TREE OF HOPE DESTROYED – AMERICA ENTERING FIERY JUDGMENT

Almighty God, in Yeshua's name we come together before your presence to worship you and to glorify, praise and honor you and to hear your word of truth expounded to us. Help us to take heed, hear and prepare for your awesome judgment which is soon to be poured out on this earth. Thank you for calling us out of this world's conflagration, turmoil, deceit and confusion to the pathway of your truth into the obedience of your commandments which are ordained for our benefit, and for anointing us with your Holy Spirit. Thank for your Son, Yeshua, who came to this earth and gave his life willingly to pay the penalty for our sins and who now sits at the right hand of your throne in heaven as our high priest. We claim the promise that he is returning to this earth soon and bringing the kingdom of God and the wonders and peace of your righteous government. Bless and inspire our hearts and minds to follow in the footsteps of Christ and be forever dedicated messengers of your truth—fully devoted to you in love and service by your power, authority and wisdom. Please remember all those who are caught in affliction of trials and tests, pain and suffering and provide comfort and healing with strength renewed according to your will. Amen!

Greetings to everyone where ever you are around the world and joining us via video, live streaming, telephone conference, audio tape, CD or reading the weekly Bible study transcript. We know that many things are prophesied to occur this year and the coming years as we are witnessing the crumbling collapse of this economic system in America. David said in **Psalm 11:3**—"If the foundations are destroyed, what can the righteous do? ⁴ The LORD is in His holy temple, The LORD's throne is in heaven; His eyes behold, His eyelids test the sons of men. ⁵ The LORD tests the righteous, but the wicked and the one who loves violence His soul hates.

⁶ Upon the wicked He will rain coals; Fire and brimstone and a burning wind shall be the portion of their cup. ⁷ For **the Lord is righteous**, He <u>loves righteousness</u>; His countenance beholds the upright." The wicked are going to suffer violence and be annihilated (destroyed) before our very eyes in the holocaust which is coming on those who have denied God and closed their eyes deliberately to the existence of the almighty. **Psalm 14:1**—The fool has said in his heart,

"There is no God." It is interesting how our two foremost American political parties today are pictured: one as a donkey (Democrat) and the other an elephant (Republican). The donkey is known to be self-willed and stubborn (aka: jackass) and an elephant is known for its memory that does not forget and reluctant to change. However, the Republican Party today does not appear to remembering or changing.

Genesis 6:5-6—" And God saw that the wickedness of man (man's actions and activities) was great in the earth, and that every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually. ⁶And it repented the LORD that he had made man on the earth,

and it grieved him at his heart." ⁷ "It repenteth me, that I have made them." **Matthew 24:7, 37-38**—"But as the days of Noah were, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be. ³⁸ For as in the days that were before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noah entered into the ark." This world is crumbling and shaking all around us and society is on the brink of falling over the edge of the "grand canyon" of destruction (abyss) coming upon us. Never before has there such a show of such stupidity in the halls of justice and the corridors of Congress, but it is that way. The president has gone on vacation again while the Middle East is inflamed. You'd think Obama would be smart enough to learn from Bush's mistakes, and not risk having split screen images of him having fun on the golf course paired with images of Islamic State tanks rolling across Iraq, thousands of stranded Yazidi dying of thirst and hunger on a mountaintop. **Hosea 8:7**—"For they have sown the wind, and they shall reap the whirlwind: it hath no stalk; the bud shall yield no meal: if so be it yield the strangers shall swallow it up." We are sowing the wind in this country and we are going to reap the whirlwind.

Texas Governor Perry recently met with President Barack Obama to discuss the ongoing crisis at the U.S.-Mexico border, where tens of thousands of undocumented children continue to arrive after fleeing from violence and instability in Central America. On Monday, Perry requested the immediate deployment of as many as 1,000 service members to assist with security at the U.S.-Mexico border. Soldiers from both the Texas National Guard and State guard will mobilize "Operation Strong Safety" along the border region.

Mexico plays a significant role in our current border crisis, whether they want to admit it or not. They have relaxed some of their stringent immigration laws, allowing Central Americans to transit their country on the way to our border, something they didn't use to allow. Their corrupt government has allowed the cartels free reign along the border region, and equally corrupt Mexican military units are even helping the cartels, providing covering fire from Mexico's side of the border to keep the Border Patrol from interdicting the cartel's smuggling operations. Mexico is upset about Governor Perry sending the National Guard to the Texas-American border.

News—freedom outpost.com (8/10/20)—Scientist Terminated for Proving Dinosaurs and Humans Walked the Earth Together. "Traditional history suggests that dinosaurs and humans never crossed paths because their existence on earth was separated by tens of millions of years." You would think that a notable discovery would be headlined in all the papers and lead to more research into the possibility. But it contradicts so-called evolutionary science and Darwinism. Mark Armitage, a microscope technician, was hired in late 2009 for a two-day-per-week position deemed "permanent part-time". In middle May of 2012, Armitage was working at the Hell Creek Formation excavation site in Montana when he came across the largest triceratops horn ever unearthed. Upon further examination of the unique specimen with a high-powered microscope, Armitage was excited to find a sample of soft tissue complete with bone cells recorded only once before in history.

June 7-9th, 2012, the Creation Research Society Board of Directors had their meeting, Mr. Armitage, as a member of the board, attended and talked about <u>his less-than-a-</u>

<u>month-old project</u>. He was <u>interviewed</u> on June 8th, talking about his preliminary findings. When he published his findings his colleagues were stunned, because the existence of soft tissue which should degrade and disappear over millions of years, suggested that dinosaurs didn't go extinct 60 million years ago but rather, were alive and were in North America just several thousand years ago. On this basis, he felt it was not unreasonable to open discussion with colleagues and students about the implications of such a finding.

The book of Job talks about a land and sea dwelling creature called behemoth – a large serpent, reptile, dragon, or sea-monster. I've written a booklet on the <u>Dinosaurs</u>, and an article "Was there Life on Earth Before Adam. Dinosaurs and humans did co-exist on the earth. Apparently Armitage's discover of soft tissue (reptile-like skin) in such large animals threatened upheaval in the scientific community, subsequently leading to Armitage's termination. Romans 1:20 —"For the invisible things of Him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even his eternal power and Godhead; so that they <u>are without excuse</u>." Paul says that men in their hearts have to know that God exists because of Creation. ²¹ "Because that, when they knew God, they glorified him not as God, neither were thankful; but became vain in their imaginations, and their foolish heart was darkened. ²² Professing themselves to be wise, they became fools." The nations and their leaders are in denial of God and the judgment of God.

Flashtraffic –Joel Rosenberg (8/8/14)—"We are watching genocidal conditions emerge in epicenter. U.S President orders airstrikes on ISIS in Iraq. Evil, unchecked, is the prelude to genocide." This is as dark as any time I have ever seen in the modern Middle East. This isn't just war. We are watching the Jihadists seeking to annihilate all who stand in their way as they try to establish an Islamic State or caliphate. This evil must be checked now."

ISIS really intends to rule the whole world. There is no limit to their ambition. The horror is that Barak Obama and the American Foreign Policy created ISIS, although they won't admit it. America did not like Bashar Assad, dictator in Syria, and wanted to get rid of him, because he stands in the way of their New World Order. So the U.S. sent the jihadists weapons confiscated from Libya and North Africa after overthrowing Kadafi. Those weapons have now been turned on the Iraqi's and the Iraqi government by the ISIS terrorist militants. The whole U.S. strategy has backfired and Obama withdrew troops from Iraq leaving a vacuum in Iraq. The ISIS militants have attacked the forces of Iraq who ran away leaving their weapons which were captured by ISIS. ISIS is forging a new nation with the weapons left behind by the U.S. after the Gulf War.

The free world dithered as Adolph Hitler came to power. Isolationists in America told us we should do nothing. So we waited, hesitated, and argued among ourselves. Meanwhile Hitler rose up in Germany and started WW II causing millions of people to lose their lives. Once again, ISIS in a similar fashion has captured half of Iraq and is forcing Christians to convert or die, beheading Christians, crucifying them and cutting off the heads of their enemies. Obama says he doesn't believe "in photo ops" but deliberately allows a picture to be taken, as he says: "We won the war and we withdrew. Now it is in their hands—not our fault." Obama does not tell the truth. ISIS already controls the Mosul Dam and the biggest oil refinery in Iraq is under their power.

Article—shoebat.com. Two Democratic Senators call for resignation of CIA Director who allegedly converted to Islam. "When two Democratic Senators stray from the Obama reservation, it is a rare day. Today, U.S. Senators Mark Udall (D-CO) and Martin Heinrich (D-NM) called for the resignation of CIA Director John Brenan, whom former FBI Agent John Guandolo contends – based on eyewitnesses – converted to Islam while stationed in Saudi Arabia in the 1990s." Our government is infiltrated from every side. The Muslim Brotherhood is in America. Nihad Awad, the Executive Director of Hamas front group CAIR spoke at a pro-Hamas rally in Washington, DC and expressed outrage over a lie that Palestinian are "being slaughtered" with HIS taxpayer dollars. The truth is that Palestinians are being slaughtered by Hamas so stealth jhadists like Awad can blame Israel. These jhadists are becoming bold and brazen in our own country. Palestinian children are being taught violence and hatred and suicide bombing in the schools. Newsmax.com—Allen West: "Obama is an Islamist (8?15/14). President Barack Obama is an Islamist who is intentionally working against the security of the United States, said former Florida Rep. Allen West. The retired U.S. Army lieutenant colonel wrote in a post on his website on Wednesday, 'The only plausible explanation for the many actions taken by President Obama and his administration is that they are working counter to the security of America.' West cited the president's decision to release five senior Taliban members in the exchange for Sgt. Bowe Bergdahl; supplying weapons to support the Egyptian government led by the Muslim Brotherhood, and negotiating with Hamas. He also criticized Obama's decision to suspend a ban on Libyans attending U.S. flight schools and studying nuclear science, which had been in place since 1983. 'Can anyone explain what the strategy and objective is here in lifting this ban with a nation that is or should be on the terrorist watch list?' West wrote. 'Obama is an Islamist in his foreign policy perspectives and supports their cause. Anyone supporting this Libyan ban being lifted is indeed an enemy of the state."

America learned in WW II that you win the war by going in and cleaning out the problem, not by sanctions. General Dwight Eisenhower and the allies went into Europe and demanded *unconditional* surrender. Israel should go in and clean out Hamas and take over the land given to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob and demand unconditional surrender. But you know, Israel has forgotten their roots and heritage, just like the Americans have. It is critically important to know what our roots and heritage are, where we come from and where we are going. Judah and America are brothers and end-time Israel descended from the 10 lost tribes of Israel as a whole. Take a look at Obama's policies. He is an Islamist, Muslim and a wolf in sheep's clothing. He is not a Christian.

Article—NTEB News Desk (8/14/14) "Robin Williams Acknowledged he Channeled Demonic Spirits for Comedic Power." Fame in Hollywood often comes with a deadly price. "And he asked him, What is thy name? And he answered, saying My name is Legion: for we are many," Mark 5:9. Says Good Fight Ministries – "Everybody is currently talking about Robin Williams and his tragic suicide. Many are puzzled as to how a man, who made so many people laugh, could be so depressed that he would violently end his life. What people are not learning is the deeper truth about the insidious forces that tormented Robin Williams and drove him to suicide. Robin Williams acknowledged that he had opened himself up to transformative demonic powers that aided him on stage. Without the aid of such demonic powers, it is likely that you would have never have heard of Robin Williams and many other famous celebrities."

Williams also recognized that these powers had manifested a very evil influence on stage and that there could be a hefty price to pay for their assistance. Williams told James Kaplan of U.S. Weekly:

"Yeah! Literally, it's like possession – all of a sudden you're in, and because it's in front of a live audience, you just get this energy that just starts going... But there's also that thing – it is possession. In the old days you'd be burned for it...But there is something empowering about it. I mean, it is a place where you are totally – it is Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde, where you really can become this other force." Williams' last statement quoted above answers the question as to wy the demonic powers use entertainers. Their goal is to promote evil and darkness and increase mankind's rebellion against God.

Robin had the demonic power, working in him in a lot of his stage and comedy routines. Williams went on to say on the heels of that admission: "The people I've admired – Jonathan Winters, in his best days, was out—gone. But the price he paid for it was deep." When Robin tried to drown out the clamoring voices with a deluge of alcohol, he ended up poisoning himself and teetering on the throes of death. He tried "professional help" a number of times, but the arm of the flesh, no matter how noble the intention, cannot overcome the demonic world. Williams felt enslaved to the industry and to the very dark powers that brought him fame in the first place. An intimate friend of Williams told the Telegraph that Williams had been working on projects and dreaded making more films to pay the bills, as they "brought out his demons" and left him drained and particularly vulnerable to depressive episodes.

While many only knew Robin Williams to be what they considered a somewhat "family friendly" actor, he was one of the most successful crude stand-up comics who ever lived. It was during his stand-up where he was most able to tap into what he calls possession ...Dr. Jekyll and Hyde...that's where people can get as dark as they can in comedy – in the name of comedy . It was in Williams' stand up where he would go into his manic, stream-of consciousness rants. Many people express shock after seeing Williams' stand up, not knowing his act was so peverse. Comedians, like many famous musicians, pay the price for their fame by becoming enslaved to the demonic forces that possess and torment them.

In the same US Weekly Interview, James Kaplan says: "With a gift for mimicry and improvisation that verged on demonic possession, Williams could even approach this artistry of his idol Jonathan Winters—a man whose genius took him once or twice, over the edge into mental illness. At the height of Winter's success, he voluntarily committed himself to a psychiatric hospital for eight months. Winters, like Williams, often fell into deep depression and struggled with heavy drinking. 'These voices are always screaming to get out. They follow me around pretty much all day and night,' Winters told the Fort Worth Star-Telegram." Demonic forces are coming back into the world with a vengeance. Demons are revealing themselves in televisions shows—comedies, vampires, were-wolves and the world is becoming much more demonized. God's people need to be aware and alert to the danger.

Ephesians 6:10—"Finally, my brethren, <u>be strong in the Lord</u>, and <u>in the power of his might</u>. ¹¹ Put on the whole armor of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. ¹² For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities,

against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places ¹³ Wherefore take unto you the whole armor of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand."

2 Corinthians 10:4—"For the weapons of our warfare <u>are not carnal</u>, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds; ⁵ Casting down imaginations, and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ; And having in a readiness to revenge all disobedience, when your obedience is fulfilled." This is pulling down strongholds of the devil through the Holy Spirit of God within us—the very power of the Almighty WARING within and through us by His Spirit to pull down strong holds--<u>all the</u> powers and forces of the devils and demons of the world!

James 4:7—"SUBMIT yourselves therefore to God. RESIST the devil, and he will flee from you." Stand up and fight! Do not be taken in.

Does the fact that America will take no action against ISIS tell you something? It does not matter which party, Republican or Democratic, both are involved in betraying our country to the Muslim world for the Middle East oil since the days of Richard Nixon and Henry Kissinger, America has made compact with the devil to support Saudi Arabia in their perverseness in order to get Saudi oil. We have allowed their institutions of so-called charity to be tax-exempt so they can use charitable contributions to foment terror and jihadist causes. When will the nation of America wake up?

Seventy-six percent of all mosques have been established since 1980. A total of 2,106 mosques were counted in 2012. Greater New York City ranked No. 1 with 257 mosques. Southern California (246), Greater Chicago (90), Greater Philadelphia (63) and Greater Detroit (63) rounded out the top five metropolitan areas for mosque population. The survey is sponsored by the Council on American-Islamic Relations, the Islamic Society of North America and other groups in conjunction with the Hartford Institute for Religion Research.

Hosea 8:3-14 —"Israel has rejected the good; the enemy will pursue him.⁴ They set up kings, but not by Me; They made princes, but I did not acknowledge them from their silver and gold. They made idols for themselves—that they might be cut off.⁵ Your calf is rejected, O Samaria!

My anger is aroused against them—How long until they attain to innocence? ⁶ For from Israel is even this: A workman made it, and it is not God; but the calf of Samaria shall be broken to pieces. ⁷ They sow the wind, and reap the whirlwind. The stalk has no bud; It shall never produce meal. If it should produce, aliens would swallow it up. ⁸ Israel is swallowed up. Now they are among the Gentiles, like a vessel in which is no pleasure. ⁹ For they have gone up to Assyria, Ephraim has hired lovers. ¹⁰ Yes, though they have hired among the nations. Now, I will gather them; and they shall sorrow a little because of the burden of the king of princes. ¹¹ Because Ephraim has made many altars for sin, they have become for him altars for sinning." ¹² I have written for him the great things of my law, but they were considered a strange thing. ¹³ For the sacrifices of my offerings they sacrifice flesh and eat it, But the LORD does not accept them. Now He will remember their iniquity and punish their sins. They shall return to Egypt. ¹⁴ For Israel

has forgotten his Maker, and has built temples Judah also has multiplied fortified cities; But I will send fire upon his cities, and it shall devour his palaces." Today, fire would mean nuclear bombs.

Malachi 2:5—"Says the Lord of hosts "My covenant was with Levi, one of life and peace,

I gave them to him that he might fear me; So he feared me and was reverent before my name. The law of truth was in his mouth, and injustice was not found on his lips. He walked with me in peace and equity, and turned many away from iniquity. For the lips of a priest should keep knowledge, and people should seek the law from his mouth; For he is the messenger of the LORD of hosts."

Why was God upset? **Malachi 2**: 8—"But you have departed from the way; You have caused may to stumble at the law. You have corrupted the covenant of Levi, says the LORD of hosts. ⁹ "Therefore I also have made you contemptible and base before all the people. Because you have not kept my ways but have shown partiality in the law." The minister is to be the messenger of the Lord of Hosts. The ministers are teaching that the law of God is abolished—and the 7th day Sabbath and annual holy days and festivals are done away. You can enjoy your pork, ham, bacon and shellfish—forget the law of unclean meats, it doesn't apply anymore. Worship on Sunday. Keep the pagan festivals of Christmas and Easter. God says they are liars. God's Law is eternal and unchanging. If the minister does not embrace the Law of God, he is partial in the Law.

Psalm 111:7-10—"The works of His hands are verity and justice; All His precepts are sure.

⁸ They stand fast forever and ever, And are done in truth and uprightness. ⁹ He has sent redemption to His people; He has commanded His covenant forever: Holy and awesome is His name. ¹⁰ The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; A good understanding have all those who do His commandments. His praise endures forever.

The Psalm of the Bible that really shows what God wants and what he desires is 119, a Psalm that is about his Law and focuses on its beauty, glory, majesty, honor and power. The very first verse says, "Blessed are the undefiled in the way, who walk in the law of the LORD! These are those who are blameless in the law of the Lord. Blessed are those who keep His testimonies,

Who seek Him with the whole heart! They also do no iniquity. They walk in His ways. You have commanded us to keep your precepts diligently. Oh, that my ways were directed to keep your statutes! Then I would not be ashamed. When I look into all your commandments. I will praise you with uprightness of heart, when I learn your righteous judgments. I will keep your statutes. Oh, do not forsake me utterly! "Open my eyes, that I may see wondrous things from your law." I will run the course of Your commandments, for you shall enlarge my heart.

34"Give me understanding, and I shall keep your law; indeed, I shall observe it with my whole heart."

God's Law is His way of life. His Law is not done away—nothing! The sacrifices are part of the temporary ceremonial ritual aspect of the Levitical priesthood. The Law of His

commandments, statutes and judgments are forever. It is not added or temporary. The Law has always been.

Psalm 119:92-96—"Unless Your law *had been* my delight,I would then have perished in my affliction.⁹³ I will never forget Your precepts, For by them You have given me life. ⁹⁴ I am yours, save me;For I have sought Your precepts. ⁹⁵ The wicked wait for me to destroy me, But I will consider your testimonies. ⁹⁶ I have seen the consummation of all perfection, but Your commandment *is* exceedingly broad." God's Law reaches everywhere.

Verse 97—"Oh, how I love your law! It is my meditation all the day. You, through your commandments, make me wiser than my enemies; For they are ever with me.⁹⁹ I have more understanding than all my teachers, For Your testimonies are my meditation.¹⁰⁰ I understand more than the ancients, because I keep Your precepts.¹⁰¹ I have restrained my feet from every evil way, that I may keep Your word.' ⁰² I have not departed from your judgments, for you yourself have taught me. ¹⁰³ How sweet are your words to my taste, Sweeter than honey to my mouth! ¹⁰⁴ Through Your precepts, I get understanding; Therefore I hate every false way."

Psalm 1:1-3—"Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor stands in the path of sinners, nor sits in the seat of the scornful; But his delight is in the law of the LORD, and in His law he meditates day and night. ³ He shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water,

That brings forth its fruit in its season, whose leaf also shall not wither; and whatever he does shall prosper."

The Hebrew word for law is Torah. We often speak of the five books of the Moses as Torah. It is the five books that were given to Moses by God for all mankind. The Law means the teachings of God—all the commandments, statutes, judgments and legal divisions of the law.

Psalm 19 — "The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament shows His handiwork.² Day unto day utters speech, and night unto night reveals knowledge. ³There is no speech nor language. Where their voice is not heard. ⁴Their line has gone out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world. In them He has set a tabernacle for the sun, ⁵ Which is like a bridegroom coming out of his chamber, And rejoices like a strong man to run its race. 6 Its rising is from one end of heaven, and its circuit to the other end; and there is nothing hidden from its heat. The law of the LORD is perfect, converting the soul; The testimony of the LORD is sure, making wise the simple. 8 The statutes of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart; The commandment of the LORD is pure, enlightening the eyes; ⁹ The fear of the LORD is clean, enduring forever; The judgments of the LORD are true and righteous altogether. ¹⁰ More to be desired are they than gold, Yea, than much fine gold; Sweeter also than honey and the honeycomb. 11 Moreover by them your servant is warned, And in keeping them there is great reward. 12 Who can understand his errors? Cleanse me from secret faults. 13 Keep back your servant also from presumptuous sins: Let them not have dominion over me. Then I shall be

blameless, and I shall be innocent of great transgression.¹⁴ Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O LORD, my strength and my Redeemer."

The Creation speaks eloquently. There is no fault in the law of God. It is without blemish. Christ came to magnify God's Law, not to do away with the Law. He explained and taught the Law of God and did the will of the Father while here on earth. He expounded, interpreted the application of how to understand the Law spiritually.

Matthew 5:17—"Do not think that I came to destroy the Law or the Prophets. I did not come to destroy but to fulfill. ¹⁸ For assuredly, I say to you, till heaven and earth pass away, one jot or one tittle will by no means pass from the law till all is fulfilled. ¹⁹ Whoever therefore breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches men so, shall be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does and teaches them, he shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven. ²⁰ For I say to you, that unless your righteousness exceeds the righteousness of the scribes and Pharisees, you will by no means enter the kingdom of heaven."

God's Law is still governing the path of the earth around the sun, courses of the stars in the heavens, the courses of the galaxies, and governs everything on earth. **Romans 3:31**—"Do we then make void the law through faith? Certainly not! On the contrary, we establish the law." Christ came to establish it. God intends that we keep His commandments through the power of his Holy Spirit dwelling within us. **Proverbs 29:18**—"Where there is no vision, the people perish: but he that keeps the law, happy is he." Our nation has cast off restraint and has no sense of vision. People have lost sight of God's law.

World Net Daily—Jonathan Cahn, the inspiration behind Isaiah 9:10 Judgment" documentary, says the seventh harbinger is no more. A tree that was placed at the site of the 9/11 Muslim terror attack in New York City has died, has been removed, and destroyed. "Harbinger" author Jonathan Cahn says it's because of his book that the tree will not be replaced. His work examines the nine harbingers, or warnings, recorded in the Bible that were delivered to Israel before the nation disintegrated. He contends God is giving the same nine warnings now to America to urge the nation to repent. One of the harbingers was a sycamore tree at Ground Zero, which after the destruction of the Twin Towers was replaced by an evergreen, a move Cahn believes follows the Isaiah prophecy. Now the replacement tree is gone, he said. "The ancient sign of nearing national judgment has been manifested. The erez tree has fallen. The seventh harbinger now speaks of impending judgment. The Tree of Hope, the symbol of America's resurgence ... is dead," he explained. "The keepers of the Tree of Hope did everything they could to save the withering tree. They even changed the soil in which it grew. But no matter what they did, the tree continued to wither away and die." Finally, in the spring of this year, the tree planted in the place of the fallen sycamore of Ground Zero, the symbol of a rising America, was uprooted. ... The seventh harbinger is no more."

Only recently did Cahn discover that "The Harbinger's" prophecy has come true. The news came to him from those who had recently walked the grounds of St. Paul's Chapel

in New York City at the corner of Ground Zero where the erez tree had been planted in place of the fallen sycamore. Unlike the planting of the Tree of Hope, which was done publicly and followed by a publicized ceremony, the tree was uprooted with little notice given, out of the public eye. In fact it was only after several inquiries were made as to the tree's disappearance that WND found out what happened. The Tree of Hope, the symbol of a resurgent America, was uprooted in the spring of this year. The day after its uprooting, it was entirely destroyed.

The original vow, in Isaiah 9, begins with the words: "The bricks have fallen, but we will rebuild with hewn stone." Isaiah 9:10 is a verse in which Israel's national leaders utter a vow of defiance following an attack by Assyria. It declared that the nation would not repent before God, but would defy Him instead. 2001, American leaders began repeating that 2,500-year-old vow, word for word. It is astonishing that New York's Ground Zero actually represents more than the former financial center of the country. It represents the exact place at which America was first consecrated to God in prayer by the country's new leaders. It also references a sycamore falling and being replaced by a cedar. "The vow declares Israel's defiance of God, in the face of a devastating strike on the land."

"In the Bible," said Cahn, "the felling of the cedar, or the destruction of the erez tree, is a particularly stark sign given to a nation nearing the day of its judgment. What these continuing signs signify is that America's progression to judgment is continuing – if not accelerating. If after that first calamity and warning, the nation doesn't return to God but responds in defiance, it will end up triggering a second calamity. It was because of this ancient key, that, seven years after 9/11, the American economy collapsed. In the days after 9/11, the Federal Reserve slashed the base interest rate in an attempt to defy the consequences of the attacks. That action put us on the path leading to the collapse of the American economy seven years later. In 2008, the government made a second fatal mistake, another ill-fated financial decision that would trigger the collapse of the American economy. Amazingly, it took place on the seventh anniversary of the uttering of the ancient vow on Capitol Hill. Combine this with the fact that America in indeed continuing on a rapidly accelerating course of apostasy from God and moral collapse – and it comprises an ominous warning: America is approaching a day of judgment."

Cahn says he has found nine harbingers that tie the problems America has experienced beginning Sept. 11, 2001, together, with parallels to events that led to the destruction of ancient Israel. Before God judges a nation, He sends warning," explains Cahn. "He sent warnings to ancient Israel. He even allowed its enemies to breach its borders in a devastating strike that would traumatize the nation. It was a wake-up call, the call to return to God. But the nation responded with defiance. God then gave nine harbingers of judgment, nine prophetic signs, alarms and foreshadows of what was to come. Now America is the nation in rapid departure from God's will. And God likewise allowed an enemy to breach its borders in a devastating strike – the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11, 2001. It was, likewise, a wake-up call. But America, like Israel, has not responded with repentance, but with defiance. And now the nine harbingers of judgment have reappeared and have done so on American soil."

Thirteen years have passed after 911. The tower has been rebuilt with hewn stones reaching a height of 1776 feet, but his source regarding the destruction of the tree told him there would not be another tree planted because of "The Harbinger." He said that because of the book, people have been coming from all over the United States to see the tree. Isaiah 9:10 states, "The bricks are fallen down, but we will build with hewn stones: the sycamores are cut down, but we will change them into cedars." (King James Version) The words were first uttered by leaders in ancient Israel in response to a limited strike by Assyria on the lands of Zebulun and Naphtali. The prophet makes clear it was a limited judgment by God against apostasy. The purpose was not to destroy the nation, but to awaken it, according to most commentaries. The northern kingdom of Israel did not repent of its rebellion against God's commandments and was eventually conquered and removed from its land by the ancient Assyrians. Eventually, the southern kingdom of Judah also was overcome by the Babylonians after the Jews refused to repent as well. Cahn says, the verse connotes an attitude of defiance, a desire to rebuild with stronger materials instead of acknowledging the hand of God and moving toward national repentance.

Not only was a sycamore tree struck on 9/11, but it was replaced in the exact same location by another tree of the type mentioned in the original Hebrew, an "erez" tree, which is the same genus as the cedar. "The most natural thing to have done would have been to replace one sycamore with another," Cahn writes. "But the prophecy required that the fallen sycamore be replaced with a tree of an entirely different nature. So the tree that replaced the sycamore of Ground Zero was likewise *not* a sycamore. According to the prophecy, the sycamore must be replaced by the biblical *erez*. So it must be replaced by a conifer tree." And that's what took place in 2003, as a conifer tree, the "Tree of Hope" as it was called, was planted in the spot where the sycamore was slammed on 9/11. The loss of the tree "is another ominous sign concerning America," said Cahn, because it appears to be following a known path.

Combine these things with the fact that America is continuing on a rapidly accelerating course of apostasy from God, moral and economic collapse, gathering wickedness, and the approach of tyranny, it is a fearful, ominous warning that America is approaching her day of judgment. The glory of Ephraim will wither and fade away.