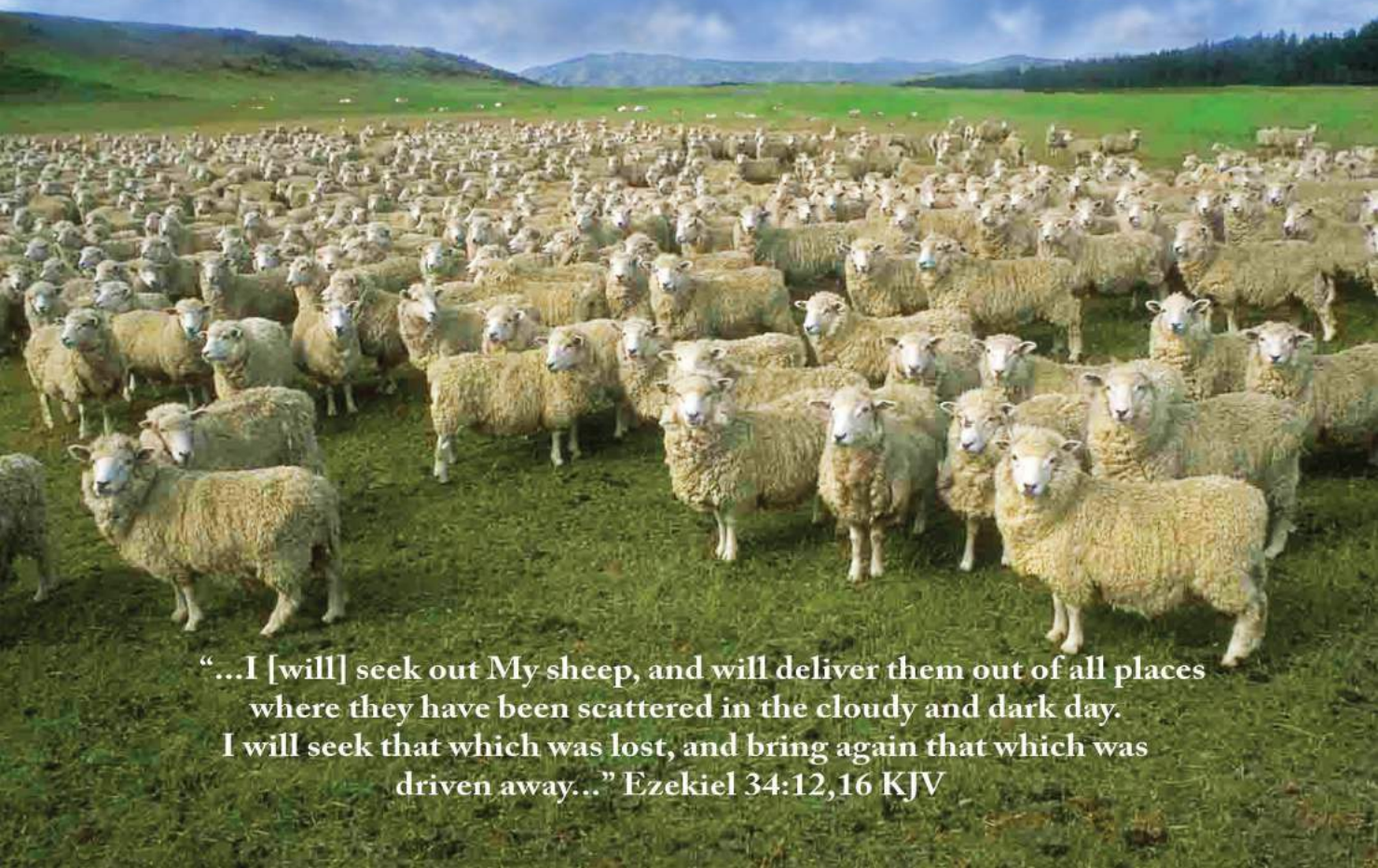


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“...I [will] seek out My sheep, and will deliver them out of all places where they have been scattered in the cloudy and dark day. I will seek that which was lost, and bring again that which was driven away...” Ezekiel 34:12,16 KJV



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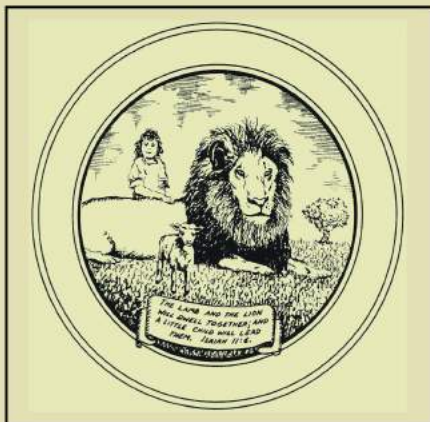
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# Interracial



## Marriage

Bible Study Sermon

by

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(May 1982)

**W**ell brethren, we are in ***the very last days***. That is a sobering thing. I don't think we really realize it. To us, I think, we seem to take life as if—that is, it isn't life; it is only a chemical existence, a temporary existence that we have—but I think we seem to take it as if it's going to go on forever, and as if we're therefore going to live forever in this same world, same kind of conditions, same life. So we want to live it up while we can. We want to get all the fun and the

enjoyment and the pleasure out of it while we can.

We should be sobered when we realize that we are ***in the last days***. And all we have is a chemical existence and life isn't very long anyway. I think I realize that more than when I used to speak to you 30 or 40 years ago. Somehow, I don't know how, I sneaked past middle age. I never hit middle age. But now I look back and see I'm past it. I don't know how I got past it. But in less

than three months now, I will be in my ninetieth year. So

**90<sup>th</sup>**

that's a little older than most of you and I've come to realize that life, this life, this temporary existence, is just a will-o-the-wisp, it's just here today and gone tomorrow; almost no time at all.

And why are we here? We're here for a purpose and we lose all sight of that. We just want to think of the pleasure of the moment and going along with this world we are in. We want to be part of it. Now we are in God's Church and judgment is on us. It isn't on the world. But judgment has begun with us. [***I Peter 4:17; II Corinthians 13:5***]. And we're having our only chance right now. We're being judged one way or the other and if we flunk out now, that means ***the lake of fire***. [***Hebrews 6:4-8; 10:26-31; Revelation 20:14-15***]. The world, whatever they do that's wrong, they're going to have to give account, but judgment hasn't come to them yet. When it does, they'll have to give account. But they might have a chance.

***BUT IF YOU AND I DON'T MAKE IT, BRETHREN, WE HAVE NO OTHER CHANCE!***



**[II Corinthians 6:1-2].**

We're getting down to the last days, and we're in a world of trouble! If you've been watching the news this week, it's very much on the troubles over in Lebanon. Trouble escalating up in North Ireland. Trouble down in South Africa. And a lot of this trouble is racial.



**Satan's Next Attack:**

Today I want to speak on what may possibly be the very next attack that Satan will use against this Church. I was studying at lunch before the meeting last Sabbath, with our minister there and he said "I think that very likely, the next attack of Satan" –now there was the attack of the State of California against us. There's been another attack that most of you don't even know anything about. It only hit a few of us at the top. But there has been trouble and don't you think there hasn't. Satan is on the job.

But Christ is on the job and Christ is winning. And always will win! It's like my executive assistant, Bob Fahey said, he's looked at the Book to see how it comes out in the end, and he says, "We win." Yes, we do. That's the way it's going to turn out. At least Christ is going to win and we'll only win

if we're on Christ's side.

We don't need to worry about getting Christ over on our side. But he said, the thing that's going to hit this Church next (that Satan's going to use), **is interracial marriage.**



Oh the pity people can sometimes get their feelings all stirred up **to a red-hot pitch** on something of that kind. Their prejudices, their emotions, their feelings. God almighty created us all. He put us here for a purpose. And we don't have much longer. And we need to look into this. Now that was in New York City last Sabbath.

On the plane, coming back, Mr. Fahey showed me a letter that had been handed to him from a member. I believe this member is in, yes, just across in New Jersey, just across from New York but had attended the service. And she had been talking to another member who lives in Philadelphia. And there'd been quite a heated conversation on the telephone.

And I want to read you just one slight little bit of what was in that message and what is coming up in the Church now. And you're going to have to—**IF GOD BE GOD -- GET ON HIS SIDE! AND IF YOU WANT TO GO WITH THIS WORLD AND THE**

**WAY IT'S GOING, GET OVER ON THAT SIDE, AND GO INTO THE LAKE OF FIRE WITH IT.** That's all I



have to say.

I just want to read a few, this is about a 3 or 4 page letter, so, I'll just read a part of it. She says, "During the conversation, [that's the telephone conversation, that's the telephone conversation she had with this woman in Philadelphia] it was stated that the blacks in God's church are dissatisfied with such doctrines that are not keeping with the current social trend in the world, which they feel are in keeping with the premises of international relationships that are a part of this nation's background."

So we should go along with our nation and the social trends of the world. And this letter also says that they are trying to line up a group of blacks, **TO GIVE ME AN ULTIMATUM! THAT I GET ON THE SIDE OF THE TRENDS, THE SOCIAL TREND OF THIS WORLD, OR ELSE!!!** I'll tell you what I'll give them. **I'll give them OR ELSE. I won't COMPROMISE ONE MILLIONTH OF AN INCH!** And if you will, you can go into **the lake of fire** if you want to!

Now, I've never started a fight in my life but let me tell you, I've won every fight I've ever been in. But someone else always started it. I don't want to start a fight. I'm the servant of the Most High God. And I'm as much a servant of blacks or of yellows or of any

other color, pinks, polka dots, anything you want to mention - and the like. But I know what God has said. And that's what I'm teaching you and that's the way this Church is going to go. We're getting this Church back on God's track. That's where it's going to be and that's where it's going to stay.

### **Trends of the World:**

Also, I understand that some are saying we've got to have racial balance at Ambassador College. Well, what does God say about that? **WE'RE NOT GOING TO GO WITH THESE TRENDS OF THE WORLD!! THE POLITICAL FOOTBALLS, THE SOCIAL TRENDS, THE THINGS OF SATAN!** Those are all the ways of Satan and now God is going to use us because there are laws in the Supreme Courts of the United States.

They passed a law here a few years ago and they're taking advantage of it. Now, they may try to get laws, use the laws for the sake of the nation, against us if we don't approve interracial marriage. But I say, as for me and my house, we shall serve the Eternal God. What are you going to say?

Now let me tell you something. This isn't anything to get all emotional about at all. I happened to be born white. I don't know why? I'm not white. They just call it that. I'm anything but white. So are any the rest of you that think

you are. You're not. But what difference does it make? If we make it into the Kingdom of God, what color skin are we going to have? You ever think of that? We're not going to have any skin at all. But our eyes are going to be like flames of fire and our faces are going to be like the sun full strength. What color



is that? It's so bright it'll blind you if you look without a smoked glass. And that's the way it's going to be. Jesus Christ said, about the last days, he looked into that time in our day and he said of this in our day, **Matthew 24:37-38 "But as the days of Noah were, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be. For as in the days of Noah...,"** And that's the way it is today, exactly. And that was the end of that world.

You know there are three worlds mentioned in the Bible? There are three heavens mentioned in the Bible. Did you ever realize that? There are three worlds, three heavens. Now there are a lot of twos, two this and two that,



there are some twelves, there are some sevens. But there are three worlds.

There are three heavens. The one heaven is Earth's atmosphere where you fly an



airplane and where birds fly. Another heaven is in outer space where we see not only our sun but other suns that we call stars and other planets. Then the third heaven is the heaven of God's throne. We don't know where that is. One Scripture in **Isaiah 14 (:13)** in that case it will be in the far, far North of this Earth. That is as seen from this Earth, if we could see it. But we can't.

But the three worlds, there's a world that then was, which was over flown by flood. Then there's this present evil world. And then there's a world to come, which I've been calling for many, many years, "The World Tomorrow." The three worlds are mentioned in the Bible. Now Jesus said as the world in Noah's day ended, as

it was at that time, so it will be at the end of this world. And we're at the end of this world right now. If you want to ignore that fact and get caught like a rat in a trap, you ignore it. But I wouldn't advise it.

Now notice what Jesus said, **Matthew 24:37-38 "...But as the days of Noah were, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be. 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, . . ."**

What's wrong with eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage? How did these things bring an end to that world? Those are the things he mentioned that brought an end to that world. And those same things are bringing an end to this world now. All right, let's go back to that world and see what the history of it is.

**Wives They Chose:**  
**Genesis 6:1-2 And it came to pass, when men began to multiply on the face of the earth, and daughters were born unto them, that the sons of God saw the daughters of men that**

**they were fair; and they took them wives of all which they chose.**

Which THEY chose! That's what they want to do today. A black man wants to take a white woman for a wife. That's what HE chooses. A white woman wants to become the wife of a black man. Now I don't know of any cases where a white man wants to marry a black woman. Why is that? Answer that for me! I'd like to have someone give me an answer to that.

Why is it our white women want to marry black men? Why is it our black men want to marry white women? Black women don't seem to want to marry white men and white men don't seem to want to marry black women. Why? It's time we begin to think about these things and quit boiling up with our emotions. Now notice again in **verse 5.**

**Genesis 6:5** And GOD saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually.

Some of what they chose was evil wasn't it? And notice again, one more verse, a couple here:

**Genesis 6:11-12** The earth also was corrupt before God, and the earth was filled with violence. And God looked upon the earth, and, behold, it was



**corrupt for all flesh had corrupted his way upon the earth**

Sure they were getting a kick out of life. They were doing things **THEY** thought would



So God just ended that world. Did you ever think about, why did God absolutely kill or murder, if you want to call it that, every human being that except Noah and his family, eight people? They were bringing us even unhappiness and misery on themselves. Sure they were getting a kick out of life. They were doing things **THEY** thought would be pleasurable. That **THEY** thought would be exciting. They had violence and oh how exciting that was. The earth was filled with violence. Something caused it. Did you ever think about, why did God absolutely kill or murder, if you want to call it that, every human being that except Noah and his family, eight people? They were bringing us even unhappiness and misery on themselves.

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Jesus told the cause. He said they were eating and drinking; they were marrying and giving in marriage. That's the only thing that you can find in the Bible that will give you a cause *for the end of that world then.*

Now what's wrong about eating and drinking? Nothing at all if you eat and drink the right kind of—water or the right kind of, well orange juice is fine, and even wine in the small amounts, with temperance. But drunkenness is not right. No drunkard is ever going to enter into the Kingdom of God. And eating the

wrong kind of food and eating too much is a sin. Now a little bit of it can be a very mild sin and I guess every one of us is guilty of that. We don't seem to realize that, that's important. What we eat is important. More than we realize. We just go along with what pleases us. What appeals to our appetite, our desire of wanting to get, wanting to have, wanting to enjoy.

We're in a very small wisp of a lifetime and **judgment is on us** as to whether we're going to have joy and happiness and peace and everything wonderful **FOREVER**. And we're just letting this time go by, most of us, without taking it very seriously.

### **Well who's Mr. Armstrong?**

Oh I know it's nice to come to Church here every Sabbath, when we've got the most beautiful auditorium to come into on the face of this earth. There was an artist here just this past week, a well-known artist performing here who said, this is the finest auditorium on the face of the Earth. Well, I've said that before and I'm glad to have an artist who's been all over the face the Earth say the same thing. God has blessed you with these things. But do you just come here as God's people, as **Ezekiel** says I believe it's **33:31-32**, and you sit here as the people of God, you hear my words and those of the other ministers.



And to you they are like a musician playing on a beautiful instrument and it entertains you, it amuses you and you enjoy it. "Oh yeah, I sure enjoyed that Church Service. You Bet!"

Well, 4,000 enjoyed the Church Service over 4,000 in New York last Sabbath. I have had to wonder, they are our own brethren who I love and think they love me, but, brethren, I tell you I don't think we take these things seriously enough. I wonder, out of that 4,000, if every one of them had been asked to write down, oh say, 25 or 50 words, just a very small amount, what did Mr. Armstrong teach about? How many would be able to tell? You think 10% could or do you really believe 90% would remember what I said? They'd say "Oh, we got to see Mr. Armstrong." Well, who's Mr. Armstrong? He's a nothing and a nobody. Except for what Christ has put in him and what Christ uses him for. Otherwise, I'm nothing. But they want to make me something because God has made me the leader of this Church. The human leader, not the head of the Church, Christ is the head.

Yes, I appreciate the fact that they all want to come when I come to speak. But if someone else was the head of this Church, and had had the same kind of publicity and talked with the little children growing up, they would all want to even

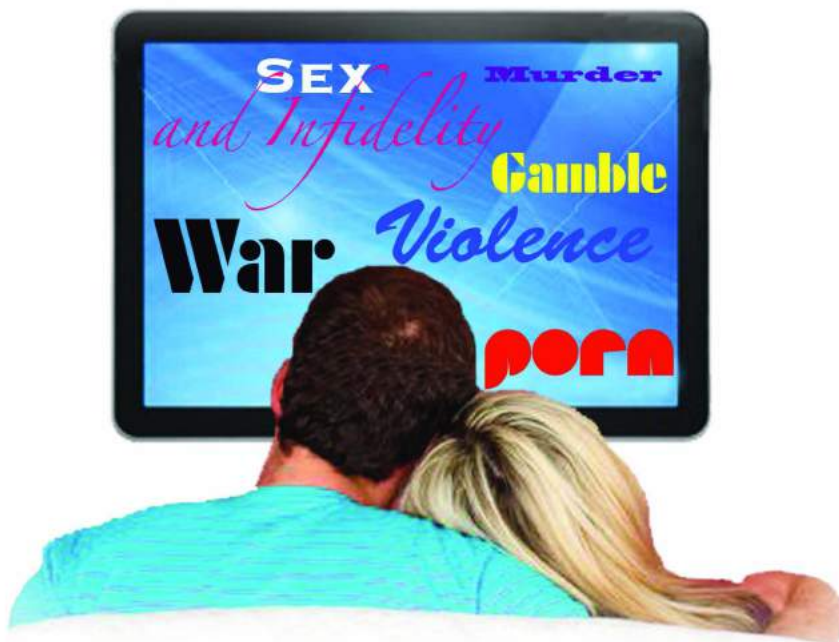
from the little childhood come and see him.

Yeah, I remember. I saw the President of the United States when I was 5 years old. I've always remembered it. Wasn't that great? I saw President McKinley. How many of you here ever saw President William McKinley when he was President? I don't think any of you did. But I was a little boy 5 years old and my father had to lift me up and hold me so I could see him over the crowd. They just want to get to see a noted personage. Well I'm no noted personage and I don't like to be called such. I just have a job to do. I want be your servant and I want to help you. I want to give you what is good for you and what will help you. That's all I want to do. I'm not in it for what I can get out of it either.

### Why Did God Erase That Earth?

Why did marrying whom they chose have something to do with leading to *violence* that was so bad—I didn't finish what I started a minute ago—Why did God erase from the Earth all but eight people? Because they were doing what they thought was pleasing to them. Sure they wanted excitement, just like people today.

What do you want on television? You want excitement. You want sex or you want violence or you want something exciting. Take these game shows they have. The emcee comes out and he's all dressed up and it's all smart and it's all full of life and someone's going to win a lot of money. And they try to make it exciting. So they're going to have some kind of a turning of wheel or like throwing the dice or something to see what kind of a prize he wins and someone gives the prize. And they are





grilled before they go on there. They've got to make a big expression over every kind of merchandise that comes out that they're going to get if they win this. **ALL** to make it exciting. Entertain people.



That's what people want. How about us? Are we like the rest of the world? Do we just want to be entertained? I sometimes wonder.

But they were also bringing unhappiness and misery on themselves and they were just trying to escape from it now and then, by thinking they're getting something enjoyable and exciting. That's the way it is today.

It gets so,



that to find some excitement in life, we had topless restaurants. Well that got to be old stuff and it wasn't exciting anymore so they had bottomless restaurants. *Then finally*

*they had shows with sexual intercourse, performed with a naked man and woman right on the stage and people pay admission to get in there and see it. **THAT'S HOW***

**ROTTEN THIS WORLD'S GOTTEN.** They want pleasure and they want excitement. Now maybe we don't want pleasures quite like that. But maybe we want pleasures a little more than we realize brethren. Now why don't we stop and think about it once in a while?

They were in such misery, in spite of what pleasure they thought they were getting in between times, that God just simply did the kindest thing He could do for them out of love for them. He snuffed out their lives in two claps, like that.

And when they die and when they lose consciousness and the next when ***they wake up it'll be in the Great White Throne Judgment.*** And there, they will ***first give account for their sins*** but they will find that Christ died for their sins... if they want to change. And then that judgment, it will last a certain time to see if they want to change, they'll have to prove it by their performance. They'll have to bring forth ***"fruits meet for repentance,"*** as John the Baptist says.

That's what we have to do **NOW!** That's what you and I have to do. We have to prove it by our performance. And

how are we proving it or how much are we still in the world and still going the way of Satan, wanting to be entertained, amused and just thinking of things like that. I tell you, we need to wake up brethren. It's a lot later than we think.

Now, we can stir up our emotions on certain things and get all **heated** up about it. God took them away from that violence and they'll wake up when there isn't any Satan around to deceive them. And when some of you and I, and I hope it's all of us, are going to be God-beings there to supervise them and teach them under Christ, ruling with Christ on His throne, having power over the nations to teach them. Now that'll be those who are still living on into the millennium for the thousand years and that'll be those who will wake up in the Great White Throne Judgment resurrection, a thousand years afterwards.

**Well, let me tell you why that is important and why this whole thing is important. And why marrying such as THEY chose WAS IMPORTANT!!**

God created the first man and the first woman and told them to be fruitful and multiply and replenish the earth. But before that first man, God put him in the Garden of Eden. Now I'm not going to read



these Scriptures because you know them already. Now I'm just going to talk about this and explain it for a while, just like I did to the ministers the other day. God had a purpose in creating man and that was to create in him God's own perfect, holy, righteous, character. And none of us has that fully yet at all. Maybe we've started on that way. I hope we have. But that's why we were created. And God is reproducing Himself and we will be born as God, as the Sons of God. But we have to have that character.

### The Two Trees:

Now God created a man. He put them in His Garden of Eden. There were two trees in that Garden of Eden. I've gone over this so many times. Let me just rehearse it quickly without reading all the Scriptures. One was the Tree of Life. The other was the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil.

All right, **there's great meaning in those two trees** - very, very great meaning. Man did not have life. God did not create him with real life. God created him with a temporary chemical existence that is like an alarm clock wound up that is running down. And when it runs down, it's through, if it isn't rewound. Well, we're like that. But we rewind our clock about three times a day when we eat food that gives us new energy to keep going. And if we don't keep poking food

down our mouths and eliminating it and taking more and more, we won't live long.



There's a man up in North Ireland now, who's just about to die. I think he's past his sixtieth day of fasting, something like that. You can't live much longer than that. You can fast forty days and forty nights. There are a couple of examples in the Bible and one of them was Jesus Christ Himself. Most people think that if you fast one day you're going to die. The Pope in Rome just a couple of days ago, was asking this man, pleading with him, to please eat some food. Please put in some fuel so you'll go on keeping this chemical existence going. But so far, he didn't obey it. I haven't heard any news this morning. But I

think as of last night he was still alive.

Well, God offered Adam life. I mean life that was inherent life. **REAL LIFE. IMMORTAL LIFE that was INHERENT within one's self.** Now God has that kind of life. Animals don't have it. Birds and fishes don't have it and Human Beings don't have it. But God offered him life. He didn't have life he had a chemical existence. Now get this! God was not going to let him have life eternal, where he never could die and where he would live forever.

God was not going to let him have that if he had to live forever in misery, in pain, sorrow, in suffering, in unhappiness, in wretchedness, in frustration and in agony. **God is love. [I John 4:8, 16].**

And every good thing comes down from God above.

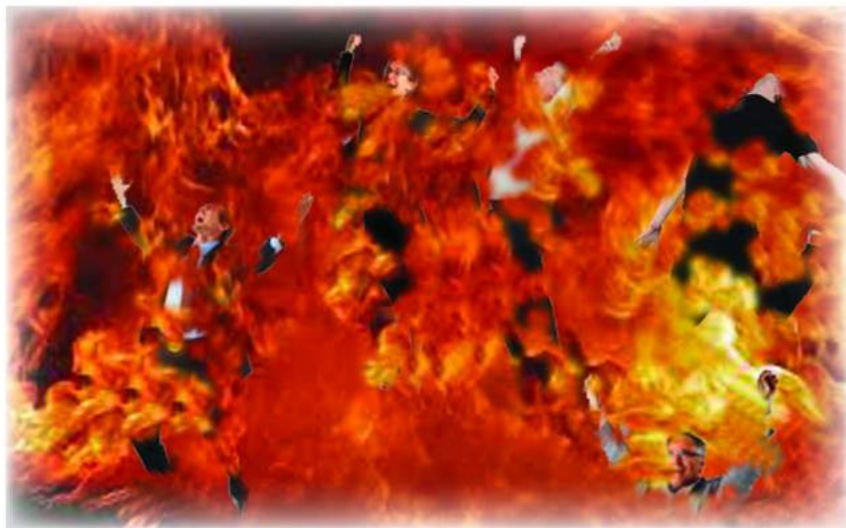
**[James 1:17; John 3:27].** And God was not going to let him enjoy agony and sin and suffering and pain and screaming forever.

Now the devil's got people believing that if you don't do good in your own eyes, what you, yourself, think is good, that you're going to **roast** forever in hell, just screaming and screaming in agony and pain, never-ending.

Well thank God; God, Himself, never made any such a hell. God made a hell that's a lot hotter than that! God made one that will **burn up!** It



hasn't been made yet but it will be. The whole Earth will become **a molten mass and it'll burn up** those that go into it **[II Peter 3:10]**. And they'll be as though it never been. They will be ashes under the soles of our feet **[Malachi 4:1, 3]**.



Sometimes I wonder what these Protestants and Catholic preachers think when they see Scriptures like that in the Bible? They just don't believe it or else they overlooked them. They skim right over them someway.

But you see, God had a Law, which defines a way of living, a way of life. If you live that way, you will be happy and you will make others around you happy. You will be peaceful. You won't be at war with your neighbor. He will be peaceful. He won't be at war with you. You will be helping him. He will be helping you. You will help each other to have more to do more. You will help each other to be more and more happy. You will

have more happiness. You will have peace. You will have joy. You will have, well since we're material beings on a material Earth; we will have more of the material things to enjoy. We don't live that way. We don't have that kind of happiness. But there is **a way** that

lives that way and that is **the Law of God**.

Now understand this. **Love is the fulfilling of the Law of God. [Romans 13:10]**. But you don't have the kind of Love to fulfill that Law because it is a spiritual Law. And you only have a natural love or a carnal love. It requires what the Bible says is the Love of God, shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Spirit. God **gives** you that Love **[Romans 5:5]**. God, Himself **is** that kind of Love. God is Love. **[I John 4:8, 16]**.

Now, before Adam, in the Garden of Eden, was **the Tree of Life**. And that tree was a symbol that if he took of that

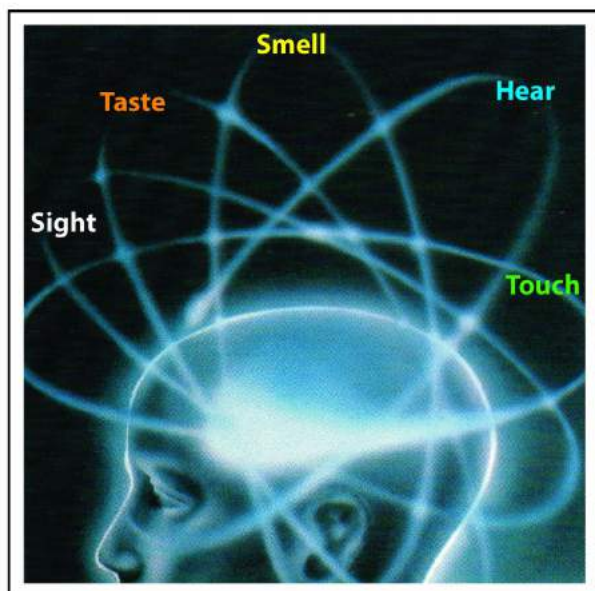
he would be taking the Spirit of God, which is the Love of God that would have fulfilled the Law of God in his heart, in his mind. A way of living that would have made Adam happy, his children happy. They would have made one another happy. They would have had peace. They would have had everything good. And God offered it to him. God wanted him to take it. Also the Spirit of God, that he would have gotten if he would have taken of that tree, would have given him that Spirit that would have added to the spirit that was already in Adam from the time he was created to give him spiritual understanding and spiritual knowledge. Now the natural man does not have spiritual understanding or spiritual knowledge. **[Romans 8 5-8; 1 Corinthians 2 13-14]**. He has a spirit that I call a human spirit but it doesn't impart spiritual knowledge.

### **Physical Knowledge Versus Spiritual:**

Knowledge comes into the mind only through the five senses. Through your eyes, through your ears, mostly eyes and ears. Some knowledge comes in through the nose some through the mouth and the sense of taste and some through the sense of feel or touch. Now you can't see spirit. You can't hear it. It doesn't vibrate. You can't smell it, taste it or feel it. You can't know anything about spirit.



The spirit in you doesn't see. It doesn't hear. The brain hears and sees. The brain hears through the ears and sees through the eyes but it's the physical brain that does the seeing, not the spirit. But



the physical brain is like a computer and it programs whatever knowledge comes into it, into the spirit. The spirit is the memory that stores it up and gives it back and that's why a man, a woman, a human being, having the Spirit of God can think, can have instant recall of any bit of knowledge that has ever gone into his mind through the eye, the ear, the nose, the throat or the sense of taste. Animals don't have that.

But we were made in the **image of God [Genesis 1:26-27; I Corinthians 11:7]**, and we had a spirit in us so that we could have the Spirit of God, which would have given us immortal life.

Now if Adam had taken of the Tree of Life, that would have given him life, immortal life inherent in himself. That would have given him the Holy Spirit; would have opened his mind to comprehend spiritual knowledge.

It would have given him the Love of God that could fulfil His Law to live that way. But he didn't have it. Instead what did he take? **The knowledge of good and evil.**

In other words, he took to himself, the ability to manufacture and think out in his

own mind which way he thought was best to live, the way to live And man thinks the best way to live is to *GET*, to *TAKE*, to take away from someone else and to say "Look, I love me, but I don't love you. I don't care about what happens to you. I don't care what happens to you. If you suffer, that isn't going to hurt me. That's no skin off my nose. Like that song."

**"Oh I love me;  
I'm wild about myself.  
I put my arms around  
myself,  
And give myself a  
squeeze.  
I'm wild about myself;  
I'll marry me someday.  
I just love me."**

## **Adam had to choose:**

That is what Adam decided to take to himself. Vanity, exalting the self, thinking I'm pretty big, when he is not. Wanting to decide for himself what is right and wrong. If he does something that he thinks is all right, he says, "Well, I wasn't wrong. I decided that's good. That's good. It's not evil." You see, God's Law tells us what is good and what is evil but Adam *rejected* that. **[I John 3:4; Romans 3:20].** He rejected the Law of God; he *rejected* the Way of God. He rejected LIFE! Because he *rejected* living the Way of God.

And all of his children, ever since, have gone that way. And Satan has pumped out that way into every little child that has ever been born. That includes you when you were a little child, every one of you. And by the time you were 6, 7, 8, 9 months old, you had a lot of a kind of vanity and selfishness in you. You put two little children down on the floor together and one toy and watch them fight and see who gets that toy. Satan's been to work on them.

But modern parents today don't think they need to teach them anything. **SATAN'S TEACHING THEM.** He's getting to them all the time. But our parents don't. They're neglecting it. We as parents are doing that and we're guilty of it and we're going to give account before God for it. **[Hebrews 9:27; II Corinthians 5:10].**



Now Adam had to choose. And he chose to take to himself the knowledge of what is good and what is evil. And in the days of Noah, they took to themselves the wives **THEY** chose. Adam made a choice. When he chose that, he chose something that's going to bring death on him because he chose the wrong way of life. And so God drove Adam out of the Garden of Eden and he barred reentrance from that Garden of Eden lest humanity would go back and get from the Tree of Life and eat and live forever. **[Genesis 3:23-24].**



And so the Holy Spirit of God was **SHUT OFF FROM MAN**. Now what happened? Satan was still there leading them all on. Well God gave Adam knowledge and Adam was able to transmit a lot of that knowledge to his sons.

And Cain and Abel each had a little bit of that knowledge. But they were still doing what they thought was right. What they chose. And so Abel chose to bring as a sacrifice for God, **a lamb**. But Cain chose to bring just some vegetables and fruit that he raised out of the ground. Now Cain knew that the lamb was a type of Christ that would come as a sacrifice that would be for us. They had that much knowledge. And God spoke directly to Cain **[Genesis 4:5-15]**. God spoke directly to some of those way back there. He

doesn't speak to us that way, directly today. But he did then to them.

And so man started living the way that seemed right in his own eyes. And the way that was not the way of God at all, the way that would bring unhappiness on him, sorrow, suffering, misery, pain, anguish and by the time of Noah, men were making a choice about wives they would take and they took to themselves wives which they

chose **[Genesis 6:1-2]**. But God had not chosen that kind of wives for them.

### **The Cause of Our Troubles:**

Now I want to go into some of that with you. Let's get a little

bit about the Way of God. Turn to Deuteronomy.

**Deuteronomy 32:8**  
***"When the most High divided to the nations their inheritance, when he separated the sons of Adam,..."***

Oh today they say that the cause of our troubles and racial troubles is *segregation*. So the Supreme Court of the United States, in human wisdom, without any wisdom from God, says we're going to have INTEGRATION. Man wants to go—you see, man chooses him the way that seems right in his own eyes. He takes to himself the knowledge of what is good evil. That's what our Supreme Court did. But...

**Deuteronomy 32:8**  
***"When the most High divided to the nations their inheritance, when he separated the sons of Adam, [notice: segregation not integration] he set the bounds of the people according to the number of the children of Israel."***  
**[Acts 17:26]**

Different people, different families or different races, had their own land, their own plot of the earth.

God's way is GEOGRAPHICAL SEGREGATION. AND INTEGRATION IS NOT THE WAY OF THE ETERNAL GOD! IT'S THE WAY OF DECEIVING MAN. IT'S THE WAY OF SATAN.

And look what its doing in this



country. Look what was going on in the 1960's in this nation and the violence that came here and there and all over the nation [look today: – 2013]. I'll be going over this in other sermons that are coming on, like I did fifteen or twenty years ago. It's time to get back to a lot of that again. Because man always thinks he knows better than God. Its all what man thinks is the right way to go.

### **A Son in His Likeness:**

But each person is born after his parents and after their kind or family. And we are born in a family. And the Bible doesn't speak about race very much. It speaks about families. There should not be inter-family marriage because a family is **a kind**. [Genesis 1:20-27].

Now there's a whole lot about where did the different races come from and a lot of things like that. I won't have time for that. I'm only just going to start a foundation for this, today. I'm going to have a lot of sermons on this subject. I know Satan's going to bring it up and I'm going to beat him to the punch.

*Each is born after his own parent's kind of race, one way or the other. Either he'll be yellow or black or white or he'll be a mixture, of one or the other. Let's go back now to Genesis 5*

### **Genesis 5:3 And Adam**

***lived an hundred and thirty years, and begat a son in his own likeness, after his image; and called his name Seth:***

Adam begat a son in his likeness. A black man married to a black woman begets a son after his likeness or a daughter maybe and they will be black. A white man and a white woman began a son or a daughter after their likeness, and the son or the daughter will be white. And if you mix it, they won't be either one. They'll be part one and part the other, *a blend of the two*. Now I want to go a little further. But man, going the way HE chose, marrying the ones HE chose, instead of the way God said it should be, wanted to *amalgamate*, wanted to *integrate*. God had decreed *segregation*. Man wanted *integration*.

***they journeyed from the east, that they found a plain in the land of Shinar*** [And this is shortly after the flood, Genesis 6. 7. 8.]; ***and they dwelt there. And they said one to another, "Go to, let us make brick, and burn them thoroughly." And they had brick for stone, and slime had they for mortar. And they said, "Go to, [that is, "let's get going here"] let us build us a city and a tower, whose top may reach unto heaven; [skyscrapers, we call them] and let us make us a name, [WHY?] lest we be scattered [or segregated].*** We want integration We don't want segregation. ***Lest we be segregated, scattered.] abroad upon the face of the whole earth."***



Come now to Genesis 11, the first eight verses. **Genesis 11:1-8** ***"And the whole earth was of one language, and of one speech. And it came to pass, as***

***And the LORD came down to see the city and the tower, which the children of men built. And the Eternal said, "Behold, the people is***



**one, and they have all one language; and this they begin to do: and now nothing will be restrained from them, which they have imagined to do. Go to, let US go down, and there confound their language, that they may not understand one another's speech." So the Eternal scattered them** [or segregated them—He didn't integrate them, He segregated them and scattered them] **abroad from thence upon the face of all the earth: and they left off to build the city."** They stopped it.



## The Generations of Noah:

Now I want to go back to Genesis 10:5. Well let's see, this is talking about the generations of the sons of Noah, Shem, Ham, and Japheth and so on. The sons of Japheth, Gomer, and so on. Now it

mentions some of the sons of Japheth here and in verse 5 it says,

**Genesis 10:5 By these were the isles of the Gentiles divided in their lands; every one after his tongue, after their families...** Or their races.

The Bible uses the word family instead of race. A family is what you generate, as I say, two Japanese married will produce a Japanese child which we might call the Yellow and not the Caucasian race. Two Caucasians or whites will produce a white. Two blacks will produce a black. But it was after their families, after their races, in their nations. Now the sons of Ham and he begins to give them – and I won't go into those genealogies now. But there were a good many there.

Now, at the time of the flood, now let's see. Man going the way He chose, wanted to amalgamate and integrate the races. Now, at the time of the flood, again. Noah was **righteous** in his generations, plural. Not his generation. Meaning in his ancestry. Noah, in Genesis 6, in a minute I'll have it here. Let's read this again. **Genesis 6:9 These are the generations of Noah: Noah was a just man and perfect in his generations...**

He wasn't perfect in himself or spiritually or anything of that kind [only Jesus Christ was

perfect, **Ecclesiastes 7:20; I John 1:8**]. He was *only perfect in generations or in his ancestry*. He was the same strain that he had been. And if you want to check it all the way through, and his ancestry on down, you'll find Noah was white. Noah's wife was white.

Now apparently, he was the only man left that was pure white. He had not mixed the strain. The family had remained intact, as God had decreed that it should.

But the others were not. They had intermarried and interracial brought racial trouble; they had racial violence and other violence in those days and we're back to the same things today [Consider since then – 2013]. As it was in the days of Noah, so it is today and that's exactly where we are today.

Now let's get something after the flood. After the flood in **Genesis 10:31-32 These are the sons of Shem, after their families**, [or in their race, family, race. The Bible uses the word family instead of race, usually]... These are *the families of the sons of Noah families [families or races of the sons of Noah], after their generations, in their nations: and by these were the nations divided in the earth after the flood.*

## A Wife for Isaac:

All right, Abraham was of the family of Noah, And Abraham



was white. God called Abraham and told him to leave the family where he was and people of all of his race, his family, or his color or whatever you want to call it and go to a land where he would show him.

In that land were people poaching there that didn't belong there! And God had never given it to them, and God intended to give him that land because it is the geographical centre of the Earth. And it's marvellous for climate.

the part that they have is rich in agriculture already. Whereas other parts that are occupied by Arabs are not.

But Abraham went to a land that God showed him and it was a Promised Land that God was going to promise to him. Now God said to Abraham in that land that he would give it to his children forever. That is the Promised Land but at that time, there were the Canaanites there. And they were black not white.

All right. Abraham finally had

own family where his family lived to select a wife for Isaac. **"Isaac must not,"** he said. Well, let me read that:

***Genesis 24:1-4 And Abraham was old, and well stricken in age:*** [and if you chase the genealogy, Abraham was of the same strain as Noah, from Shem, right on down] **and the LORD had blessed Abraham in all things. And Abraham said unto his eldest servant of his house, that ruled over all that he had, "Put, I pray thee, put thy hand under my thigh: And I will make thee swear by the Eternal, the God of heaven, and the God of the earth, that thou shall not take a wife unto my son of the daughters of the Canaanites, among whom I dwell: But thou shall go**



And once again, when God restores it like it used to be, it'll be a land of milk and honey, which it is not exactly today. But it's marvellous what has happened to it since the Israelis went back there. And

a son of his own through Sarah and the time came to select a wife for Abraham's son. So he sent this older servant, which was really, the manager of all of his properties and over all his other servants, of which he had many; he sent him to his

***unto my country, and to my kindred,*** [of his family or of his race, they were all of the same race] ***and take a wife unto my son Isaac."***





## Because of the Wrong Religion?

Now some people will say that when Ezra and Nehemiah caused people, who had intermarried with another race, to send their wives and even the children born back away from them, and divorce them, and put them away, they said, "Yeah, but that was because of their wrong religion."

Oh no, it wasn't. Abraham sent over to his kindred to his color, but they were of a different religion. So a little later, you will find, Abraham's grandson, Jacob, who had worked for Laban for a long time you know, and when he left Laban, his wife Rachael stole the idols from her father Laban and carried those little idols with her. And Laban came out to find them. They were his gods. **[Genesis 31:30-35].**



So they were worshipping a different god over there. But Abraham sent to get someone of that race, of that color, of

that family, for a wife for Isaac, even though they were of a different religion. But I think they got God's religion, once Rebecca came over. She got God's religion through Abraham and through Isaac. So you can say that the only reason for not marrying another race is because it means that you'll be going into a different religion. *That's not the reason!* Rachael was of a different religion than knowing God and she *stole* those gods when they fled.

**[Genesis 31:19].**

Now the ancient nation Israel is called the family of Israel. There were a family and they were of that race. I have traced it down and I find that God kept that family pretty well in tact all the way down through Abraham, Isaac, Jacob and down into the Children of Israel. And they didn't mix with the Egyptians. They were in a country of their own, *geographically segregated* in the land of Goshen and not with the rest of Egypt. **[Genesis 47:6, 11, 27].** And they were making bricks and things that were carried over to the Egyptian part of the land and not the same at all.

Now let's look and see what we're going to be in the time of the millennium. Let's look into:

**Zechariah 14:16-19** *And it shall come to pass, that every one that is left of all the nations [or families or races] which came*

*against Jerusalem shall even go up from year to year to worship the King, the LORD of hosts, and to keep the Feast of Tabernacles. And it shall be, that whoso will not come up of all the families of the earth unto Jerusalem to worship the King, the LORD of hosts, even upon them shall be*

**no rain.**



**no rain no rain no rain**

**And if the family of Egypt [or race, there again, it's a family, the family of Egypt] go not up, and come not, that have no rain; there shall be the plague, wherewith the LORD will smite the heathen that come not up to keep the Feast of Tabernacles. This shall be the punishment of Egypt, and the punishment of all nations [or families] that come not up to keep the Feast of Tabernacles.**



Now this Church has done everything it could for the black people. We've tried to have no *discrimination* of any kind.

You know how the College in Bricketwood actually got started? I went over there in

property where we could also have a school for black men since we could not accept them at Ambassador College. Because I thought a lot about them. And I didn't want to *discriminate* and I wanted to give them every opportunity that the white man had, and

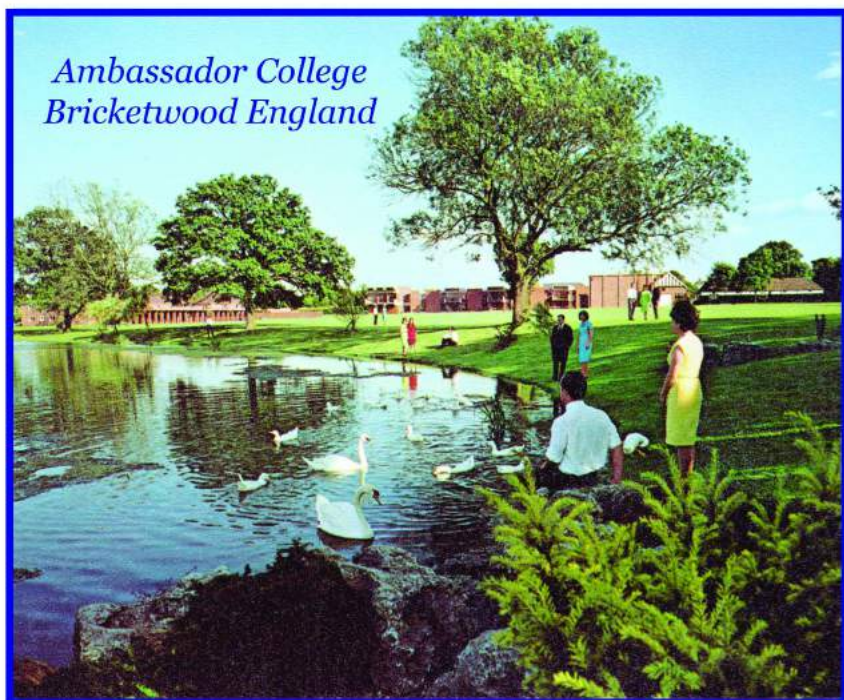
that. The office and 35 students and a school. It led to an entire college. But that's what we had in mind at the time.

## Geographical Segregation:

Now in the millennium, there's going to be *one pure language* so that all nations can worship God

*[Zephaniah 3:9]*., but they are going to be *segregated geographically* in their own different places. Now if you turn to:

***Nehemiah 13:23-26 "In those days also saw I Jews that had married wives of Ashdod, of Ammon, and of Moab: And their children spake half in the speech of Ashdod, and could not speak in the Jews' language, but according to the language of each people. And I contended with them, [and God had divided them and divided their language in order to divide the nations, geographically] and cursed them, and smote certain of them, and plucked off their hair, and made them swear by God, saying, 'Ye shall not give your daughters unto their sons, nor take their daughters unto your sons, or for yourselves. Did not Solomon king of Israel sin by these things? Yet among many nations was there no king like him, who was beloved of his God, and God made him king over all Israel:***



*Ambassador College  
Bricketwood England*

1969. We'd out grown the office. We had to get a bigger office in London. And at the time, I had the idea, because we had not gone to integration in the college. But we wanted to do what we could for our black people. Because they were in the Church but we were not accepting them in the College just because we were *afraid* it would lead to interracial marriage.

But they were accepted in the Church. And one thing I wanted was an office that would be on the kind of a

that is as ministers.

We were only thinking of men only at that time because we were only thinking of a school for ministers. Actually what we found, we ran across the place that we did, and when we saw that, we said, "well God wants a whole, Liberal Arts College over here." He led us to a property for an entire big College. Not just a little small place. We found a little place that would have taken of the kind of the little school. I thought about only having thirty five students. And we found a small place that would have taken care of



***nevertheless even him did outlandish women cause to sin.’ ”***



A very small amount was edited out of this Bible Study - Sermon due to the length of it while trying to fit it in the magazine. However the continuity of the subject has not been affected. For those who would like to receive the complete sermon are encouraged to write and request it from us. Edited by Alton (Don) Billingsley.

Well anyway, Ezra and Nehemiah just simply caused them to divorce those wives and to send them away. And they were the ministers of God and that is the way of God. Now there is a great deal more to this. I only wanted to give you just sort of a foundation and the background today. But we're going to have to go into this.

**This Church still  
has a little leaven  
to clean up and get  
out of our house.**

But we've been getting it out and we're going to continue getting it out. And we're going to continue right along to now. So that's as much as I'm going to take time for today. But I'm going to write some more on this God willing.





# Personal from the Editor

Alton B. (Don) Billingsley



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Dear Brethren,

**T**hough circumstances have changed over the centuries following this commission given to Joshua by the LORD God (**Joshua 1:2**), however based on many Scriptures, the very same background of courageous faithfulness and obedience was required of all the Patriarchs and the Apostles by the LORD God for the missions they were to fulfil in their life time just as it was then with Joshua, even in the face of fierce opposition, persecution, and often a martyr's death (**Isaiah 58:1; Hebrews 11.**).

Regardless of whatever the time and circumstances it

should always be remembered:

**“God changes not; He is the same yesterday, today, and forever (*Malachi 3:6; Hebrews 13:8*). “His TRUTH endures to all generations; the truth of the LORD abides forever” (*Psalms 100:5; 117:2*). “Your Word is TRUTH” (*John 17:17*).**

## **Mr. Herbert W. Armstrong**

From Joshua to God's late apostle, Mr. Herbert W. Armstrong, also the promised Elijah of this end-time, what the LORD God said to Joshua is in type the same MISSION that was given to John the Baptizer and to Mr. Armstrong by God.

To Joshua, the LORD God said: **“No man shall be able to stand before you all the days of your life . . . I will NOT leave you nor forsake you, only be strong and very courageous, that you may observe all the law which My servant Moses commanded you; do NOT turn from it to the right hand or to the left, that you may prosper wherever you go . . . do NOT be afraid, nor be dismayed, for the LORD your God is with you wherever you go.”**

**Joshua 1:5-9.**

Joshua was given the physical mission of crossing over the Jordan River with the people of Israel, leading them into the land the LORD God was giving them as an inheritance; a land of milk and honey (**Exodus 3:8**), and dividing it among the tribes and people (**Joshua 1:2,6**).

Many years later, both John the Baptizer, and Mr. Herbert W. Armstrong, fulfilled their Missions in the Spiritual office of the ancient Elijah according to God's Time Table (**Luke 1:17**). It is noteworthy that each one was given basically the same Spiritual Mission by God. This is made plain in Zacharias' prophecy while looking down at his newly born son, John:



**“... And you, child, will be called the prophet of the Highest; for you will go BEFORE the Face of the Lord (*His appearance as the Messiah, and the soon-coming of Jesus Christ*) to PREPARE His ways (*Malachi 3:1*), to give knowledge of salvation to His people by the remission of their sins, through the tender mercy of our God, with whom the Day-spring (*Lit. Dawn; the Messiah*) from on high has visited us: to give LIGHT to those who sit in darkness and the shadow of death, to GUIDE our feet into the way of peace” (*Luke 1:76-79; 3:4-6*).**

### **A Mission that Covered 52 Years**



Throughout his lifetime mission that covered a 52 year period of time, 1934-1986, Mr. Armstrong courageously cried out the fullness of the TRUTH of God, while preparing the way before the coming of Jesus Christ, just as he was

foreordained and commissioned to do by Jesus Christ (*Malachi 4:4-6; Matthew 17:8-9; Matthew 24:14; Ezekiel 33:7-11; Isaiah 58:1*).

From those early years of the 1930s, Mr. Armstrong grew in the TRUTH of God and courageously taught it as Jesus Christ revealed it to him regardless of the opposition from the outside world and within the Church; and there was plenty of it over the many years within the Church.

During those years the parallel was basically the same within the Church as in this nation.

Those in high positions within the Church tried different tactics to get Mr. Armstrong to water down and compromise those teachings to fit in with the changing times— just as the Congress and the Judiciary of the United States began doing about the same time with their majority rulings by

deviating from the intent of the constitution by its founding fathers to fit in with the changing and worsening sinful times in society.

While Mr. Armstrong remained alive the top ministry was unsuccessful in their efforts for Mr. Armstrong continued to strongly preach through those years of the declining of morals and sins by the House of Joseph!

### **The Parallel Remains the Same**

The parallel continues to be basically the same in our time within the split-off churches from the original parent church and within this nation.

Those in the top ministry who served under Mr. Herbert W. Armstrong during his life-time now have their way since his death. And they have taken advantage of it. They have watered down the strong teachings and have gone so far as to accept some of the teachings of the Catholic and Protestant Churches.

By accepting the pagan teachings, in Bible language they have prostituted themselves to the great whore:

**“... MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND OF THE ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH. I saw the woman drunk with the BLOOD of the Saints and with the BLOOD of the Martyrs of**



**Jesus . . .” (Revelation 17:1-6; 2:20-23).**

To those who have connected with her pagan teachings are warned by Jesus Christ:

**“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’ ” (Revelation 18:4-5).**

The true and faithful Church of God has not defiled itself with harlots:

**“Then I looked, and behold, a Lamb standing on Mount Zion, and with Him 144,000, having the Father’s Name written on their foreheads. . . . These are the ones who were NOT defiled with Women (the mother harlot and her daughter harlots) for they are VIRGINS. These are the ONES who Follow the Lamb wherever He goes. These were Redeemed from among men, being FIRSTFRUITS to God and to the Lamb” (Revelation 14:1, 4).**

### **The Collapse of Morals**

Likewise the House of Joseph has prostituted itself to the gods of its lovers, and to ungodliness! Tragically their sins are even worse than the

Gentile nations (**Ezekiel 16:15-17, 31-34**). God refers to Israel as Sodom and Gomorrah (**Isaiah 1:10**). To make the point note the following headline of an article published in a Russian News-paper:

[freedomoutpost.com/HYPERLINK](http://freedomoutpost.com/HYPERLINK)  
"http://freedomoutpost.com/2013/06/russian-paper-says--weak--eyed-obama-is-leader-of-sodom-gomorrah-following-g8-summit/" 10 "2:22 pm" **June 21, 2013** by **HYPERLINK**  
["http://freedomoutpost.com/author/leonpuissegur/"](http://freedomoutpost.com/author/leonpuissegur/) **Leon Puissegur**

**Russian Paper Says “Weak Eyed Obama” Is Leader Of Sodom & Gomorrah Following G8**



### **No Idle Words**

This was not said idly for in very recent years we have witnessed the vanishing of the morals of this country in filthy language and in conduct with no modesty, blushing, shame or embarrassment of what they say or do before others:

**“The look on their countenance witnesses against them, and they declare their sin as Sodom; they do NOT hide it. Woe to their soul! For they have brought evil on themselves” (Isaiah 3:9).**

There has come to be no real difference in today’s society than it was in the days of Sodom and Gomorrah, when:

**“. . . righteous Lot who was oppressed by the filthy conduct of the wicked (for that righteous man, dwelling among them, tormented his righteous soul from day to day by seeing and hearing their lawless deeds)—then the Lord knows how to deliver the godly out of temptations and to reserve the unjust under punishment for the**



**day of judgment . . .” (II Peter 2:7-8).**

Jeremiah further wrote of this time of the disregard of public opinion—

**“Were they ashamed when they had committed abomination? No! They were not at all ashamed; NOR did they know how to BLUSH. Therefore they shall fall among those who fall; at the time I punish them, they shall be cast down,” says the LORD (Jeremiah 5:15).**

### **The Sins of Israel is Almost Complete**

The abominable sins of the House of Joseph have reached almost the bottom level. Because of them Jesus Christ is going to deal harshly with them as many prophecies make known. A comparison to illustrate this can be made with the ancient Amorites.

The LORD God spoke to Abraham about the abominable sins of the Amorites that would in time be dealt with by Him as they will soon be with the House of Joseph. **(Genesis 15:16; Revelation 18:4-5; Ezekiel 5:7-9)!** The parallel is the same now as it was at that time. The iniquity of the House of Joseph is not fully complete as was not at that time when the LORD God spoke to Abraham about the Amorites, as implied by the writing of Supreme-Court Justice Antonin Scalia,

who had dissented from the majority ruling by the recent Supreme Court’s five to four ruling in favor of same gender marriages; he wrote: “The only thing that will confine the court’s holding is its sense of what it can get away with.” Opinion Page A7, Charles Krauthammer, Stockton Record July 1, 2013.

And due to the continued lobbying of a very powerful voting society for movement into the few remaining areas of human indecency and degeneracy the majority of the leadership in Congress and the Judiciary will bend to their will.

### **Warnings from Jesus Christ**

Jesus Christ, knowing the end from the beginning, knew all this evil would take place before the ending of this age **(Isaiah 46:9-10; Matthew 24:12)**. He, being the great God of love and mercy that He is, made known through His prophets that He would not bring the ultimate corrective punishment of the **Great Tribulation** on His people Israel unless they were first forewarned:

**“Surely the Lord GOD does nothing, UNLESS He reveals His secret to His servants the prophets. A lion has roared! Who will NOT fear? The LORD has spoken! Who can but prophesy?” (Amos 3:7).**



The Lion (*King of Beasts*) in this coming time will be the Revived Roman Empire, made up of Ten Nations, and headed by a leader called the Beast **(Revelation 17:13)**.

They will emerge virtually overnight in Europe with such great power that people will marvel at their greatness, saying, **“Who is able to make war with him!” (Revelation 13:1-4)**. Prophecy reveals they will decimate the House of Israel as nations with **Nuclear Warfare (Ezekiel 6:6-7; 12:20; 7:14-15)**.

### **The Mission of the Promised Elijah of the End-Time**

Because of His great mercy and love for His people, Jesus Christ sent the promised Elijah before the end of this age to **CRY OUT TO ISRAEL THE NEED OF REPENTANCE OF THEIR SINS** so they could be spared from **the horrors of the Great Tribulation (Isaiah 58:1)**—that prophecy refers to as: **“... the time of Jacob’s trouble . . .” (Jeremiah 30:4-7)**.



As made known earlier in this writing, the preaching of Mr. Armstrong was too strong for the top officials serving under him! They did not want to be looked upon as being out of place with other religions and society.

As the result there was the continued effort to try and get Mr. Armstrong to water down



and compromise the strong teachings that could possibly **inflamm**e the officials and society and then bring about persecution on the Church of God.

They failed to realize God's patriarchs and apostles were never accepted by the world around them! And God's Church at the end-time would be no different as made known by Jesus Christ (**Matthew 10:16-42; 24:9-10**).

### **Were They Ever Successful?**

Regardless of the opposition Mr. Armstrong remained strong in his stand for the true teachings and mission with which Jesus Christ had entrusted him as his following

writings make known: "Personal with the Editor," Good News, Mr. Herbert W. Armstrong, December 1976,

### **Compromising on God's Truth**

**"I have never compromised with God's truth – regardless of the cost or the circumstances."**

**"I will CHANGE whenever proved wrong. I will accept NEW TRUTH as often as PROVED to be new truth to me or to the Church. But I will not compromise with the truth! I never have! I won't compromise – not even "just a little."**

### **False Claims Made Since His Death**

Though those serving under Mr. Armstrong failed to get him to compromise those very strong teachings during his lifetime have falsely claimed that he did change them before he died.

This was personally said to me by a leading evangelist. I challenged him by saying, "No, he did not!" He did not

respond. Sadly, it would appear many believe the lies that have been fabricated by some and repeated by others.

### **Examples of Erroneous Claims**

Erroneous claims have been made that Mr. Herbert W. Armstrong changed his mind regarding the teaching of **interracial marriage, divine healing, and other areas of doctrinal teachings!** This is said to try and justify their acceptance and practicing those erroneous teachings to please their membership and not be attacked by the leaders in society along with the Catholic and Protestant religions of this world.

However these apostate leaders chose to retain some of the doctrinal teachings to retain their membership, but not the doctrines that would be in conflict and enflame mainstream religion and society.

### **Disproving the Lies by Proving Mr. Armstrong Did NOT Change Before His Death**

Though Mr. Herbert W. Armstrong is dead and therefore unable to dispute those false claims, they can easily be disproved in the original writing of his Book, *Mystery of the Ages* (ISBN 0-396-08773-6 FPT), *he wrote in the last year of his life (1985), and then coupling the writings within that Book with two of Mr. Herbert W. Armstrong's*



last letters he wrote in his Autobiography, Volume II, just a few days before he died in 1986.

The proofs from these two books make abundantly clear there were no last minute changes before he died; they are as follows:

***Autobiography, Volume II, Mr. Herbert W. Armstrong, Pages 637, 640, September 12, 1985*** (He died 126 days later, January 16, 1986)

**Dear Brethren and Co-Workers with Christ:**

Since last December (1984) I have been working diligently on the largest and most important book of my life. In real fact I feel I myself did not write it. Rather I believe God used me in writing it. I candidly feel it may be the most important book since the Bible.

It is named **Mystery of the Ages**. Actually it might be called a synopsis of the Bible in the most plain and understandable language. . . .

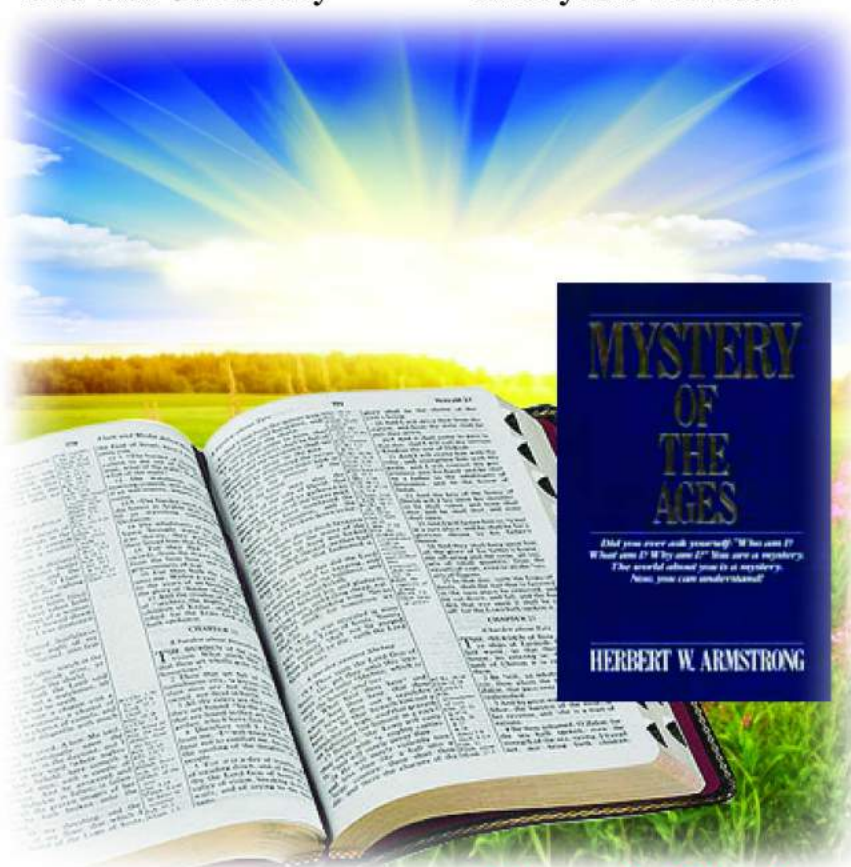
This new book **Mystery of the Ages** unveils all these mysteries. It puts the many different parts of the “jigsaw puzzle” together. It is, in fact, a

**synopsis of the entire Bible. It is my prayer that you will read it along with your Bible—that it will make your Bible come alive and understandable.**

**And with God’s Holy**

**Dear Brethren and Co-Workers with Christ:**

**“ . . . with the writing of the new book **Mystery of the Ages** God has helped me this year to do the best work of my ninety-three years of life! . . . ”**



**Spirit dwelling in you, I feel sure that it will. I am now in my 94th year and I feel that this book is the most valuable gift I could give to you. . . .”**

***Autobiography, Volume II, Mr. Herbert W. Armstrong, Pages 641, November 25, 1985*** (He died 52 days later, January 16, 1986)

## **Interracial Marriage Forbidden**

Having in mind what Mr. Armstrong wrote in his Autobiography and in the **Mystery of the Ages**, it becomes easy to label the erroneous claims that have been made by some that Mr. Herbert W. Armstrong changed his mind regarding the teaching of **interracial marriage for what they are – lies and the repeating of lies!**



Jesus Christ led Mr. Armstrong to write in the Mystery of the Ages very clearly why these marriages were forbidden by Him.



***The MYSTERY OF THE AGES, Mr. Herbert W. Armstrong, Chapter 2, Mystery of Israel, "Racial Inter-marriage Forbidden," Pages 166-174.***

For those who take the time to read those eight pages it should become crystal clear to them the reasons why God forbade interracial marriages among His people: His Church, and His people Israel.

And all those who have been graced with a good understanding by God will understand more fully those writings are still intact today when they couple them together with what he wrote in those two letters in his Autobiography, Volume II, Pages 637, 640, 641:

Consider the overview of what Mr. Armstrong wrote in those two letters:

**"This was the largest and**

**most important book of my life.**

**"In real fact I feel I myself did not write it.**

**"Rather I believe God used me in writing it.**

**"I candidly feel it may be the most important book since the Bible.**

**"It is named *Mystery of the Ages*. Actually it might be called a synopsis of the Bible in the most plain and understandable language. . . ."**

**Inconceivable, absurd, the Changing of His Mind!**

Think about those powerful words! It is absurd and totally inconceivable that Mr. Armstrong would have changed his mind after writing those words! He would have had to become totally senile and demented in mind!



And it can easily be proven by those who were close to Mr. Armstrong that his mind was still sound and active right up to the time of his death (***II Timothy 1:7***). Those who want to believe otherwise have to be totally blinded by

Satan the devil!

***Accusations Made Against Jesus Christ!***

Those who fabricate and espouse these lies should be more than ashamed of themselves; they should repent before God before it comes to be too late!

The Holy Scriptures make very plain those teachings came from Jesus Christ Himself and were revealed by Him to Mr. Herbert W. Armstrong to preach and teach them during his life time mission as the Promised Elijah and as an Apostle of God.

To say or write that Mr. Armstrong was wrong in those teachings is to say Jesus Christ was wrong by what He had commissioned the Elijah to do in restoring His laws and doctrinal teachings within His Church!

Holy Scripture and the life time fruits of Mr. Armstrong make abundantly clear that the mission of the Promised Elijah was foreordained and predestined by Jesus Christ to restore them within the Church of God, and He did through Mr. Herbert W. Armstrong, as was prophesied through His Prophet:

**Malachi 4:4 "Remember the LAW of Moses My servant, which I commanded him in Horeb for all Israel, with the statutes and judgments.**



**Malachi 4:5-6** Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet (not by the name Elijah, but in the spirit and power of Elijah, *Luke 1:17*), before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the Lord (*Matthew 24:21-22*). And he will turn the hearts of the fathers to the children, and the hearts of the children to the fathers



**LEST, I come and strike the earth with a curse** (Hebrew: **utter destruction!**)!

### Turning the Hearts of the Families to One Another

Jesus Christ did use Mr. Armstrong to turn a sufficient number of the parents and children to each other through teachings and programs designed for them for a

time that kept Christ from destroying the earth. To illustrate notice the conversation that took place between the LORD God and Abraham: "... And the LORD said, 'Because the OUTCRY against Sodom and Gomorrah is great, and because their sin is very grave, I will go down now and see whether they have done altogether

according to the outcry against it that has come to Me.'

And Abraham came near and said, "Would you also destroy the righteous with

not spare it for the fifty righteous that were in it?" ...

And the LORD said, "If I find in Sodom fifty righteous within the city I will not destroy it." ... And he (Abraham) said, "Let not the LORD be angry, and I will speak but once more: Suppose ten should be found there?" And He (the LORD) said, "I will not destroy it for the sake of ten" (*Genesis 18:16-33*).

### A Terrible Indictment for Unrepentant Sin

This does not bode well at all for the House of Israel! For due to the abominable sins enveloping all of the House of Israel, either through direct involvement or the tacit acceptance of them through the hiding of their eyes from these evils as if they did not exist will not exonerate them



the wicked? Suppose there were fifty righteous within the city; would you also destroy the place and not spare the place and

for the LORD God reveals the same fate will befall all of them (*Leviticus 20:4-5*)!



Their time of grievous corrective punishment will soon come when they will cease to exist as nations due to a lack of righteousness not being found among them – just as a lack of righteousness was not found with Sodom and Gomorrah before they were destroyed by God.

### **The Righteous to be Removed**

Shortly before that time, Jesus Christ will have removed His true and faithful elect people to shield them in a secret place from this **nuclear destruction** just as the angels removed Lot before He destroyed Sodom and Gomorrah (**Luke 21:36; Revelation 3:8, 10; 12:14**).

### **Confirmation of the Sending of the Elijah**

The promise of sending the Elijah before the coming of Jesus Christ was confirmed by Him to His disciples during His life-time mission:

**And His disciples asked Him, saying, “Why then do the scribes say that Elijah is coming FIRST (Matthew 16:27-28, Scriptures referring to the coming of Jesus Christ)?” Then Jesus answered and said to them, “Elijah truly is coming FIRST (meaning - before He returns) and will RE-STORE all things” (Matthew 17:10-11).**

### **The Denial of These Scriptures**

Virtually all of the ministers who once served under Mr. Herbert W. Armstrong deny in one way or another that Jesus Christ fulfilled those Scriptures through His use of Mr. Armstrong.

Put them to the test by asking whether Mr. Armstrong was the promised Elijah, and they will say:

**“I don’t know”** (This is a copout – cowardly – they do not want to commit themselves one way or another for fear they will lose members.)

#### **“He is yet to come”**

(While considering the little time left before the **Great Tribulation** – a needed question to answer: “What would another restore in the law and doctrinal teachings that Mr. Armstrong did not restore within the Church?”

The Sardis Church Era had lost all but three or four of the original doctrines. Jesus Christ used Mr. Armstrong to restore more than 19 doctrinal teachings within the Church of God! Eighteen of them were listed in the WWN under the direction of the apostate general who had replaced Mr. Armstrong shortly after his death.

**“The promised Elijah**

**was not John the Baptist”** (Scripture clearly reveals it was not John the Baptist for these prophecies were clearly stated for the end-time – not 2,000 years ago! Further, John was not used to restore anything!

In addition, John was already dead when Jesus Christ spoke to His disciples about the Elijah’s coming (**Matthew 17:12-13; 14:1-12; Mark 6:14**). John also made very clear that he was NOT the end-time Elijah when asked by the Jews:

**And they asked him (John), “What then? Are you Elijah?”** (Meaning: the promised Elijah of the end-time as taught by the scribes, **Malachi 4:5; Matthew 17:10**) **He said, “I am not.” “Are you the Prophet?”**



**(Deuteronomy 18:5, 8–the Messiah) and he answered, “No” (John 1:21).**



John knew he was the second Elijah, *and not the end-time Elijah*, for he had undoubtedly been told that he was by his parents because the angel Gabriel has made this known to them: “. . . He (*John*) will also go before Him (*the Messiah*) in the Spirit and Power of the Elijah: . . .” (*Luke 1:11-17*).

“**Jesus Christ will fulfill that office when He returns**” (Jesus Christ made very plain he would send the Elijah **FIRST**-before He returned to this earth, see above Scriptures)

“**Mr. Herbert W. Armstrong partly fulfilled it and the Church is to complete it**” (Where is there such a Scripture to be found in the Holy Bible that would support such a statement? This is said to support their false claim that he was wrong in particular areas and Jesus Christ is using them to take up where Mr. Armstrong left off after his death and make corrections to them. If this were true – this would be in direct conflict with what Jesus Christ said – “**Elijah**”—meaning a man, not a Church! – **Malachi 4:5**); as were the Two Men before him fulfilling the office of Elijah in their times.

With all of these and other erroneous beliefs, it is sad to say, but nevertheless true, they are still eating the fruit from the tree of human

reason having been influenced by Satan the devil as was Eve to believe his lies (**Genesis 3:1-7, 13**).

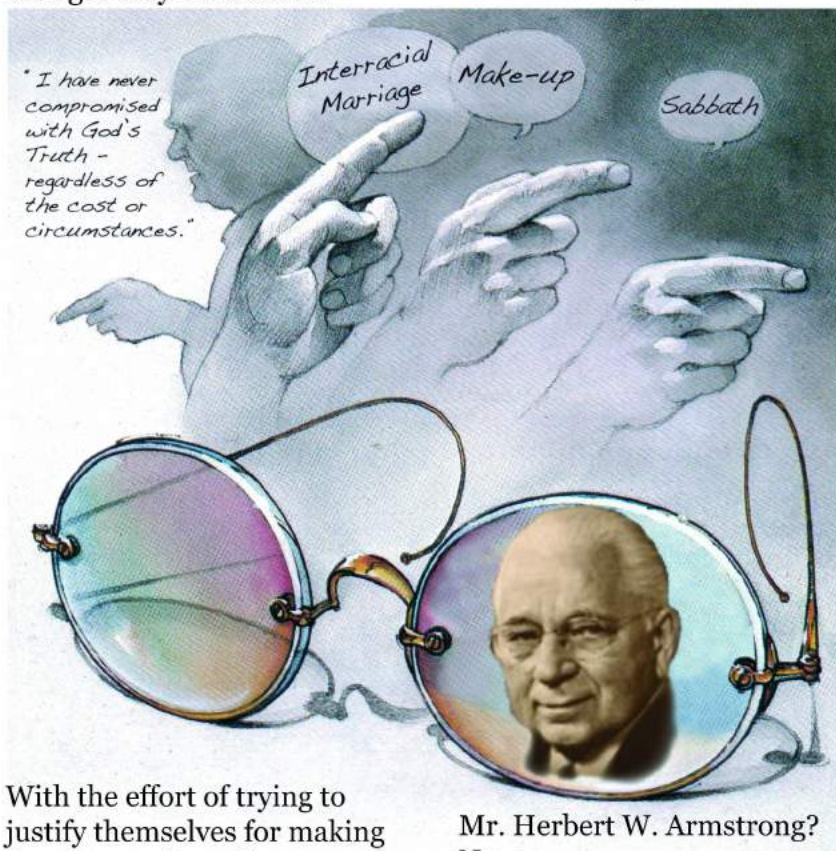
### What IF—

Further, what if Mr. Armstrong had changed and compromised those particular teachings?—**which he did not do!** His writings in the Mystery of the Ages coupled with the Bible should be sufficient proof to the unbiased reader that **interracial marriage** is wrong in God’s eyes as well as other doctrinal changes they have made.

nevertheless he was used greatly by God:

“**Elijah was a man with a nature like ours, and he prayed earnestly that it would not rain; and it did not rain on the land for three years and six months. And he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain, and the earth produced its fruit**” (**James 5:17-18**).

What can we learn from this overview regarding Elijah? Was he more perfect than



With the effort of trying to justify themselves for making the changes from those restored doctrinal teachings to their pagan teachings, it was said to me, “*Mr. Armstrong was not infallible!*” True! But neither was the ancient Elijah infallible, but

Mr. Herbert W. Armstrong? No, James wrote, “**Elijah was a man with a nature like ours!**”

Elijah was a fallible human



being, as can be seen in the Scriptural writings about him, but he also was a man of God who was used so greatly by Him that his name would be placed on two more men who would follow in his footsteps with related missions to the same people, Israel, and in the same Spirit and Power (**Luke 1:17**).

### **Elisha a Prophet of God-**

Though Elisha replaced Elijah as God's prophet to Israel, his mission was not quite the same as that of Elijah. Further, never do we find Elisha criticizing or correcting Elijah on anything though both were prophets! This should be a learning lesson for the dissenters.

### **Lower Level Offices Correcting the Elijah?**

Question: Is there any place in the New Testament Scriptures where it can be found that any of those in lower offices were ever used to correct the writings of an apostle? I know not of any.

Even so there are many who served in lower offices under God's apostle, Mr. Armstrong, who believe it is now their responsibility to correct those teachings and rulings made by him within their corporate churches.

They incorrectly believe it has become incumbent for them

to make the needed corrections—corrections to the very doctrinal teachings of Jesus Christ that He revealed to Mr. Armstrong—thereby they are correcting Jesus Christ!

### **Whence Their Correctional Edits?**

Their beliefs and teachings are primarily based on what they had either formerly learned from the pagan teachings of the Catholic and Protestant Churches before coming to be members of the



Worldwide Church of God (as admitted in a taped sermon by an evangelist in charge of the Letter Answering Department), or a carryover from the late pastor general who accepted and taught the pagan teachings in their fullness, into their corporate churches.

### **Nature is also an instructive Teacher**

A learning lesson should be understood from the teachings of Nature itself regarding the mixing of the races in marriage as well as in many other areas.

To lead into the proof regarding the forbidden mixing of the races in marriage by God, first consider the teaching by the Apostle Paul about the Need of Nature teaching things that we should learn just from observance:

**“Does not NATURE  
ITSELF TEACH YOU  
that IF a man has long  
hair, it is a dishonor to  
him? But IF a woman  
has long hair, it is a  
glory to her; for her  
hair is given to her for  
a covering” (I Corin-  
thians 11:14).**

Clarke Commentary,  
Volume 6, Page 253, **I  
Corinthians 11:14—**

“Nature certainly teaches us, by bestowing it, that it is proper for a woman to have long hair; and it is not so with men . . . Nature and the apostle speak the same language . . .”  
God is not the author of confusion and for that reason He does not want the **blurring** of the genders, men and women. He wants a definite distinction! This can be seen not only in His teaching about the shorter hair of a man and longer hair of a woman, but even in the clothing that is worn by each



gender:

**“A woman shall NOT wear anything that PERTAINS to a man, NOR shall a man put on a woman’s garment, for all who do so are AN ABOMINATION to the LORD your God” (Deuteronomy 22:5).**

**“Does not even Nature Teach you . . .”**

Though the above Scripture is about the length of hair for a man and woman, the teaching of nature covers many areas including the birth of human beings into whatever tribe we were born as made known by the Apostle Paul, by birth, or natural descent:

**“We who are Jews BY NATURE and not sinners of the Gentiles” (Galatians 2:15).**

The Apostle Paul wrote of those born into the Tribe of Judah, just as all other human beings have been born into their own Tribes. And though many have crossed over from their heritage and married into other Tribes, they can usually be known by their traits or color.

Another observation from the teaching of Nature, natural endowment or by instinct:

**Romans 2:14, “For when Gentiles, who do not have the law, BY NATURE do the things in the law,**

**these, although not having the law, are a law to themselves.”**

From Scripture, and observance in nature, one can learn many lessons.

### **Human Birth of All Races**

Does not our birth with the variations of the color of our skin teach us that we are of different cultures due to having been born into the families of either Shem, Ham, or Japheth (**Genesis 9:18-19**)?

Aside from Scripture itself, Nature should teach mankind that whether, white, black, yellow, brown, etc., each one should



marry within their own color and race.

Both Scripture and Biblical History make known one of the major reasons for the drowning of all mankind in the Pre-Flood world of Noah

was because of the overwhelming number of interracial marriages (**Genesis 6:1-2; Matthew 24:37-39; Luke 17:26-27; Genesis 7:15-24**; *Exploring Ancient History by Roy Schultz*).

### **The Mismatching of Races**

There is a definite MISMATCH as noted by observance; and Scriptures in this writing will make this known. Even so this mismatching

makes no difference with many people as can easily be seen in the House of Joseph – even in the law making bodies.

As the result  
unwise  
decisions



continue to be made by men and women who cross the color lines to marry each other. Sadly, their children often have to pay a grievous price because of being different than other people. And



this often makes it difficult to try and find someone to marry of their own kind.

Nature, as well as the heavens above, teach many things to those willing to learn from them, and would be very profitable for mankind if they were only to heed their teachings:

***“The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament shows His handiwork. Day unto Day UTTERS SPEECH, and Night unto Night REVEALS KNOWLEDGE. There is NO SPEECH NOR LANGUAGE WHERE THEIR VOICE IS NOT HEARD . . .” (Psalm 19:1-11).***

## **The Yoke of Marriage within the Church of God**

The teachings of God regarding the delicate subject of interracial marriages also has the same teaching regarding a Christian marrying one who is not a Christian, even of their own race, which Scripture also forbids:

***“A wife is bound by law as long as her husband lives; but if her husband dies, she is at liberty to be married to whom she wishes, only in the Lord” (I Corinthians 7:39).***

The Apostle Paul makes this very plain:

**“Do NOT be unequally YOKED together with unbelievers . . .” (II Corinthians 6:14-18).**

Experimental Commentary, volume 6, page 354, II Corinthians 6:14] **“Be ye not-Greek, ‘Become not,’** unequally yoked— with an alien in spirit . . . the image is from the symbolical precept **Deuteronomy 22:10:** cf **Deuteronomy 7:3,** forbidding marriages with the heathen [meaning: worshippers of false gods]. . . .” [Including the interracial marriages as did King Solomon and the women who led him in his older age to forsake God - **I Kings 11:1-13]**

God is not the author of confusion in nature or otherwise and expects His people to learn lessons from the *miss-matching* in areas that He forbids and otherwise as the following Scripture makes known:

**“You shall keep My statutes (laws to be restored by the Elijah, Malachi 4:4). You shall not let your livestock breed with another kind. You shall not sow your field with mixed seed. Nor shall a garment of mixed linen and wool come upon you” (Leviticus 19:19).**

Clarke Commentary, volume 6, page 342, **II Corinthians 6:11:**



**“ . . . You shall NOT plow with an ox and a donkey together . . .” (Deuteronomy 22:8-11).**

**“[Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers] This is a military term: keep in your own ranks, do not**



leave the Christian community to join in that of the heathen.

The (Greek) verb . . . signifies to leave one's own rank, place, or order, and go into another; and here it must signify not only that they should not associate with the Gentiles their idolatrous feasts, but they should not apostate from Christianity; and the questions which follow show that there was a sort of fellowship that some of the Christians had formed with the heathens which was both wicked and absurd, and if not speedily checked would infallibly lead to final apostasy. . . .

A very wise and very holy man has given his judgment on this point." 'A man who is truly pious, marrying with an unconverted woman [or a converted woman marrying an unconverted man], will either draw back to perdition, or have a cross during life.' "

### God's Purpose for the Writing of the Mystery of the Ages

Jesus Christ led Mr. Armstrong to write the *MYSTERY OF THE AGES* with a synopsis of those doctrinal teachings that can be found in their fullness in his other writings that were revealed by Jesus Christ over the years of Mr. Armstrong's life-time mission.

Jesus Christ not only intended this Book to be the legacy of Mr. Herbert W. Armstrong (just as did the

*Apostle Peter who left his legacy for the true people of God, II Peter 1:10-15)* – but further – knowing what was going to take place within the Church after Mr. Armstrong's death, Jesus Christ used him to write this book to enable the true people of God to recognize the erroneous pagan teachings as they would begin being taught and keep themselves pure VIRGINS from them (*Revelation 14:4*).

Mr. Armstrong wrote in the Autobiography, Volume II, Page 642, about his writing of the *Mystery of the Ages*, **"I am now in my 94th year and I feel that this book is the most valuable gift I could give to you. . . ."**

### God's True People Scattered

Those who had been graced by God to receive His Holy Spirit removed themselves from the corporate Worldwide Church of God after it fell apart in 1995 and scattered to different places (*Daniel 12:7; Ezekiel 34; Jeremiah 23:13*). And this is where they continue to be for the most part at this present time.

The true Church of God: Church is derived from the Greek, *Ekklesia*, and has the meaning "called out ones spiritually." Men and women, who make up the collective body of God's Church having received the

Holy Spirit from God (I Corinthians 12).

### Summing Up This Writing—

Much more could be written, but this should be sufficient proof that Mr. Herbert W. Armstrong did not compromise with God's teachings, just as he wrote:

**" . . . not even just a little."**

He remained courageously faithful to the teachings and mission with which Jesus Christ had entrusted to him to the very end of his life; just as did Joshua (*Joshua 23:1-16; 24:14-15, 20*).



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# The Daily Sacrifices

**“And from the time that the daily sacrifice is taken away, and the abomination of desolation is set up, there shall be 1290 days. Blessed is he who waits, and comes to the 1335 days.” *Daniel 12:11-12.***

By Alton B. (Don) Billingsley



**T**he above Scriptures are very significant and hold great interest to all who are looking forward to the return of Jesus Christ back to the earth. The GN (*Good News Magazine* August 8, 1987) is correct in its writing about them:

**“Both the 1290 and 1335 day periods end with the return of Jesus Christ. And each period begins with a significant event.”**

In this article the effort will be made to discover the meaning of each significant event along with related prophetic numbers.

## Keys for Needed Understanding of Holy Scripture

The major **KEY** to open the understanding of this prophecy is given by Jesus Christ:

**Matthew 24:15 “Therefore when you see the ‘abomination of desolation,’ spoken of by Daniel the prophet, ‘standing in the Holy Place’ (whoever reads let him understand), . . .”**

With this Scripture in mind, the search begins for the history of the **abomination of desolation** in the writings of Daniel that will have its dual fulfillment with the future sacrificial offerings (**Daniel 12:11**).

There are also other **KEYS** that are needed for understanding of this and other related prophecies: dualities, antitypes, and the repeating of history. God has also led His prophets to write His precepts in Scripture, line upon line, here a little, there a little (**Isaiah 28:9-13**). One must also keep a subject in context with all the Scriptures relating to it—letting Scripture interpret Scripture.

Jesus Christ explains the reason why: To keep all but His own Elect people from understanding His Holy Bible in this age (**Matthew 13:10-15**). All these **KEYS** are necessary for a true understanding of those prophecies of long ago that were to be unsealed and made known in the end-time.

## The Writings of Daniel the Prophet of God

With the foregoing in mind, the following historical writing will soon repeat itself:

**Daniel 8:9-10 “And out of one of them came a little horn (Antiochus Epiphanes—the antitype of the Beast of the future revived Roman Empire) which grew exceedingly great toward the south (Egypt, Daniel 11:40-43), toward the east (To the east from the Holy Land beyond the Euphrates River lies the Communist**



Realm), and toward the **Glorious Land** (*Land of Israel*). And it grew up (in overwhelming power, *Revelation 13:4*; *NRSV* “as high up as”) to the host of **heaven** (*the Jewish Hierarchy\**); and it cast down some of the host and some of the stars (*symbolic of the House of Israel and Judah, Genesis 37:9-10; hosts, Priests and Levites\**) to the ground.”  
 \*Adam Clarke Commentary, Volume 4, Page 597

### The Antitype of Antiochus Epiphanes

The following Scriptures speak further of the antitype – the Man who will head the soon-coming Revived Roman Empire:



**Daniel 8:23-24** “... A king shall arise having fierce features (*Isaiah 19:4*), who understands sinister (*KJV dark= the occult*) schemes (*Daniel 11:21*). His power shall be [become] mighty, but not by his own power (*Revelation 13:11-18; 17:12-13*), he shall destroy fearfully

(*margin: extra-ordinarily*), and shall prosper and thrive (*Revelation 13:4*); he shall destroy the mighty (*House of Joseph, Ezekiel 6:6-14; Jeremiah 30:4-7, etc.*); and also the holy people (*Daniel 11:35*; 5th seal— the martyrdom of the saints, *Revelation 6:9-11*).



**Daniel 8:25**  
 “Through his cunning he shall cause DECEIT to



prosper under his rule (*Daniel 11:21-24*); and he shall exalt himself in his heart (*Isaiah 10:12*). He shall destroy many in their prosperity (*first the House of Israel, Jeremiah 30:4-7; Isaiah 10:5-8; later Judah*). He shall even rise against the Prince of princes (*Jesus Christ,*

*Armageddon, Psalm 2:1-12*); but he shall be broken without human hands (*I Thessalonians 1:8-9; Revelation 19:20*).”

**Daniel 8:11** “He even



exalted himself as high as the Prince of the host (*put himself in the place of God*); and by him THE DAILY SACRIFICES were taken away (*for 1150 days*), and the place of his Sanctuary was cast down (*Soncino Commentary: Temple desecrated by the Pope, not destroyed*).”

**Note verse 11:** “No direct indication of how long Sacrifices will be offered, but they are to be abolished 1150 days by the Pope (*Good News, June 1960*).

**Daniel 8:12** “Because of transgression (*sins of Judah, called Israel, Amos 2:4-5; Micah 1:9*), an army was given over to the horn (*the Beast at the behest*



of the Pope, Revelation 13:11) **to oppose the DAILY SACRIFICES** (overwhelming the Jewish armies); **and to cast TRUTH down to the ground** (by claiming he is God, II Thessalonians 2:4). **He did all this and prospered."**

The following Prophecies with NUMBERS are to be activated each one in its own time, and for understanding, they must be subtracted from the 1335 days, (Daniel 12:12):

**Daniel 8:13 Then I heard a holy one speaking (an angel); and another holy one (an angel) said to that certain one who was speaking, "How long will the VISION be, CONCERNING THE DAILY SACRIFICES** (Leviticus 6:9, 12), **and the transgression of desolation, (which is) the giving of both the Sanctuary (Temple) and Jews and Priests) to be trampled underfoot?"**

*Verses 13-14 are the same as found in Daniel 12:5-7.*

**Daniel 8:14 And he (Gabriel) said to me, "For 2300 days (margin: Lit, evenings and mornings, giving a total of 1150 days); THEN the Sanctuary shall be cleansed"** (In type: John 2:13-17).

*How long will the Elect be in Jerusalem? Considering the beginning number of the*

*1335 days and then subtracting the 1150 days when the sacrifices will be stopped is 185 days (approximately 6 months).*

*The beginning number of the 1150 days implies Judah will have been overwhelmed and conquered 3 months and 10 days after the beginning of the 1260 days. The time of the Nuclear Attack on the House of Joseph and other nations of Israel will be about 30 days later.*

### **How Long Before the Beginning Fulfillment?**

**Daniel 12:6 And one (angel) said to the man (angel) clothed in linen, who was above the waters of the river, "How long shall the (be the beginning) fulfillment of these wonders be?"** *Extraordinary terrible times, Daniel 12:1.*

**Daniel 12:7 Then I heard the man (angel) clothed in linen, who was above the waters of the river (Tigris, 10:4), when he held up his right hand and his left hand to heaven, and swore by Him who lives forever, that it shall be for a time and times, and a half of a time (1260 days, subtracting the 1335 days from the 1260 days are 75 days—2 months and 15 days).** The latter part of Daniel 12:7, the 1260 days, occurs much earlier as revealed in other Scriptures.

**Daniel 12:7 "... and WHEN the POWER of the holy people has been completely shattered all these things shall be finished."**

The implication is that this prophecy will have begun its fulfillment possibly just prior to the beginning of the 1335 day count, meaning the Door of the Gospel will be closed by Jesus Christ due to the economy fully crashing and no more tithes and offerings to make possible its continuance (Revelation 3:7).

These events will be the only way the true faithful Church of God will know when the 1335 day count will begin, not by number, but by those significant events.

The Falling Away that took place in 1995 was in type the final scattering when the false shepherds will flee leaving their flocks to look out for themselves prior to the 1260 day count (John 10:12-13).

The Laodiceans will remain behind with all of the scattered people. The implication from Scripture is that since they are to be vomited out of the mouth of Jesus Christ into the **Great Tribulation** (Revelation 3:15-19), the word to flee will only be given to the Philadelphian Era (Revelation 3:10-11; Jeremiah 51:50).

### **The Vision Refers to the End-Time**

*The following Scriptures add further meaning to the fore*



going Scriptures while making known they are to be unsealed for understanding in the end-time to God's Elect:

**Daniel 8:16-17 . . . And I heard a man's voice between the banks of the Ulai (Daniel 12:5), who called and said, "Gabriel, make this man to understand the VISION." So he came near where I stood, and when he came I was afraid and fell on my face; but he said to me, "Understand, son of man, that THE VISION refers to the Time of the End. . .**

**Daniel 8:19 And he said, "Look I am making known to you what shall happen in the latter time of the indignation (leading to the **Great Tribulation**; Isaiah 46:10-11,), for at the APPOINTED TIME the End shall be (the completion of the 6,000 years, **Armageddon**)."**

### **Gabriel Adds Further Meaning**

**Daniel 12:11 "And from the time that the daily sacrifice is taken away (in between the time of the Sacrifices being taken away), and the abomination of desolation is set up, there shall be 1290 days (There are 45 days in between the two; a combined total of 1290 days, 1335-1290=45 days).**

**Unlike the 1290 days,**

**God says there is a blessing for those who wait for the fulfillment of the 1335 days, a blessing of protection from all of the horrors!**

**Daniel 12:12 "Blessed is he who waits (waiting patiently, while watching, and praying for its beginning, Luke 21:36), and comes to the 1335 days."**



The beginning fulfillment of these 1335 days is timed to the departure of God's faithful Elect with a delay in-route in Jerusalem then onward to the Place of Safety in Petra. In view of all of these numbered times, the ONE the Elect is to watch for is the beginning of the events that will connect with the 1335 days and be prepared for what they will entail.

**Knowing God's people**

**are to flee to the Place of Safety before the beginning of the 1260 days (the blitzkrieg nuclear attack on the House of Joseph), and subtracting 1260 days from the 1335 days leaves a 75 day difference (two months and 15 days). The 75 day period of time suggests the needed time for God's people to leave from wherever they live**

**to rendezvous together in Jerusalem and live there for possibly five months (Matthew 24:16; Jeremiah 51:50). Beginning with the sixth month of 30 days (1290-1260=30 days), the Elect are to flee from Jerusalem at the precise time needed for Petra (Mathew 24:15-16; Revelation 12:14; Psalm 91:1-11).**



At the end of the 30 days will probably be the beginning of the **Great Tribulation; the nuclear attack and demise of the House of Israel** (Hosea 5:7).

### **Famine and Disease Epidemics**

What will the conditions be like in America and Britain at that time? Consider the horrible Famine prophesied by the Prophet Joel (as pictured by the Black Horse, Revelation 6:3-4) to be followed by the **Disease Epidemics** as prophesied by the Prophet Ezekiel (pictured by the Pale Horse, Revelation 6:7-8).



Both will be taking place at that time (Ezekiel 5:12; 7:1-3; 8:17; 9:9-10). Together with the **Great Tribulation** this will be a most horrible time (pictured by the Red Horse, Revelation 6:3-4), none like it, just as Jesus Christ and Daniel said:

**Matthew 24:21-22** “For then there will be **great tribulation**, such as has not been since the beginning of the world until this time, no, nor shall be, **but for the Elect’s sake** those days will be shortened (Daniel 12:1)”.

### **Horrible Times**

**Daniel 12:1** “And there shall be a time of trouble such as never was since there was a nation; even to that time. **And AT THAT TIME your people shall be DELIVERED, everyone who is found written in the Book of Life.**”

God’s true and faithful people will be delivered from the worst of the famine, disease epidemics, and the blitzkrieg nuclear attack on America and Britain and other nations of Israel. Their deliverance will begin taking place at the beginning of the

place at the beginning of the 1335 days – six months and 5 days before the 1260 and the 1150 days begin.

**Daniel 12:8-9** “Although I heard, I did not understand. Then I said, “My lord, what shall be the end of these things?” And he said, “Go your way, Daniel, for the words are closed up and sealed till the time of the end” (Revelation 5:9).

**Gabriel made known the VISION was only to be unsealed and understood in the end-time (Daniel 12:13).** This is where we now are. Though understanding is now being given in part, due to changing times, it is also realized the fullness will only begin to be understood upon the approach of the beginning of the 1335 days (Daniel 12:12), including possible adjustments with the numbers as understood at this time.

### **Martyrdom of the Saints**

Speaking further of the sufferings and agonizing deaths of God’s true people that will once again take place in the near future (1260 day period – the demise of the House of Israel as nations, and the beginning of the **Great Tribulation**), Gabriel said to Daniel:

**Daniel 12:10** “**Many shall be purified made white,**



**and refined** (*Laodiceans, Sardis, Revelation 3:1-6; 3:14-22*), **but the wicked shall do wickedly; and NONE of the wicked shall understand** (*Isaiah 32:6; Matthew 13:10-16*). **BUT the Wise (skillful) shall understand** (*Psalms 111:10; Revelation 3:7-13*).

Based on the need of understanding these prophecies at the needed time, Jesus Christ will bless the Wise to know what to watch for and when to take immediate action having obeyed what He said in warning Scriptures of this coming time (*Luke 21:36; Jeremiah 51:45; Revelation 18:4-5*)

### **Mr. Herbert W. Armstrong, God's Apostle and the Elijah**



Jesus Christ opened the mind of Mr. Herbert W. Armstrong for the needed understanding of these prophecies during his

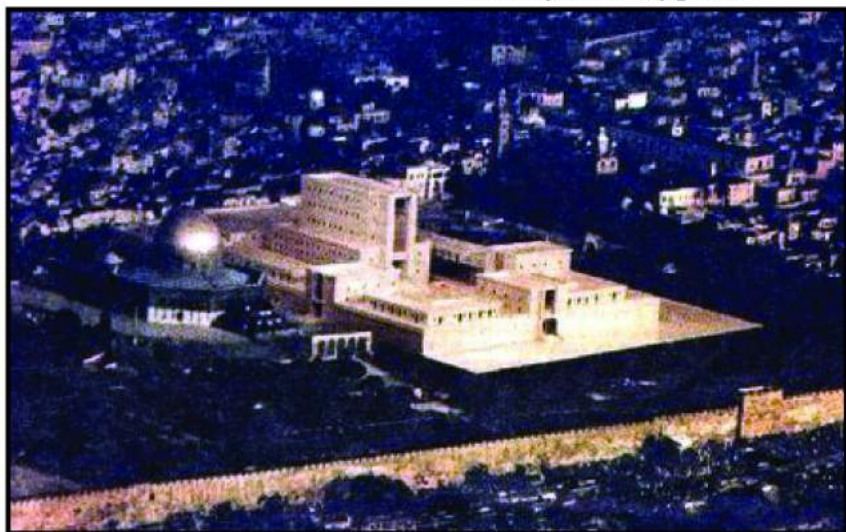
mission and he faithfully preached them to the nations of Israel and God's Church, 1934-1986, as made known by the Prophet Habakkuk:

**Habakkuk 2:3** "For the **VISION** is yet for an **AP-POINTED TIME** (*the vision given to Daniel by Gabriel to be understood by Mr. Armstrong*); **but at the end it will speak** (*by Radio, Television, and the Press, 1934-1986; and at the very*

*-ff.com*). This present Work was prophesied for this end-time (*Habakkuk 3:2; 1:5; Isaiah 29:14; Revelation 3:7-13*).

### **Two Prophecies Sets the Stage for other Prophecies**

In view of the foregoing prophecies two of them must begin first before the others take place. And almost immediately thereafter the others will begin taking place:



*end-time*), **and it will not lie** (*faithfully and truthfully taught*). **Though it tarries** (*the fulfillment*), **wait for it; because it will surely come, it will not tarry."**

Though Mr. Armstrong has been dead for almost 28 years, the Work of Jesus Christ continues today having begun anew at the Passover season in 2006 after the door to it had been temporally closed in 1986. And Jesus Christ is still using the same man via his recorded works on our 14 websites (*www.cog*

- Sacrificial offerings have to begin being offered on the altar in Jerusalem by the Priesthood to fulfill *Daniel 12:11*. This will possibly be keyed to the beginning of the 1335 days, or some little time before.

- The Temple must be rebuilt to fulfill the prophecy of the false Prophet who is yet to sit in the Temple of God proclaiming that he is God (*II Thessalonians 2:1-4*).



## The Book of Ezra

Considering a historical duality from the Book of Ezra, the sacrifices undoubtedly will begin BEFORE the foundation of the future Temple is to be laid as it was then. This occurred after Cyrus had issued an edict permitting the Jewish exiles in his newly acquired empire to return to their homeland and rebuild the Temple (*II Chronicles 36:22-23; Ezra 1:1-4*):

***Ezra 1:5*** Then the heads of the father's houses of Judah and Benjamin, and the priests and the Levites, with all those whose spirits God had moved, arose to go up and build the House of the LORD which is in Jerusalem.

***Ezra 3:1-2*** When the 7th month arrived—the Israelites being settled in their towns--the entire people assembled as one man in Jerusalem. Then Jeshua (*Joshua*) . . . and his brethren the priests, and Zerubbabel . . . and his brethren, arose and **BUILT THE ALTAR OF THE GOD of Israel**, to offer burnt offerings on it, as it is written in the Law of Moses the man of God.

***Ezra 3:3-4*** (NJPS Translation) They set up **THE ALTAR** on its (original) site because they were in

**FEAR** of the peoples of the land, and they offered burnt offerings on it to the LORD, burnt offerings each morning and evening. Then they celebrated the Festival of Tabernacles . . . .”

**NOTE:** For **FEAR** of the peoples of the land—they begin offering the sacrifices – ***even before the Temple was built*** – as the following Scripture makes known

***Ezra 3:6*** (NJPS Translation) From the 1st Day of the 7th month (*Feast of Trumpets*) they **BEGAN** to make burnt offerings to the LORD, **THOUGH** the foundation of the Temple of the LORD had **NOT** been laid.

Soncino Commentary: Ezra 6:15, Sixth Year: “Since the work was restored in the 6th month of Darius’ second year (*Haggai 1:15*), it occupied nearly 4 and 1/2 years

[meaning: before the Temple was brought to completion].”

## A Picture of the Near Future for the Nation of Israel (Judah)

The following Scripture was initially fulfilled by Antiochus Epiphanes with the aid of the apostate Jews. However it reaches beyond that time to the antitype, the Beast and False Prophet of the End-time, and the emergence of it is already being witnessed.

***Daniel 11:31*** “And forces shall be mustered by him (*Beast*), and they (*Beast and the False Prophet*) shall defile the Sanctuary fortress (*overpower the heavily fortified defense system protecting the Temple*); they shall take away the daily sacrifices, and place there the **abomination of desolation.**”

History will repeat itself once again but in a different form.





After taking away the sacrifices the Pope will seat himself in the Holy Place within the Temple with the seated statue of Jupiter next to himself (*Meaning of Jupiter: dies pater, which means "shining father"*). He proclaims Jupiter to be the Apostle Peter to give him needed stature. The Pope will then proclaim himself as God (*II Thessalonians 2:1-4*).

The abomination of desolation brought into the Temple by Antiochus Epiphanes was sprinkling the broth from a boiled swine's flesh in the Temple and on the Altar with it. This has not been repeated since that time – not even in 70 A. D. At that time the Temple was burned and completely destroyed by the Roman armies (*fulfilling the prophecy of Jesus Christ, Matthew 24:1-2*).



Approximately 123 years later, as if in derision, a statue of Jupiter was enthroned above the ruins of

the Jewish Temple by Emperor Hadrian (*The Bible as History, Werner Keller, Page 408*).

## Building the Third Temple

In the near future the Temple will begin to be constructed for the 3rd time. The Priests and Levites will begin to offer the sacrificial offerings in hope of protection and blessings from God (*a repeat of history – trust in the Temple, Jeremiah 7:1-15*). There has to be a window of opportunity to present itself before they begin constructing the Temple. And it would appear all the turmoil in the Middle East now taking place will finally lead to this coming time. And it will undoubtedly be rebuilt on its original site as it was in Ezra's time (*Ezra 5:2, 16*).

Prior to this time God will have broken the UNITY between the House of Joseph and Judah (*Zechariah 11:14*).

As the result the help previously received will no longer be available to them, nor from anyone else.

A Scenario based on Scripture: Having begun the construction of the Temple will result with very strong warning threats from the Arab world and condemnation from other nations as well. Realizing their helplessness, and out of FEAR the leadership of the Jews will seek help from Germany, the Beast power.

Deceitfully, the Beast will give them his protection as indicated in the foregoing prophecies in Daniel (*Daniel 11:21-24*). He will place a small army inside Jerusalem and a much larger one outside the City (*Luke 21:20-21; a type of Jerusalem in 70 A. D.*). Shortly thereafter, as already made known (*Daniel 11:31*), this will come to be their undoing as a nation (*Zechariah 14:2*).

## The Temple will be Quickly Built

Considering the foregoing prophecies in this writing how much time will be needed for the beginning of the fulfillment of the prophecy concerning Sacrificial Offerings and the Temple to be constructed? Not long! The altar has already been built. It only has to be moved into its needed place and the foundation of the Temple will then be laid and hastily built.



It will go up in less time than it took in Haggai's time (4 and 1/2 years) for the Jewish people have been preparing all of the needed materials for years as excerpts from the following articles make known:

### **Temple Institute to Build Sacrificial Altar on Tisha B'av**

By Yehudah Lev Kay First Publish: 7/29/09. 10:09 AM Temple Institute

The Temple Institute will begin building the sacrificial altar on Thursday, Tisha B'av, a fast day when Jews mourn the destruction of the Temple some 2,000 years ago. . . . The Temple Institute, which has already built many of the vessels for the Holy Temple, such as the ark and the menorah, has now embarked on a project to build the altar. Construction begins Thursday in Mitzpe Yericho (east of Jerusalem) at 5:30 p.m.

"Unfortunately, we cannot currently build the altar in its proper place, on the Temple Mount," Temple Institute director Yehudah Glick said. "We are building an altar of the minimum possible size so that we will be able to transport it to the Temple when it is rebuilt." . . .

Glick said that Tisha B'av, a day associated with mourning, is really the ideal time to begin to build the Temple. "People mistakenly think Tisha B'av is only a day to

cry," he explained. "It also has to be a day of action. We have the ability in our era to begin the construction of the Temple." . . .

### **The Temple Institute In Jerusalem Has Spent Approximately 27 Million Dollars On Preparations For The Rebuilding Of The Jewish Temple**



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"We live at a time when the signs of the last days are literally being fulfilled right in front of our eyes. One of the most exciting signs that Bible prophecy students love to keep an eye on are preparations for the rebuilding of the Jewish Temple. In a previous article, we discussed how the Temple Institute in Jerusalem took a giant step towards the rebuilding of the Temple by beginning to

### **rebuild the sacrificial altar....**

In fact, Glick says that the Al-Aqsa mosque does not need to be removed for the new Temple to be built. "Al-Aqsa can stay," Glick is quoted in The Age as saying. "It's not even on the Temple Mount proper. But we intend to just build over the Dome of the Rock. We might be

able to find a way to include it in the third temple." . . . But could the Antichrist someday pose as the Jewish Messiah and use such expectations to promote the use of the rebuilt Temple for his one world religion? It is something to think about. In any event, preparations for the rebuilding of the Jewish Temple are heating up as never before, and as students of the prophecies of the last days this is something that we need to continually keep an eye on."



Recent writings from Israel reveal there continues to be a growing movement toward the rebuilding of the Temple. And within God's perfect Time Table, construction will begin.

### **Vitally Important Things to Know**

To be counted worthy to be among the faithful people of God to be protected one needs to be among those of the Philadelphia Church Era for the promise is only for them (*Revelation 3:7-13*). And even these members have to be watching world events in light of Bible Prophecy, and praying always-while having a close and ongoing relationship with God our Father and Jesus Christ (*Luke 21:36*).

The members must also be subject to the true Governmental leadership within His True Church (*Hebrews 13:7; 17; Ephesians 4:1-16*). It is also important to know Jesus Christ has always worked through His one chosen leader at any given time within His Government.

It will be to him an angel will be sent by Jesus Christ (*Luke 1:11, 26-27; Joshua 5:13-15*), or by a dream (*Matthew 2:13*), or through discernment of prophecy (*Matthew 24:15-21*), that he will come to know when the time has come to flee. He will make this known to the membership who will have come together in God's true and faithful Church from their present scattered condition,

along with: "**when, where, how.**" Otherwise how would the scattered membership know when to flee?

Biblical history teaches Jesus Christ was there to provide the needed help for Symeon, the Church pastor, and the membership who fled from Jerusalem to Pella, Jordan to escape the vengeful enormous Roman armies at the exact time needed in 70 A. D. Christ was there to lead the way for them. And He will again for those counted worthy in our time for He has promised never to leave His true leadership and His true Church (*Matthew 28:20*).

Think about the foregoing prophecies and where YOU are now! **Precious time is fleeting and the end is virtually in sight!**



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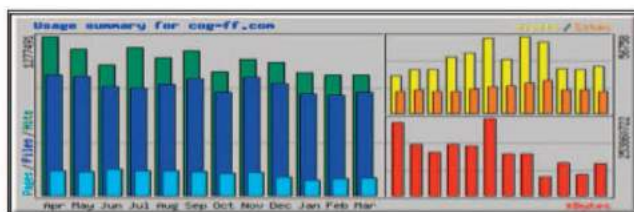
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