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A Voice in the Wilderness

God tells His servants in His Word, "Cry aloud, spare not. Lift up your voice like a trumpet and declare to My people their transgression and to the house of Jacob their sins!" (Isa.58:1, Parallel Amplified Bible).

God also declares: "Comfort, comfort My people, says your God. Speak tenderly to the heart of Jerusalem, and cry to her that her time of service and her warfare are ended, that [her punishment is accepted and] her iniquity is pardoned, that she has received [punishment] from the Lord's hand double for all her sins."

We are living in a world gone berserk with anger and rage. "Why do the nations rage?" (Psalm 2:1). Answer – because they don't know the true God, and are in rebellion against His laws and teachings and the true way of life and peace!

Isaiah wrote: "A voice of one who cries: *Prepare in the wilderness the way of the Lord* [clear away the obstacles]; make straight and smooth a highway for our God. . . And the glory (majesty and splendor) of the Lord shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together; for the mouth of the Lord has spoken it" (Isaiah 40:3-5).

The Messiah is coming very SOON! Its time to prepare to MEET Him! "Surely the Lord will do nothing without revealing His secret to His servants the prophets" (Amos 3:7). The purpose of this magazine is to warn the world of what lies ahead, and to help prepare people to get ready to meet the Messiah, when He returns to restore all things (Acts 3:19-21), put an end to wars, and usher in the Kingdom of God! The prophet Amos declared, "Prepare to meet your God, O Israel" (Amos 4:12). No matter is more urgent, today!

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The Passing of William F. Dankenbring

It is with a heavy heart that we at Triumph Prophetic Ministries announce the passing of its founder and senior pastor, William F. Dankenbring, on the 28th of August 2017 at the age of 76. He is survived by his wife, Cappy, son Nathan, daughter Natalie, and four grandchildren.

Pastor William F. Dankenbring diligently served for 54 years proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ throughout the world as a prolific writer and speaker. There was only one Bill Dankenbring, with his in-depth Biblical knowledge and gift for sifting out vital information from innumerable sources. He will be greatly missed by us all.



Israel, Biblical Numbers, 2017 and the Great Tribulation

The End of this Age is rapidly approaching. The Countdown to the Messiah and His appearance has begun. It's time to wake up – and prepare for the Great Tribulation and the Day of the Lord! Here are signs and evidence you need to consider as you contemplate your life and plan your future!

William F. Dankenbring

In the book of I Chronicles, we read of mighty men "from Issachar, men who *understood the times* and knew what Israel should do" (I Chron.12:32). These were wise men who understood the days and times in which they lived. They had insight and prophetic understanding.

There was very little of this commodity in the days of Christ among the Jews and Pharisees. He rebuked them for their hypocrisy. We read, "In the meantime, when an innumerable multitude of people had gathered together, so that they trampled one another, He began to say to His disciples first *of all*, "Beware of the leaven of the Pharisees, which is hypocrisy. For there is nothing covered that will not be revealed, nor hidden that will not be known. Therefore whatever you have spoken in the dark will be heard in the light, and what you have spoken in the ear in inner rooms will be proclaimed on the housetops" (Luke 12:1-3).

Christ later told them, commenting on their prophetic ignorance, "Then He also said to the multitudes, "Whenever you see a cloud rising out of the west, immediately you say, 'A shower is coming'; and so it is. And when *you see* the south wind blow, you say, 'There will be hot weather'; and there is. Hypocrites! You can discern the face of the sky and of the earth, *but how is it you do not discern this time?*" (Luke 12:54-56).

Do you understand the times in which we live? Do you grasp how close we are to the fulfillment of the prophecies for the End of Days, the Great Tribulation and the Coming of the Messiah?

Notice these six critical historical facts:

1897--A Zionist conference was held to find a homeland for the Jews. 1917--War: Great Britain captured Palestine (Israel, Jerusalem and more).

1947--A UN conference was held to find a homeland for the Jews.

1967--War: Israel captured West Bank (including East Jerusalem).

1997--An Arab conference was held to take the homeland of the Jews.

2017--War: threats from Iran, Hezbollah, ISIS, some Arabs, etc.

Notice that these six historical facts run 20 + 30 + 20 + 30 + 20:

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1897 + 20 = 1917
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1917 + 30 = 1947

1947 + 20 = 1967

1967 + 30 = 1997

1997 + 20 = 2017

Notice that the conferences run in 50-year cycles:

1897--1st conference; find a homeland for the Jews.

1947--2nd conference; establish a homeland for the Jews (1897 + 50 = 1947).

1997--3rd conference; take the homeland from the Jews (1947 + 50 = 1997).

Notice that these 50-year cycles were held by three different groups.

1897--The 1st conference was a Jewish conference.

1947--The 2nd conference was a Gentile (UN) conference (1897 + 50 = 1947).

1997--The 3rd conference was an Arab conference (1947 + 50 = 1997).

Notice that three of these 50-year cycles are about war.

1917--War: Great Britain captured Palestine (Israel, Jerusalem and more).

1967--War: Israel captured West Bank (East Jerusalem and more).

2017--War: Remains to be seen, but very possible.

Notice that three of these 50-year cycles involve Jerusalem (the end of the age cup of trembling and burdensome stone for the whole world; Zech.12:2-3; Joel 3:2).

1917--War: Great Britain took Jerusalem.

1967--War: Jews took Jerusalem.

2017--War: Remains to be seen, but Arabs and/or Muslims (the Iranians are not Arabs)

may try to take Jerusalem.

We are looking at six events between 1897 and 2017, a period of 120 years. In the days of Noah (a sign of the Second Coming) God said, "My spirit shall not always strive with man, for that he also is flesh: yet his days shall be an hundred and twenty years" (Gen. 6:3).

Based on God's six days of creation and one day of rest (a total of seven days) plus the Scriptures that teach that one day is with the Lord as a thousand years (Psalm

90:4; II Pet. 3:8; Heb. 4:4) some church fathers (Barnabas, Irenaeus, Justin Martyr and Lactantius), scholars (Dr. J. R. Church) and prophecy writers (Dr. Noah Hutchings and others), have taught that mankind will go through six "God Days" of 1,000 years each (a total of 6,000 years) plus a Millennium of 1,000 years rest (now a total of 7,000 years).

6,000 years is 120 of 50-years each or 6,000 years (120 X 50 = 6,000).

It is common knowledge among most students of the Bible that Jesus told His disciples "There be some standing here, which shall not taste of death, till they see the Son of man coming in his kingdom" (Matt. 16:28).

Then, six days later, Jesus took Peter (the same Peter that said one day is with the Lord as a thousand years) plus James, and John up on the Mount of Transfiguration and revealed His Second Coming to them (Matt. 17:1-9).

The question is "Why did Jesus wait six days instead of three or five or ten days or whatever?" Why six days?

Could those six days represent 6,000 years? Moses said, "A thousand years in thy sight are but as yesterday" (Psalm 90:4). To God, 1,000 years seems like yesterday or one day.

We read in II Pet. 3:8: "But, beloved, don't be ignorant of this one thing, that one day is with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day."

How Long Is a Biblical Generation?

How long is a biblical generation? Does the Bible offer any insight for determining the length of a generation? I think there are several clues which give us a key in determining the duration of the END TIME GENERATION.

First, the Greek word for generation is "Genea" connected with "Ginomai" which means to become; primarily signifying a begetting or BIRTH; or race of people possessing similar characteristics, pursuits, etc. Therefore, one definition of generation is that it refers to a particular people with their characteristic lineage and identifying traits, which distinguish them from all other races of people.

When Jesus Christ used the word Generation in Matthew 24:34, He was referring to the Jewish people identified by their particular religion and culture symbolized by *the Fig Tree*. Notice in Vine's definition of generation, he says it signifies a BEGETTING OR BIRTH. In the context of Matthew 24, Jesus is not speaking of an individual's birth, but the birth of a nation – a nation of people having the same characteristics, traits, and pursuits and that have a kinship with the land of Israel and the city of Jerusalem *unlike* any other race of people on the earth.

In addition, when Jesus said THIS GENERATION, He was speaking of a certain time period as distinguished from all others before it. The Lord used the same stipulation in reference to the Hebrew people who came out of Egyptian bondage and their wilderness experience in Psalm 95:10: "Forty years long was I grieved with THIS GENERATION…"

The generation of Israel that experienced the exodus from Egypt, the parting of the Red Sea, the receiving of the Law on Mount Sinai, and all the miraculous events of that period, no other generation would again experience. It was a definite time determined by God and would be the foundation for succeeding generations of Israel.

The same can be said of the generation when Israel returns to the land in the latter days. It is a specific period that will usher in the "Time of Jacob's Trouble" to the Jewish and Israelite peoples and tribulation to the Gentile world. Jesus said it would be a time unlike any generation before or after it. This generation has a beginning and an ending. We know the beginning, but how long is it and when does it end?

FOUR DIFFERENT TIME-LINES

1897 -2017 = 120 years (Gen. 6:3).

100 = bondage

The Bible mentions several different periods that define a complete generation. The first is **100 YEARS.** When God gave the covenant to Abraham in Genesis 15:13,16, He told him that his seed (the Hebrew people) would be in bondage in Egypt for 400 years, but in the 4th generation, they would come out. That makes a generation approximately 100 years.

40 = testing

A second period of determining a biblical generation is **40 YEARS**. When God led Israel out of Egypt, He intended that they enter the promise land and conquer the Canaanites, but instead of obeying Him, they sent 10 spies to survey the land who reported that the inhabitants were too strong for them to conquer. Because of disobeying God, they were required to spend 40 years in the wilderness (a year for a day that the ten spies spied out the land). As a result, God said He was grieved with this generation forty years (Psalm 95:10).

In Deuteronomy 2:14, God said that He waited until all the men of war died before He brought Israel out of the wilderness. According to the Torah (The Law), an Israelite male could not go to war until he was 20 years of age (Numbers 1:3). Therefore, when all the men of war had either been killed or died by the age of 60 (a 40 year period), God brought Israel out of the wilderness into the Promised Land. In doing this, God defined the generation of the men of war to be a period of 40 years, e.g., an Israelite man could not go to war pass the age of 60.

When God destroyed the world in the flood judgment of Noah's day, it rained for 40 days and 40 nights upon the earth. Moses was on the mountain of God (Mount Sinai) for 40 days when he received the 10 Commandments. Elijah fasted for 40 days when Jezebel was pursuing him. Jesus was led away by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted of the devil for 40 days representing a complete period of testing. The number 40 seems to be associated with a period for JUDGMENT AND TESTING, both for an individual and a nation.

70 = Prophecy Complete

The third time period for determining the length of a biblical generation is **70 YEARS**. Israel was in the Babylonian captivity for 70 years – a number associated with COMPLETING PROPHECY. In Daniel 9:24, Daniel is given the "Vision of the 70 Weeks of Years" where one week (Heptad in Hebrew) represents 7 years for a total of 490 years. God said that from the beginning of a decree to restore and rebuild the city of Jerusalem, 70 Weeks of Years would be determined upon the Jewish people and the city of Jerusalem to complete all vision and prophecy. When this period is finished, Israel's punishment for disobedience will end and Messiah will come to establish His Kingdom and redeem the remnant.

Psalm 90:10 says that the days of a man's natural life are 70 years, and if by strength, they may be 80 years. Therefore, the generation of man is 70 natural years.

God can certainly lengthen man's life even beyond 80 years and has promised to give His people long life if they obey His Word and honour their father and mother. However, the natural life span of mankind is normally a period of 70 years. This seems to be the guideline for a complete generation of man.

50 = **Jubilee-Release** of **Debt**

There is another period that is significant in relation to God's dealings with the people of Israel, and that is **50 YEARS**. Every 50th year in Israel was the "Year of Jubilee" when all the land was to be restored to the original owner; all debts were to be cancelled; and all slaves were set free. It was the year of release and deliverance – a time for celebration and joy when families were reunited and given a fresh lease on life.

In addition, the 50 is associated with the "Feast of Pentecost" (meaning 50th day). Fifty days from the 16th of the month of Abib (March – April) was the Feast of Pentecost occurring in the month May – June depending upon the position of the new moon (Hebrew months in ancient Israel were based on a lunar calendar) and the barley and wheat harvest. It is interesting that the giving of the Law on Mount Sinai and the coming of the Holy Spirit both occurred on the day of the Feast of Pentecost. God's number in action is three, e.g., He does things in a series of threes to get our attention. THEREFORE, A THIRD ACTION OF GOD MAY TAKE PLACE IN THE THIRD SACRED MONTH!

According to Bullinger's book, "Number in Scripture", the number 50 is also associated with judgment. The flood was upon the earth for $150 \text{ days } (50 \times 3)$.

In summary, a Biblical generation is sometimes 40 years, 50 years, 70 years, and 100 years. 40 years seems to be a period for complete testing; 50 years is a period of release and deliverance; 70 years is a period when prophecy is completed; and 100 years appears to be the longest period for God dealing with Israel. It is also noteworthy that in 1917 the British issued "The Balfour Declaration", which was the first official act to allow the Jews the right to resettle in their homeland.

Since it is clear from Scripture that God's end time clock is associated with the nation Israel and the city of Jerusalem (Ezekiel 36 and 37 and Daniel 9), then the years 1917, 1948 and 1967 are highly significant in calculating the end time generation. The question is, when did the end generation begin – in 1917 the first official act by a "Gentile" nation to give Israel legal right to the holy land; 1948 when Israel was reborn as a nation after 2500 years of exile; and in 1967 when they recaptured Jerusalem and declared it to be the eternal undivided capital of the State of Israel? We must keep in mind that the last 7 years of Daniel's 70th Week are part of the end generation, which ends Gentile domination of Israel and the city of Jerusalem.

Let's apply the **time periods** discussed above for each of the three possible dates for beginning of the last generation -1917, 1947/8, and 1967 and see if we can glean any insight into the length of the end time generation:

- 1. THE BALFOUR DECLARATION IN 1917. (First Official Act to Give the Jews the right of return to the land). 1917 + 40-year generation = 1957. 1917 + 100-year generation = 2017. This scenario is a possibility with the tribulation beginning in 2017/2018.
- 2. 1947/8 REBIRTH OF ISRAEL AS A NATION. 1947/8 + 70-year generation=2017/8. This scenario is a possibility with the tribulation beginning in 2017/8.
- 3. 1967 RECAPTURE OF JERUSALEM. 1967 + 50-year generation = 2017. This is a possibility with the tribulation beginning in 2017/2018.

From these calculations, we have the earliest period for the completion of the END GENERATION in 2017/18. Using the birth day of the nation Israel in 1947/8, the recapture of Jerusalem in 1967, and the issuing of the Balfour Declaration in 1917, notice that the **50** for Jubilee – Release, the **70** for prophecy complete, and the **100** associated with the right of the Jews to return to their homeland all conclude at approximately the same time period – **2017/18**. This suggests strongly that the Great **Tribulation or Daniel's 70**th week of years will begin in **2017/2018!**

In addition, from our earlier discussion of the meaning of the Greek word for generation (Genea) having to do with the 'birth or begetting' of the nation of Israel, it

seems logical that the END GENERATION IS FOR A PERIOD OF 100 YEARS from start to finish, e.g. 100 years is the longest period for a biblical generation.

The number 70 is especially associated with Israel's **bondage**, **captivities**, **exiles**, **return** and **completion** of all vision and prophecy. Notice the numbers 50, 70, and 100 all fit into the same period. Is this merely a strange "coincidence"?

In **1917** The Balfour declaration was issued giving the Jews legal right to return and settle their land. 100 years from 1917 is **2017**.

In **1947/8** Israel became a nation after 2500 years of exile. 70 years from 1948 is **2017/8**.

In **1967** Israel captured and controlled the city of Jerusalem for the first time since the Babylonian captivity. 50 years from 1967 is **2017** speaking of liberation for Jerusalem from Arab-Muslim control.

40 years from **1977-78** is **2017-18**.

According to Jewish history and culture, an adult male is considered mature at age 30. This is also the required age for priesthood under the Levitical system. Consider that the Lord Jesus said in Matthew 24:32 that when **the Fig Tree** has budded (**birth**) and spreads forth its leaves (**maturity**) that generation will not pass until all prophecy is complete. Israel became a nation in 1948 and reached maturity in 1977-78 (remember the Israeli Civil Years begins in September not January). By the time the Fig Tree generation has completed a full generation, the tribulation is over and Jesus has returned.

Menachem Begin became Prime Minister of Israel in 1977 and in 1978 signed the Camp David Peace Accords with Egyptian President Anwar Sadat brokered by Jimmy Carter. The Camp David peace accords incited the Arab world against Sadat who was assassinated. The Camp David Peace Accords also greatly angered Yasser Arafat, leader of the PLO. He started in 1987-1993 the first and in 2000-2004 the second 'Intifada's' (an uprising and shaking off of the Zionist infidels).

What the Lord Jesus said in Matthew 24 about the birth and maturity of the nation Israel, and subsequent historical events affecting the nation, show that the final period of "testing" for that nation began when they reached maturity in 1977-78. In the Torah, the Lord said He tested Israel in the wilderness for 40 years. It should be noted that the final period of testing for the world also began in 1977-78. Add 40 years and it brings us to 2017/2018.

Notice! The amazing thing about the above calculations is that each period ends in "2017-2018" – *this coming year!* 5778 on the Jewish calendar.

The first use of the number for a generation is 100 and is found in the book of the beginnings – Genesis 15:13,16. In that passage, God told Abraham that the Israelites

would serve Egypt for 400 years and come out in the 4th generation. The "Law of Beginnings" or "first mention" applies here, meaning that a first mention of a principle or action of God becomes the starting point for further revelation. Therefore, in Genesis, the book of beginnings, we have the first mention of the length for a biblical generation -100 years.

The Balfour declaration issued in 1917 was the "first official act" to allow the Jews to return to the land of Israel. Therefore, we apply 100 years (The first mention of a time period for a generation) to the first mention or first legal act allowing the Jews to return to the land of Israel. 1917 plus 100 years is **2017-18**.

The number 70, unlike the number 100, is associated with Israel's "nation-state" – both physical and spiritual captivities. Therefore, we must apply the number 70 to Israel's return to the land and re-birth as a nation in 1947/8 plus 70 years is **2017-18**.

Is this 70-year period mentioned in Bible prophecy?

Notice! God says in Zechariah, "Then the Angel of the LORD answered and said, 'O LORD of hosts, how long will You not have mercy on Jerusalem and on the cities of Judah, against which You were angry these seventy years?" (Zech.1:12).

The Jews have been a nation-state now for 70 years – yet they are still besieged by the surrounding Arab-Muslim nations who seek their destruction. How long until God intervenes for His people and saves them? How long will He continue to be indignant toward them? What is it they have been doing wrong?

The answer is simple: They have not returned to Him. Israel is a secular state. But God says, "And I am very sore displeased with the heathen that are at ease: for I was but a little displeased, and they helped forward the affliction" (v.15, KJV). The nations of the world have united against Israel, they despise them, and back the murderous Palestinians in their opposition to Israel.

But God calls His people to repentance and to turn to Him. He declares, after these 70 years of indignation, "Therefore this is what the LORD says: 'I will return to Jerusalem with mercy, and there my house will be rebuilt. And the measuring line will be stretched out over Jerusalem,' declares the LORD Almighty. Proclaim further: This is what the LORD Almighty says: 'My towns will again overflow with prosperity, and the LORD will again comfort Zion and choose Jerusalem.'" (Zech.1:16-17).

The last 70 years have been years of indignation, trouble and testing. But now God tells His people to REBUILD HIS HOUSE – His Temple – and return to Him – and when they do so, He will bless them greatly and begin to multiply them and prosper them!

The next significant date on Israel's prophetic timetable, after 1948 is **1967**. In that year, Israel liberated Jerusalem from Arab control and it became the undivided

capital of the state of Israel. What biblical number is associated with "liberation?" The number 50. 1917 + 50 years = 1967! The year of the amazing Six Day War in which Israel conquered the Egyptians, Syrians, and Jordanians and captured the land of Samaria, the Golan Heights and the Old City of Jerusalem and the Temple Mount!

Daniel 9:24-27 speaks of the prophecy to consummate God's prophetic timetable for the people of Israel and states that Israel and the city of Jerusalem will be liberated when the Messiah returns to earth, at the termination point of the prophecy. If we add 50 years to 1967 we come to **2017-18**. Does this indicate we are nearing the coming of the Messiah?

The number "40" also enters the picture.

We have already shown that 40 is associated with testing to determine the condition of the heart – whether one will obey God or not. Israel reached maturity in 1977-78 as predicted by Jesus in Matthew 24:32 and entered into the final years of testing. Counting 40 years from 1977-78 brings us to **2017-18**.

What does all this tell us?

We just do not have that much time left. God is bringing things to a climax on planet earth and we happen to be the people of the end generation! We are the FINAL GENERATION!

With what is happening in Syria and North Korea, it seems that 'the burden of Damascus' (Isaiah 17:1-11) is right around the corner, and we are poised on the threshold of the Great Tribulation. Major war is about to break out around the world. The Great Tribulation is threatening to begin at any moment – during 2017-2018!

We are living in the period of God's final grace period before the world enters the judgment of the tribulation. Make no mistake about it; September 11, 2001 was a final warning from God; and there was the financial crisis in 2008 September 29, on the eve of Rosh Hashanah when the Dow Jones was losing -777.68 points.

The Days of Noah

"But of that day and hour no one knows, not even the angels of heaven, [nor the Son is not in the original Greek], but the Father alone. For the coming of the Son of Man will be just like the days of Noah." (Matt.24:36-37).

Notice what Jesus says; when He returns to earth it will be **JUST LIKE** the days of Noah and then He describes what those days were like – "*They were eating and drinking, and marrying and giving in marriage...*," but that is not all that encompasses the days of Noah. In the context of Matthew 24, verses 36 and 37 help identify the duration of the endtime [last] generation – the one that will experience the tribulation of the last three and a half years, and the return of the Lord Jesus.

In order to better understand what Jesus meant, we should read the Genesis account of the flood, particularly the days prior and what God said about it. Remember we are interested in knowing what the Lord Jesus meant when He said, "The last generation on earth will be JUST LIKE the days of Noah."

In Genesis 6:3, God told Noah something very interesting when He said, "My Spirit shall not always strive with man forever, because he also is flesh; nevertheless his days shall be 120 years."

What did God mean when He said, "Man's days shall be 120 years?" Commentaries vary on the meaning of that phrase. Some say it means that Noah preached for 120 years before the flood judgment came upon the earth. Some say it means that man's lifespan is 120 years. Probably the first interpretation is the correct one because we know from Psalm 90 that man's natural lifespan is seventy years or if by strength eighty.

In God's eyes, man lives out a complete generation in seventy years. However, we know today that some people live beyond seventy years, but very few live to one hundred, and hardly anyone lives to be a hundred and twenty. Therefore, in the context of Genesis 6, I believe God was telling Noah that the last generation from Adam to Noah (the 10th generation from Adam) to the **very day** that the flood judgment fell upon the earth was **exactly 120 years** – no longer and no shorter" (See: Genesis 7:11-13).

Since we are to interpret the chapters and books of the Bible in the context of the whole Bible, then when the Lord Jesus said the generation of the Fig Tree would be **JUST LIKE** the days of Noah, I believe He was telling us that the end generation like Noah's day would last for a period of 120 years (There is evidence that it may be shortened by a few months, possible 7 months and 10 days – see Matthew 24:22 and Daniel 8:13-14).

Interestingly, the "End Times" actually began in **1897**, the year of the FIRST ZIONIST CONGRESS HELD IN BASEL, SWITZERLAND BY THEODOR HERTZL, and the first official act to prepare the way for the Jews to return to their homeland. This was the first budding of **the Fig Tree**, *not* 1917, which was the second budding.

Now let's apply the 120-Year Generation to the same scenario as we did for the other times, and when we do, we see five proofs for the end generation ending in **2017-18**. Notice!

- 1) 1897 + 120-year generation = 2017 or 2018 (The Hebrew Civil Year begins in September and the Sacred Year begins in March.) (The year of the first Zionist Congress) + 120 years [judgment] = 2017/18.
- 2) 1977-78 (The Year Israel reached maturity) + 40 years [testing] = 2017/18.
- 3) 1967 (The year Jerusalem was retaken by Israel) + 50 years [jubilee/deliverance] = 2017.

- 4) 1947/48 (The year Israel was reborn as a nation) + 70 years [captivity/prophecy fulfilled] = 2017/18.
- 5) 1917 (Balfour Declaration issued) + 100 years [1^{st} official act of Jew's return] = 2017.

North Korea's Nuclear Tests May Set Off Apocalyptic War of Angels, Warns Bible Code

"Then the man said, "Your name will no longer be Jacob, but Israel, because you have struggled with God and with humans and have overcome." Genesis 32:28 (The Israel Bible)

A Torah codes expert discovered hints concerning North Korea's recent threat to use nuclear weapons against America and revealed that the despotic regime is specifically designated as having a terrifying role in the end-of-days. Even more alarming are the codes describing the part that legions of angry angels, harsh messengers of God, may play in this scenario.

Last week, North Korea warned it would consider launching a pre-emptive nuclear strike against America in response to joint US-South Korean military exercises. Rabbi Matityahu Glazerson quickly released a video explaining how Torah codes, a system of interpreting the Bible by connecting letters through set intervals, reveals how the two countries are pitted against each other in a nuclear showdown.

Using a special computer program to help him find these codes, the rabbi found the words '*Tsafon Korea*' (North Korea). The message became even clearer as the rabbi found the letters *aleph*, *heh*, *resh*, and *bet* arranged sequentially. These letters form the acronym for '*Artzot Habrit*' (the United States in Hebrew).

Both of these codes were adjacent to the words 'Shoah Atomit' (atomic holocaust). On the same grid of Bible codes, the rabbi discovered the word 'Gog', which he said hints at the possibility that North Korea is the nation that will bring the pre-Messianic war, prophesied to come "from the North".

Even more shocking was the discovery in the grid of Bible codes of the name Samael, the main archangel of death, and his mate, Lilith. Samael literally means 'the drug of God', or, as it is explained in the <u>Zohar</u>, the poison of God. In the Talmud, Samael is described as the angel of death and commander of a legion of two million angels.

The Yalkut Shimoni, a compilation of rabbinic commentaries on the Bible believed to have been composed in the 13th century, identified Samael as the angel of Esav (Esau) that fought with Jacob, bestowing upon him the name 'Israel'. Samael became the angel of the nation of Edom, according to Rabbinic literature, which became Rome. According to many contemporary rabbis, Esav is now epitomized by Western civilization, headed by the United States.

When Rabbi Glazerson searched the codes surrounding the names of the two countries, he also discovered the words 'hahatra'a' (the warning), and 'iyoom' (threat).

In his video, Rabbi Glazerson warned in Hebrew, "North Korea is a nuclear threat to the United States, and they should take Korea's threat seriously. It is a danger to the entire world."

The rabbi explained that this international confrontation is not confined to North Korea and America, but will actually help bring the Messiah. In his video showing the grid of letters, Rabbi Glazerson points to the word 'Moshiach' (Messiah) adjacent to 'ben Yishai' the son of Jesse. The same interval reveals the letters denoting Hebrew year 5778, which will begin on the Jewish new year in September.

Rabbi Glazerson explained, "Korea, and the nuclear threat are bringing us closer to Moshiach."

"This is such an important and interesting table of codes, but all these developments are written in Jewish sources," the rabbi concluded. "The Torah is the blueprint of creation. Torah codes are really telling us what was planned before, especially when it tells of things that are going to come before the Moshiach."

Rabbi Pinchas Winston, a prolific author and End of Days scholar, agreed that the current confrontation could have dire consequences.

"North Korea is a kind of wild card. It may be a small and obnoxious country that, as we have seen in history, somehow triggers much bigger things, similar to the assassination of Duke Ferdinand triggering World War I," he suggested.

"A match is a small thing that easily blows out," he said for illustration. "But if you drop it in a room full of gunpowder, it explodes dramatically." (Adam Eliyahu Berkowitz March 20, 2017).

Rabbi Claims His Bible Code Links Scripture To Calendar

"But of that day and hour knoweth no man, no, not the angels of heaven, but my Father only," said Jesus of His Second Coming. And so, no one does. But one rabbi claims to have identified a code within Scripture that could predict the last possible day *before* Jesus' return.

Rabbi Ephraim Sprecher, dean of students at the Diaspora Yeshiva, claims the Kabbalah shows every year has a corresponding verse in the Torah. Breaking Israel News reports he has developed a technique in which one can count verses from the beginning of Genesis until the number of verses equals the Hebrew calendar year.

The technique has produced eerie correlations. For example, the Hebrew year 5708, 1948 in the Western calendar, leads to Deuteronomy 30:3, which reads: "That then the Lord thy God will turn thy captivity, and have compassion upon thee, and will return and gather thee from all the nations, whither the Lord thy God hath scattered thee."

It's hard to imagine a more appropriate verse for the creation of the Jewish state of Israel.

Pastor Mark Biltz of El Shaddai Ministries, the author of "God's Day Timer" and a passionate advocate of reintroducing Jewish traditions into Christian worship, was excited by the technique, though he didn't endorse it directly. He argues it is not uncommon for such hidden truths to be contained or encoded within Scripture.

"I wouldn't say every verse, though, lines up with the Hebrew year prophetically, but some do," he told WND. "God loves to play hide and seek. The Scriptures say, Proverbs 25:2, 'It is the glory of God to conceal a thing, but the glory of kings is to search out a matter.' God's Word is multi-layered, holding multiple depths of meaning. This is mostly seen when viewed through the original Hebrew language."

Says Mark Biltz, "I believe we are definitely in the last days before the Messiah sets up God's Kingdom on Earth," he said. "I believe we are the generation that will see the closing chapters of the current world order."

Let's take this principle a little further. What happens when we apply it to this year – Hebrew year 5777 and the next seven years?

Hebrew year 5777 is our year 2017. This corresponds to Deut.32:22: "For a fire is kindled in My anger, and shall *burn to the lowest hell*; it shall consume the earth with her increase, and *set on fire the foundations of the mountains.*"

Does this not sound like the beginning of great earth upheavals, paroxysms in nature, and perhaps thermonuclear war, and the beginning of Great Tribulation? Could this year be the year of the real beginning of "Jacob's trouble"?

"Now these *are* the words that the LORD spoke concerning Israel and Judah. For thus says the LORD: 'We have heard a voice of trembling, of fear, and not of peace. Ask now, and see, whether a man is ever in labor with child? So why do I see every man *with* his hands on his loins like a woman in labor, and all faces turned pale? Alas! For that day *is* great, so that none *is* like it; and it *is* the time of Jacob's trouble, but he shall be saved out of it" (Jer.30:4-7).

If the verses of the Torah do line up with the years of the Hebrew calendar, prophetically, and the year 5777 (2017) lines up with this year, then does the seven years of the Great Tribulation commence this year? If so, then notice the next six verses (years) as they are spelled out:

Lining them up year by year, we have the following scenario: Deut. Chap.32:

- 2018 "I will heap disasters on them; I will spend My arrows on them. (v.23)
- 2019 "They shall be wasted with hunger, Devoured by pestilence and bitter destruction; I will also send against them the teeth of beasts, With the poison of serpents of the dust." (v.24).
- 2020 "The sword shall destroy outside; *There shall be* terror within For the young man and virgin, The nursing child with the man of gray hairs." (v.25).
- 2021 "I would have said, "I will dash them in pieces, I will make the memory of them to cease from among men," (v.26).
- 2022 "Had I not feared the wrath of the enemy, Lest their adversaries should misunderstand, Lest they should say, 'Our hand *is* high; And it is not the LORD who has done all this." (v.27).
- 2023 "For they *are* a nation void of counsel, Nor *is there any* understanding in them." (v.28).
- 2024 "Oh, that they were wise, *that* they understood this, *That* they would consider their latter end!" (v.29).

Do these verses describe the pain and terror and anguish of the final seven years of this age, the Great Tribulation and judgments of Almighty God?

The End of Time

The prophet Ezekiel seems to speak of this very same time. We read, "Moreover the word of the LORD came to me, saying, "And you, son of man, thus says the Lord God to the land of Israel: 'An end! The end has come upon the four corners of the land. Now the end *has come* upon you, and I will send My anger against you; I will judge you according to your ways, and I will repay you for all your abominations. My eye will not spare you, nor will I have pity; but I will repay your ways, and your abominations will be in your midst; then you shall know that I *am* the LORD!'

"Thus says the Lord GoD: 'A disaster, a singular disaster; Behold, it has come! An end has come, the end has come; it has dawned for you; behold, it has come! Doom has come to you, you who dwell in the land; the time has come, a day of trouble *is* near, and not of rejoicing in the mountains. Now upon you I will soon pour out My fury, and spend My anger upon you; I will judge you according to your ways, and I will repay you for all your abominations." (Ezek.7:1-8).

Ezekiel continues: "Behold, the day! Behold, it has come! Doom has gone out; The rod has blossomed, pride has budded. Violence has risen up into a rod of wicked-ness. None of them *shall remain*, none of their multitude, none of them; nor *shall there be* wailing for them. The time has come. The day draws near. 'Let not the buyer rejoice, nor the seller mourn, for wrath *is* on their whole multitude. For the seller shall not return to what has been sold, Though he may still be alive; for the vision concerns the whole multitude, and it shall not turn back; no one will strengthen himself who lives ininiquity.

"They have blown the trumpet and made everyone ready, but no one goes to battle; for My wrath *is* on all their multitude. the sword *is* outside, and the pestilence and famine within. Whoever *is* in the field will die by the sword; and whoever *is* in the city, famine and pestilence will devour him." (Ezek.7:10-15).

All these End Time prophecies appear to be converging now – the year of prophetic convergence! Like the pieces of a jigsaw puzzle, they are flying together as if drawn by a super magnet!

But there is even more.

Will Balaam's Messiah Prophecy Be Fulfilled When Brand-New Star Appears in 2022?

"He counteth the number of the stars; He giveth them all their names." (Psalms 147:4, The Israel Bible)

Five years from now, the light from the ancient collision of two stars will reveal a brand-new star in the night sky. According to Jewish esoteric sources, this is precisely the celestial phenomenon which will accompany the arrival of the Messiah.

The new star, expected to appear in 2022 in a blaze of light called a nova, will be the brightest heavenly body visible in the night time sky for six months. It will be the first time in recorded history that a celestial event of this kind will be witnessed by the naked eye.

Beyond its scientific uniqueness, the appearance of the new star could have much bigger implications for the earth-bound, one prominent rabbi told *Breaking Israel News*, pointing to a Biblical prophecy of Balaam which hails the appearance of a new star as the precursor to Messiah.

"I see him, but not now; I behold him, but not nigh; there shall step forth a star out of Yakov, and a scepter shall rise out of Yisrael, and shall smite through the corners of Moab, and break down all the sons of Seth." (Numbers 24:17). Rabbi Yosef Berger, rabbi of King David's Tomb on Mount Zion, cited Rabbi Moses ben Maimon, known by the acronym Rambam, the foremost Torah authority of the 12th century, whose rulings are still used as the basis for much of Jewish law.

"The Rambam brings this verse about a star appearing as proof that the Messiah will come one day," Rabbi Berger told *Breaking Israel News*. "But he says it will come from Jacob, and not from Esau. More specifically, from the tribe of Judah."

Even more incredibly, the *Zohar*, the foundational work of Jewish mysticism predicts, in detail, the color and type of stars which will appear. "The *Zohar* states explicitly that the Messianic process will be accompanied by several stars appearing. The *Zohar* goes into great depth, describing how many stars, and which colors they will be," Rabbi Berger explained.

The new star, announced last week by Larry Molnar, a professor of astronomy at Calvin College in Michigan, will certainly be unusual. It is a binary star, or two stars orbiting a central point. Molnar described it as "two peanuts sharing a single shell."

In his observations, Molnar noted that the orbital period was decreasing at an accelerating rate, leading him to understand that the two stars were moving closer to each other. Based on a previous case of binary stars, Molnar predicted the two stars would collide in 2022, resulting in a massive explosion.

"[The collision] will release as much energy as the sun releases in its entire lifetime," Molar said in a video about the discovery.

When the two finally collide, it will create a new star, a red nova. The star's brightness will increase ten-thousand-fold, making it one of the brightest points in the heavens for six months, after which it will fade and remain as a smaller dot in the sky. It will be the first time in history that the creation of a new star will be visible with the naked eye.

"It's a one-in-a-million chance that you can predict an explosion," Molnar said. "It's never been done before."

Ira Machefsky, an amateur astronomer with 60 years of experience who runs stargazing tours in Mizpeh Ramon, a town perched on a huge crater in the Negev desert, has been following the story closely. He described the delicate balance between science and faith to *Breaking Israel News*.

"The Heavens, especially unique phenomena like this nova, are a manifestation of God's intellect. But this has to be understood in a specific manner in Judaism," Machefsky warned. "Astronomy and astrology are prominent in Jewish mysticism, since God works through nature. But at the same time, the term for pagan idol worship is *avodat cochavim o'mazalot* (serving stars and signs)."

Machefsky quoted the Talmud (Sukkoth 29a).

"Thus saith HaShem, 'Learn not the way of the nations, and be not dismayed at the signs of heaven, for the nations are dismayed at them, the idolaters will be dismayed, but Israel will not be dismayed."

"According to Hasidic philosophy, the wellsprings of knowledge will be opened up in the times of the *Moshiach* (Messiah)," Machefsky said. "It is truly amazing that astronomers can predict this when just a few years ago we wouldn't have known about this until the star suddenly appeared. Science has enabled us to share in God's natural processes."

For stargazers, the nova will be visible as part of the constellation Cygnus, adding a star to the Northern Cross star pattern. Though the nova will appear in a few years, the actual event took place 1,800 years ago. It has taken nearly two millennia for the light from the collision to reach earth. (Adam Eliyahu Berkowitz, *Breaking Israel News*, January 10, 2017).

Incredible Signs in the Heavens

From a Biblical point of view we read that a solar eclipse is a sign from God. In Genesis 1:14 God declared this to be so. It is a sign that is beyond man's control and he can't manipulate it. Solar eclipses become prophetically significant and relevant when man understands their timing according to the biblical calendar and where they happen. Then we look for the patterns tied to historical events.

As the sun is larger than the moon the Sun represents the nations of the world as the world follows the sun for their calendar and the moon represents the nation of Israel as their calendar months are based on the cycle of the moon. Not every solar eclipse is a sign from God. But God uses solar eclipses as warnings to the nations whose paths they cross with the prophetic significance heightened when they fall on the biblical calendar.

Let's look now at both the Biblical and historical pattern. Many know the story of Jonah and Nineveh from the bible but not the historical background events as to what had already transpired before Jonah came and why they repented. In 765BC a plague broke out in Nineveh where even the King was not able to go out to war, as was the custom. This was followed by a civil war and then by another plague! An archaeological find of cuneiform tablets was found in the 19th century describing all these events happening in Nineveh.

A famous eclipse mentioned in the tablets is now known as the Bur-Sagale eclipse, which is verified by NASA as occurring on June 15th 763 BC. The path of totality was right over Nineveh. So by now the Ninevites saw the wrath of God closing in on them before Jonah even arrived a couple of months later. When Jonah arrived they were ripe for repentance! God knows how to use the sun and the moon for signs! The first of Elul is when Jonah began prophesying for 40 days. The month of Elul is known as

the month of repentance in preparation for the 10 Days of Awe from the Feast of Trumpets, to Yom Kippur, the day of judgment. This is the same 40 day timeframe that Moses ascended the mount to receive the new set of tablets coming down on Yom Kippur with judgment being averted. This is the same 40 day timeframe John the Baptist is in the wilderness preaching repentance and make straight the paths for the coming of the LORD.

Now let's look at another historical pattern:

It is said that WW1 lasted around 4 years from August 1st, 1914 to November 11th 1918. Three weeks later on <u>August 21st in 1914</u> there was a total solar eclipse with the path of totality going directly over Eastern Europe and the Ottoman Empire including Nineveh. This was a sign of Eastern Europe's involvement and the coming destruction of the Ottoman Empire in World War 1. This solar eclipse just happened to be on the new moon for the month of Elul, beginning the month of repentance in God's Day Timer and the same date as ours this August 21st which again begins on the New moon for the month of Elul!

On April 6th, 1917 the US entered the war. This year is the 100th anniversary. On June 6th, 1918 the Battle of Belleau Wood involving the US 2nd Infantry Division begins. During the 3week fight against the Germans, Americans experience their first significant battlefield casualties with 5,000 killed.

On June 8th 1918, there was a total solar eclipse crossing America almost identical to what's coming in August of this year.

Here's the path of the 1918 WW1 eclipse:



Now, here is the eclipse path for the August 21, 2017 eclipse:



So, after almost 100 yrs, this Aug 21, 2017 we again had a total solar eclipse going over the United States. This was again at the beginning of the month of repentance at the New Moon of Elul! Could God be giving us a warning that we need to repent as Nineveh or judgment will be forth coming to the United States! The timing couldn't be clearer! We also find seven years later there will be another total solar eclipse running from the south to the Northeast across the United States on April 8, 2024 with St. Louis in the cross hairs between the two eclipses. April 8th is significant because it is Nisan 1, the beginning of the biblical year! It is the anniversary of the dedication of Moses tabernacle, when God reasserted Himself into the affairs of men with His glory coming to earth. It just so happens it was also the day Aaron's two sons, Nadab and Abihu died.

Here is the path of the April 8th 2024 eclipse:



Notice that the two eclipse paths for 2017 and 2024 cross over the middle of the United States. The cross hairs are actually right over the city of St. Louis.



Another very significant sign in the heavens follows a month later during the days of Awe from Rosh Hashana on Tishri 1 to Yom Kippur on Tishri 10. There will be a confirmation of celestial events as described in the Book of Revelation.

"A great sign was seen in heaven: a woman clothed with the sun, and the moon under her feet, and on her head a crown of

twelve stars. She was with child. She cried out in pain, laboring to give birth." (Rev.12:1-2).

The woman clothed with the sun is the constellation Virgo and represents the nation of Israel. The 12 stars represent the twelve tribes of Israel. Interestingly the constellation Leo, the Lion, which is above Virgo is made up of 9 stars. The Lion represents specifically the tribe of Judah. It just so happens this year, during the days of awe, three planets will join the constellation Leo making up 12 stars during the days of Awe! Virgo will be clothed with the sun and the moon will be under her feet fulfilling this sign to precise detail!

Eclipses are signs of God inserting Himself into human history as prophecy becomes fulfilled as never before. All these prophetic signs are awesome to contemplate.

Truly, as Christ said, "And there will be signs in the sun, in the moon, and in the stars; and on the earth distress of nations, with perplexity, the sea and the waves roaring; men's hearts failing them from fear and the expectation of those things which are coming on the earth, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to happen, look up and lift up your heads, because your redemption draws near." (Luke 21:25-28).

Or, as the Amplified Bible has it:

"For those are days of vengeance [of rendering full justice or satisfaction], that all things that are written may be fulfilled. Alas for those who are pregnant and for those who have babies which they are nursing in those days! For great misery and anguish and distress shall be upon the land and indignation and punishment and retribution upon this people. They will fall by the mouth and the edge of the sword and will be led away as captives to and among all nations; and Jerusalem will be trodden down by the Gentiles until the times of the Gentiles are fulfilled (completed).

"And there will be signs in the sun and moon and stars; and upon the earth [there will be] distress (trouble and anguish) of nations in bewilderment and perplexity [without resources, left wanting, embarrassed, in doubt, not knowing which way to turn] at the roaring (the echo) of the tossing of the sea, Men swooning away or expiring with fear and dread and apprehension and expectation of the things that are coming on the world; for the [very] powers of the heavens will be shaken and caused to totter. And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with great (transcendent and overwhelming) power and [all His kingly] glory (majesty and splendor). Now when these things begin to occur, look up and lift up your heads, because your redemption (deliverance) is drawing near. (Luke 21:22-28, Amplified Version).

Prophecy Briefs

Yellowstone Super Volcano Set to Explode?

The "super volcano" at Yellowstone National Park is being hit by a swarm of hundreds of earthquakes, according to researchers who have been tracking seismic activity this week. More than 400 have been detected in the area since June 12, including a 4.5 magnitude quake within the park on June 15. Researchers say the risk of activating the super volcano is low and the quakes are nothing to be concerned about, as they are common in the region. However, others believe it is inevitable and only a matter of time before such a disaster takes place. Scientist Michio Kaku recently warned on Fox News the super volcano is overdue for an eruption and such an event would "rip the guts out of the USA." Researchers from the University of Utah, in contrast, have warned the risk is low, with the odds of an eruption each year being one in 700,000.

However, if and when it erupts, the disaster would radically transform the entire global climate and devastate much of the Western United States.

Pastor Carl Gallups, a former law enforcement officer and the author of "Be Thou Prepared," said in a fallen world, disaster is inevitable. And Christians should always be ready to meet catastrophe.

"While the current experts and forecast models are predicting that the Yellowstone volcano has a very low potential of blowing its lid anytime soon, the fact remains - it has blown before (in the ancient past), and even the experts admit that it is really impossible to predict when a volcano might erupt again," he told WND. "However, the current models also indicate that if it were to erupt (especially in a super-volcanic-eruption status), the consequences for a sizable portion of the United States could be catastrophic. Regardless, the current swarm of seismic activity in the area of Yellowstone should, at the very least, serve as a reminder that we live in a fallen creation (Romans 8:19-22). We continually face the potential for natural disasters regardless of where

we live – and this doesn't even take into account the disaster scenarios directly linked to fallen humankind: wars, civil unrest, nuclear attacks, EMP assaults, civil war, terror attacks, and so many other terrible things. "Of course, since I operate from a distinctly biblical worldview, I do not advocate living in a state of constant anxiety and fear concerning what 'might' happen. That kind of attitude equates to living faithlessly and is completely unbecoming to our daily Christian walk and biblical witness. The truth of the matter is that we are not guaranteed of another moment of life in the first place - every day of life is a blessing from Yahweh - every beat of our heart and every breath we take is ultimately in His hands."

Still, though Christians are told not to fear, Gallups said it is equally mistaken to be sanguine about everything there is to come. Christians, the pastor said, have a special responsibility to guard against disaster so they can care and minister to their loved ones and communities.

"It is unbiblical to not at least give thought and basic preparation to the safety and provisional needs of our families, church families, and perhaps even those directly around us," Gallups contended. "It's a role the church has traditionally filled. All one has to do is to closely examine the New Testament documents, especially from Acts through Revelation, to see that the church was constantly facing, and dutifully preparing for natural disasters, civil unrest, persecution from several sources of intense brutality, economic unrest, and the needs of desperate people."

The former law enforcement officer said there are seven things everyone should have nearby in case of disaster. "I continually remind people to give thought to the 'stuff of life' materials that are necessary in worst-case scenarios," he explained. "Ask yourself, 'What supplies would I need if I were required to shelter in place for a few days, weeks, or months?' Make sure you have these seven basic elements nearby and in sufficient quality for at least a month: drinking water, food, shelter, proper clothing, medical supplies, important tools, and personal protection

essentials. These are the basics. With these items you can survive even the toughest circumstances."

The pastor said preparation of this kind is not just common sense – it is part of being a good Christian.

"If disaster of any type does strike, if you are already sufficiently prepared to survive that situation, then you will be completely free to minister the love of Jesus to those around you who were not prepared," he said. "This can be a huge inroad into true Jesus-style Gospel ministry opportunities. The smart-life and biblically faithful life is one of common sense, thoughtful, and prayerful preparation."

Yellowstone may or may not erupt soon, but Gallups, who explores the possibility the world is in the last days in his book "When The Lion Roars," believes the world is in for turbulent times in the near future. He says American Christians, who are mostly used to easy living by global standards, should not take their comforts for granted.

"I pray that we do not have to live through excruciatingly tough times – but our American forefathers have always had to do so," he told WND. "They lived through the War of Independence, starvation, famine, disease, devastating natural disasters, the Civil War, World War I, the Great Depression, World War II, and so much more. Why should we be so arrogant to believe that nothing that would require our well-thought-out preparation? Why do we expect nothing will befall our generation? Remember, as the Scripture says, 'The prudent see danger and take refuge, but the simple keep going and pay the penalty.' (Proverbs 27:12.)

Researchers from the University of Utah claim research has shown that if the volcanic national park across Wyoming, Idaho and Montana in the US, went off it would have worse effects than a nuclear winter and dwarf all natural disasters of recent history.

Hsin-Hua Huang and colleagues at the university have since described it as "one of the planet's biggest time bombs."

The park has always been known as hugely volcanic, but the researchers say they have

deduced the magma reserves underneath the park are much more prevalent than ever realised.

They say there is enough molten rock inside to fill the huge Grand Canyon 14 times.

The scientists reported in the latest Journal of Science discovering a huge new magma reservoir.

The Utah scientists also created the first 3D image of geothermal structure under Yellowstone after giving it a virtual CT scan.

But Huang has reassured mankind we are probably safe for now, because the chances of an eruption happening there each year are the same as being struck by lightening - one in 700,000.

He said: "But when it does blow, it probably will change the world.

Major Eruption Imminent? Earthquake Swarms Reported at Mt. Hood, Mt. Rainier and Mt. St. Helens

Is an eruption of one or more of the major volcanoes in the northwest United States imminent? In recent days, very large earthquake swarms have been reported at Mt. Hood, Mt. Rainier and Mt. St. Helens. It is certainly not unusual for each of these volcanoes to experience earthquake swarms from time to time, but right now we are seeing this happen at all three volcanoes simultaneously, and this comes at a time when seismic activity along the Ring of Fire is on the rise all over the planet. If you have followed my work for a while, then you probably already know that I have been consistently warning that an eruption of Mt. Rainier is coming, and of course Mt. Hood and Mt. St. Helens are exceedingly dangerous volcanoes as well. If any one of the three were to erupt on a massive scale, it would instantly become the biggest news story of the year.

Mt. St. Helens

Many of my older readers remember the devastating eruption of Mt. St. Helens back in 1980 very well. This volcano is probably not as dangerous as Mt. Hood, and it is definitely not as

dangerous as Mt. Rainier, but a full-blown eruption could still do an immense amount of damage to nearby communities.

Over the past couple of months, there has been a very disturbing series of earthquakes at Mt. St. Helens, and just within the last 30 days, there have been 103 quakes. In this article, I am going to share with you a series of maps that come from the Pacific Northwest Seismic Network via Google Earth.

Scientists tell us that the reason for all of this activity at Mt. St. Helens is because **the magma chamber is likely recharging**.

Multiple small earthquakes beneath the surface of Mount St. Helens the past two months suggest it may be recharging magma.

These tiny quakes which started March 14 have been happening at a depth of two and seven kilometers—or 1.2 to four miles beneath the surface. Over the last eight weeks, there have been over 130 earthquakes formally located by the Pacific Northwest Seismic Network and many more too small to be located, says **USGS**.

The small earthquakes beneath the surface may suggest Mount St. Helens is recharging magma. The magma chamber is likely imparting its own stresses on the crust around and above it as the system slowly recharges. The pressure drives fluids through cracks, producing the small quakes, per USGS.

Mt. Hood

Mount Hood is located only about 50 miles away from Portland, Oregon, and it is one of the most dangerous volcanoes in America. Over the past 30 days, there have been 96 earthquakes at Mt. Hood, and most of them have been centered on the south side of the mountain.

According to **Wired**, the majority of the earthquakes that are happening are at a depth of between three and five kilometers, and this could be a sign that magma is ascending.

Right now, the earthquake swarm at Mt. Hood is centered just to the south of the main edifice (see below) and most of the earthquakes are between 3 and 5 kilometers below the surface. This is likely

the zone where magma is being staged as it ascends from its source.

Mt. Rainier

There haven't been quite as many earthquakes at Mt. Rainier over the past 30 days—only 37—but without a doubt it is potentially more dangerous than either Mt. Hood or Mt. St. Helens because it sits so close to major population centers.

Mt. Rainier has been dubbed a "time bomb," "the most dangerous mountain in the United States" and "one of the most dangerous volcanoes in the world" because it sits so close to Seattle, Tacoma and other major cities along the coast of Washington state. In the event of a full-blown eruption, countless numbers of people would literally be buried alive in a tsunami of superheated mud. These tsunamis of super-heated mud are known as "lahars," and scientists believe that Mt. Rainier is capable of producing lahars that could move at speeds of up to 50 miles per hour. I am so convinced that an eruption of Mt. Rainier is in our future that I even put one in my novel.

My wife and I once lived out near Seattle for about a year, and we know very well that Mt. Rainier looms in the distance as an ever-present reminder of the major disaster that is coming someday. This extremely dangerous volcano is clearly visible from the central part of Seattle.

It is hard to even describe the death and destruction that we could potentially witness during a full-blown eruption of Mt. Rainier. According to **Wikipedia**, super-heated mud from Mt. Rainier could potentially even "destroy parts of downtown Seattle."

If Mt. Rainier were to erupt as powerfully as Mount St. Helens did in its May 18, 1980, eruption, the effect would be cumulatively greater, because of the far more massive amounts of glacial ice locked on the volcano compared to Mount St. Helens. According to the United States Geological Survey (USGS), about 150,000 people live on top of old lahar deposits of Rainier. Not only is there much ice atop the volcano, the volcano is also slowly being weakened by hydrothermal activity.

Scientists assure us that someday Mt. Rainier will experience another massive eruption, and it will

be an apocalyptic event unlike anything the northwest United States has ever experienced before. Let us just hope and pray that we have a lot more time until that happens, because nobody should ever want to witness death and destruction on that scale.

Unfortunately, the crust of our planet is becoming increasingly unstable, and the west coast of our country sits directly along the Ring of Fire. It is only a matter of time until a major seismic event strikes, and it may be a lot sooner than a lot of people think.

Trump Versus Lincoln

President Abraham Lincoln is now regarded as one of the most powerful and effective presidents in history:

Yet, a review of how he was treated while in the Oval Office will make you think of the hate speech constantly aimed at President Donald Trump!

"By nearly any measure personal, political, even literary, Abraham Lincoln set a standard of success that few in history can match. But how many of his contemporaries noticed? Sure, we revere Lincoln today, but in his lifetime the bile poured on him from every quarter makes today's Internet vitriol seem dainty."

Conservatives of every party who desperately supported Donald Trump for President in 2016 are daily dismayed by the unceasing personal attacks from every Liberal corner, accusing him of the most absurd acts and purposes that we shake our heads in desperation.

What we do not realize is the opposition press, even in the Northern States, routinely attacked Abraham Lincoln, even after his tactics had proven true in winning the great Civil War.

Let us now examine this most interesting part of American history. What are some of the most notable slanders directed toward Abraham Lincoln, the only genuine Born Again Christian to ever hold the Office of President of the United States.

"No matter what Lincoln did, it was never enough for one political faction, and too much for another. Yes, his sure-footed leadership during this country's most-difficult days was accompanied by a fair amount of praise, but also by a steady stream of abuse in editorials, speeches, journals, and private letters from those on his own side, those dedicated to the very causes he so ably championed."

For example:

- * "Lincoln was 'a barbarian, Scythian, yahoo, or gorilla'. (George Templeton Strong, a prominent New York lawyer and diarist)
- * "Henry Ward Beecher, the Connecticut-born preacher and abolitionist, often ridiculed Lincoln in his newspaper, The Independent (New York), rebuking him for his lack of refinement and calling him 'an unshapely man'.
- * " Other Northern newspapers openly called for his assassination long before John Wilkes Booth pulled the trigger."

Can you imagine this repeat of history? President Trump has been threatened with assassination by many Liberals, even before he took office!

* Lincoln "was called a coward, 'an idiot', and 'the original gorilla' by none other than the commanding general of his armies, George McClellan."

We can only assume that General McClellan penned this insult AFTER President Lincoln fired him for incompetence in not pursuing the defeated Confederate army after defeating them in battle.

* "Elizabeth Cady Stanton, the famous abolitionist, called Lincoln 'Dishonest Abe' in a letter she wrote to Wendell Phillips in 1864, a year after Lincoln had freed the slaves in rebel states and only months before he would engineer the Thirteenth Amendment ... She bemoaned the incapacity and rottenness of his administration to Susan B. Anthony..."

Now, listen carefully to another threat Elizabeth Stanton uttered: "if he 'is re-elected I shall immediately leave the country for the Fiji Islands'.

How many rich, snobbish Liberals took this threat out of the handbook of American history? People like George Clooney and Meryl Streep threatened to leave the country for England and Canada, respectively, if Donald Trump won the election! (By the way, did you hear that Clooney is moving his family back to the United States from the English countryside because of concerns for their safety? "George Clooney Plans to Move Amal and Twins Back to LA for Security Reasons")

- * "In the days after Lincoln's assassination, William Lloyd Garrison Jr. called the murder 'providential' because it meant Vice President Andrew Johnson would assume leadership."
- * "... members of Lincoln's own Republican party reviled him as, in the words of Senator Zachariah Chandler of Michigan, 'timid, vacillating & inefficient'.
- * "The President and the Cabinet, as a whole, are not equal to the occasion. (A Republican newspaper editor in Wisconsin)
- * Lincoln 'is universally an admitted failure, has no will, no courage, no executive capacity & and his spirit necessarily infuses itself downwards through all departments'. (William M. Dickson, an Ohio Republican, wrote in 1861)
- * "There is a strong feeling among those who have seen Mr. Lincoln, in the way of business, that he lacks practical talent for his important place. It is thought that there should be more readiness, and also more capacity, for government. (Charles Sumner, a Republican senator from Massachusetts)
- * "William P. Fessenden, the Maine Republican, called Lincoln 'weak as water'.
- "... how do we explain the scorn for Lincoln's prose? No American president has uttered more immortal words than he did. We are moved by the power and lyricism of his speeches a century and a half later not just by their hard, clear reasoning, but by their beauty."

Listen to how another historian views Lincoln's almost Divine ability to create prose of absolute beauty in so few words.

"Aye, President Lincoln, your (Gettysburg) Address was one of the most beautiful ever spoken by mortal man. It has been cast in imperishable bronze and placed in the library at Oxford University as an example of what can be done with the English language." ("A Heart That Yearned For God", by G. Frederick Owen, p. 159)

"The Providence Journal said, 'We know not where to look for a more admirable speech than the brief one which the President made at the close of Mr. Everett's oration." (Ibid., p. 158)

"When Stanton read the speech the next day, he told Dana, his assistant secretary, 'The people will be delighted with those Gettysburg speeches. Everett's speech is the speech of a scholar, it is elegant and learned. But, Lincoln's will be read by a thousand people for every one who reads Everett's, and will be remembered as long as anybody's speeches are remembered." (*Ibid.*)

But, Lincoln's contemporary critics judged the Gettysburg Address far differently.

"We pass over the silly remarks of the President. For the credit of the nation we are willing that the veil of oblivion shall be dropped over them, and they shall be no more repeated or thought of. (A Pennsylvania newspaper reported)

"Anything more dull and commonplace it wouldn't be easy to produce. (A London Times correspondent)

In reacting to Lincoln's First Inaugural Address, an editorial writer in the Jersey City American Standard, wrote that it was "involved, coarse, colloquial, devoid of ease and grace, and bristling with obscurities and outrages against the simplest rules of syntax'.

And, writing derisively after President Lincoln delivered his Second Inaugural Address --considered to be his boldest Christian speech ever --, A. B. Bradford, a Pennsylvania pastor and a member of one of the oldest European families in America, wrote that it was 'one of the most awkwardly expressed documents I ever read & when he knew it would be read by millions all over the world, why under the heavens did he not make it a little more creditable to American scholarship?'

The Chicago Times, a powerful voice in Lincoln's home state: 'We did not conceive it possible that even Mr. Lincoln could produce a paper so slipshod, so loose-jointed, so puerile, not alone in literary construction, but in its ideas, its sentiments, its grasp.'

'It is surprising how widespread [the criticism] was', Burlingame told me recently. 'And also how thin-skinned he could be. But that was the nature of partisanship in those days; you never could say a kind word about your opponent.'

And, yet the American people loved Mr. President Abraham Lincoln (Father Abraham).

"History records more grief and mourning upon his death than for any other American president."

He was elected twice and his achievements in saving the Union from dismemberment and in delivering to Black Americans the Constitution Guarantee that "all men are created equal"!

But, in his day, Old Honest Abe was forced to endure the verbal whip of the likes of Nancy Pelosi, Charles Shumer, Elizabeth Warren, Hillary Clinton, George Clooney, Meryl Streep, and so many other Liberals.

We must hold this President up in prayer, pleading for the Holy Spirit to successfully guide Mr. Trump as He guided Mr. Lincoln. (Cutting Edge, July 14, 2017).

Did Hillary Collude with Russia?

"Hillary Colluded with Ukraine Against Trump, Sold Russia U.S. Uranium, and Rigged the Election Against Crazy Bernie", by Rush Limbaugh, July 11, 2017

"RUSH: We know for a fact that the Hillary campaign was getting oppo research on Trump from the Ukrainian government, and that led to Paul Manafort being fired as campaign manager. And nobody in the mainstream media or anywhere else batted an eye about Ukraine helping Hillary. And of course the Russian lawyer didn't help Trump; she isn't connected with the Russian government anyway. She's more connected to Fusion GPS than she is to Putin."

"Think back to all of these stories the past six months. Relive it in your mind, relive it, every day we had something else, every day, and none of them went anywhere. Why are we just hearing about this now? This happened over a year ago. Why are we only hearing about this after every other effort to link Trump and Putin and collusion has bombed out?

Why are we just hearing about this now?

If it is this incriminating, if it is this deadly, if this is the nail in the coffin, why only now are we hearing about this? It's got all the ingredients of a story except fact. It has all the ingredients necessary to create illusions and write narratives, but it doesn't have any substance."

And, then, we do understand why Russian President Putin would prefer a weak-knee, incompetent in the White House. He would not want someone who would put America first in everything, who would build up the American military, and someone who actually does what he threatens.

Just as President Obama interfered in the 2016 Israeli election trying to get Prime Minister Netanyahu defeated, so the Russians were trying to interfere in our 2016 election, trying to get Hillary Clinton elected.

So, in order to cover up everything, Hillary takes a page out of Bill's election handbook and launches a pre-emptive attack charging President-elect Trump with colluding with the Russians against her!

Slowly, the wheels are turning to the truth about who colluded with Russia and nearly got away with it. (Cutting Edge, ibid.).

French president: 'I will rule as a god of gods'

Emmanuel Macron categorizes himself as Europe's liberal answer to President Donald Trump — and now he wants to reshape the entire French political system to reflect his growing ego.

According to Macron's administration, the French president — the youngest Frenchman to rule the

country since Napoleon — sees himself ruling the country like the Roman mythological godJupiter.

Yes, really.

Macron sees himself as a largely silent ruler whose proclamations will be unquestionable. According to Reuters, "Macron himself has said he plans a 'Jupiterian' presidency — as a remote, dignified figure, like the Roman god of gods, who weighs his rare pronouncements carefully."

"It would be a marked break from his unpopular and often-mocked predecessor Francois Hollande's man-of-the-people style," Reuters reported, a globalist backlash against the political populist uprising in Europe following the 2015 mass migration crisis that reshaped the continent.

He doesn't even want the French parliament to question his plans.

Fittingly, Macron gathered 925 lawmakers from both houses into a rare Congressional meeting at the "Sun King" Louis XIV's palace in Versailles this week, where he threatened to overrule them if they attempted to frustrate his reforms.

"The French people are not driven by patient curiosity, but by an uncompromising demand. It is a profound transformation that they expect," Macron recently told the specially convened session of parliament. "I want all these deep reforms that our institutions seriously need to be done within a year. These reforms will go to parliament but, if necessary, I will put them to voters in a referendum."

The push by Macron to emulate the 'god of gods' ruling style is seen by political experts as an attempt to answer critics.

According to Breitbart, "It has been speculated that Macron is keen to cultivate an aloof, almost imperial aura after being derided as a placeman for the unpopular socialist Francois Hollande, in whose government he served as economy minister, or as a poodle for Angela Merkel, the German chancellor widely regarded as the European Union's driving force."

Marine Le Pen, Macron's chief rival in the country's recent presidential election, once

famously said: "France will be led by a woman; either me, or Angela Merkel!"

High-ranking Vatican official charged with multiple sexual assault offenses

SYDNEY – Australian police charged a top Vatican cardinal on Thursday with multiple counts of historical sexual assault offenses, a stunning decision certain to rock the highest levels of the Holy See.

Cardinal George Pell, Pope Francis' chief financial adviser and Australia's most senior Catholic, is the highest-ranking Vatican official to ever be charged in the church's long-running sexual abuse scandal. Pell said he would return to Australia to fight the charges.

Victoria state Police Deputy Commissioner Shane Patton said police have summonsed Pell to appear in an Australian court to face multiple charges of "historical sexual assault offenses," meaning offenses that generally occurred some time ago. Patton said there are multiple complainants against Pell, but gave no other details on the allegations against the cardinal. Pell was ordered to appear in Melbourne Magistrates Court on July 18. (Kristen Gelineau, The Associated Press, June 28. 2017).

Vatican official charged with multiple sexual offences

Cardinal George Pell, Australia's most senior Catholic and the third-ranking official in the Vatican, has been charged with multiple sexual offences by police.

The charges were served on Pell's legal representatives in Melbourne on Thursday and they have been lodged also at Melbourne magistrates court. He has been ordered to appear at the court on 26 July.

"Cardinal Pell is facing multiple charges ... and there are multiple complainants," Victoria police's deputy commissioner Shane Patton said. The charges were "historical sexual assault offences".

In a statement released by the Catholic archdiocese of Sydney 90 minutes after the charges were announced, Pell announced he

would "return to Australia, as soon as possible, to clear his name".

Pell is the highest-ranking Vatican official to be charged in the Catholic church's long-running sexual abuse scandal.

Pell's statement, issued at 4.30am Rome time, said: "Although it is still in the early hours of the morning in Rome, Cardinal George Pell has been informed of the decision and action of Victoria police. He has again strenuously denied all allegations.

"Cardinal Pell will return to Australia, as soon as possible, to clear his name following advice and approval by his doctors who will also advise on his travel arrangements.

"He said he is looking forward to his day in court and will defend the charges vigorously."

It is so far unclear just what allegations Pell has been charged with. Pell was due to make a further statement in Rome later on Thursday.

Detectives from Victoria police's Sano taskforce, established to investigate allegations that emerged during a parliamentary inquiry in Victoria and the later royal commission, interviewed Pell in Rome in October about allegations against him.

Last year, citing ill health, Pell declined to return to Australia to give evidence to the royal commission into institutional responses to child sexual abuse in person last year and instead gave evidence by video link from Rome.

The royal commission, ordered by then-Australian prime minister Julia Gillard in 2012 and formed in 2013, is due to deliver its final report by 15 December.

In February the Australian Senate called on the cardinal to return home "to assist the Victorian police and office of public prosecutions with their investigation into these matters".

Pell dismissed the parliamentary resolution as "an interference on the part of the Senate in the due process of the Victoria police investigation".

The cardinal is a former archbishop of Sydney and Melbourne. Since 2014 he has been prefect of the secretariat for the economy – the Vatican's treasurer. He was ordained in Rome in 1966.

The news, which broke in the middle of the night in Rome, represents the biggest crisis of Pope Francis's papacy. The Vatican declined to comment immediately on the news, but inside the Vatican questions were swirling about how Francis would respond to the stunning charges and whether his longstanding support of Pell, despite his ideological differences with the staunchly conservative Australian, would tarnish his own reputation.

The pope has historically been loath to respond to legally unsubstantiated allegations of sexual abuse against senior clerics. The fact that legal charges have been filed means his support for Pell will now be heavily scrutinized and the case will be seen as a test of whether the pope, who has claimed that the church ought to have zero tolerance for sexual offenders, will be willing to cast out one of the most powerful officials in the Vatican

When Pope Francis was asked about allegations against Pell last year, he told reporters: "It's true, there is a doubt. We have to wait for justice and not first make a mediatic judgment – a judgment of gossip – because that won't help. Once justice has spoken, I will speak."

Gay Orgy Sex Scandal Rocks Vatican as Pope Fires Traditionalists

Pope Francis embraces far-left ideology, LGBT agenda

Evidence emerging from the Vatican in recent days strongly suggests Pope Francis is transforming the Catholic Church into a socialist political organization that embraces the LGBT agenda, in complete rejection of the traditional pro-family religious orientation of his predecessor, Pope Benedict XVI.

Last week, Pope Francis fired the Vatican's top theologian, Cardinal Gerhard Ludwig Mueller, the head of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, who had a reputation as a staunch defender of the traditional family. Pope Francis replaced Cardinal Mueller with the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith's second-in-command, the more liberal Archbishop Luis Francisco Ladaria Ferrer.

Then, on Thursday, July 5, the Daily Mail in London reported Vatican police had broken up a gay orgy occurring in the Vatican-owned apartment belonging to the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith.

Ironically, this was also the Vatican department Pope Francis had assigned to investigate the Catholic Church's paedophile sex scandal involving priests in the United States as well as various other countries around the world.

The apartment was apparently the residence of the male secretary to Cardinal Francesco Coccopalmerio, one of Pope Francis' key advisors, and the president of the Pontifical Council for Legislative Texts, another key part of the Roman Curia responsible for administering the activities of the Catholic Church worldwide.

Neither development surprised reporter George Neumayr, whose recent book, *The Political Pope: How Pope Francis is Delighting the Liberal Left and Abandoning Conservatives*, predicted Pope Francis will accelerate the transformation of the Catholic Church into a leftist political organization after former Pope Benedict XVI dies.

"Pope Francis inherited Cardinal Muller from his predecessor and was itching to sack him," Neumayr explained to Infowars.com in an email.

"Pope Francis was annoyed by Muller's opposition to the relativism of this pontificate, particularly Muller's resistance to the pope's plan to relax the Church's teaching on adultery," Neumayr continued.

"Muller also opposed the pope's policy of distributing Communion to divorced-and-remarried Catholics," Neumayr added.

Neumayr interpreted the move as Pope Francis distancing himself from the more conservative, traditional papacy of Pope Benedict XVI.

"By dropping Muller, Pope Francis is trying to free himself for once and all from the conservative restraints of Pope Benedict XVI, whose opposition to the 'dictatorship of relativism' Pope Francis always disliked," Neumayr explained.

"Appropriately, Pope Francis has replaced Muller with a fellow Jesuit, the Spanish archbishop Luis Ladaria Ferrer, who appears willing to serve as a rubber stamp for the pope's liberalism," Neumayr concluded.

Neumayr also commented on the developing Vatican gay sex orgy scandal.

"This is proof the gay mafia has reached the highest echelons of the Catholic Church," Neumayr told Infowars.com in an exclusive telephone interview.

"Instead of disbanding the gay mafia, Pope Francis evidently has allowed the gay mafia to burrow deeper into the Vatican."

Neumayr referenced the decision Pope Francis made in July 2013 to appoint Monsignor Battista Ricca, a veteran Vatican diplomat, to serve as his representative, or "prelate" at the Vatican Bank despite allegations of various gay sexual scandals that plagued Ricca since 1999, when he was sent by the Vatican to Montevideo, Uruguay.

"The ecclesiastical head of the Vatican Bank is still Monsignor Ricca," Neumayr commented, "and he was entangled in a similar gay sexual scandal before his elevation to his current position."

Neumayr noted that Pope Francis was aware of the sexual scandal allegations made against Ricca, but Pope Francis decided to disregard the charges when he decided to go ahead and make Ricca head of Vatican Bank anyway.

"No one should be surprised by these episodes—either the firing of Cardinal Mueller or the emerging gay orgy sex scandal," Neumayr suggested.

"Both are consistent with the direction in which Pope Francis is taking the Catholic Church," he concluded. (Jerome Corsi, *Infowars*, July 5, 2017).

Republican Who Sought Clinton Emails Did Not Die of Natural Causes

Two weeks ago, Wall Street Journal reporter Shane Harris broke an explosive story that received relatively little attention in the national media. Harris found that Peter W. Smith, a Republican operative with a history of partisan skullduggery going back years, sought to obtain hacked Clinton emails on behalf of the Trump presidential campaign. (Smith told people he approached he was working for Michael Flynn.) Smith died shortly after speaking to Harris. Now the Chicago Tribune reports that Smith died of an apparent suicide.

Smith's suicide note declares, "No foul play whatsoever," "recent bad turn in health since January, 2017," "life insurance of \$5 million expiring." It is entirely possible this is true. But there is at least some reason to doubt that Smith decided to take his own life to claim an expiring life-insurance payment due to a sudden turn in his health.

Harris reports that when he spoke with Smith, he saw no indication of bad health or any suicidal behavior: "When I spoke to Peter Smith I had no indication that he was ill or planning to take his own life."

Could Smith's death, just days after his interview with Harris, be related to the scandal? His role is potentially very significant. Matt Tait, a cybersecurity expert, recounts in detail Smith's attempt to recruit him to obtain the emails, and his complete lack of concern that he might be entangled in a Russian influence campaign contrary to American interests. Harris reported as well that American officials "have examined reports from intelligence agencies that describe Russian hackers discussing how to obtain emails from Mrs. Clinton's server and then transmit them to Mr. Flynn via an intermediary."

In tandem, these reports deliver both sides of a transaction: an operative purporting to work for Flynn attempting to obtain stolen emails from Russia, and Russians attempting to get them to Flynn. This account is not conclusive evidence of criminal conspiracy, because it is missing evidence that the transaction was completed. It will be harder to find such evidence, should it

exist, now that Smith is dead. The FBI will probably want to take a close look at this death.

Murder. She Wrote?

It's been just over a year since the mysterious death of Democratic National Convention staffer Seth Rich, and another body just got added to the count of those dying in the wake of the Clinton controversies.

The Chicago Tribune originally reported the death a GOP operative who was on a mission to obtain failed presidential nominee Hillary Clinton's missing emails from Russian hackers.

According to authorities, the man allegedly committed suicide just a few days after telling *The Wall Street Journal* about his mission to find the never-before-seen deleted emails.

Coincidental timing?

While police have accepted the suicide story, other experts disagree. Critics have identified multiple red flags in the purported suicide.

Peter Smith, 81, was found dead in a room at a Rochester, Minn., hotel. Police reportedly found a file of documents, which they interpreted as a suicide note because of it's statement that Smith was in poor health and his life insurance policy was expiring.

But the first line of the suicide note has led to a flurry of rumors of foul play. In full it read,

NO FOUL PLAY WHATSOEVER...

RECENT BAD TURN IN HEALTH SINCE JANUARY 2017...

LIFE INSURANCE OF \$5 MILLION EXPIRING.

Smith's untimely death occurred on May 14th, after which a local reporter wrote that Smith died of natural causes and wasn't killed.

But the Chicago Tribune uncovered the truth — Smith's death was instead officially ruled a suicide by authorities.

And it was an odd suicide at that.

Smith was found with a bag tied over his head and hooked up to a helium tank. The cause of death was listed as, "asphyxiation due to displacement of oxygen in confined space with helium," which the Rochester Police Chief described as "unusual."

Smith had been working to obtain Clinton's emails since September 2016, and told *The Wall Street Journal* that he had found five groups of hackers, two being Russian, that claimed they had the emails.

He had assembled an elaborate team of researchers, investigators, computer experts and attorneys in order to obtain the emails Clinton hastily deleted before handing her email server over to the FBI.

Then, just as everything was seemingly in place... he died.

Obtaining the emails from a Russian hacker would provide proof that Clinton's server was compromised and potentially lost classified data while she was Secretary of State, something she repeatedly denied during the investigation.

There are also reports that Smith was in contact with retired Lt. Gen. Michael Flynn when he was advising President Donald Trump. Smith had allegedly told a computer expert that he had spoken to Flynn about his research, but later told *The Journal* that Flynn was not involved.

Shane Harris, the reporter who interviewed Smith just days before his death tweeted —

Shane Harris @shaneharris

When I spoke to Peter Smith I had no indication that he was ill or planning to take his own life. 4:15 PM - 13 Jul 2017

And other twitter users quickly jumped on the conspiracy theory that this was not a suicide, but rather foul play — and they suspect the Clinton family, which has repeatedly been accused of murder.

One user tweeted an image feeding into the theory that the Clintons will take down anyone that comes in their way.

Christopher Bouzy @cbouzy

We are to believe Peter Smith wrote a suicide letter with "NO FOUL PLAY WHATSOEVER," and then killed himself with a plastic bag & helium? 4:34 PM - 13 Jul 2017 (*The Horn News*, July 14, 2017).

THE ACCELERATING MORAL/CULTURAL/SPIRITUAL COLLAPSE OF AMERICA

The great majority of US teenagers (over 90%) now sexually active; exploding drug usage especially in states like Colorado where marijuana has been legalized and is now very big business; rampant homosexuality and the transgender/sex change craze - now openly advocated by government and throughout the US educational system, and in the US military; exploding pornography - with four million internet porn sites (no, that is not a misprint) and over 60% of American men periodically or regularly viewing same; growing Internet cyber-sex; one out of three young girls sexually abused – usually by family members: rapidly declining church attendance: and much more. This is not just moral/cultural decline – it is collapse or implosion. No nation in history has survived such a moral/cultural collapse.

SUPPORT FOR GAY MARRIAGE IN AMERICA IS AT AN ALL-TIME HIGH

Michael Snyder recently described one aspect of this collapse: A new survey just released by the Pew Research Center has found that support for gay marriage in the United States is at an all-time high. According to the survey, 62 percent of all

Americans are now in favor of allowing gays and lesbians to get married, and only 32 percent are opposed. These numbers have almost flipped completely upside down from where they were a decade ago. In 2007, 54 percent of all Americans were against gay marriage and only 37 percent were in favor of it. To say that our culture has been trans-formed over the past ten years would be a major understatement.

One of the biggest shifts that we have seen has been among evangelicals. This brand new survey discovered that support for gay marriage among white evangelicals has more than doubled since 2007. Support for same-sex marriage has risen across all religious groups in recent years, including among white evangelicals and black Protestants. Support for same sex-marriage among white Evangelicals has more than doubled compared with a decade ago (14% then, 35% now), while the share of black Protestants who favor same-sex marriage has increased from 24% in 2007 to 44% today.

In particular, the shift in favor of gay marriage among evangelicals has been most noticeable among young people. Today, a staggering 47 percent of all younger white evangelicals born after 1964 favor gay marriage – up from 29% in March 2016.

Overall, white evangelical Protestants continue to stand out for their opposition to same-sex-marriage: 35% of white evangelical Protestants favor same-sex marriage, compared with a 59% majority who are opposed. But, how in the world did we get to the point where nearly half of all evangelicals born since 1964 have abandoned what the Bible says about marriage?

RESTRICTING THE FREE SPEECH AND ACTIONS OF CHRISTIANS

As this massive cultural shift continues, it is going to become increasingly difficult for those that still want to try to stand up for traditional values. Already, we have gotten to the point where no Bible-believing Christians will be able to participate in the wedding industry because the risk of getting slapped with a very costly lawsuit is just too great. One of these cases is now headed to the Supreme Court: Jack Phillips and his Masterpiece Cakeshop in Lakewood, Colorado had never had problems before with homosexual customers.

That changed when the Christian owner refused to create a cake to celebrate a same-sex marriage, the business landed in deep legal trouble with the state.

Now the US Supreme Court has agreed to take up Masterpiece Cakeshop v. Colorado Civil Rights Commission. It pits Phillips' religious rights against the rights of a gay couple to receive the same and equal treatment under the law as heterosexual couples.

TELEVISION MAKING MENTAL VEGETABLES OUT OF AMERICANS

Today, the average American watches approximately five hours of television a day, and more than 90 percent of the news and entertainment that we watch is controlled by just six gigantic media conglomerates. All of those media giants are relentlessly advancing a pro-gay agenda, and we need to realize what is being done to us. If you allow anyone to feed "programming" into your mind for five hours a day, it is going to have a major impact on how you view the world. This is particularly true of the next generation. Our children are being raised to fully embrace the social agenda of the radical left, and eventually they are going to become the leaders of tomorrow.

[ED. NOTE: A simple solution for thinking Americans who understand the times is to stop watching television altogether. The entire time this writer and his wife raised our four children, we did not watch television – not even spectator sports or the TV news propaganda. We read books, played games, talked, did physical sports (like skiing, tennis, passing the football, etc.), exercised together, watched a Friday night movie and enjoyed one another. Our children grew up to be thinkers, leaders, and physically active.]

PROGRAMING YOUNG CHILDREN AGAINST GOD AND FOR THE GAY/ LESBIAN/TRANSGENDER LIFESTYLE

Our hearts should break when we read about young kids such as 9-year-old Audrey Cisneros. Here's how she puts it: "A drag show is a very, very fun and special event where people can express themselves for who they really are, and show it to everyone that is in the room. You don't judge people just because they dress up as the opposite gender or because they love someone of the same gender. Just be proud of them, don't fight it."

On Saturdays, Audrey and other children attend a drag queen story hour hosted by My LGBT Plus. Similar events are being held across the country, aiming to familiarize kids with the gay community and give them "glamorous, positive, and unabashedly queer role models." Young children from kindergarten up are now being

programmed in America's public school system to be sympathetic with, and/or embrace the gay/lesbian/trans lifestyle. And their parents and most dumb-as-a-rock Christians and their pastors say nothing in opposition. On the other hand, children all over the country are being banned from bringing Bibles to school or gathering for group prayer. Eventually it will get to the point where our children can't even pray over their food before a meal. If you doubt this, just check out what is happening in Sweden....

Children at a Christian preschool in Sweden are no longer allowed to say grace at mealtimes, say "Amen," or talk about the Bible, after a ruling by the Umeå municipality. Visiting the preschool for an inspection, supervisors from the district said the activities run contrary to the Education Act, which forbids educational content during school time from containing confessional elements, and states that children must always have the choice of whether or not to participate. The municipality said it felt that children at the Salvation Army-run kindergarten were not given enough of an opportunity to opt out of saying grace at mealtimes.

THE US ARMY'S TRANSGENDER POLICY AND GUIDELINES ON MALE PREGNANCIES

That America is in incredible moral/cultural collapse should be obvious to any thinking person. And that the political left has brought perversion and deviant behavior to an all-time high in America should make all of us recoil with revulsion. Not only have they promoted and legitimized the gay/lesbian/transgender agenda throughout the public school system, the media, and the entertainment industry, they have now implanted it in the US military.

This is a clear effort to undermine the strength and morale of the US military that was introduced under former president Barack Hussein Obama.

What you are about to read is sick, perverted, and will, if continued, undermine the US military and its ability to fight present or future wars. It also demonstrates how far the sick agenda of the political left has advanced in America.

A US Army transgender policy is being implemented by the Department of Defense. An Army spokesman says that all US military service

branches will soon be implementing the same policy. The Army has begun mandatory transgender sensitivity training for soldiers. The training covers everything from "trans-female" soldiers to trans-gender shower etiquette to dealing with a "male" soldier who becomes pregnant. (Yes, you read that right). It seems that within the ranks of what used to be the greatest fighting force in the world, the baby's daddy could also be the baby's momma.

"That pregnancy scenario is beyond words," Chaplain Alliance for Religious Liberty executive director Ron Crews recently said. "This is an example of how this social policy can be used simply to promote sick and perverted agendas at the expense of taxpayers with no regard for what the military is all about." The matter of male soldiers with child is tucked away inside the Army's "Policy on the Military Service of Transgender Soldiers Training Module, Tier 2: Commanders and Leaders." This training Module was mandated during the Obama Administration.

"The training module specifically outlines key roles and responsibilities of commanders, transgender soldiers, military medical providers, and administrative management organizations," Lt. Col. Jennifer Johnson told USA Today. "This training is mandatory for all uniformed members, as well as Department of the Army civilians." The briefing materials cover all sorts of scenarios – from shower stall etiquette to "trans-female" soldiers deployed to anti-LGBT countries. "This situation is unique in that close proximity with women and men in foreign countries may be more complicated than in the US," the training module states. Complicated indeed!

Female soldiers must also come to terms with taking a shower alongside men who identify as women – even if the transgender soldier did not undergo sex-reassignment surgery. "Soldiers must accept living and working conditions that are often austere, primitive, and characterized by little or no privacy," the module states. "All soldiers will use billeting, bathroom, and shower facilities associated with their gender marker." The Army guidelines mandate facilities will not be designed, modified, or constructed to make transgender-only areas. "Accommodations cannot isolate or stigmatize the TG soldier," the guidelines state.

"As these training materials proclaim, there will be 'mixed genitalia' in military showers and sleeping quarters," Crews said. "Moms and dads in America need to know this before they send their sons and daughters to military service." The policy also covers "what to do" protocol and scenarios for commanders should they encounter an expectant transgender male soldier (e.g., "The soldier did not have sex-reassignment surgery, and recently stopped taking male hormones in order to try and start a family. Today, the Soldier approached his commanding officer to discuss his newly confirmed pregnancy." What is the proper protocol for the commander?)

The Army's response to a transgender male pregnancy? "Transgender Soldiers with a medical condition, including pregnancy, will be treated the same as any other soldier with that condition," the module states. Crews has called on Defense Secretary James Mattis to put a stop to what he called this "insanity."

"Millions of dollars and training hours have been consumed with lectures on how to deploy transgender personnel in a war zone that has laws against that behavior," Crews said. "Military commanders should be focused on fighting wars, not on how to deal with transgender personnel."

[ED. NOTE: Can you imagine American soldiers fighting in any real war (think WWI, WWII, Korean War, Vietnam War, or perhaps in a coming war with Russia or China) under such sick, perverted, and morale-destroying regulations and conditions? When homosexuals were allowed in the US military a few years ago, this is where it was headed. So, what is next? If you want an example of how far down the drain the perverted policies of the political left have taken America, this is it. How do you describe a country in moral, cultural, spiritual collapse? This is it! This is the fall of the Roman Empire times ten! Now why did God destroy Sodom and Gomorrah?]

Meanwhile, much of the evangelical church is silent on these issues. Many leaders are concerned that if they do speak out attendance will go down and offerings will not be as large as they were previously. If evangelical churches had been boldly proclaiming the truth all this time, support for gay marriage among evangelicals would not have doubled over the past decade. If we want America to repent and turn away from its present

moral/cultural collapse, it begins with us, and it is about time that we got started (McAlvany Intelligence Adviser, August 2017).

Beyond the Da Vinci Code –

The Mystery Babylon CODE

The "Da Vinci Code" once gripped the world's interest, to the consternation of Christian and Catholic authorities and religious leaders. Of course, the book is mostly fiction and fantasy. But it touches on a reality which is much more surreptitious and dangerous to all Christians everywhere. Could BILLIONS be deceived by an enormous ANCIENT SECRET CONSPIRACY by false, posturing priests and ministers who have usurped the authority of Christ, rejected the true message of Jesus, and subverted the Christian churches as a whole? Has there been an ages-old PLOT to destroy true Christianity, by stealth? Here is the shocking, mind-boggling TRUE story, and the evidence to back it up!

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Some years ago the world's attention was caught by an explosive new movie and book, called "The Da Vinci Code." Multiple millions have read the book and seen the movie, starring Tom Hanks, which was a smash hit around the world. The movie and book, in novel form, powerfully contends that Christianity itself is a fraud, and that the Catholic Church in particular has been guilty of covering up the supposed "truth" that Jesus Christ was married, had children, and that vast evidence has been covered up and hidden which allegedly "proves" this to be the case – that Jesus Christ was not the "Son of God," but rather a great human teacher and prophet. The book suggests that many other "gospels" were written which show this, contrary to the gospels in the authorized canon of the New Testament.

Many of these claims are pure bunkum. Yet for the uninformed, they throw great clouds of dust in the air, creating doubt as to the authenticity of God's Word, particularly the New Testament!

Historically, the canon of the New Testament, as we have it today, is absolutely accurate and was the accepted canon of books *used in the early centuries of the church*. In the days of Jesus Christ, there was a body of literature called "The Scriptures" which was commonly regarded by the Jews as having come from God. They called it the Word of God, and Christ Himself acknowledged it (John 10:35; 5:39). As the first century writings of the apostles appeared, they were added to these Jewish Scriptures and held in the same sacred regard throughout the new scattered churches. By widespread and common acceptance, they came to be regarded as inspired Scripture as well. They were put together into a "canon," or list of original and authorized list of books, by the apostle Paul, and finally by the apostle John, that last remaining apostle who died around the 90's A.D. Any writings by any Christians after that date were automatically excluded.

While the apostles were yet living, they had begun under their own supervision collecting their writings to be made use of by the churches. Paul claimed his teaching was inspired by God (I Cor.2:7-13; 14:37; I Thess.2:13). Peter accepted Paul's writings as inspired "Scripture" (II Pet.3:15-16). John also claimed the book of Revelation was "revealed" to him by Christ (Rev.1:1-2). These writings were intended to be read in the churches (Col.4:16; I Thess.5:27; II Thess.2:15), including after their "departure" (II Pet.3:15; 3:1-2). Paul quoted as "Scripture", the declaration, "The laborer is worthy of his hire" (I Tim.5:18), a statement found only in Matthew 10:10 and Luke 10:7, thus categorizing those two gospels as inspired Scripture.

For more discussion and insight, I refer you to *Halley's Pocket Bible Handbook*, and various Bible Dictionaries, and F. F. Bruce's books, *The Books and the Parchments: How We Got Our English Bible*, and *The Canon of Scripture*.

In the fourth century and thereabouts, various Gnostic sects arose, claiming other "inspired" books and made up their own "list" or "canon" of inspired writings, their own "New Testaments," as it were. As a result, at that time, to maintain order and to refute the Gnostic canons, the visible Church had to make up its own official "canon" of Scriptures. It was based on all the commonly accepted New Testament books which were then in use by the Christian churches throughout the Mediterranean region. It was because of these spurious "canons" coming on the scene, devised by heretics like Marcion (circa A.D. 140), and others, which compelled the Church at that time to designate and put its stamp of approval upon all those New Testament books which were already in common use in the Churches.

The canonization of the New Testament, itself, was no Catholic "conspiracy." This was a simple step of prudence – to make a final stamp of approval and authenticity upon those books already in common usage at that time. A formal decree recognizing the Christian canon was not made until 405 A.D. – long after Constantine's time.

The principle contention and focus of the novel is the supposed "marriage" of Jesus Christ to Mary Magdalene, and alleged descendants from that marriage called the Merovingians,

and a mysterious group called the Priory of Zion, whose supposed task is to safeguard this "bombshell" knowledge and protect the alleged "heirs." Allegedly, Isaac Newton, Victor Hugo, and Leonardo Da Vinci were among its members. However, there is no real evidence to support this fantasy. The truth is, the Priory of Zion documents were proven conclusively to have been an elaborate HOAX in the 1990's. The society, as Dan Brown the novel's author depicted it, never existed!

Was Jesus married, as the novel claims? The four gospels and New Testament clearly would have stated it if Christ has been married to a woman. But they do not. The Jewish historian Josephus plainly states that while most Jewish men of the first century married, certain ones who were holy men did not. This would include John the Baptist, Jeremiah, an earlier figure, and even the apostle Paul (I Cor.7:1-8). Knowing in advance that He was going to die for our sins a horrible death on a cross, Yeshua would not have married a woman. His real bride is the CHURCH itself! (Matt.25:1-13; see also Rev.19:8).

The story that Christ had a "companion" is mentioned in a pseudo-gospel account called the Gospel of Philip, a work of Gnosticism which arose in the second century. However, the Greek word for "companion" is the same one used to denote a "co-worker," "business associate," or a "companion in faith." The true canonical gospels Matthew and Luke mention no marriage, and they date from the first century and are testified to by the apostle Paul himself as to their being inspired Scripture, as I mentioned previously. As the gospel writers show, it was not the purpose of Christ to marry and have physical children, but to come, preach the gospel of the Kingdom of God, and to give His life on the cross, deliberately, and knowingly, and thereby to pay the penalty for the sins of mankind, dying in our stead (John 3:16).

A Darker Plot

However, another part of the Da Vinci Code is remarkably on target, pinpointing the outline of a vast conspiracy which did occur over hundreds of years, especially during the fourth century, the time of Constantine! When we separate the facts from the fiction, we find the Da Vinci Code touches briefly on the outline of a real, true "vast conspiracy" which occurred in the Christian church about that time, which if fully understood would shock and stun every Sunday-going Christian and church member of the mainstream churches, today!

Huge Christian churches may huff and puff, and remain in total denial, but the facts of history are salient and irrefutable. The Da Vinci Code is not all nonsense, as major Christian organizations claim. Portions of the Da Vinci code are absolutely "right on," concerning the great changes made in the fourth century, during the time of Roman emperor Constantine. The novel gives an intriguing glimpse into this other "mystery," which it nails.

Dan Brown has one of his antagonists point out that Emperor Constantine was a wily, clever man, whose empire was threatened with open revolt and division, because of warring religious interests. The character says, "Constantine converted the sun-worshipping pagans to Christianity. By fusing pagan symbols, dates, and rituals into the growing Christian tradition, he created a *kind of hybrid religion* that was acceptable to both parties" (p.252). The character goes on, "The vestiges of pagan religion in Christian symbology are undeniable. Egyptian sun disks

became the halos of Catholic saints. Pictograms of Isis nursing her miraculously conceived son Horus became the blueprint for our modern images of the Virgin Mary nursing Baby Jesus. And virtually all the elements of the Catholic ritual – the miter, the altar, the doxology, and communion, the act of 'God-eating' – were taken directly from pagan mystery religions."

Is this really true? The character continues, "The pre-Christian god Mithras – called the Son of God and the Light of the World – was born on December 25, died, was buried in a rock tomb, and then resurrected in three days. By the way, December 25 is also the birthday of Osiris, Adonis, and Dionysus. The newborn Krishna was presented with gold, frankincense, and myrrh. Even Christianity's weekly holy day was stolen from the pagans. . . Originally . . . Christianity honored the Jewish Sabbath of Saturday, but Constantine shifted it to coincide with the pagans' veneration day of the sun. . . To this day, most churchgoers attend church on Sunday morning with no idea that they are there on account of the pagan sun god's weekly tribute – *Sunday*" (*ibid*.).

This should certainly be "shocking," if true? Is it really true? The answer is an overwhelming, thundering *YES!* It is absolutely TRUE!

The history of this "Great Deception," or "Great Conspiracy," is fascinating, and well documented. Far, far, far beyond and above the speculations of the *Da Vinci Code* and its "conspiracy theory," there is a far more ancient, vast and fundamental conspiracy which has been "covered up" and hidden from view by the professing Christian and Catholic churches. This coverup involves the very origins of the vast professing Christian churches around us, today!

Dan Brown's "conspiracy" only goes back to the fourth century, after Christ, but the true facts show that a tremendous, horrendous, awesome conspiracy concerning the church goes back much further than that – back to at least 2,000 years before Christ walked upon the planet earth!

The mind-blowing truth is that author Dan Brown touched tangentially on a far vaster conspiracy which HAS deceived the entire world. It foreshadowed the Messiahship of Christ and subsequently hi-jacked the infant, toddling Christian Church, subverting it from the inside out, cloaking itself with "Christian" code words!

This plot should have astounded the world – but the world is still BLIND to its existence, power, scope, and diabolical purpose and goal – the destruction of all humanity.

The "Christianity" we see all around us today, celebrating Easter, Christmas, Valentine's Day, and which parades itself as the true Church of Christ, is anything but "Christian." Millions of people have been deceived – blind-sided – and have no idea of the truth!

Religious Deception Foretold

The plot was foretold long ago. In the Bible itself we read of "that serpent of old, called the Devil, and Satan, who deceives the whole world" (Rev.12:9). This vast, global and ancient conspiracy began in the earliest days of the human race, when that old serpent beguiled Eve in the garden of Eden, leading her to question God, His motives, His authority, and appealing to her

desire for wisdom, tricked her into disobeying the commandment of God, and her husband with her (Gen.3:1-7). At that time, God promised Adam and Eve that one day there would be a "Seed" from the woman who would "bruise" the head of the devil (the deceiver), and deliver mankind from his deceptive clutches – the first promise of a future Deliverer or Messiah (Gen.3:15). The Hebrew word for "bruise" here is *shuwph*, meaning "to gape, i.e. snap at, fig. to *overwhelm*: -break, bruise, cover." To "break" his head means to destroy him (Heb.2:14). When that would be fulfilled was not mentioned at that time.

From the beginning the devil tried to palm himself off as the true "God" and invented many religions to lead mankind to worship him in various guises and forms. He inspired men to begin different religions, to counterfeit the truth of God, to lead them away from the true God. Before the Flood, he used Adam's son Cain to begin his diabolical apostasy and false religion. In this religion, the "cross" began to be worshiped and used as a talisman or good luck charm (supposedly the "mark" God placed on Cain to prevent men from killing him, after he had killed Abel his brother).

Cain saw himself as the "promised Messiah" and began his own religion, a religion of gross sensuality and wickedness, eventually leading the whole world before the Deluge into a time of corruption and violence, the end-result of religious perversion (Gen.6:11-12). This false religion was called "the way of Cain" (Jude 11). This is in contrast to "the Way" of the Christian, the "Way" which the world calls "a sect," or "heresy" (Acts 24:14).

Cupid-Nimrod

This evil, seductive religious "way" manifested itself this side of the Flood, through the agency of Cush, the son of Ham, the son of Noah, and Cush's son Nimrod and his wife Semiramis. Nimrod became the first "mighty man" after the Flood – the first world ruling tyrant and oppressor (Gen.10:8-10). He led the building of the Tower of Babel, to "emancipate" mankind from the rulership of the God of heaven. He became the world's first "Messiah" figure this side of the Flood, and became worshipped in many nations around the world of that time, under different names in different nations and languages.

One of his many names was "Cupid." The origin of Cupid and his prominence in pagan religion is discussed in Hislop's *Two Babylons*. He mentions that the ancient poet Aristophanes declared "we are informed that he from whom both 'mighty ones' and gods derived their origin, was none other than the winged boy Cupid." In a footnote Hislop declares, "Aristophanes says that Eros or Cupid produced the 'birds' and 'gods' by 'mingling all things.' This evidently points to the meaning of the name Bel, which signifies at once 'the mingler' and 'the confounder.' This name properly belonged to the father of Nimrod, but, as the son is represented as identified with the father, we have evidence that the name descended to the son and others by inheritance" (page 40).

Cupid occupied the very same position as Ninus the "son" did to Rhea, the mother of the gods. Nimrod was the first of the "mighty ones" after the Flood, as we read in Genesis, "Cush

became the father of *Nimrod*; he was the first on earth to become a mighty warrior. He was a mighty hunter before the LORD" (Gen.10:8-9).

Thus Cupid, the god of love, was none other than the infant NIMROD, the one who taught rebellion against the LORD, Yehovah, after the Flood – the one who led the revolt against God's laws, and who attempted to build the tower of Babel, to strike against heaven and the heavenly host! Cupid is pictured as a child hunter, with bow and arrows, and grew up to be "the mighty hunter before [i.e. *against*] the LORD."

Among the pagans, "The 'Heart' was one of the sacred symbols of Osiris when he was born again, and appeared as Harpocrates, or the infant divinity, borne in the arms of his mother Isis" (*ibid.*, p.188). The fruit of the Egyptian persea plant was sacred to him as it resembled the human heart in shape. He was frequently represented with a heart, or the heart-shaped fruit of the persea, much as Cupid is often represented with a "heart."

Says Hislop, "Thus the boy-god came to be regarded as the 'god of the heart,' in other words, as Cupid, or the god of love. To identify this infant divinity, with his father 'the mighty hunter,' he was equipped with 'bow and arrows.' In the hands of the poets, this sportive boy-god was celebrated as taking aim with his gold-tipped shafts at the hearts of mankind. His real character, however, as the above statement shows . . . was far higher and of a very different kind. He was the woman's seed. Venus and her son Cupid, then, were none other than the Madonna and the child" (*ibid.*).

"The heart," in Chaldee, is "Bel." The worship of the "sacred Heart" is the worship of the "Sacred Bel," the mighty one out of Babylon, or Nimrod! In time this became the "Sacred Heart" so prominent in the Roman Catholic Church.

Semiramis = Venus = Nemesis

Rhea, the mother of Ninus [Nimrod], was Semiramis, "the mother of the gods." Semiramis also became Nimrod's wife. Says Alexander Hislop, "The Chaldean Mysteries can be traced up to the days of Semiramis, who lived only a few centuries after the flood, and who is known to have impressed upon them the image of her own depraved and polluted mind. That beautiful but abandoned queen of Babylon was not only herself a paragon of unbridled lust and licentiousness, but in the Mysteries which she had a chief hand in forming, she was worshiped as Rhea, the great 'MOTHER' of the gods, with such atrocious rites as identified her with Venus, the MOTHER of all impurity, and raised the very city where she had reigned to a bad eminence among the nations, as the grand seat at once of idolatry and consecrated prostitution" (*Two Babylons*, p.5).

Cupid's mother, Venus, is also called "Nemesis" by the ancients. Nemesis was the "goddess of revenge." Pausanius comments on the stature of Nemesis, saying, "Among the Smyrneans, however, who possess the most holy images of Nemesis, I perceived afterwards that these statues had wings. For, as this goddess principally pertains to lovers, on this account they may be supposed to have given wings to Nemesis, as well as to love," – that is, Cupid (Hislop, "Appendix," page 291).

Hislop asserts, "Though a goddess of love and a goddess of revenge might seem very remote in their characters from one another, yet it is not difficult to see how this might have come about. The goddess who was revealed to the initiated in the Mysteries, in the most alluring manner, was also known to be most unmerciful and unrelenting in taking vengeance upon those who revealed these Mysteries; for every such one who was discovered was unsparingly put to death" (p.291).

Says Hislop, "Thus, then, the cup-bearing goddess was at once Venus, the goddess of licentiousness, and Nemesis, the stern and unmerciful one to all who rebelled against her authority. How remarkable a type of the woman, whom John saw, described in one aspect as the 'Mother of harlots,' and in another as 'Drunken with the blood of the saints'" (*ibid.*; compare Rev.17:5-6).

Mother and Child

Therefore we see that the Mother of the gods, Venus-Nemesis-Rhea-Semiramis, was also the mother of Nimrod-Ninus-Cupid. This "mother-and-child" worship was a pagan perversion of the true Messiah, Yeshua or Jesus, the son of Mary. Mary was not a god or goddess, but a chosen vehicle to bear the Christ-child, and therefore highly favored and blessed among mankind. But she was not divine, nor was her conception "immaculate." She was merely a human being, blessed of God to be the physical parent of Christ, when He came into human flesh (Matt.1:18-21; Luke 1:28-35).

But the arrogance and conceit of Nimrod and Semiramis knew no boundaries. Says Hislop, "The Babylonians, in their popular religion, supremely worshiped a goddess Mother and a Son, who was represented in pictures and in images as an infant or child in his mother's arms. From Babylon this worship of the Mother and the Child spread to the ends of the earth. In Egypt, the Mother and the Child were worshiped under the names of Isis and Osiris. In India even to this day as Isi and Iswara; in Asia as Cybele and Deoius; in Pagan Rome as Fortuna and Jupiter-puer, or Jupiter, the boy; in Greece, as Ceres, the Great Mother, with the babe at her breast, or as Irene, the goddess of Peace, with the boy Plutus in her arms; and even in Tibet, in China, and Japan, the Jesuit missionaries were astonished to find the counterpart of Madonna and her child as devoutly worshiped as in Pagan Rome itself; Shing Moo, the Holy Mother in China, being represented with a child in her arms" (Hislop, p.20-21).

Semiramis was worshiped by the Babylonians and other eastern nations as Rhea, the great Goddess "Mother." However, she derived her own glory from her son, as well as her claims to deification and divinity. Her son, Nimrod, or Cupid, was a person of great stature and immense powers, as well as personality and charisma – great personal magnetism. He was widely admired, and worshipped, and among the pagans was also known as Tammuz, and Bacchus, that is to say, "The Lamented One." Thus Ninus-Nimrod-Cupid, the son of Semiramis, was a counterfeit "Son of God." Women adored him. In the book of Daniel we read of an end- time world ruler who "shall pay no respect to the gods of his ancestors, *or to the one beloved by women*" (Dan.11:37, NRSV) – or "the desire of women" (NKJV) – that is, Nimrod! He provoked many women to jealousy, so much so that one idolatrous image of him was called "this

image of jealousy." This image stood in the gateway entrance north of the Temple of God, right in God's face, as it were. God brought Ezekiel to this north gateway, "to the seat of the image of jealousy, which provokes to jealousy," "this image of jealousy," where the people behaved by doing "great abominations" (Ezekiel 8:3, 5).

Some scholars think it was the image of Baal, others believe it was an image of Mars, and others Adonis or Tammuz. In reality, they were all at times representations of Nimrod! The image name agrees perfectly, however, with Adonis-Tammuz, or Cupid, represented as a beautiful youth, beloved by Venus (his mother and later wife!). In one myth, Mars, the paramour of Venus, was so jealous of Adonis that he sent a wild boar to attack him, which killed him with his two tusks. Hence it was the image of him who fell a victim to jealousy.

Ezekiel 8:14 speaks of women "weeping for Tammuz," the idol-god who had been slain. All scholars agree that Tammuz signifies Adonis. Says Adam Clarke, it is Adonis who is likely the one called "The dead" (Lev.19:27-28; Deut.14:1), because he is worshiped as one dead. The women represented as worshiping him were probably adulteresses, and had suffered the jealousies of their husbands. And the outrageous image of this sexual apostate and seducer provoked God Himself to jealousy over His people who were straying from the right path.

Notice how this whole pagan panoply of gods and traditions were a Satanic COUNTERFEIT of the coming of the TRUE CHRIST, Yeshua the Messiah, who came and died for our sins on the stake in 30 A.D. Christ was the true "woman's seed" who would one day defeat Satan the devil (Gen.3:15). But the pagans projected this great prophecy upon their own "Messiah"-"Saviour", Nimrod, in his many forms and guises! They claimed he was the true "Christ", a title which means "Anointed One."

When in the fullness of time, the true Christ came on the scene, as recorded in the gospels of the New Testament, the old pagan Messiahs had preceded him, and even "died" in a counterfeit of the death of Christ, and were supposedly "resurrected", in the pagan religious beliefs.

What very few people realize is how these ancient pagan beliefs, customs, and even religious holidays later became BLENDED in with the "Christianity" of the world, over the centuries, beginning most pronouncedly in the days of Constantine, emperor of Rome circa 325. A.D.!

Tracing the Subversion

The early apostles foretold it would occur. The apostle Peter wrote, warning, "There will be false teachers among you, who will SECRETLY bring in destructive heresies" (II Pet.2:1). He said, "Many will follow their destructive ways, because of whom the *WAY* of TRUTH will be blasphemed" (v.2). The word translated "secretly" here is *pareisago* and means "to lead in aside," "introduce surreptitiously."

Jude also wrote, "For certain men have crept in UNNOTICED, who long ago were marked out for this condemnation, ungodly men, who turn the grace of our God into lewdness

and deny the only Lord God and our Lord Jesus Christ" (Jude 4). The Greek word for "unnoticed" here is *pareisduno*, meaning "to settle in alongside," "lodge stealthily," "creep in unawares."

It began happening during the first century itself. Paul warned the Galatian church, "I marvel that you are turning away so soon from Him who called you in the grace of Christ, to a DIFFERENT GOSPEL" (Gal.1:6). He warned the church at Ephesus, "For I know this, that after my departure savage wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock. Also from among yourselves men will rise up, speaking perverse things, to draw away the disciples after themselves" (Acts 20:29-30).

Soon whole churches began falling away from the truth and going astray. Paul warned, "For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine, but according to their own desires, because they have itching ears, they will heap up for themselves teachers; and they will turn their ears away from the truth, and be turned to fables" (II Tim.4:3-4). The apostasy spread quickly, so much so that Paul wrote to Timothy saying, "This you know, that all those in Asia have turned away from me" (II Tim.1:15).

It had begun to happen, just as Paul had predicted. He described the process this way – "For the *MYSTERY* ["hidden truth," margin] of lawlessness is already at work" (II Thess.2:7). The word for "mystery," musterion, literally means "to shut the mouth," "a secret or mystery (through the idea of silence imposed by initiation into religious rites)."

This age-old conspiracy is called here the "MYSTERY of lawlessness," or "the mystery of iniquity" (KJV), "secret power of lawlessness" (NIV), "Mysterious Wickedness" (Good News Bible), "The *Amplified Bible* describes it as "that hidden principle of rebellion against constituted authority."

It infiltrated the church. It wormed its way inside and gradually "took over" the reins of the visible churches. It did this covertly, so that almost no one was the wiser. Only a few caught on to the destruction and corruption that was occurring in the church around the Mediterranean world. The ancient PAGAN gods were incorporated into the church as "saints," their festivals as "Christian" festivals, renamed, and their rites and ceremonies were now "baptized" and sprinkled with "holy water" to make them acceptable to naïve and unsuspecting church members.

For example, today's Easter celebration is universally believed to be "Christian" in origin. But it has its roots deep in ancient paganism – centuries before the birth of Christ – and its rites have scarcely changed.

Says Ralph Woodrow in *Babylon Mystery Religion*:

"The word itself, as the dictionaries and encyclopedias explain, comes from the name of a Pagan Goddess – the goddess of Spring. Easter is but a more modern form of Ishtar, Eostre, Ostera, or Astarte. Ishtar, another name for Semiramis of Babylon, was pronounced as we pronounce 'Easter' today! And so the name of the Spring Festival, 'Easter,' is definitely paganistic, the name being taken from the name of the Goddess" (p. 152).

The Easter "egg" was a sacred symbol of the ancient Babylonians. They believed an old fable about a huge egg which supposedly fell from heaven into the Euphrates River. From this egg, says the legend, the goddess Astarte (Easter) was hatched. From Babylon the idea of the mystic, sacred egg spread abroad to many nations.

Admits the *Encyclopedia Britannica*:

"The egg as a symbol of fertility and of renewed life goes back to the ancient Egyptians and Persians, who had also the custom of colouring and eating eggs during their spring festival" (article, "Easter").

Says Alexander Hislop regarding the festival of Easter:

"Then look at Easter. What means the term Easter itself? It is not a Christian name. It bears its Chaldean origin on its very forehead. Easter is nothing else than Astarte, one of the titles of Beltis, the queen of heaven, whose name, as pronounced by the people of Nineveh, was evidently identical with that now in common use in this country. That name, as found by Layard on the Assyrian monuments, is Ishtar" (*The Two Babylons*, p. 103).

Adds Hislop:

"Such is the history of Easter. The popular observances that still attend the period of its celebration amply confirm the testimony of history as to its Babylonian character. The hot cross buns of Good Friday, and the dyed eggs of Pasch or Easter Sunday, figured in the Chaldean rites just as they do now. The 'buns,' known too by that identical name, were used in the worship of the queen of heaven, the goddess Easter, as early as the days of Cecrops, the founder of Athens – that is, 1500 years before the Christian era" (p.108).

Says Woodrow:

"Now since the true saviour, our Lord Jesus Christ, *in reality* did rise(not merely in nature, plants, etc.); and since his resurrection was in the *spring* of the year – though slightly earlier than the pagan festival of olden times – it was not too hard for the church of the fourth century (now greatly departed from the true faith anyway) to merge the pagan spring festival into Christianity – attaching the various phases of it to Christ. In this way, it would appear to be a *Christian* festival, yet at the same time, it would retain many of its ancient customs" (*op. cit.*, p. 157).

There is no record in the New Testament of the early Christians ever observing Easter. But there is evidence that, as Christ commanded, they continued observing the Passover each spring, on the 15th of Nisan, commemorating Christ's sacrifice for our sins! How, then, did Easter creep into the professing Christian Church?

How Easter Replaced Passover

Says historian and scholar Alexander Hislop:

"The difference, in point of time, betwixt the Christian Pasch, as observed in Britain by the native Christians, and the Pagan Easter enforced by Rome, at the time of its enforcement, was *a whole month*; and it was *only by violence and bloodshed*, at last, that the Festival of the Anglo-Saxon or Chaldean goddess came to supersede that which had been held in honour of Christ" (*The Two Babylons*, p. 107).

After the New Testament was completely written and after all the original apostles had died, a change occurred. Church historian Jesse Lyman Hurlbut describes the age that followed as "the Age of Shadows."

Says Hurlbut: "For fifty years after. . . Paul's life *a curtain hangs over the church*, through which we strive vainly to look; and when at last it rises, about 120 A.D. with the writings of the earliest church-fathers, we find a church *in many aspects very different* from that in the days of St. Peter and St. Paul" (*The Story of the Christian Church*, p. 41).

Says Alan W. Watts in *Easter, Its Story and Meaning*: "It would be tedious to describe in detail all that has been handed down to us about the various rites of Tammuz, Adonis, Kore, Dionysus, and many others. . . . Some of them were celebrated at the vernal equinox, or thereabouts, and some at midsummer. But their universal theme – the drama of death and resurrection – makes them the forerunners of the Christian Easter, and thus the *first 'Easter services'*" (p. 58).

By the early fourth century A.D. nominal Christianity became established as a state religion of the Roman Empire. Almost everybody sought membership in the new Church and almost nobody was rejected. Says Hurlbut of this period: "The services of worship increased in splendor, but were less spiritual and hearty than those of former times. The forms and ceremonies of paganism gradually crept into the worship. *Some of the old heathen feasts became church festivals with change of name and of worship*" (*ibid.*, p. 79).

The church leaders of that day felt that for "Christianity" to conquer the world, it would be wise to compromise with pagans throughout the Empire. Since the common people were habituated to their pagan customs and revelled in their pagan holidays, church leaders devised a method to reconcile paganism and nominal Christianity. They simply "baptized" pagan customs, thereby making them "Christian" in appearance and name. The result? Pagans began to flock into the Church in droves. They kept the same days and performed the same rituals, but now they did it to "Christ" instead of to Astarte or Tammuz!

The Pagan Connection

The professing church, to build its membership, adopted paganism wholesale. Pagan spring religious customs were adopted by the Church. At the approach of Easter, women in Sicily sow wheat, lentils, and canary-seed in plates, which they keep in the dark and water every two days. The plants soon shoot up, the stalks are tied with red ribbons, and the plates are

placed on sepulchres, with effigies of the dead Christ – "just as the gardens of Adonis were placed on the dead Adonis." Says Sir James George Frazer, "The whole custom – sepulchres as well as plates of sprouting grain-may be *nothing but a continuation*, *under a different name*, *of the worship of Adonis*" (Frazer, *The Golden Bough*, p.400).

Writes Sir James George Frazer in The Golden Bough,

"Now the death and resurrection of Attis were officially celebrated at Rome on the twenty-fourth and twenty-fifth of March, the latter being regarded as the spring equinox, and therefore as the most appropriate day for the revival of a god of vegetation who had been dead or sleeping throughout the winter. But according to an ancient and widespread tradition Christ suffered on the twenty-fifth of March, and accordingly some Christians regularly celebrated the Crucifixion on that day without any regard to the state of the moon. This custom was certainly observed in Phrygia, Cappadocia, and Gaul, and there seem to be grounds for thinking that at one time it was followed also in Rome. Thus the tradition which placed the death of Christ on the twenty-fifth of March was ancient and deeply rooted. *It is all the more remarkable because astronomical considerations prove that it can have hadno historical foundation*. The inference appears to be inevitable that the passion of Christ must have been arbitrarily referred to that date *in order to harmonize with an older festival of the spring equinox*" (page 417-418).

How Easter Entered the Church

Before Easter was universally adopted, there was a bitter and protracted controversy. In the days of Emperor Commodus (A.D. 180-192), when Victor became bishop at Rome (A.D. 190), the dispute became severe. Declared the historian Eusebius:

"There was a considerable discussion raised about this time, in consequence of a difference of opinion respecting the observance of the paschal season. The churches of all Asia, guided by a remoter tradition, supposed that they ought to keep the *fourteenth day of the moon* for the festival of the *Saviour's Passover*, in which day the Jews were commanded to kill the paschal lamb But . . . it was not the custom to celebrate it in this manner in the churches throughout the rest of the world . . ." (Eccl. Hist., Book.V, chap.23).

Even at this late date, the Churches of God in Asia dissented from the majority viewpoint. Polycrates, their leader, wrote to Victor, bishop at Rome, saying: "We, therefore, observe the genuine day, neither adding thereto nor taking therefrom" (chap. XXIV). He cited New Testament Christians, including Philip and the apostle John and asserted: "All these observed the fourteenth day of the Passover according to the gospel deviating in no respect, but following the rule of faith" (ibid.).

Upon receiving this letter, Victor, bishop at Rome, became furious. Reports Eusebius: "Upon this, Victor the bishop of the church of Rome, forthwith endeavoured to cut off the churches of all Asia, together with the neighbouring churches, a heterodox, from the common unity. And he published abroad by letters, and proclaims, that all the brethren there are wholly

excommunicated" (ibid.).

Although at that time Victor was restrained from carrying out this threat, the controversy continued until as late as the fourth century.

And so it is, today! Nothing much has changed! The visible church all around us, what is called "Mainstream" Christianity, from the Roman Catholic Church to the Lutherans, Presbyterians, Baptists, Methodists, and practically all others are BURIED AND MIRED IN PAGAN RITUALS, PRACTICES, AND FESTIVALS, including Easter itself!

Origin of Christmas

What about Christmas? Christians claim it celebrates the birth of Christ. But is this really true?

Although the whole world celebrates Christmas as a "Christian" holiday, including millions of non-Christians, Christmas is not really "Christian" at all! Satan has pulled the wool over the eyes of MILLIONS!

Consider this fact: Look high and low throughout the pages of the Bible, and you will find not *one single solitary word* of "Christmas" being celebrated by any of God's people! It is not even mentioned once! Neither Christ nor any of His apostles ever observed this holiday, nor the New Testament Church!

Yet on the other hand the pagan, heathen world observed this day for thousands of years BEFORE Christ was even born!

We read in Werner Keller's book *The Bible as History* the following admission:

"December 25 is referred to in documents as Christmas Day in A.D. 324 for the first time. Under the Roman emperor Justinian [A.D. 527-565] it was recognized as an official holiday. An old Roman festival played a major part in the choice of this particular day. December 25 in ancient Rome was the 'Dies Natali Invictus' 'the birthday of the unconquered,' the day of the winter solstice and at the same time, in Rome, the last day of the Saturnalia, which had long since degenerated into a week of unbridled carnival..." (p.331).

Writes Ralph Woodrow in *Babylon Mystery Religion*, December 25 "was the very day and season on which the pagans for centuries had celebrated the birth of the *Sun-god!*" He goes on, "In pagan days, this birth of the sun-god was especially popular among that branch of the 'Mysteries' known as Mithraism. . . . And not only was Mithra, the sun-god of Mithraism, said to be born at this time of the year, but Osiris, Horus, Hercules, Bacchus, Adonis, Jupiter, Tammuz, and other sun-gods were also supposedly born at what is today called the 'Christmas' season – the winter solstice!" (page 163).

Says Woodrow, "Now the fact that the various sun-gods that were worshiped in different

countries were all believed to be born at the same season (in the old fables), would seem to indicate that they were but different forms (under different names) of the original son of the sun- god, Tammuz, of Babylon, the land from which sun-worship originally spread" (*ibid.*).

Woodrow asserts, "In Babylon, the birthday of Tammuz was celebrated at the time of the winter solstice with great feasts, revelry, and drunkenness – the same way many celebrate it today! The ancient celebration spread and became so much an established custom that 'in pagan Rome and Greece, in the days of the Teutonic barbarians, in the remote times of ancient Egyptian civilization, in the infancy of the race East and West and North and South, the period of the winter solstice was ever a period of rejoicing and festivity."

"When this mid-winter festival came to Rome, it was known as the Saturnalia – Saturn being but another name of Nimrod or Tammuz as 'the hidden god.' This feast was the most vile, immoral feast that ever disgraced pagan Rome. It was a season of license, drunkenness, and debauchery where all restraints of law were laid aside. And it was from this very feast at Rome that that the merry-making of this season passed into the Roman Catholic Church and on down to our present civilization!" (p.163-164).

In the book *History of Rome*, by Michael Grant, we read this startling revelation:

"Yet there was also another pagan belief during this same epoch, that much more nearly competed with Christ for the control of the Western world. This was the cult of the Sun, which was revered by millions of the inhabitants of the Roman Empire, and its religion for a time even became the state worship. . .

"In Rome, the divinity of the Sun came very early on; and then, centuries afterwards, in the superb dome of Hadrian's Pantheon, the central opening, surrounded by star-like rosettes, represented the solar orb. . . Before long, the emperor Aurelian established a massive temple of the Unconquerable Sun as the central and focal point of the entire religious system of the state (A.D. 274). The birthday of the god was to be on DECEMBER 25, AND THIS, TRANSFORMED INTO CHRISTMAS DAY, WAS ONE OF THE HERITAGES THAT CHRISTIANITY OWED TO HIS CULT" (p.391-392, emphasis mine).

Notice! The world's version of "Christianity" took over the birthday of the sun god, the cult of the sun, and by sleight of hand and devious "magic" transformed it into "CHRISTMAS," the "birthday" of Jesus Christ! It was in reality the birth day of the pagan sun god, worshipped by millions throughout the Roman Empire! Our article, "The Shocking Origin of Christmas," and "When Was Jesus Really Born?" show conclusively that Christ was born nowhere near December 25th or "Christmas."

So why does the great and universal Christian religion observe this pagan day?

Historian Jack Finegan, in Myth & Mystery: An Introduction to the Pagan Religions of the Biblical World, writes:

"... But the worship of the sun-god continued widely throughout the empire, and under Aurelian (A.D. 270-275) the cult was restored to its former high estate. In the

deity

year A.D. 274 Aurelian declared the god – now called Deus Sol Invictus – the official

of the Roman Empire; he built a splendid temple of the sun in Rome . . . and set the sun's birthday celebration (naturalis solis invicti) ON DECEMBER 25, the date then accepted for the winter solstice (also in his solar character the BIRTHDAY OF MITHRAS). In the time of Constantine the cult of Deus Sol Invictus was still at its height, and the portrait of the sun-god was on the coins of Constantine Likewise it must have been in this time and with the intent to transform the significance of AN EXISTING SACRED DATE that the birthday of Jesus, which had been celebrated in the East on January 6 . . . was placed in Rome ON DECEMBER 25, THE DATE OF THE BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION OF SOL INVICTUS. This date appears in a list of dates probably compiled in A.D. 336 and published in the Roman city calendar, edited by Filocalus, for the year 354" (Finegan, p.211-212, emphasis mine).

Thus another diabolical deed was done. The Church threw away the divine Holy Days which God commands to be observed, and replaced them with pagan-originated festivals which were used in the worship of ancient Nimrod and Semiramis, the pagan Messiah and his whore mother!

Sir James Frazer, in his authoritative book *The Golden Bough*, discusses how the pagan celebration of the birth of the sun-god on December 25 weaved its way into the professing Roman Catholic "Christian" Church. Frazer points out that the contest for supremacy between the early Christians and the worshipers of Mithra was hanging in the balance in the early centuries of the church. Both religions were fighting for the hearts and minds of men. Frazer asserts that "there can be no doubt that the Mithraic religion proved a formidable rival to Christianity."

Says Frazer:

"Indeed the issue of the conflict between the two faiths appears for a time to have hung in the balance. An instructive relic of the long struggle is preserved in our festival of Christmas, which the Church seems to have borrowed directly from its heathen rival. In the Julian calendar the twenty-fifth of December was reckoned the winter solstice, and it was regarded as the Nativity of the Sun, because the day begins to lengthen and the power of the sun to increase from that turningpoint of the year. The ritual of the nativity, as it appears to have been celebrated in Syria and Egypt, was remarkable. The celebrants retired into certain inner shrines, from which at midnight they issued with a loud cry, 'The Virgin has brought forth! The light is waxing!' The Egyptians even represented the new-born sun by the image of an infant which on his birthday, the winter solstice, they brought forth and exhibited to his worshippers. No doubt the Virgin who thus conceived and bore a son on the twenty-fifth of December was the great Oriental goddess whom the Semites called the Heavenly Virgin or simply the Heavenly Goddess; in Semitic lands she was a form of Astarte. Now Mithra was regularly identified by his worshippers with the Sun, the Unconquered Sun, as they called him; hence his nativity also fell on the twenty-fifth of December. The Gospels say nothing as to the day of Christ's birth, and accordingly the early Church did not celebrate it. In time, however, the Christians of Egypt came to

regard the sixth of January as the date of the Nativity, and the custom of commemorating the birth of the Saviour on that day gradually spread until by the fourth century it was universally established in the East. But at the end of the third or the beginning of the fourth century the *Western Church*, which had never recognized the sixth of January as the day of the Nativity, *adopted the twenty-fifth of December* as the true date, and in time its decision was accepted also by the Eastern Church. At Antioch the change was not introduced till about the year 375 A.D." (*The Golden Bough*, page 416).

What were the real motives for the church leaders to incorporate Christmas into the church's calendar of festivals? States Frazer, again:

"What considerations led the ecclesiastical authorities to institute the festival of Christmas? The motives for the innovation are stated with great frankness by a Syrian writer, himself a Christian. 'The reason,' he tells us, 'why the fathers transferred the celebration of the sixth of January to the twenty-fifth of December was this. It was a custom of the heathen to celebrate on the same twenty-fifth of December the birthday of the Sun, at which they kindled lights in token of festivity. In these solemnities and festivities the Christians also took part. Accordingly, when the doctors of the Church perceived that the Christians had a leaning to this festival, they took counsel and resolved that the true Nativity should be solemnized on that day and the festival of the Epiphany on the sixth of January. Accordingly, along with this custom, the practice has prevailed of kindling fires till the sixth.' The heathen origin of Christmas is plainly hinted at, if not tacitly admitted, by Augustine when he exhorts his Christian brethren not to celebrate that solemn day like the heathen on account of the sun, but on account of him who made the sun. In like manner Leo the Great rebuked the pestilent belief that Christmas was solemnized because of the birth of the new sun, as it was called, and not because of the nativity of Christ."

The "Mass" in Christmas

Alexander Hislop in his remarkable book *The Two Babylons*, points out that the "mass" is something that definitely goes back to ancient PAGAN customs and rites! He declares in plain and clear language:

"Therefore we find the women of Judah represented as simply 'burning incense, pouring out drink-offerings, and offering CAKES to the queen of heaven' (Jer. 44:19). The cakes were the 'unbloody sacrifice' she required. . . . In the FOURTH CENTURY, when the queen of heaven, under the name of Mary, was beginning to be worshipped in the Christian Church, this 'unbloody sacrifice' also was brought in. Epiphanius states that the practice of offering and eating it began among women of Arabia; and at that time it was well known to have been ADOPTED FROM THE PAGANS. The very shape of the unbloody sacrifice of Rome may indicate whence it came. It is a small thin, round wafer; and on its roundness the Church of Rome lays so much stress The importance, however, which Rome attaches to the roundness of the wafer, must have a reason; and that reason will be found, if we look at the altars of EGYPT. 'The thin, round cake,' says Wilkinson, 'occurs on all altars.' Almost every jot or tittle in the Egyptian worship had a

symbolical meaning. The *round disk*, so frequent in the sacred emblems of Egypt, symbolized the *sun*" (*The Two Babylons*, p.159-160).

The "sun-god" in ancient Egypt was Osiris, another name for NIMROD. The round disk of the Egyptian "mass" symbolized the sun, and was an offering symbolizing the sun-god. He was considered the life and nourishment of the souls of men!

The "Christ-mass" therefore is nothing more than a spin-off of the old pagan "mysteries." It is the celebration of the birth of the "sun-god" himself, the False Messiah, the False "Saviour" of the world, and the "mass" itself also represents the offering or "cakes" made to the queen of heaven, the "Mother" of the pagan Saviour, the "Queen of heaven."

Truth Replaced by Superstition

Says Alexander Hislop, further:

"Indeed, it is admitted by the most learned and candid writers of all parties that the day of our Lord's birth cannot be determined, and that within the Christian Church no such festival as Christmas was ever heard of till the third century, and that not till the fourth century was far advanced did it gain much observance. How, then, did the Romish Church fix on December the 25th as Christmas-day? Why, thus: Long before the fourth century, and long before the Christian era itself, a festival was celebrated among the heathen, at that precise time of the year, in honour of the birth of the son of the Babylonian queen of heaven; and it may fairly be presumed that, in order to conciliate the heathen, and to swell the number of the nominal adherents of Christianity, the SAME FESTIVAL WAS ADOPTED by the Roman Church, giving it only the name of Christ. This tendency on the part of Christians to MEET PAGANISM HALF-WAY was very early developed. . . . Upright men strove to stem the tide, but in spite of all their efforts, the apostasy went on, till the Church, with the exception of a small remnant, was SUBMERGED under PAGAN SUPERSTITION" (p.93).

Hislop goes on,

"That Christmas was originally a Pagan festival, is beyond all doubt. The time of the year, and the ceremonies with which it is still celebrated, prove its origin. In Egypt, the son of Isis, the Egyptian title for the queen of heaven, was born at this very time, 'about the time of the winter solstice.' The very name by which Christmas is popularly known among ourselves – Yule-day – proves at once its Pagan and Babylonian origin. 'Yule' is the Chaldee name for an 'infant' or 'little child;' and as the 25th of December was called by our Pagan Anglo-Saxon ancestors, 'Yule-day,' or the 'Child's day,' and the night that preceded it, 'Mother-night,' long BEFORE they came in contact with Christianity, that sufficiently proves its real character" (pp.93-94).

It is a fact that December 25 was celebrated for thousands of years before the birth of Christ as the birth day of an ancient pagan god – THE SUN GOD!

The Great Conspiracy

Asserts James George Frazer in The Golden Bough,

"Taken altogether, the coincidences of the Christian with the *heathen festivals are too close and too numerous to be accidental*. They mark the *compromise* which the Church in the hour of its triumph was compelled to make with its vanquished yet still dangerous rivals. The inflexible Protestantism of the primitive missionaries, with their fiery denunciations of heathendom, had been exchanged for the supple policy, the easy tolerance, the comprehensive charity of *shrewd ecclesiastics*, *who clearly perceived that if Christianity was to conquer the world it could do so only by relaxing the too rigid principles of its Founder*, by widening a little the narrow gate which leads to salvation" (page 419).

It is just absolutely amazing how ancient paganism has wrapped its tentacles around "Christianity," so that the modern church is much more pagan than Christian.

As historian Will Durant wrote in *The Story of Civilization*, volume 3, "Caesar and Christ," not long after the church began, the pagans began their onslaught to infiltrate it, subvert it, and destroy it. Says Durant,

"Christ was assimilated to the religious and philosophical traditions of the Hellenistic mind. Now the pagan world – even the ant-Semitic world – could accept him as its own. Christianity did not destroy paganism; it adopted it. The Greek mind, dying, came to a transmigrated life in the theology and liturgy of the Church . . . The Greek mysteries passed down into the impressive mystery of the Mass. Other pagan cultures contributed to the syncretist result. From Egypt came the idea of a divine trinity . . . From Egypt the adoration of the Mother and Child, and the mystic theosophy that made Neoplatonism and Gnosticism, and obscured the Christian creed. . . . From Phrygia came the worship of the Great Mother; from Syria the resurrection drama of Adonis; from Thrace, perhaps, the cult of Dionysus, the dying and saving god" (page 595).

In fact, says Durant,

"The Mithraic ritual so closely resembled the eucharistic sacrifice of the Mass that Christian fathers charged the Devil with inventing these similarities to mislead frail minds. *CHRISTIANITY WAS THE LAST GREAT CREATION OF THE ANCIENT* **PAGAN** *WORLD*" (*ibid.*).

This should be astonishing – shocking. Yet the evidence is irrefutable. What happened? What was the real significance of the submergence of Christian doctrine with pagan practices? What was the purpose and aim?

The "Mystery Babylon Code"

It was all part of Satan's Great Deception! He instilled "Christian" code words to mask over ancient PAGAN observances! Instead of the foolishness of the Da Vinci Code, we see a REAL conspiracy, through the ages, of the ancient "Mystery-Babylon" Code!

The ancient "Mysteries" of the Chaldeans, have been incorporated into the far-flung "Christian" church to deceive millions into THINKING they are worshipping Christ, but are in reality worshipping the way of Satan the arch-deceiver of mankind!

Says Sir James George Frazer in *The Golden Bough*:

"When we reflect how often the Church has skillfully contrived to plant the seeds of the new faith *on the old stock of paganism*, we may surmise that the Easter celebration of the dead and risen Christ was grafted upon a similar celebration of the dead and risen Adonis, which, as we have seen reason to believe, was celebrated in Syria at the same season. The type, created by Greek artists, of the sorrowful goddess with her dying lover in her arms, resembles and may have been the model of the *Pieta* of Christian art, the Virgin with the dead body of her divine Son in her lap, of which the most celebrated example is the one by Michael Angelo in St. Peters" (page 401).

Notice those words again. He declares, "When we reflect how often the Church has skillfully contrived to plant the seeds of the new faith on the *OLD STOCK OF PAGANISM*, we may surmise that the Eastern celebration of the dead and risen Christ was *grafted upon a similar celebration of* the *dead and risen Adonis*, which . . . was celebrated in Syria at the same season" (p. 401).

Astounding! Clearly paganism grew inside the professing Christian church like LEAVEN, until the whole lump was thoroughly leavened and saturated with SIN! The whole chemistry of the Church was changed with the yeast of PAGANISM! The body of the church became riddled with the infection of spiritual CANCER!

Ancient PAGANISM has now been COLOR-CODED AS "CHRISTIAN"! But it is still the beating, thumping, pumping heart of rebellion against God – the same PAGAN RELIGION BEGUN BY NIMROD AND SEMIRAMIS!

Only the "names" were changed. Thus paganism crept in and hi-jacked the Christian church as a whole. Names were changed to hide the disgusting, despicable truth. For example:

Pagan Name	Christian Name
Saturnalia	"Christmas"
Lupercalia	St. Valentine's Day
Floralia	Pentecost
Festival of Tammuz	St. John's Day
Worship of Rhea, Venus	Worship of Mary
Tammuz, Bacchus, Adonis	"Christ"
Samhain	Halloween
Pagan Trinity	"Christian" Trinity

Birth of Sol Invictus

Baal-Berith

Day of Cybele (mother of Annunciation Day

Babylonian messiah)
Ishtar, Astarte "Easter"
Chaldean Lent "Lent"

Apotheosis of Ariadne
Madonna of Babylon
Pagan "Mass"

Pagan "Cross"

Feast of the Assumption
Madonna of Rome
Sacrifice of the "Mass"
Veneration of the "Cross"

Pontifex Maximus Pope, Pontiff
Pagan College of Pontiffs College of Cardinals

Keys of Janus and Cybele "Peter's keys" (worn by Pope

since 431 A.D.)

Says Alexander Hislop, in *The Two Babylons*, the pope laid claim to Peter's keys in A.D. 431 and thereafter. "Some time was allowed to pass away, and then, when the secret working of the Mystery of iniquity had prepared the way for it, for the first time did the Pope publicly assert his eminence, as founded on the keys given to Peter. About 378 was he raised to the position which gave him, in Pagan estimation, the power of the keys referred to. In 431, and not before, did he publicly lay claim to the possession of Peter's keys" (p.207).

Anciently there was a "Peter" at Rome who occupied the highest place in the pagan priesthood. In primitive Chaldee, his title was pronounced "Peter" – which meant, "the interpreter." As the revealer of hidden things, he was decorated with the two keys of the divinities whose mysteries he unfolded. Thus the keys of Janus and Cybele came to be known as the "keys of Peter" – but not the Peter of the New Testament! This ancient "Peter" was Hermes Trismegistus, the great "Interpreter of the gods."

Thus a pagan "Peter" came to be transformed into the apostle Peter – and the ancient Pagan Mysteries broadened and survived under new names.

Declares Hislop, "Hence, from the *mere jingle of words*, persons and things essentially different were CONFOUNDED; and Paganism and Christianity *jumbled together*, that the towering ambition of a wicked priest might be gratified; and so, to the BLINDED Christians of the APOSTACY, the Pope was the representative of Peter the apostle, while to the initiated Pagans, he was only the representative of Peter, the interpreter of their well-known Mysteries. Thus was the Pope the express counterpart of 'Janus the double-faced.' Oh! what an emphasis of meaning in the Scriptural expression, as applied to the Papacy, 'The Mystery of Iniquity'!" (*Two Babylons*, page 210).

In analyzing the strange customs of the pagans and their astonishing similarity to certain "Christian" customs today, Alan W. Watts was moved to write,

"At first sight it is surprising to find so many of these stories and symbols of death-and-resurrection in so many different places. The points of resemblance between the Christ story, on the one hand, and the myth and ritual of ancient

and 'pagan' cults, on the other, is at times *startling enough to look like a CONSPIRACY*" (*op. cit.* p. 22).

A "conspiracy"! Who would engineer such a conspiracy? The apostle John tells us in plain language:

"And the huge dragon was cast down and out – that age-old serpent who is called the Devil and Satan, he who is the *seducer* (*deceiver*) of ALL HUMANITY THE WORLD OVER . . ." (Rev.12:9, Amplified Parallel Bible).

What had happened? The answer is in the Bible – a conspiracy to introduce pagan customs under the name "Christian" had been formed in the days of the apostle Paul (see Gal.1:6-9; II Cor.11:13-15; II Tim. 4:3-4). By the last days of the apostle John, this conspiracy had grown so great that in some areas, *true* Christians were being cast out of the established local churches! (III John 9, 10). A few centuries later, the universal church was no longer observing the Biblical holidays, but replacing them with pagan holidays.

Time to Repent and Obey GOD!

What does the Word of God itself say about this matter? It is a very serious question. Is it all right in the sight of God for men to take pagan customs and traditions, and to observe them, calling them "Christian"? Is it all right to merge and combine *PAGAN* practices with the truth of God?

According to the prophet Malachi, God does not change (Mal.3:6). His laws and commandments are eternal (Psa.111:7-8). Does God say it is all right to observe the traditions and customs of the pagans?

God commanded ancient Israel, "I am the Lord your God. You must *NOT* DO AS THEY DO IN EGYPT, where you used to live, and you must *NOT* DO AS THEY DO IN THE LAND OF CANAAN, where I am bringing you. DO *NOT* FOLLOW THEIR PRACTICES. You must obey my laws, and be careful to follow my decrees" (Lev.18:2-4).

God hates idolatry! He detests it with vehement passion. He tells us, "... Be careful not to be ensnared by inquiring about their gods, saying, 'How do these nations serve their gods? We will do the same.' YOU must NOT WORSHIP THE LORD YOUR GOD IN *THEIR WAY*, because in worshiping their gods, they do all kinds of DETESTABLE THINGS the LORD HATES" (Deut.12:29-31).

Because of pagan idolatrous practices, God cast the Canaanites out of the Promised Land. They were worshippers of Baal, or Nimrod, Tammuz, the sun god, the pagan Messiah, the god of wine and revelry. Their whole religious system stemmed from ancient Babylon, the fount of all heresy and apostasy.

Truly, the whole world has been deceived by Satan the devil and his clever masquerades and machinations (Rev.12:9). God Almighty thunders: "Therefore say to the house of Israel,

Thus says the Lord GOD: Will you defile yourselves after the manner of your ancestors and go astray after their detestable things? As I entered into judgment with your ancestors in the wilderness of the land of Egypt, so I will enter into judgment with you, says the Lord GOD. . . I will PURGE OUT THE REBELS among you, and those who transgress against me. . . As for you, O house of Israel, thus says the Lord GOD: Go serve your idols, everyone of you now and hereafter, if you will not listen to me; but MY HOLY NAME you shall NO MORE PROFANE with your gifts and your idols" (Ezek.20:30-39, NRSV).

Jesus Christ said to His disciples, "If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples. Then you will KNOW THE TRUTH, and the *truth will set you FREE*" – free from the shackles of error, superstition, mythology, and pagan deception! (John 8:32, NIV).

Observing pagan-originated holidays may seem so innocent and spiritual, on the surface. What could be wrong in sending Christmas gifts, hunting for Easter eggs, or sending valentines and gifts of candy, chocolates, or other things on these ancient pagan days? They have been given Christian sounding "CODE" names, to hide their despicable PAGAN origin, heart, and nature!

Should a true Christian have anything to do with such practices?

The simple answer is – GOD SAYS DON'T OBSERVE THEM! They act like a *snare* and a *trap* to lead people off into following the path way of Satan the devil, the architect of these pagan days and their supposed Christian transformation!

God says to His people, 'Learn NOT the way of the heathen" (Jeremiah 10:1). He says to His people today, "What fellowship has righteousness with lawlessness? And what communion has light with darkness? And what accord has Christ with Belial [Baal, Nimrod, Bel, or Satan]? Or what part has a believer with an unbeliever? And what agreement has the Temple of God with IDOLS? For you are the temple of the living God. As God has said: 'I will dwell in them, and walk among them. I will be their God, and they will be My people.'

"COME OUT FROM AMONG THEM AND BE SEPARATE, says the LORD. *DO NOT TOUCH WHAT IS UNCLEAN, and I will receive you.*" I will be a Father to you, and you shall be My sons and daughters, says the Lord Almighty" (II Cor.6:14-18, NKJV).

God Almighty thunders: "You shall not add to the word which I command you, nor take from it, that you may keep the commandments of the LORD your God which I command you" (Deut.4:2).

In the last book of the Bible, the book of Revelation, God warns and commands His true people, that this wicked, all-pervasive "Babylon the Great" world system and religion which surrounds us today is coming to a bitter, devastating end. The apostle John declares, "And I heard another voice from heaven, saying, *COME OUT OF HER, my people, lest you share in her SINS, and lest you receive of her PLAGUES*. For her sins have reached to heaven, and God has remembered her iniquities" (Rev.18:4-5).

What should you do? Come OUT of this false, paganized, duplications, poisonous blending of false religion – this pernicious, volatile, lethal pagan religious cocktail! Don't drink of it! Cast it aside! Flee far from it! (I Cor.6:18, Jer.50:28, 51:45).

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Where Are Great Britain and the United States in Bible Prophecy?

Is the United States really mentioned in the Bible? If so, under what name? What is the real evidence of our national heraldic emblems and symbols? Where do we *really* come from? Could we be totally ignored?

Millions have been mystified, and perplexed about our ancient pedigree. Believe it or not, the ancestors of the English speaking peoples of the world *are found throughout* the pages of Scripture. But our true IDENTITY has been SEALED – hidden from view for thousands of years!

Who are we – really? How has this knowledge been lost through the centuries? What is the astounding evidence of our true national identity? Where do we fit in the pages of Holy Writ?

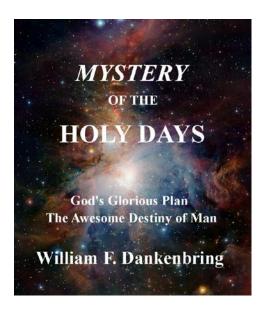
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The Astonishing Mysteries of God's Holy Days

The annual Festivals and Holy Days of God are revealed in the Scriptures – yet few Christians observe them and follow pagan holidays like Christmas and Easter and Halloween instead! Isn't this preposterous and nonsensical?

Why do most Christians observe Christmas and Easter? Why did the church stop observing the Biblical holidays and replace them with PAGAN days which come out of Babylon and ancient Egypt? What is the real MEANING behind the Holy Days of God? What significance do they have for both Christians and Jews?



Why did God create and command us to observe HIS Holy Days in the Scriptures? Why did He give them to us? Are there vital lessons hidden within the Holy Days that we ought to explore? We all need to revisit the annual Holy Days and study into this profound subject. It reveals the MYSTERY OF THE AGES. The awesome meaning of each one of the holy days of Scripture is revealed in this treasure trove of revelation.

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A New Look at Time and God's True Calendar



The western world today goes by the "Roman" calendar, which begins the year January 1, in the dead of winter. The Gregorian calendar is today's internationally accepted civil calendar and is also known as the "Western calendar" or "Christian calendar". It was named after the man who first introduced it in February 1582: Pope Gregory XIII. The calendar is strictly a solar calendar based on a 365-day common year divided into 12 months of irregular lengths. 11 of the months have either 30 or 31 days, while the second month, February, has only 28 days during the common year.

How important is TIME? In the Scriptures, God commands His people to observe certain days as holy festivals. How can we do that if we can't keep track of when they occur? Hence, God gives us His Calendar in His Word. It is the basis of worshipping Him in "spirit and in truth."

Does it really matter when we observe God's annual Holy Days? Does it matter if we are just a few days off? There is an old saying, "Close only counts in horseshoes and hand grenades." But does it really matter if we get God's daysright?

The Word of God does tell we should observe His annual Feast Days as "holy days to the Lord" (see Leviticus 23). The Biblical holy days are obviously based on the Biblical calendar – the original calendar God gave to Moses and Israel.

Is it all right to tell God, "Well, I only sinned a little bit!"? God's Word says, plainly, "The wages of sin is DEATH" (Rom.6:23). God says, "The soul that sins, it shall DIE" (Ezek18:4, 20). So which is going to be? Are we going to obey GOD? Or go the route that "seems right" to a man, but ends in DEATH (Prov.14:12, 16:25)?

If you had an appointment to see a king on a particular date, at a particular time, and you went on the wrong day – you got the dates mixed up – would it be all right? Would the king allow you to interrupt his schedule, and take up his time, which he had NOT set aside for you? Would he allow you to CHANGE THE DATE ON YOUR OWN CREDENCE?

God set aside certain days as HOLY, and He meets with us on THOSE days. If we are not present, then TOO BAD *–for us! We miss Him to our own sorrow and hurt.* If it is serious business to keep an appointment with a BOSS or human employer or a KING "on time," and to be punctual, HOW MUCH MORE *IS IT IMPORTANT TO KEEP GOD'S APPOINTMENTS ON TIME?*

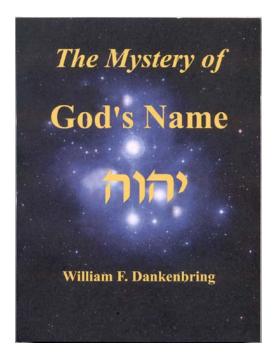
Jesus Christ declared, "The time is coming, IT HAS COME ALREADY, when the real worshippers will worship the Father—in Spirit and in REALITY; for these are the worshippers that the Father desires. God is Spirit, and his worshippers must worship him in Spirit and in reality" (John 4:23-24, Moffatt). Sample chapters include:

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What is God's *True* Name?

God revealed His Name to Moses at the burning bush, but over the centuries its correct pronunciation has been hidden From view, lost, and today it is considered "unknown" by many and controversial by others. What is God's TRUE revealed Name? Can we really know His Name?



Almighty God thunders, "How long shall this be in the heart of the prophets that prophesy lies? Yea, they are prophets of the deceit of their own heart; which think to cause My people to *forget My name* . . . as their fathers have *forgotten My name* for Baal ["Lord"]" (Jeremiah 23:26-27).

God declares in His Word, "Everyone who calls on the name of the LORD will be saved" (Romans 10:13). In Acts 2:21, Peter quotes Joel 2:32, "In the last days everyone who calls on the *name of the Lord* will be saved." But what IS that Name? What is God's name, in the original Hebrew language?

Exodus 20:7 says, "You shall not misuse the name of the LORD your God, for the LORD will not hold anyone guiltless who misuses his name." Many Scriptures tell us we should magnify and praise God's Name. But how can we do it, if we don't even know it?

The name of God appears 6,828 times in the Bible. The God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob has a name by which he wished/wishes to be known. This most holy name of GOD is written in Hebrew by the letters *yod hey vav hey*. This four letters name is

called the *Tetragramaton*. But just how is that name to really be pronounced? Does it matter? How important is it that we say God's Name correctly?

The God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob has a name by which he wished/wishes to be known. This most holy name of GOD is written in Hebrew by the letters *yod hey vav hey*. This is known as the "Tetragrammaton." These four letters are the name of the Most High God!

The apostle Paul wrote, "For whosoever shall call upon the Name of the Lord shall be saved. How then shall they call on Him in whom they have not believed? And how shall they believe in Him *of whom they have not heard?* And how shall they hear without a preacher? And how shall they preach, except they be sent? as it is written, 'How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things'" (Romans 10:13-15, KJV).

In this fascinating new book by William F. Dankenbring, you will learn the TRUE NAME of God and why we should use it regularly in praise, worship, and reverence. Sample chapters include:

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Chapter 9 – Was the New Testament Written in Hebrew?

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Letters from Our Readers

"Here in Europe things are changing rapidly, and there is a sense of uneasiness. Immigrants are filling our streets and want to implement their laws. We are slowly being taken over by the Islam and there is no way we can stop it. It is sad to see our culture and traditions taken from us.

"Hard times are upon us and hard to deal with. Taxes are going up and prices for our daily needs are rising also. What saddens me the most is to see how blinded people are. They believe all they are told and are too dumb to check things out for themselves. Even the so-called Christians, my family included, have no idea in what times we are living. People don't want to be told Christ is coming soon to bring His Kingdom. They call me a stupid religious fanatic. It is lonely being on your own. But it has a purpose. It is a test to see if we can be faithful till the end.

"How grateful I am for my calling and having been given the truth!"

-- The Netherlands

I have been listening to your sermon on mixIr since ustream is inundated with commercials. Today there was no problem with your pod-cast. A brief summation in content is as follows: PERIOD of JUDGMENT - Rev 12:9; Prov 28:1, 29:1; Rom 1:16-25+; Jude 14; Rev 21:6, 20:11; rebellion associated with the Mcalvany report; Rom 6:23; I John 3:4, 1:9; II Chron 7:14.

"This is the best source for me to hear your sermon. Thought that I would give you a head's up on mixIr. Also, something I can identify with as a *primary source* on your sermon today.

"I was with the US Bobsled Team from 1977 to 1980 and competed at Lake Placid, NY at the Olympic Trials. Your summation on the toboggan is like the bobsled for the following reasons. The NY course at that time was 1-mile long, 15 turns, 500' vertical drop and took about one minute to complete. From a running start,

jumping into the sled it took about 40 secs to get to the 1/2 mile point; it took 20 secs to COMPLETE the second 1/2 mile. This is a *type* of the future.

"From 2008 to 2017 is the first 1/2 mile and from now on is the finish. I had many 'slides,' but at the Trials I was retired from the sport with a crash at the last turn that I'm still dealing with today. The point being, that we, as Yehovah's people, have to hunker down and fight the fight until Yeshua's return which is soon (20 secs). The difference between the bottom of the run compared to the top is indescribable, but very thrilling with many unplanned events.

"My wilderness experience was being incarcerated from 2003-2010. I was corrected for a season then got back into the fight."

-- Dow Ramsom

"Hello Pastor Bill,

"Greetings in the blessed name of the Lord Jesus! Surely He has done great things for us, whereof we are glad. "Grace be to you, and peace from God our father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ". 2 Corinthians 1:2.

"We are happy that you are pressing on in this Christian race with all your heart. If we are faithful God will give us a crown of life. It is special that, although we may not be able to see one another face to face at the present: we will still have the blessed privilege of praying to the same Holy and just God who sees and cares for all. May God bless you and guide you and us all to our heavenly home.

"We know the enemies have laid many snares along the way, many deceptions, many temptations to sin and things that would appeal to flesh but our home and seeing the face of Jesus is worth giving up everything. We are thankful that the Lord, in love and mercy has given us the precious word of God to lead and guide us to the kingdom. Men and false prophets may say what they want but the word of God stands sure and unchanged by time. The flesh may

plead for an easier or safer way to the other side. Yes, it is wonderful that we do not have to deal with OUR troubles and trials alone but we have an Almighty God to whom we can go to and lean on His everlasting arms of love and power.

"In this world of uncertainty there is a refuge and secure place where we may find shelter! We are praying for the Lord to add precious souls in the work. We need your prayers because we have tough political Campaign here in Kenya and a too long drought with us and it is beyond expression. It has affected all parts of the Country Rivers dried. It very hurting for human and live-stock. The Government had declared it "A National Disaster" but we don't see anything done here.

"The famine is too shocking and it is historic. We don't have anything to put on the table or to drink but all of this we put them in the hand of our Lord. May our loving Lord bless you all and give you abundantly grace and strength in all you are doing for the living. May we ever draw closer to Him and abide in His glorious presence until He call us home to Him.

"Please keep in touch with us through e-mail. Send our greetings and love to your family our prayers continue for the Lord's will be done in Kenya. Please pray for us because we are facing our election which will be on 8th next month. Please let me hear from you and know how you are faring with life over there."

-- John Ogada, Kenya

"Your book, Mystery of the Holy Days – excellent! As I was reading and studying your book I realized how much I've been misled. I now understand clearly through your message and how to apply it to my life. Without this book I would have never known God's glorious plan for me through His Holy Days. I have never been taught this deep meaning of His Holy Day festivals. Although I celebrate each festival every year, I see I was just going through the motions. I can now enjoy the Holy Day feasts and festivals as God wanted me to live them in the first place.

"Thank you so much for this deep understanding of His Holy Days."

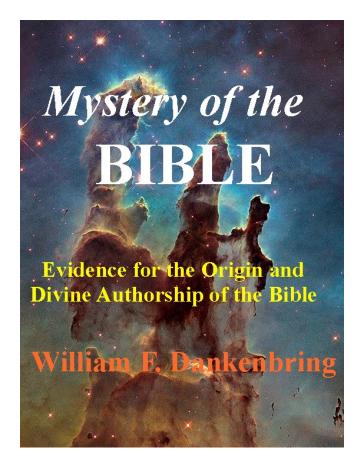
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Is the Bible Really the Inspired Revelation of God?

Abraham Lincoln, sixteenth president of the United States, said, "In regard for this Great Book, I have this to say, it is the best gift God has given to man. All the good Savior gave to the world was communicated through this Book."

Ulysses S. Grant, the eighteenth president, declared, "Hold fast to the Bible as the sheet anchor of your liberties, write its precepts in your hearts, and practice them in your lives. To the influence of this book are we indebted for all the progress made in true civilization, and to this we must look as our guide in the future."



What *Is* the BIBLE?

Where did the Bible come from? How was it written? Is there something unique about the Bible that sets it apart from all other books? Does it contain evidence of truly Divine inspiration?

Is the Bible merely a collection of ancient myths, legends, and writings of men? Is it really relevant to the modern world and the puzzling questions of human existence? Or is it just a hoary collection of ancient stories, spicy tales, incredible legends, myths, and folklore?

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