of methane leaking at 2,900 cubic feet for every barrel of oil spilled (with an estimated 4.5-9.0 billion cubic feet of methane leaked so far... and the dang thing is STILL in six digit psi).

"The secondary concern here is the pressure and what happens if (more like when) it is discovered that the oil leak can't actually be capped as it spews with that amount of internal force. The primary concern is what happens if/when the methane pocket ruptures; some estimates put its size at 15-20 miles wide (at 100,000 pounds of pressure per square inch).

"If the methane bubble explodes, it would create a tsunami that would wipe out anything within dozens (and possibly hundreds) of miles of the Gulf Coast in all directions . . . The tsunami in the Indian Ocean in 2004 wiped out between 150,000-300,000 people, some as far away as South Africa. This was caused by an earthquake that shifted the ocean floor by meters. An explosion of this size would shift the ocean floor for miles. The Gulf is touched by the Mississippi River and opens into the Caribbean where it is exposed to the Panama Canal."

What is the "worst case" scenario of the disaster?

Says the author, "Worst case? The methane bubble explodes, causing a tsunami that wipes out 80% of Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama, and Florida. Large portions of Texas are also destroyed. The Gulf islands and Mexico will be in the same boat. All of the oil platforms currently drilling in the Gulf would be torn away from their moorings, creating further oil leaks that would exacerbate the problems already there."

Awesome! Incredible! Burnett continues:

"Does all of this sound fantastic and like I'm completely off of my rocker? I know it does to me, and I'm writing the dang article. But I just can't get away from the fact that this is where the trail of evidence leads me. Three and a half million barrels of oil don't just disappear. A methane bubble that size at those pressures doesn't just quit pumping. So I'm asking someone to tell me that I'm nuts, and why. Tell me that none of my reasoning makes sense and what the real answers are." (Market Oracle, June 23, 2010, "Gulf Oil Spill – Greatest Disaster Since the Flood?", by Joshua S. Burnett).

Magnitude of the Disaster

Matt Simmons, an oil expert who appeared on the Bloomberg news, adds some additional perspective to the disaster. In his original appearance on the station, he initially endorsed the nuclear option as the only viable way to resolve the oil spill. Simmons refutes even the latest oil spill estimate of 45,000-60,000 barrels per day, and quotes research done by the Thomas Jefferson research vessel which *quantifies the leak* at 120,000 bpd.

What is even scarier is that according to the Jefferson the oil lake underneath the surface of the water *could now be covering up to 40% of the entire Gulf of Mexico*!

Simmons also says that as the leak has no casing, a relief well will not work, and the only possible resolution is, as he said previously, to use a small nuclear explosion to convert the rock to glass. Simmons concludes that as punishment for BP's arrogance and stupidity the government "will take all their cash."

Why haven't you heard these things before? Why is the government obviously covering up the incredible scope of the disaster? Is it their intent to let it take its own course, and then declare "Martial Law" and bring in a dictatorial, totalitarian government – rule by decree?

Is nuking the oil well site the real solution to the problem? Unfortunately, with a gas bubble forming just below the surface, to nuke it could trigger even worse consequences! It could virtually blow up the entire Gulf!!

The people of America do not realize what is actually happening, as the mainstream media seems oblivious. But as the summer goes on and people become very ill and begin to die from the toxic poisons and contamination, the "cat" will be out of the "bag." This "leak" could be the beginning of the greatest disaster the world has ever seen since the Flood, but it is not realized yet.

The Onrushing Apocalypse

Richard Hoagland on "Coast to Coast" has said that the pressure at the well was 100,000 psi and that when the gas explodes, it would be like a Mt. St. Helens going off underwater that would create a huge tsunami that would travel at 400-600 mph, sink all vessels within miles, and drive the oil, hazardous dispersants, and gasses inland within minutes.

Hoagland declared Florida may in fact get the brunt of it when it blows, other states would be affected as well and that the people along the gulf should be told by the U.S. government soon, as it is likely that the government will need to evacuate them to protect them from the massive explosion and tsunami as well as the health hazzards of the oil, dispersants, and gasses. Hoagland opines that the situation should be treated as a war.

A resident of the Gulf Coast declares, ""I am a longtime resident of the West Coast of Florida. While there is a major media blackout of any real information or warnings, we are feeling effects of this oil and the associated chemicals even here, where one has yet to see any oil upon our shores. My closest friend is a Nurse Practitioner at a local clinic here. She and her associates throughout the area have seen countless and increasing incidences over the past few weeks of sometimes severe throat, eye, and skin irritation as well as other symptoms. This is being reported to the CDC so may escalate the rumored mass evacuations. I am experiencing some of those same symptoms, especially as of late.

"Today, a Military Pilot who is flying reconnaissance missions in the Gulf came for an office visit and they began to chat about the Gulf of Mexico oil crisis. It turns out that they are both like-minded patriots and the conversation continued about the crisis in the Gulf of Mexico. Feeling comfortable in speaking, he finally intimated to her that 40% of the Gulf of Mexico sea bed is now covered with oil. This has been escalated by the fact that the Deepwater Horizon rig well-head has now completely blown off. This is why the flow is appearing to come out in rather a 'V'-shape. Oil is now blasting into the Gulf at an unspeakable rate and this insurmountable flow is acting as a laser, further cutting open the seabed from forces from the abiotic oil violently erupting from earth's core like her very blood. It is forecast that oil could make it around the world within 18 months. In other words, we now have the nightmare scenario some of us have feared. It is with an absolutely broken heart that I report all of this to you and fervently pray for God's divine hand of mercy. Yet I fear we may only be able to thank our Lord for the blessings and memory of the once-pristine and breathtaking treasure that was the Gulf of Mexico."

Mere Coincidence?

Fatefully, by March 25, 2010, U.S. criticism of Israel reached an astounding level. In an effort to restore communication, Prime Minister Netanyahu made an emergency trip to the U.S. to confer with Obama, and was "dumped" for dinner, and was snubbed by the president who went to his private quarters, instead of holding a state dinner. Israel was refused key weapons systems, bunker buster bombs were withheld from the Israelis. Because of deteriorating U.S. support, the world began rushing to the gate to condemn Israel like rabid hyenas.

April 19th, 2010, Israel celebrated their independence on their religious calendar and on that date the Obama administration announced it would no longer support Israel at the UN.

Then, April 20th, the very next day the Gulf Deep Horizon oil well exploded – and the world's greatest "oil spill" erupted in the Gulf of Mexico – a gusher to top all gushers!

Was this all mere "coincidence"?

In the book of Genesis, God said to Abraham, "I will make you a great nation; I will bless you and make your name great; and you shall be a blessing. I will bless those

who bless you, and I will curse him who curses you; and in you all the families of the earth will be blessed" (Gen.12:2-3).

The Obama administration has begun to turn its back on Israel, America's most reliable ally of all in the Middle East. The consequences are beginning to flow. And flow. And flow! With no end in sight!

Think about it! Does God mean what He says? When God issues a curse for a specific activity, will He carry it out? Are we so far from God that we impugn His Word and ignore His categorical warnings with impunity and truculence?

"The Well from Hell"

On June 21, 2010 an article entitled "The Well from Hell" explored the crisis and disaster. It is nothing short of a catastrophe – a man-made cataclysm of biblical proportions. Wrote Chrisitan A. DeHaemer,

"There is something primordial about BP's quest for oil in the Gulf of Mexico. It's an Icarus-like story of super-ambition; of reaching too far, delving too deep.

"I don't know if you've stopped to contemplate what BP was trying to do... The well itself started 5,000 feet below the surface. That's the depth of the Grand Canyon from the rim.

"And then the company attempted to drill more than 30,000 feet below that — Mt. Everest would give 972 feet to spare. Furthermore, the company sought oil in a dangerous area of the seabed.

"It was unstable and many think BP sought it out because seismic data showed huge pools of methane gas — the very gas that blew the top off Deepwater Horizon and killed 11 people.

"More than a year ago, geologists criticized Transocean for putting their exploratory rig directly over a massive underground reservoir of methane. According to the *New York Times*, BP's internal 'documents show that in March, after several weeks of problems on the rig, BP was struggling with a loss of "well control." And as far back as 11 months ago, it was concerned about the well casing and the blowout preventer.'

"The problem is that this methane, located deep in the bowels of the earth, is under tremendous pressure. . .Some speculate as much as 100,000 psi — far too much for current technology to contain. The shutoff valves and safety measures were built for only 1,000 psi.

"It was an accident waiting to happen. . . And there are many that say it could get worse — much worse. Geologists are pointing to other fissures and cracks that are appearing on the ocean floor around the damaged wellhead."

The escape of other poison gases associated with an underground methane bubble, such as hydrogen sulfide, benzene, and methylene chloride, have been found. Weeks ago, the EPA measured hydrogen sulfide at 1,000 parts per billion – well above the normal 5 to10 ppb. Some benzene levels were measured near the Gulf of Mexico in the range of 3,000 - 4,000 ppb – up from the normal 0-4 ppb.

"Obama's Oil Spill"

Another article: "Obama's Oil Spill" by Jon Christian Ryter in NewsWithViews.com (6/19/10), states: "This article will refer to the Gulf oil spill as the BP oil spill, but we need to understand from the gitgo this is Obama's oil spill. He converted it into the crisis it has become for his own personal reasons and his own personal political gain. When White House resident Barack Obama decided he had let the BP oil crisis develop long enough that it would require a social progressive 'crisis solution,' it was May 15. Obama let the BP oil spill dump what is now estimated to be 2.52 million gallons of crude oil per day into the Gulf of Mexico. That's a total of 88,200,000 gallons of oil in 35 days. Yeah, that reeks of a crisis."

Many believe the handling of this crisis is a Machiavellian scheme to bring in Cap and Trade and bring in Martial Law.

Says Ryter, "Most Americans don't know that three days after the Deepwater Horizon platform sank to the floor of the Gulf of Mexico, along with any evidence of what caused the underwater pipeline explosion below the safety cutoff valves, the Dutch government called Obama and offered to loan BP ships outfitted with oil-skimming booms, and a plan to quickly build sand barriers to protect the marshlands that everyone knew would be affected worst if the seepage was left uncontained and oil reached the Louisiana coastline. The Heritage Foundation reported that according to one Dutch newspaper, the European oil companies that offered to help BP said that left to do the job alone they would have contained the oil and completely cleaned all of the oil scum from the Gulf of Mexico in four months."

Ryter continues: "Again, what the American people don't know is that thirteen different countries offered to help clean the oil sludge from the Gulf. And, finally, what the American people don't know is that the Obama Administration turned all of them down. Obama had a crisis in the making and as Obama Chief of Staff Rahm Emanuel so aptly told the media during the housing and credit disasters that led to the piling on of over \$3 trillion in new taxes on generations of Americans in February, 2009, '**you never let a crisis go to waste'**."

Declares Ryter, what should worry the American people most is the new life Obama's oil crisis has pumped into the failed Cap & Trade legislation. "Remember Cap & Trade, the Carbon Fuel tax? It didn't die until climate skeptics hacked hundreds of computer files and private email exchanges between the world's leading global warming 'experts,' and released the data to the media in Europe on November 9, 2009, less than a month before the Copenhagen Conference. Obama intended, on the last day of the conference, to back door Cap & Trade into the United States by signing what was known as the 'Copenhagen Protocol.'"

Cap & Trade is the catalyst that the world government advocates intend to use to redistribute the wealth of the world from the industrialized nations to the overpopulated third world – tomorrow's key consumers. The fact that it will reduce crop yields, reduce the quality of the air you breathe, and reduce water levels worldwide is not of importance to them because, in their view, there are too many people in the world and if a few million more die of starvation the world will be a better place for those who survive.

Obama has already authorized the Environmental Protection Agency [EPA] to classify carbon dioxide as a pollutant under the Clean Air Act. Where does he get that authority? From the US Supreme Court (4/2/09) which decided that the CPA has the authority to regulate heat-trapping gases in automobile emissions—i.e., carbon dioxide, and greenhouse gases that contribute to global warming unless they present a scientific basis for not regulating them (hopefully someone with a brain of wisdom). George W. Bush insisted the government did not have the authority to regulate carbon dioxide since it is a natural element necessary to sustain human life.

Obviously, the Obama administration intends to use the Oil Crisis as another stepping stone to the New World Order envisioned by H. G. Wells and Aldous Huxley.

The Time Line of the Book of Revelation

The last book of the New Testament is the book of Revelation, penned by the apostle John at the dictation of Jesus Christ, Yeshua the Messiah. It is a story flow and capsulation of events to occur in the years before the second coming of the Messiah and leading up to it!

The outline of the prophecy begins with seven consecutive "seals" in chronological order. The first four "seals" are the "four horsemen" of the Apocalypse which begin to ride throughout the earth. These represent end-time WARS by the world's four basic regional powers and major nations!

These horsemen have been grievously misunderstood. Some teach the "white horse" refers to religious deception, the second "red" horse refers to war, the third or "black horse" refers to famine, and the fourth horse refers to "plague." This is nonsense. The key to understanding Bible prophecy is that the BIBLE MUST INTERPRET ITS OWN SYMBOLS!

With this principle in mind, the four horsemen of Revelation are explained in the fascinating prophecy of Zechariah, chapter six. Here four chariots of horses are revealed. Notice the interpretation!

"Then I turned and raised my eyes and looked, and behold, four chariots were coming from between two mountains, and the mountains were mountains of bronze. With the first chariot were red horses, with the second chariot black horses, with the third chariot white horses, and with the fourth chariot dappled horses—strong steeds. Then I answered and said to the angel who talked with me, 'What are these, my lord?' And the angel answered and said to me, 'These are four spirits of heaven, who go out from their station before the Lord of all the earth. The one with the BLACK horses is going to the north country, the white are going after them, and the dappled are going to the south country.' Then the strong steeds went out, eager to go, that they might walk to and fro throughout the earth" (Zech.6:1-7).

Notice again! These are identified with the "four winds" of heaven – that is, the north, south, east and west winds -- thus giving us a geographic positioning of the four world powers or end-time kingdoms of the north, south, east and western hemispheres.

The Jewish Tanakh version makes it plain. Zechariah is told, "The one with the black horses is going to the region of the NORTH; the white ones have gone out to what is to the WEST of them; the spotted (pale] ones have gone out to the region of the SOUTH; and the dappled [red] ones have gone out . . ." (see Zech.6:1-7, Tanakh). A footnote says, "Emendation yields 'the bay ones will go out to the region of the EAST." The words "dappled" and "bay" literally means RED or reddish brown in color.

The "white" horse is therefore connected with the west (Zech.6:6, Tanakh). It represents a mighty military power in the "West." Which nation or group of nations would that represent, today? Why, the United States and Great Britain, and their allies! The United States, in the western hemisphere, was largely responsible for saving the world in World War I, World War II, fending off Communism in Korea and Vietnam. George Bush led the U.S. to victory against Saddam Hussein, of Babylon-Iraq, in the Gulf War, like a latter-day Alexander.

The "Red Horse" of the Apocalypse follows the "white horse." It is the opening of the "second seal." It refers to widespread political and social turmoil and chaos in the EAST -- the eastern hemisphere.

The "red horse" is in the *east*. The Jewish Tanakh in Zechariah 6:7 shows the red horses are connected with the "east." Communism rose up in 1917, overthrew the Czars in Russia, and set about seeking to enslave and conquer the world. Millions lost their lives in Stalin's purges. Millions more lost their lives in the purges of Mao Tse-tung, in Red China. And now, once again, the "red horse" in the East is threatening to rise up,

and bloody revolution may well occur throughout the former lands of the Soviet Union! The Hebrew word translated "red" in Zechariah is *adom* and means "rosy, red, ruddy."

The "red horse" represents the "red star" countries of Communism -- Russia, China, and the like, in the "east." Russia has its red sickle flag, "Red Square," in Moscow, and Communists are commonly known as "the Reds." How uncanny is Bible prophecy! These nations have indeed taken "peace from the earth," with millions being killed in massive purges in the Soviet Union and in Mao's China, since World War II. And these nations have instigated and fomented virtually every war since World War II -- Mao's conquest of China, the Korean War, Vietnam, and even the Arabic strikes against modern Israel in the Middle East, in 1956, 1967, and 1973 (the Yom Kippur War). Thus this prophecy has been and is still being fulfilled, dramatically!

The break-up and restructuring of the Soviet Empire contributed to the war in former Yugoslavia, and war in Chechnya. The Russian economy is still in tatters. China also, the red dragon of the East, has annexed Hong Kong, and now threatens Taiwan with missiles and invasion.

The "black horse" Zechariah says is the "north country." This refers to Central Europe and Germany and the European Union, today. It is "north" of Israel. The "black horse" was Germany and her allies in World War I, World War II, and the European Union fighting today alongside the United States in Iraq, Afghanistan, and was also involved in the Serbian war in former Yugoslavia.

The "pale horse" refers to the nations of the final cardinal point of the compass – the SOUTH – nations mainly south of Jerusalem. This refers to the Muslim nations coming together in WAR against the west, striving once again to dominate and rule the world and bring all nations under Sharia law!

This horseman began riding on 9-11 with its attack on the Twin Trade Towers of New York City and the attack on the Pentagon! It pretends to be the Ally of the West, but secretly plots its overthrow and intends to expunge the "Great Satan" from the world – meaning the United States! Famine, desolation, devastation, and plague, follow in the wake of these four horsemen!

Historians acknowledge that wars claimed over 200,000,000 lives during the 20th century, and the final countdown has only begun!

Prophecy from the Talmud

The end-time prophecies of the wars between the earth's four regional powers, and world war, are mentioned clearly in the pages of the Jewish Talmud. In Sanhedrin 97B, we read of a Hebrew scroll written in square Hebrew letters and found by a certain

man in a Roman storehouse. The document read: "After four-thousand-two-hundredand-ninety-one years from the creation of the world, the world will come to an end. Those years will include *wars between the sea monsters, and the wars of Gog and Magog, and the remaining years will be the Messianic age*"

Says the "Notes" in the Talmud, "In square Hebrew letters. This detail is added in order to emphasize the significance of the discovery, for in antiquity it was not customary to commit oral tradition to writing – and especially not in square Hebrew letters and in the Hebrew language – unless they were of unusual importance. The world will come to an end. *Ramah* understands the word . . . in the sense of 'orphan.' In that time, the world will be like an orphan without a father, and people will do whatever they like, as if there were no law and no judgment." The wars of the sea monsters. The Gemara appears to be alluding to wars that will be waged between the great powers, some of which are compared in the Bible to sea monsters (*Maharsha*). It might be referring specifically to the wars between the GREAT NAVAL POWERS that will be fought out at sea (*Ramah*)" (*The Talmud, the Steinsaltz Edition,* vol.XII, tractate Sanhedrin, part VII, page 7).

Interestingly, the Bible speaks of the world that was, the world that is, and the world to come. The world that was preceded the Noachian deluge. The present world began at the Flood of Noah. If we count the 4,291 years from the beginning or creation of the present world, in 2348 B.C., and the Flood of Noah, then the time frame brings us to 1944 and the great naval battles of World War II between the Americans, British and the Japanese and Germany! It brings us to the threshold of our modern age!

The Story Flow Continues

The opening of the next or fifth "seal" describes incredible persecution of Christians around the world (Rev.6:9-11). This seal has also already begun to be fulfilled! As of this date, millions of Christians have been martyred, put to death, beheaded, killed in armed riots, insurrection, and mass murder, around the world, especially in Muslim countries and Africa! Christians have been slaughtered in the Sudan (over a million), Nigeria, Pakistan, Indonesia, India, Vietnam, China, and the list of nations grows. Christian persecution is even beginning now in Great Britain, Canada, and the United States!

The next or "sixth seal" is that of great signs and wonders in the heavens, and mighty earthquakes (Rev.6:12-17). The great earthquakes causing the tsunami in Southeast Asia killing 250,000 people, the Haitian earthquake killing another 250,000 or so victims, and the massive earthquake in Chile are just the harbingers of still greater earthquakes to come. And "signs" in the heavens are also beginning to occur – the Hale Bopp comet in 1997, the alignment of the planets in 2000, as they were at the time of the

Creation of man some 6,000 years ago, and even greater signs are coming as God begins pouring out His final warnings and judgments upon the earth for man's persistent, pugnacious, impervious rebellion and acts of violence against the laws and saints of heaven!

The Oil Crisis and Bible Prophecy

This brings us to the final "seventh seal." John writes of the unveiling of the seventh seal, saying, "And I saw the seven angels who stand before God, and to them were given seven trumpets.... So the seven angels who had the seven trumpets prepared themselves to sound. The first angel sounded: And hail and fire followed, mingled with blood, and they were thrown into the earth. And a third of the trees was burned up, and all green grass was burned up" (Rev.8:2, 6-7).

Could this "blood" be referring to blood-like coppery-colored crude oil mixed with water and hurled upon the earth in great windstorms, hurricanes, and meteorological phenomena? The Amplified Bible has this, "and there was a STORM of hail and fire mingled with blood cast upon the earth."

The pouring out of this plague HAS NOW BEGUN!

The Gulf oil clinging to the pelicans appears to look like coppery coagulated blood. This sounds like a mighty hurricane. This scenario might describe a mighty hurricane which strikes the waters containing the spilled oil and lifts it up into the atmosphere carrying it inland with winds of 100 to 200 mph and rains down hail mixed with oil.

Chief Hurricane Meteorologist Specialist, Joe Pistardi predicts that this year's coming hurricane season in the Atlantic is going to be a real bender with a total of 16 to 18 storms this season. In the 160 years of record keeping only 8 of the years have had this many storms in a single season. Six to eight or more of these coming storms could be hurricanes.

The next verse says, "The second angel blew [his] trumpet, and something resembling a great mountain, blazing with fire, was hurled into the SEA. And a third of the sea was turned to BLOOD, a third of the living creatures in the sea perished, and a third of the ships were destroyed" (Rev.8:8-9).

Angel #2 sounds his trumpet—and a great mountain blazing with fire was hurled into the sea. As a result, one third of the sea was turned to blood, one third of the creatures in the sea perished, and one third of the ships were destroyed. This underwater oil "volcano" in the Gulf of Mexico could explode like Mt. St. Helens, according to scientists, and if it did it would have devastating consequences.

Skeptics and Jeering Scoffers

In the June 4 issue of *Newsweek* magazine, Lisa Miller took potshots at evangelical Christians who saw in the Gulf oil plague fulfillment of apocalyptic Bible prophecy. She wrote in scathing, sneering terms, "To some Christian fundamentalists, the oil plume in the Gulf of Mexico heralds the apocalypse."

She continues, "A growing conversation among Christian fundamentalists asks the question that may have been inevitable: is the oil spill in the gulf a sign of the coming apocalypse?

"About 60 million white evangelicals live in America, and about one third of them believe that the world will end in their lifetime." In their world view, she says, "a cosmic battle – culminating in apocalypse, judgment, and finally, the reign of Jesus in 'a new heavens and a new earth' – will come soon."

She, of course, ridicules this idea. She declares, "The most determined of these believers mine the book of Revelation for signs that the end is near."

The apostle Peter, two thousand years ago, warned that agnostics and unbelievers, skeptics and scoffers, would abound in the latter days, denying the evidence and signs of apocalyptic judgment and onrushing catastrophe. Peter wrote, "To begin with, you must know and understand this, that scoffers (mockers) will come in the last days with scoffing, [people who] walk after their own fleshly desires and say, Where is the promise of his coming? For since the forefathers fell asleep, all things have continued exactly as they did from the beginning of creation. For they willingly overlook and forget this [fact], that the heavens [came into] existence long ago by the word of God, and the earth also which was formed out of water and by means of water, through which the world that then [existed] was deluged with water and perished. But by the same word the present heavens and earth have been stored up (reserved) for fire, being kept until the day of judgment and destruction of the ungodly people" (II Peter 3:3-7, Parallel Amplified Bible).

The world scoffed and sneered with ribald humor when Noah built the Ark, to the saving of his own family, when the world around him perished to the last man, woman and child in the raging Deluge. Modern scoffers and skeptics will suffer a similar fate – make no mistake! God will not be mocked! (Gal.6:7).

God cries out in wisdom, "How long, O simple ones[open to evil], will you love being simple? And the scoffers delight in scoffing and [self confident] fools hate knowledge? If you will turn (repent) and give heed to my reproof, behold I [Wisdom] will pour out my spirit upon you, I will make my words known to you. Because I have called and you have refused [to answer]; have stretched out my hand and no man has heeded it, and you treated as nothing all my counsel and would accept none of my reproof, I also will laugh at *your calamity;* I will *mock* when the thing comes that will cause you *terror and panic—when your panic comes as a storm and desolation and your calamity comes on as a WHIRLWIND, when distress and anguish come upon you"* (Proverbs 1:22-27, Amplified Parallel Bible).

The Last Plagues

Revelation 16 gives a parallel prophecy of these awesome plagues that have now begun in the Gulf of Mexico. In Revelation 16 when Messiah returns, the seven vials of God's wrath and indignation are poured out on the earth. A mighty voice from the Temple Sanctuary says to the seven angels, "empty out on the earth the seven bowls of *God's wrath and indignation.*".

We read: "So the first [angel] went and emptied his bowl on the earth, and foul and painful ulcers (sores) came on the people who were marked with the stamp of the beast and who did homage to his image. The second [angel] emptied his bowl into the sea, and it turned into BLOOD like that of a corpse [thick, corrupt, ill-smelling, and disgusting], and every living thing that was in the sea perished" (Rev.16:2-3).

The prophecy continues: "Then the third [angel] emptied out his bowl into the rivers and the springs of water, and they turned into [became] blood. And I also heard the angel of the waters say, Righteous (just) are You in these Your decisions and judgments, You Who are and were, O Holy One! Because they have poured out the blood of your people (the saints) and the prophets, and You have given them blood to drink. Such is their due [they deserve it!]" (Rev.16::4-6).

The first angel empties his bowl on the earth—which results in foul painful sores coming upon the people who were marked with the stamp of the beast and worshiped his image—citizens and members of the New World Order that is coming. Could this be the result of the toxins dispersed by the hurricanes and wind storms spreading the oil, methane, and noxious substances in the atmosphere? The second angel empties his bowl on the sea—turns the sea into blood like that of a corpse (thick, foul smelling) and everything that was living in the sea perished.

WHY is God Angry?

Why is God angry and full of wrathful indignation? Do we really have to ask, as we look at mankind and society today who have lost their way and turned their backs on God—doing everything disrespectful and blasphemous that the human mind can conceive of and ignoring the way of God which is the way of life, peace, success, health and happiness among nations. Look at the catastrophe of the Deep Horizon oil rig! It is like mankind in his foolishness and folly has punctured an artery of the earth, and the EARTH'S BLOOD is spewing forth in an unstoppable cascade and river of oil and gases!

We are now experiencing the beginning of these prophesied Biblical plagues. The time of Jacob's Trouble has come! Judgment Day has come upon America and the world. God's wrath is just beginning to be poured out. Armageddon is coming to our shores and is already at our doors. The days of the Apocalypse are here NOW! Are you prepared?

"Almighty God thunders, I have overthrown some among you as when God overthrew Sodom and Gomorrah, and you were as a brand plucked out of the burning; yet you did not return to Me, says the Lord.

"Therefore thus will I do to you, O Israel; and because I will do this to you, PREPARE TO MEET YOUR GOD, O Israel! For behold, He Who forms the mountains and creates the wind and declares to man what is his thought, Who makes the morning darkness and treads on the heights of the earth—the Lord, the God of hosts, is His name!" (Amos 4:11-13).

Millions will ignore these warnings from God. Rather, they will blaspheme, shake their fists toward heaven, and continue justifying their madness and wicked ways. Repentance is the farthest thing from their minds.

The plagues of oil and devastation will be followed by fiery heat from the sun and solar explosions and flares bombarding the earth – the fourth plague. John writes, in Revelation, "Then the fourth [angel] emptied out his bowl upon the sun, and it was permitted to burn (scorch) humanity with [fierce, glowing] heat (fire). People were severely burned (scorched) by the fiery heat and they REVILED and BLASPHEMED the name of God, Who has control of these plagues, and they did not repent of their sins [felt no regret, contrition, and compunction for their waywardness, refusing to amend their ways] to give Him glory" (Rev.16:8-9).

The time has come for mankind to search their hearts, and examine their ways, and to repent of their sins and disobedience to the eternal, inviolate laws of Almighty God, which are the way to love, peace, tranquility, happiness, and prosperity.

The apostle Paul declared, "Such [former] ages of ignorance God, it is true, ignored and allowed to pass unnoticed; but *NOW* He charges all people everywhere to *REPENT* (to change their minds for the better and heartily to amend their ways, with abhorrence of their past sins), because He has fixed a day when He will judge the world righteously (justly) by a Man Whom He has destined and appointed for that task" (Acts 17:30-31, Amplified Parallel Bible). Will we heed the dire warnings? Turn to God *NOW*, before it is far too late!