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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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Personal from...

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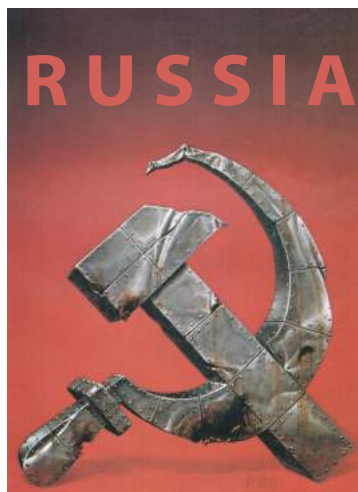
The campaign for the presidency of the United States. Is anyone qualified for so great an office?

MILLIONS of dollars are being donated to and spent by aspirants for the presidency of the United States. What a spectacle it is! Most who contribute to campaign expenses do so for selfish advantage, hoping to get something out of it. This world has been brainwashed by a subtle and clever devil in the "GET" principle of life.

The winner will have his hand on the greatest throttle of POWER possessed by any man on earth. And that is what the candidates COVET! It makes me think of the 15-year-old boy who can hardly wait another year to get his hand on the POWER that goes with a steering wheel.

Usually those who covet power are not competent to wield it. Actually is there any mortal really qualified for the position? Today, there are no more really "strong" leaders in the world in the government of any nation. But one is now looming on the horizon—Pope John Paul II [Pope Francis]. We may hear a lot more of him, later.

Whatever happens in the U.S. elections, the country LOSES! If there exists a man in the United States of presidential caliber, he would be big-minded enough to refuse to run for the job.



In any event the heads of the governments of Europe—and are any of them really of adequate caliber for their great jobs?—have lost confidence in relying on the United States to protect them . . . The Soviet Union has now made [inroads with their effort to re-establish their former power] . . . They will not retreat.

They are in no great hurry (a bear lumbers along slowly most of the time) . . . Europe now fears them. The Europeans want political and military UNION. No leader in Europe is strong enough to unite them [at this present time].

BUT, Pope John Paul II [Pope Francis] has rapidly gained stature and public acclaim. He now looms as the world's ONLY STRONG MAN! He can bring about the prophesied resurrection of the "Holy Roman Empire" just prior to the crisis at the close of this age of man. But all this is the final gasp of the governments of this world, under the sway of an invisible Satan and his way of "GET."

Just consider how idiotic—how foolish—it all is!

The GOVERNMENT OF GOD will soon take over. Jesus Christ, in SUPREME POWER AND GLORY, will HEAD the government of the World Tomorrow over all nations. There will be no elections. No \$100-per-plate banquets to raise funds for willful aspirants who covet POWER. NO unqualified men running for office. No fear of other nations, nor of nuclear war.

King David will rule all the nations developed out of the 12 tribes of ancient Israel. Each of the original apostles will be appointed head of one of those 12 nations. Christ will be Supreme Judge as well as Supreme Executive. The "Congress," "Parliament" or LAW-MAKING BODY will be GOD THE FATHER IN HEAVEN.

Those of us—then made immortal—who are given office of rule will rule by GOD'S LAW! All will be JUST. We shall not rule or judge as the world does now—but we shall have power to read men's minds and hearts (Isaiah 11).

NO ELECTIONS! NO MEN inadequately qualified for office spending millions of dollars crying out, "Vote for me—I want to be President." We now do not have long to wait. This present election may be the very LAST political election for the presidency of the United States.

There will soon be a new world with no more coveting, nor lying, nor murders, nor broken homes and families. There shall be PEACE, HAPPINESS, JOY, all living the way of "GIVE," which is outflowing LOVE!



Those Jesus Christ will APPOINT to the chief offices ALREADY have undergone their training in their mortal life on earth. I expect father Abraham to be resurrected to the next office under Christ.

[Edited by Alton B. (Don) Billingsley]

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APOSTASY

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speaking of seven successive Churches or seven successive eras of the one church but at the same time they are speaking of the seven dominant conditions that would be found in the Church of every era.

So, the things that you find in the Church at Ephesus really do apply to us now the same as they did to them then. The difference is that what is mentioned in the Philadelphia era dominates at this time and what was mentioned in the message to the Church at Ephesus dominated back in the beginning of the Church.

Then, besides that, in Matthew 24 for example, and, of course, Mark 13 and Luke 21 are just you might say a different reporters account of the same prophecy of Jesus. It speaks there of the apostasy, of false ministers deceiving the people. In other words, they would come with another gospel and that the gospel that Jesus Christ taught, his message, would not be preached.

It would be sabotaged and then a famine, pestilence, of wars, and there have been continuing wars all through. Now most of those things they were having then and we have had them continuously. Apparently with a great sudden upswing now at the time of the end, which is occurring.

Greeting once again everybody, I am glad that in the sermonette this morning the 13th verse was mentioned in Matthew 24 as well as the 14th. Now the 14th refers to what we are doing. That is about us and I wonder if God did not put the 13th verse in there ahead of it just so that it would attract our attention.

Anyway, I want to say something this morning about this thing of enduring to the end because there are a number of Scriptures on that very subject and salvation will not come unless you do. Remember that Scripture and obey it.

So, this afternoon I want to get back to prophecy once again. Now, not just prophecy of world events this time. Usually that is what prophecy means to us, but this time events that have to do with God's Church.

Events Concerning God's True Church

As in the prophecies of world events, and the Bible has many of those, there is virtually nothing that was prophesied to occur between the first century, the time of the Apostles and Christ, until now except what we find in the second chapter of Revelation to the Churches that are mentioned there. Let me see, it is four of them.

Now, Revelation 2 and the 3rd chapter of Revelation are dealing with the Seven Churches.

Let's get one thing straight, and this is something I have been saying for the last 42 years, and many do not realize I have been saying it, they are

The Sign of the End Time

Then, the next thing to happen, the one thing that Jesus said would be the sign that we are at the end and prior to his second coming would be what we read in verse 14: **“This gospel of the Kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations and then shall the end of this age come.”**



After that has happened. That is referred to in the Bible as the Day of the Lord in over thirty different prophecies. In other words, we have been in you might call it the day of man or perhaps you could just as accurately call it the day of Satan because it is the day of man cut off from God primarily, but swayed by Satan who is the God of this world **[I John 5:19]**.

Some people I think tell you what God wants done and the only thing is they have their own God, they mean Satan. Then, after this, and you see the getting of this message out to the world has already taken 42 years so it is not

something that just happens in one day. It is a continuous thing for quite a while. It takes a long time to get this job done.

The next thing that is foretold there is the Great Tribulation and then comes that really is the Day of the Lord and that is the time when God supernaturally intervenes in this world's affairs.

Adam and Eve's Choice of the Wrong Tree

In other words, God, so to speak, just adopted a hands-off policy and told humanity, go ahead form your own governments, decide for yourself what is right and what is wrong. When Adam and Eve, and mother Eve took and Adam took it with her, of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil they took to themselves the knowledge or the production of the knowledge of what is right and what is wrong, what is good and what is evil **[Genesis 3:1-7]**.

Now, the Law of God determines that and God had just been teaching them about that. I know that he did, even though it isn't recorded, for the simple reason that for the violation of that law he pronounced a death sentence upon them and he could not have done that if he had not explained to them the law

whose penalty he was telling them would happen to them on violation.

I know that God taught Adam and Eve a great many things that are not recorded at all because in the first eleven chapters of the Bible it just skips over and gives us the barest outline hitting only the high spots. We don't get down to specific details or history or anything of that kind until we come to the 12th chapter of Genesis and it begins about Abraham. Then, when we get down to the lives of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob and Joseph and then later the children of Israel descended from them or from Abraham.

The Work of God's Church

Then we get into more detail in the history of the Old Testament Scriptures. But the thing that is prophesied for now is precisely what God has raised this Church up to do and that is the reason He called YOU.

Also, now let's come to a prophecy in the 12th chapter of the book of Revelation and beginning now with verse 7. Speaking here it is carried the time of the old apostasy, the beginning of the Church. A flight of a Church so to speak, underground, which it did through the Middle Ages, 1260 years. Then, we come to verse 7 and this gets down to our time.

And there was war in heaven. Michael and his angels fought against the dragon and the dragon fought and his angels. Now that is speaking of the angels which sinned as you will read of in 2 Peter, let's see, is that the 2nd or 3rd chapter of 2 Peter? And the dragon fought and his angels and prevailed not, neither was their place found anymore in heaven. And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent called the Devil and Satan.

You don't have to worry about who the dragon is and don't try to make up something in your imagination that the dragon is a symbol for something else, because it tells us very plainly here. **The great dragon was cast out, that old serpent called the Devil and also called Satan which deceiveth the whole world.**

Now, when the Bible says the whole world it means the whole world. That is the world as a whole. He was cast out into the Earth and his angels, who are now demons, were cast out with him. **And I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, "Now is come salvation and strength and the Kingdom of our God.**

That only comes with the second coming of Christ so this is just preceding that. Now Jesus said in Matthew 24, when they asked Him for the sign about His coming so that they would know that we are

getting near to that time, it was a time when this Gospel of the Kingdom would be preached, because it hadn't been for eighteen and a half centuries.

"For the accuser of our brethren is cast down. Don't accuse any of God's brethren. That is something Satan is doing, you'll be doing Satan's job for him if you do that. Which accuse them before our God day and night and they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, which is Christ, and by the word of their testimony and they loved not their lives unto death."

They were willing to risk their lives for the truth, which was more precious to them than even this mortal life. **"Therefore, rejoice ye heavens and ye that dwell in them. Woe to the inhabitants of the Earth or of the sea for the devil is come down unto you having great wrath.**

He is very angry right now because **he knoweth he hath but a short time."** Now how does he know that. He knows that because he knows what this Church is doing. He knows what I am doing and what this Church is backing in getting the Gospel of the Kingdom, which he has kept from the world, but now getting that announced all over the world and it is coming, it's time is very near.

And when the dragon saw that he was cast unto the Earth he persecuted the woman which brought forth the man-child. In other words that was Israel, but the Israel of now in the New Testament time is the Church of God. A spiritual Israel so to speak.

And to the woman, now meaning the Church, were given two wings of a great eagle that she might fly into the wilderness into her place where she is nourished for a time, times and half a time.



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The Flight of God's Church

Now this time that will be a mere three and a half years, not a day for a year as it was through the Middle Ages when the Church at that time did flee for 1260 years from the face of the serpent. So, this Church, and you will read of this in the third chapter of Revelation where it speaks of this era of the Church specifically, if we endure to the end, if we are faithful, if we are back of this job that God wants done we are going to be taken, and it says here fly.

Now, in the Middle Ages, speaking of the Church going to a place of safety, they fled. That implies they went afoot. Now, whether it means anything or not it does say fly this time. And there is the promise that is we are faithful in getting this message to the world as a witness for all nations that we will not have to go through this terrible Great Tribulation.

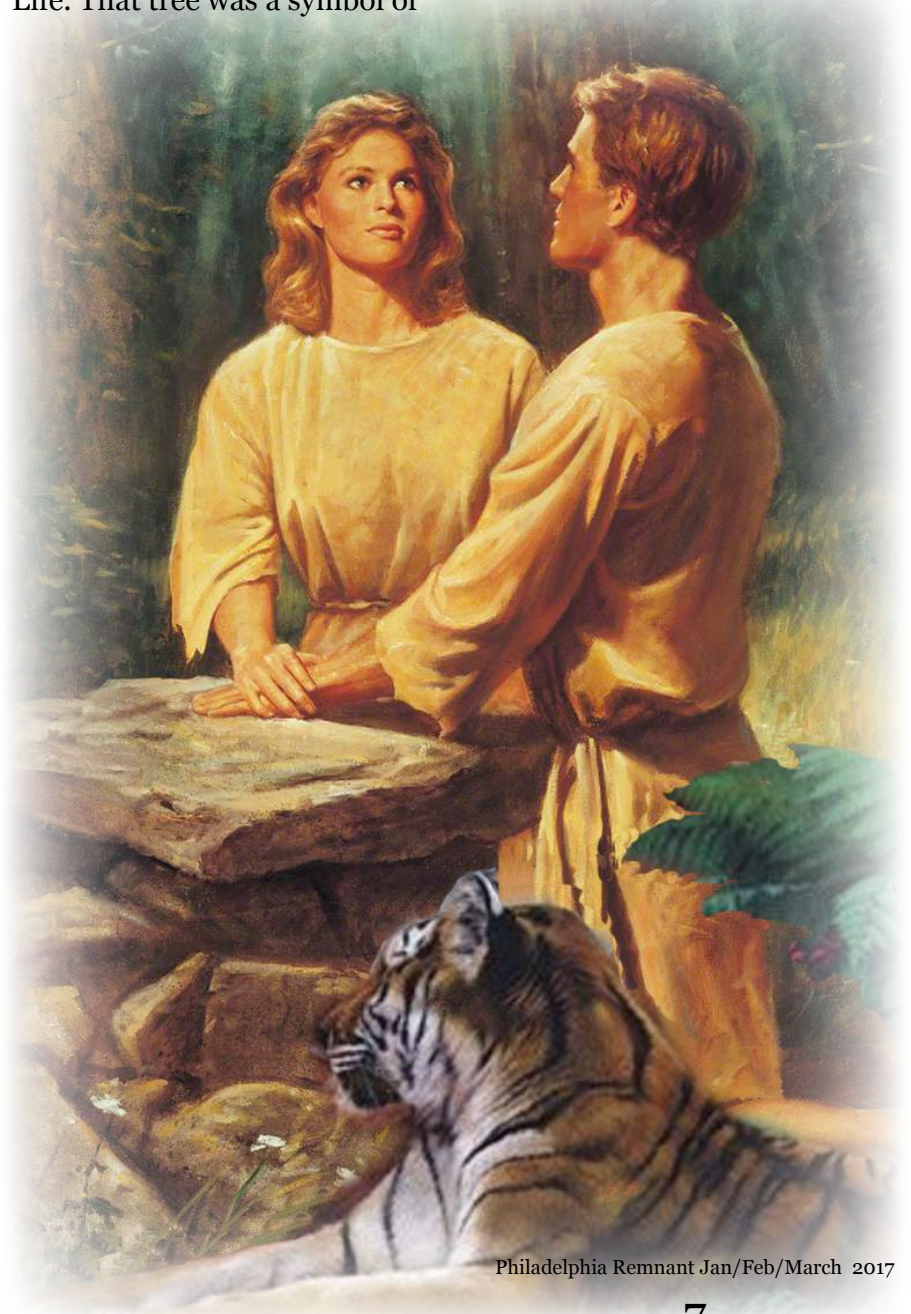
God Taught Adam and Eve

Now, I want you to remember always that after Adam had rejected the Kingdom of God, when he was first created God told him about his own Government, God's Government. He told him about the Kingdom of God. He explained to him he could be born of God, that the Kingdom of God is a Family, that God is a Family. God is that Family, not just one person. The Father in heaven, whom Jesus prayed to

and told us to pray to is the Father of that Family. He called Christ His Beloved Son. Christ called Him His Father. We are to pray to Him and call Him our Father, but we pray in the name and by the authority of Jesus Christ.

Now, when Adam rejected the Kingdom of God, which he had a chance to rule, because right there was also the Tree of Life. That tree was a symbol of

the Spirit of God and if he had obeyed God, and he didn't have to repent at that time because he had not done anything wrong yet. This was while God was still speaking to him and before Satan encountered him. He could have received the Spirit of the Living God which would have impregnated him with immortal life and as a son of the Living God, but he didn't.



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Now, if we are going to rule in the place of Satan, we have to meet him [Satan]. We have to reject his way of life and we are meeting him and he is getting to us and he is getting to us every day. God made man with a physical brain but in order that we could have a mind like God, although inferior, of course, at this time, He put within each of us a Spirit, that spirit essence, not a spirit person or being at all, but that Spirit in man does impart to the physical brain the power of intellect that no animal has.

Animals have brains precisely like the human brain, three of them have larger brains, the elephant and then, well I don't know whether a shark does, but the elephant, the dolphin and the whale, and their brains in quality are right on a par with man. If man's brain are 100 percent theirs are up in probably the late 90s, but the superiority of the human brain is thousands of times not just 1 or 2 percent out of 100. The only way you can possibly account for it, even scientifically, is to accept the truth that there is, in the human brain, a nonphysical component that is not present in the animal brain.

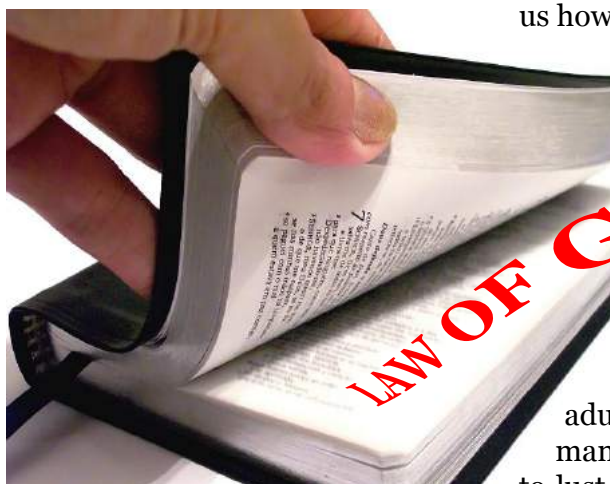
The Cherub Lucifer

Now, let's just remember that Adam had to meet Satan. Because this Earth had been originally populated by angels, God had put here a super archangel, a cherub whose name was Lucifer. He was the absolute maximum of a type of

being that God could create. It is impossible to create anything higher.

However, just by creation and giving him a mind, giving him the power to think, to reason, equipping him with very great knowledge and let him use that knowledge in thinking and reasoning and in drawing his own conclusions in making his own decisions, in making his own choices, he couldn't have had personality, he couldn't have been a real being without that. And so God did equip him with all of that.

God had also created two other super archangels and apparently they have never misused their thinking processes but this Lucifer did and he took all of his angels with him. He convinced them also to rebel against the Government of God. Now the Government of God is based on the Law of God. All government



is based on Law. You don't know of any government from the smallest village up to the largest nation that is not based on a law, a basic law.

God's Law of Love

God's law is just L-O-V-E, the word love. God himself is said to be love and love is an outgoing concern for the good of others [**I John 4:8, 16**]. Now, this Lucifer didn't like that way of life because it also meant humility and it meant the giving way instead of the getting and taking way. It meant submission to God who is over all as our Creator. He is also our Ruler but He rules with His Government and His Government is based on this law of love. God has love for us but we are to have love for Him and for neighbor.

That law as applied to human beings is love first to God and second, the second great law, thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. The first four of the Ten Commandments tell us how to love God in general principle and the last six in general principle tell us how to love our neighbor.

Then, Christ came and magnified the

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law [**Isaiah 42:21**]. He said, for example, you have heard that thou shalt not commit adultery, but He said if a man even looks on a woman to lust after he has committed adultery already in his heart.

In other words, by the Spirit and applying the principle and the spirit of the laws.

The Removal of God's Law

It goes much further than just the mere letter and so God's law and Government had been removed from the Earth because Lucifer and his angels all went into rebellion and instead of God's law of love and cooperation, of serving, of helping, of sharing, they adopted the way of vanity, exalting the self above God and not God above the self. The way of lust and greed. The way of opposition of competition and strife. The way of jealousy and envy.

The way of resentment and bitterness and a sense of wanting to get even and to hurt the other fellow and that is the way that was adopted by Satan and his angels that are now demons because the former Lucifer had his name changed. He was no longer a bringer of light and truth as he had been, and that is the meaning of the name Lucifer. Now he is Satan, which means adversary or enemy or competitor, and that is what he is now.

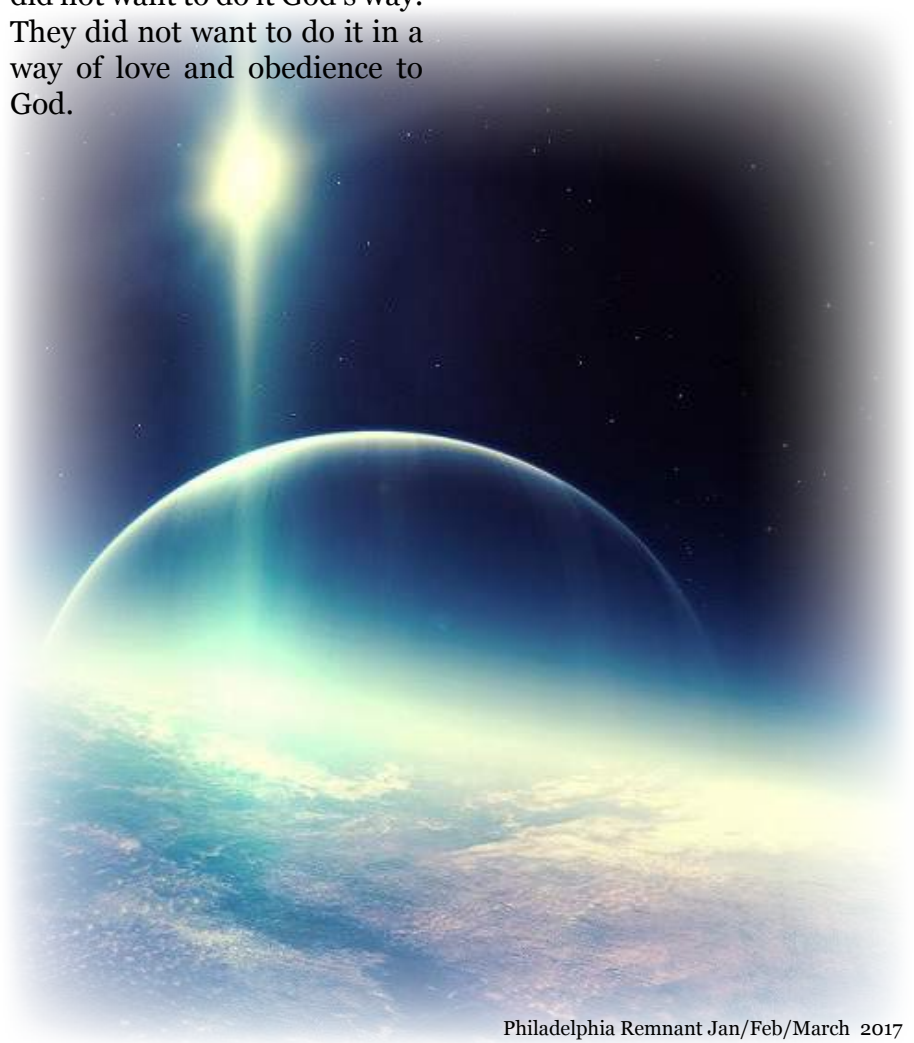
Now, God had put the angels here for a very great purpose but they had to do something to this Earth first and qualify then they would have been used in developing other planets all over the vast endless universe, but they did not even develop this planet. They wrecked it and ruined it.

They perverted everything they could get to.

The Creation and Destruction of the Planet Earth

Angels are spirit beings. The Earth is made of matter and God put those spirit beings on a round Earth of matter. They shouted with joy when God first created it [**Job 38:4-7**]. It was so beautiful. It was so perfect. It was such a wonderful opportunity, but they wanted to do what God was going to let them do. They wanted that alright, but they did not want to do it God's way. They did not want to do it in a way of love and obedience to God.

A lawful way of peace and as long as God's government ruled over them, with Lucifer on the throne of this Earth, there was peace on Earth. Wonderful peace. There was joy and happiness. Shouting for joy as you read in Job [**Job 38:7**]. But they turned and tried to get it the other way instead. They perverted this Earth. You'll find that described in the first chapter of Genesis and the second verse. The Earth was in a state of confusion and it was waste and empty and covered with darkness with a watery fluid surface.



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Now, in the 104th Psalm you will read how God sends forth His Spirit and then He renews the face of the Earth, 104th Psalm verse 30. So, in the second verse of the first chapter of Genesis it shows the state of the Earth. Darkness was over the deep or the watery ocean surface and then God said—now the one who spoke was the one who later became Christ—you read in **John 1:1** in the New Testament:

In the beginning was the Word and the Word was with God and the Word was God and all things were made by Him and without Him was not anything made that was made [**John 1:1-3**]. That is the one who became Christ.

Originally, so far has God has revealed, there were only the Two in the Family of God. Later the One who was the Word became a human being and God became His Father because He had no human father. So, He was the Son of God, but He also was the son of man born of the virgin Mary.

And so, God saw what had happened to the Earth. God knew that there was only one being or type of being on the Earth that would never violate His law. In other words, would never sin. Sin is the transgression of that way [**I John 3:4**]. That law is a way of life. It is the way of love. It is the way of sharing, of serving, of helping. It is the way of humility. It is not like man-made laws.

Man-made laws are not a way of life and character development. God's law is.

Anyway, they had perverted themselves and their minds. They had now disqualified themselves. God wanted the entire universe developed. As a result of what they did, the planets all over the Earth became like our moon. It is waste and empty.



The Astronauts

[Gap – July 20, 1969 Internet: At 10:56 p.m. EDT, American astronaut Neil Armstrong, 240,000 miles from Earth, speaks these words to more than a billion people listening at home: "That's one small step for man, one giant leap for mankind." Stepping off the lunar landing module Eagle, Armstrong became the first human to walk on the surface of the moon.]

If they had taken off the suits that they were wearing they would have been burned

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to a crisp or they would have frozen instantly, whichever. I understand that at night it was so cold on the moon that it would freeze you instantly. In the day time it is so hot it would burn you to a crisp. They had to wear space suits that kept all of those temperatures off. They had their own oxygen inside to breathe.

They had to take what it takes to sustain human life. They had to take it from this Earth. You might wonder why would they want to go up there for. You know, I receive many



letters of congratulations for making the first step on the moon because the man who did had my name, but he was a different Armstrong. His name was Neil.

The Overcomer's

Now that Satan had been disqualified to carry out the government of God, which he had rejected, the Government of God had been taken from the Earth. Anyone who was going to succeed him had to meet him and reject his way and accept God's way and God's Government. Now Adam had that chance. He was the

Adam. He didn't do it. The second Adam, who was Christ, did.

Now, I want to go just way ahead of myself for a moment. Go back here to the second chapter of Revelation. I'm jumping way ahead now, and beginning with verse 26 and verse 27 where Jesus himself said, **"He that overcometh, what do we have to overcome, Satan and your own self and what he puts inside of you and keepeth My works unto the end. And there it is, enduring unto the end again. To him will I give power over the nations and he shall rule with a rod of iron."** Christ had to qualify to become the King in the place of King Lucifer.

If we are going to sit with him on his throne we too have to qualify. Do you ever wonder why it is God is only calling a very few now? I'VE TOLD YOU THAT AGAIN AND AGAIN AND AGAIN **[Luke 12:32]**. And I know if I ask you you'll say sure I know it and yet you take it for granted God is trying to convert everybody on Earth now don't you? Without thinking you do. You know better, but I'm trying to get all of you to really realize it so much that you never assume anything else but so much of Protestantism has rubbed off on us that we think a good deal like Protestants do. This is the time God desperately is trying to get everyone saved and the devil is trying to get them lost.

Now you know if you think for a minute that can't be true, otherwise Satan is more powerful than God. He is winning that battle. But there is no such contest going on at all. This is not a time God is trying to save the world and the parable just read to you in the sermonette shows you that the overwhelming majority never received the word and if they do it chokes them immediately and they never go on **[Matthew 13:22]**.



It is a very few and it is only those that God calls. If you have been called and converted, that is a miracle and Jesus Christ said none could come to him except the Father has drawn them **[John 6:44]**. Other scriptures will show you that if He has you have been predestinated since before the foundation of the world **[Ephesians 1:4-5]**. God knew that you would be born and had you selected and picked out but he called us **TO GET A JOB DONE . . .**

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Now more about that a little later. I've already said it so many times that I hope maybe I'll get everybody to understand it and believe it some of these days.

Anyway, let's see, **Revelation 3:21 To him that overcometh**, and again it is overcoming Satan and his way and accepting the way of God and the law of God and the government of God, will ***I grant to sit with me on my throne.*** Jesus had to qualify. He had to reject the way of Satan. He had to prove He would keep the way of God and if He was going to rule with that law and reestablish the Government of God on this Earth. That is what will bring peace to this Earth and we will never have peace until human nature is changed.

You weren't born with human nature. God did not create Adam with human nature. He created an archangel Lucifer, but He didn't put any bad nature in him. He just gave him a mind. He gave him a lot of facts, a lot of knowledge and he misused what God gave him. He had a wonderful opportunity. He was told where he could go if he did the right thing and he was told what would happen if he went the wrong way, but he didn't believe God.

Believing God

When God talked to Adam and Eve they DID NOT BELIEVE WHAT GOD SAID! Now you not only have to BELIEVE on Christ and BELIEVE that Jesus was the promised Messiah. That is not enough; you have to BELIEVE WHAT HE SAID! He is the Word of God. It is His Word that is important.

You know there are millions that believe that Jesus was the Messiah today and the Bible says even the devils, the demons, believe, but they tremble **[James 2:19]**. They believe but they don't obey. They believe that HE, that Christ, is the Messiah, but they don't obey Him. They don't accept His Word. You know we need to get these things straight because it is very, very important and your eternity is hanging on it. We are called for a job and to get a job done.



Now, Christ did qualify but when Adam and Eve rejected God and God's law and went Satan's way, and chose that way, they cut themselves off from God. So, God says, alright you have cut yourself off from Me, I am going to just simply let you go the way you have chosen and it is the way Satan is leading and you will see in human life that going this way

of vanity and lust and greed, jealousy and envy of competition and strife of resentment and bitterness and hatred and murder and violence that you are only going to bring suffering on humanity. You will never have peace because of the way you live.

I talk to the heads of government all over this world. I don't use Bible language. I talk to



them about their troubles and why. WHY DO THEY HAVE THE TROUBLES THEY DO. Because that is the way human beings are living. They are on the get way and not the give way. Now I put it in that kind of language and they get the message. They understand it and they agree. I guess they think everyone else is on the get way and they are on the give way.

Of course, that is not quite true. Everyone thinking the other guy is doing it the wrong way. I guess that is human nature too. Maybe that came from Satan.

Anyhow, Satan is the prince of the power of the air and he is broadcasting through that spirit that is in every one of us and he broadcasts not in words, not in sounds, but only in attitudes, impulses, feelings **[Ephesians 2:2]**. You just suddenly feel a certain way and you have a certain attitude and you begin to resent what someone did to you.

The Beginning of the Falling Away

Many have sat right where you're sitting and maybe over in the gymnasium or other places. They have heard this, even ministers, and yet they let bitterness and resentment come in and hook them on it and they'll never get unhooked because they don't want to. They won't repent. God would let them. God would easily grant them repentance but they don't want it. You'll read that in Hebrews **[10:19-39]**.

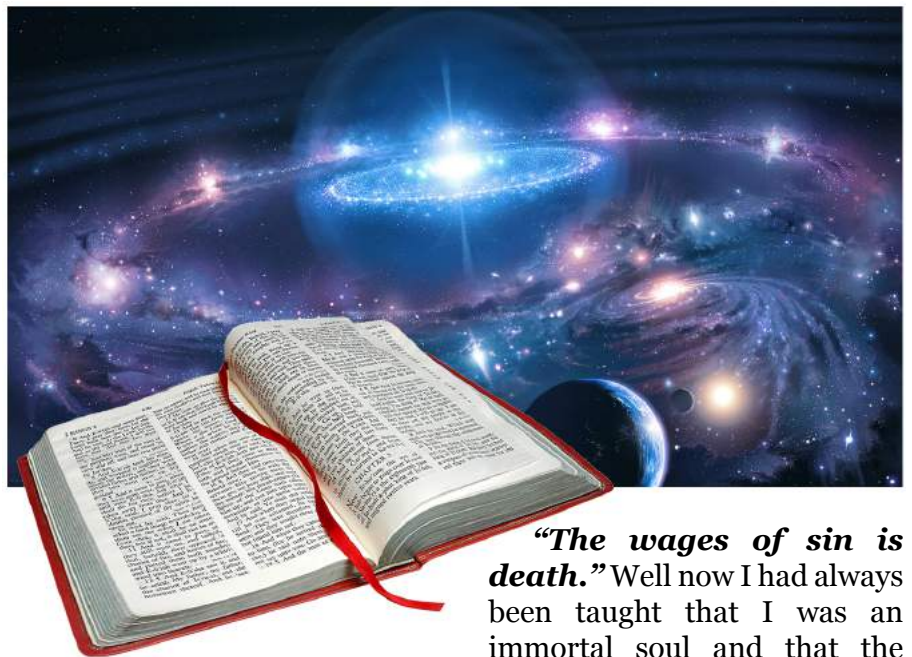
Once you have tasted of the truth of God and the Holy Spirit of God and you have had these wonderful things, and it is a miracle if you have had the Holy Spirit, and once that miracle has happened and that great gift has been given to you and you turn away from it and you turn to another belief, it is impossible to ever get you to repent and change your mind because you won't and God

isn't going to make you if you refuse **[Hebrews 6:4-8; 10:26-31]**.

That has happened to even some ministers in this Church. Now I'm coming to that. Anyway, God adopted a hands-off policy for 6000 years. God has a purpose He is performing on this Earth. The reason He put human beings here is because when angels went wrong He could not create any other angels greater and He cannot create instantaneously by fiat this thing of character. That is something that has to be developed. God had it, the angels under Lucifer did not and they went their own way.

done out of matter which can be subject to change because spirit will not change. We have to develop that character while we are composed of matter and once we do we die and we'd be resurrected spirit beings and it is all through the spirit that is within us. Not many understand any of the things I am telling you. No other church on the face of the Earth understands it. It is the Word of this Book, the Bible. They don't understand the Bible. They don't believe it. It's what God says and they don't believe what God says.

You know, I was stunned back there 49 years ago when I read in **Romans 6:23**



The only way that God could provide enough beings to do what He wants done in the whole universe was to reproduce Himself. It had to be

“The wages of sin is death.” Well now I had always been taught that I was an immortal soul and that the penalty I would get paid for sin and sin is going to the matinée on Sunday or going to a theater at any time for that matter. So, we kids, when we were about 12 or 13 years old we had to sneak out and go to the matinée on Sunday when our parents didn't know it,

because the Church said that was sin. Well, we wanted to see it. I don't suppose any of you were like that but maybe you're not human, but I can tell you I've been human and I have sinned and sometimes I thought I was the greatest of sinners, but I don't want to sin!

Sometimes it is hard to go the other way and I know that not only women can suffer birth pains but men can believe it or not. It wasn't for the birth of another human being that I suffered birth pains that this campus can be here and that you can be here right now and enjoy it.

God's Seven-Thousand Year Plan

Anyway, God adopted a 7000-year plan. The first 6000 years He is keeping hands off of the world primarily and He is letting men go their own way accepting the way of Satan to show the results by human experience of 6000 years. The experience has been going on. The lesson has been written but nobody believes it and nobody seems to understand it. That is, virtually nobody.

About the first 2000 years from Adam God was not calling humanity for salvation.

eight people and God wasn't calling anybody else.

Then we don't find anybody being called by God for eternal life until we come to Abraham and then Isaac and Jacob and Joseph 430 years after Abraham's decedents were slaves in Egypt. God called them and offered them the opportunity to have His government as a nation. The only promises He gave and what it would get them were national and material promises, great wealth, peace, the greatest nation. They would be the head and not the tail of all the nations on Earth.



You didn't have to suffer that. I did it for you. I had to suffer birth pains that I could come into the truth and be able to give to you what you can get no other place. You better hang onto it. It is very precious believe me. What God has in store for us is beyond the greatest imagination of your mind and He wants to give it to us but we have our part. You don't earn it. You never could.

We find that Abel was called righteous Abel so he must have had God's Spirit. Enoch walked with God and we do not know any of the details or circumstances of it. Noah was the only one found righteous on Earth, but because of Noah his family was saved with him a total of

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But there was not what we call salvation, spiritual salvation. Eternal life was not offered. Only the prophets, and they were given God's Holy Spirit to get a job done not so just that they could have it and sit back and say, "Well, I'm saved." They were not saved. They aren't yet. Abraham, Isaac and Jacob will be but they are not yet. Not until the time of the resurrection.

You read that in the 11th chapter of Hebrews but we come down to the time of Christ and look at the millions and billions of people that have lived. God was not calling anyone to try to get them saved. God isn't trying to get humanity saved now and hasn't been and never has as yet, but he has got a program going. He has a purpose.

We are here for a purpose that we be made the children of God and that we develop the character of God because then there is a job for us to do. We are called to get a job done. Right now, what we are called for is to get this message of the coming Kingdom of God out to the world, not to convert them, not to get them to believe it, which they won't, but that they will know they have heard it and when it happens they will know they've been told, even though they didn't believe it. That is why you have been called brethren. I hope I can get you to really see that and completely understand it.

Now, from Abraham to Christ only the prophets, as I said, Christ and from that time on Christ came with a message, a gospel. He wanted the message to get out. The early apostles did get it out but notice here in Galatians, Paul wrote to the Church of Galatia. He said, ***"I marvel that you are so soon removed from Him that called you into the grace of Christ unto another gospel, which is not another, but there be some that trouble you"*** or

would pervert the gospel of Christ.

There were enemies trying to have what they called this new teaching even then, trying to get them away. Satan is active. He has his ministers. You read of it in *II Corinthians 11*. It is no great thing if even his ministers appear as the ministers of righteousness and claim to be the ministers of Jesus Christ but he pronounces a double curse on man or angel that would preach any other gospel but the one he had preached which was the gospel or good news of the Kingdom of God ***[Galatians 1:6-9]***.

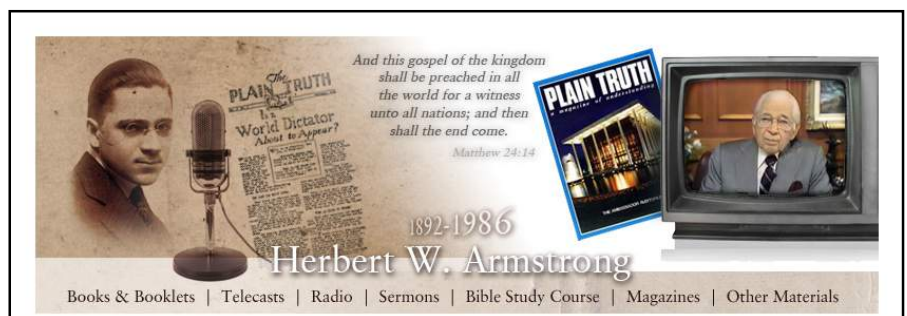
The Kingdom of God

The Kingdom of God is the Family of God into which we may be born ***[John 3:3-8]***. The Kingdom of God is the Government of God and it is the Family who is doing the governing of God's Government and God's Government is based on God's law.

LAW OF GOD ESTABLISHED ON THIS EARTH AND YET EVEN MINISTERS WILL GO OUT OF THIS CHURCH WHO HAVE BEEN TAUGHT IT AND SAY THE LAW IS NOT IN EFFECT FOR US AT ALL ANY-MORE and you can work on the Sabbath all you please and go right into God's Kingdom ***[December 1994]***.

Oh, no you can't! I wouldn't give you a plug nickel for your chances because I speak the word of God and I speak it **WITH AUTHORITY** and you know I do. I don't say maybe. I don't say this is my opinion. I have been called by the living God to get a job done and I'm getting it done and I need you to back me and to help me. I am very thankful that you do so I can keep going.

Now, I'm going to read a little bit more here beginning with verse 10 because I can say this with the Apostle Paul: ***"For do I now persuade men or God? Or do I seek***



The ONLY REASON HUMANITY IS HERE IS TO ONCE AGAIN GET THE GOVERNMENT OF GOD AND THE

to please men? For if I yet please men I should not be the servant of Christ. But I certify you brethren that the gospel which was preached of me was not after men. For I neither received it of men neither

was I taught it but by the revelation of Jesus Christ.”

As Paul said now beginning with verse 15, **“But when it pleased God who separated me from my mother’s womb and called me by His grace to reveal His Son in me, and His Son’s message and His Son as the King of the Kingdom of God, that I might preach Him among the heathen. Immediately I conferred not with flesh and blood . . .”**

Neither went I to any Bible seminary, any denominational religious ministerial college, but I went to the Word of the living Christ. Jesus Christ is the personal Word of God. The Bible is the written Word of God and as God in person taught the Apostle Paul so God through the written Word taught me and I had to come at one truth at a time. It took years, believe me, that you may have it.

Now, let’s go back to Malachi and get this prophecy once again: **“Behold, I will send My Messenger and He shall prepare the way before Me and the Lord whom ye seek shall suddenly come to His temple, even the Messenger of the covenant, that is Christ, the messenger of the covenant, but another human messenger was to prepare the way before Him, whom ye delight in. Behold, He shall come, that is Christ,” says the Lord**

of Hosts.

But, now I want you to pay attention to the next verse, what kind of a coming of Christ is this really speaking about: **“But who may abide the day of His coming and who shall stand when He appeareth for He is like a refiners fire and like fullers soap and He shall sit as a refiner and a purifier of silver and shall purify the sons of Levi and purge them as gold and silver that they may offer unto the Eternal an offering in righteousness. Then shall the offering of Judah and Jerusalem be pleasant unto the Eternal as in the days of old.”**



Did that happen at Christ’s first coming? Any of that? No. None at all. Notice: **“. . . and I will come near to you to judgement and I will sit as a swift witness against the**

sorcerers and against the adulterers and against false swearers and against those that oppress the hireling in the wages and the widow and the fatherless and that turn aside the stranger from his right and fear not Me,” said the Lord of Hosts. “For I the Lord change not.”

That is talking about what Christ will do at His second coming. This shows a second coming of Christ and a messenger to prepare the way. Now, in Mark the first chapter we find the beginning of the gospel of Christ and how Elijah prepared the way before Him. That was His first coming, but this is talking primarily of the

second coming. Is anyone preparing the way?

Now we know it is imminent or this gospel of the Kingdom would not be going around to all of the world. The way is being prepared. Brethren, God called you for your part in getting that done. You say we

are behind you 100 percent Mr. Armstrong. Well, I'm certainly glad. If not, the job isn't going to get done. But I want you to realize what it means to be back of me 100 percent. If you are only back of me in your prayers if there is no money to help financially, you have no conception of how much your prayers can do, but you have got to be in earnest about it and you have to believe and then it will be done.

What I read you in Galatians, I think it was about 68 AD. The Church was founded in 31. The false church was started in 33. Now I'm going to show you more about that and the way is now being prepared for the second coming. One way it is being prepared is to announce about it, the coming of Christ and the Government of God being restored to the Earth and the Kingdom of God. Now, as the gospel went out in the first century by the apostles. There was a great apostasy then. As it is going out now there has to be another one now.

Apostatizing Ministers Deceiving Members

Now I want to go into those Scriptures. I want you to notice now in II Thessalonians, second chapter and beginning with verse 1: **"Now we beseech you brethren by the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and by our gathering together unto Him that you be not soon shaken in mind or be troubled neither by spirit nor by word nor by letter**

as from us."

They were getting messages over in England that purported to come from Headquarters. Now they came from Pasadena alright. So, this is one of the deceptions that Satan would use. His men said over there, "Now this is the new teaching from Pasadena." And the brethren thought it came from me and from us here in Headquarters and it is just the opposite.



I found over there when we rushed over there as soon as we found what was going on that here were some of my good friends and they believed. Well, yes, they were just going right along. "Well we thought that was your teaching Mr. Armstrong." As soon as they found it wasn't they were through with it. I don't know yet if some are going to go that way and believe it but most of them are not.

"As that the day of Christ is at hand. Now this is the second letter that Paul wrote to them. Let me see, this was written about 52 or 53 AD. The falling away it speaks of here that that day of Christ is at

hand, let no man deceive you by any means for that day shall not come except there come a Falling Away first.

Now this falling away comes from the Greek word *apostasia*. In other words, an apostasy and apostatizing. In other words, turning away from the truth to error and false teaching. It is a dereliction of essential truth or a corruption of truth and correct doctrine and that it says here had to come first. Well, Paul had written a letter to them and a second letter to the Thessalonians written later within that same year. Less than a year later than the first.

Apparently, a messenger had come from Thessalonica and had told them that these brethren thought that others spreading the gospel. They had what they called this new teaching that has come to the Church now and they purported that it had come from the Apostle Paul so the people would believe it immediately if it came from Paul and that the day of Christ was at hand. It was just going to come right away.

So, he said, **"We beseech you brethren by the coming of our Lord and Jesus Christ and by our gathering together unto Him that you be not soon shaken in mind or troubled, neither by spirit, nor by word, nor by letter as from us that the day of Christ is at hand.**

Now I mentioned a while ago that we have been in the day of man or you can call it the day of Satan and that is for this first 6000 years then there is going to be 1000 years when God is going to take over through Christ. Christ is coming again as King of Kings and Lord of Lords over all nations on the face of the Earth. That is when we are going to have peace.

Ambassador for World Peace

Now, I am an ambassador without portfolio for world peace and I am sort of recognized as such in the capitals of the world. God has to have someone getting this message out. Peace is coming when Christ comes and when Satan is put away and when he can't pump his kind of attitude into the minds of people through the spirit that is in them and it won't come any sooner.

Now I'm not trying to bring about peace. I am only announcing what God is going to do. I go as an ambassador, really an ambassador for Christ with His message and I've had to wait until I could learn to put it in the kind of language that people would understand and not in Bible language and I simply say what I am bringing you is something that no religion has ever revealed, something science has never been able to find out, something that is not taught in the colleges and universities.

It is the most important knowledge. That makes it sound more respectable. They've had enough of missionaries and that type of thing. If I go as a church man they think I'm a missionary or coming with a religion and what they know as religion they don't want any more of. They've got their own religion anyway.

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The Man of Sin

Now, let's go on to this second chapter of Thessalonians. Someone apparently had told them that they were from Paul. They were believing that. He said, **"except there be a falling away"** or an apostasy from the truth, **"and that man of sin be revealed,"** he was already there and really the man of sin started out as this man in the eighth chapter of the book of Acts, Simon the Sorcerer, and he founded the great false church and that church is still in the world today and it is a great church. It has ruled over governments of Europe. You don't have to guess very far to guess what church that is.



"And that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition, who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God or that is worshiped so that he as God sitteth in the Temple

of God showing himself that he is God."

Most Holy Father they call him. There can only be one who is the Most Holy Father and that is God Himself. **Remember you not that when I was yet with you I told you these things?**



Paul is reminding them but they were forgetting it. **And now you know what withholdeth that he might be revealed in his time for the mystery of iniquity doth already work.**

Even in Paul's time. This was probably about 52 or 53 AD. They were already with a false gospel he said just a little later when he wrote to the Galatians that was going out then and it has filled the world ever since. **And then shall that wicked be revealed whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of His mouth and shall destroy with the brightness of His coming [II Thessalonians 1:8; Revelation 19:20-21].**

At the coming of Christ: **"Even him whose coming is after the working of Satan and with all power and signs and lying wonders and with all deceivableness in them that perish because they received not the Love of Truth that they might be saved and for this cause God shall send them strong delusion that they should believe a lie.**

You come to believe a lie and you depart from one truth of God and pretty soon you depart from another and another and another. I said when some of these apostated and went out of God's Church and did it with a manner of duplicity pretending they were with us. One got a leave of absence with full pay for a year and used that money to try to destroy this Church and this work and is getting out this

so-called new teaching nullifying every important thing in the teaching of Jesus Christ.

Now if you want to follow that, there's the door back there. I won't try to keep you from it but I'll tell you where you're going. It will be a lot worse than following the oxen to the slaughter, a lot worse and you'll leave all of the truth

“God will send them strong delusion that they should believe a lie that they all might be damned who believe not the truth but had pleasure in unrighteousness, but we are bound to give thanks always to God for you brethren, and I say that with Paul to you, beloved of the Lord because God hath from the beginning chosen you to salvation through sanctification of the spirit and belief of the truth whereas He called you by our gospel to the attaining of the glory of the Lord Jesus Christ.

“Therefore, brethren, STAND FAST, HOLD, the traditions that you have been taught whether by word or our epistle. Now the Lord Jesus Christ Himself and God, even our Father, which hath loved us and given us everlasting consolation and good hope through grace, comfort your hearts and stablish you in every good work.

Now we go next a little farther here to 1 Timothy 4 beginning again with verse 1. **“Now the Spirit speaketh expressly that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith.** Here comes this apostasy again, going to false teaching, and drawing some away after them. This is another evidence brethren we are right down into the last time.

The Day of God and God's interference in world affairs cannot come until this has happened. Now here some shall depart from the faith and, in this case, this was written about 64 or 65 AD, and depart from the truth. The Greek word again is another form of the word apostatize or apostasy, bringing in doctrines that render the truth of the gospel null and void. One that that church has always taught and I think many Protestants take it up is that the Kingdom of God has been here all these years anyway and it is the church.

Now some Protestants have come to a new wrinkle on that, that the Kingdom of God is some mysterious nothing set up in the hearts of men. They make it so meaningless it means absolutely nothing to you. The Kingdom of God is the message that Christ brought that is the message of the gospel. **“Giving heed to seducing spirits and doctrines of devils.**

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Speaking lies and hypocrisy.

The Holy Bible Written for the End-Time

Let me just say that these things and these letters that Paul wrote to the Churches and this to Timothy, were a message to them at that time alright, but also it applies to us today. Now, most of the Bible, I feel, was written and has been kept primarily for us of this time now.



Most people in past ages never had a copy of the Bible. Printing wasn't established until just about, what, was it 300 or 400 years ago, and there could not have been any distribution. The Word of God had to be copied and through the Middle Ages



people would be burned at the stake if they had a copy or if they tried to make a copy. They did everything they could to try to stamp the Bible out and that was done by the religion, this false religion, but God didn't ever let it get stamped out.

Now, **“speaking lies and hypocrisy**, that did happen back then, but it is happening again now and to a more or less extent it has been happening all through this era. **Speaking lies and hypocrisy, having their conscious seared with a hot iron forbidding to marry.** I don’t know that the people going out today are forbidding to marry but certainly they did then. They forbid their ministers to marry. They forbid their nuns to marry. **And commanding to abstain from meats which God hath created to**

be received with thanks giving.

Well they have their meatless days and you can’t have any meat but fish on Friday and they have certain days when you can’t have meat and things of that sort, **for every creature of God is good and nothing to be refused for it is received with thanksgiving for it is sanctified, which means set apart, by the Word of God and prayer.”**

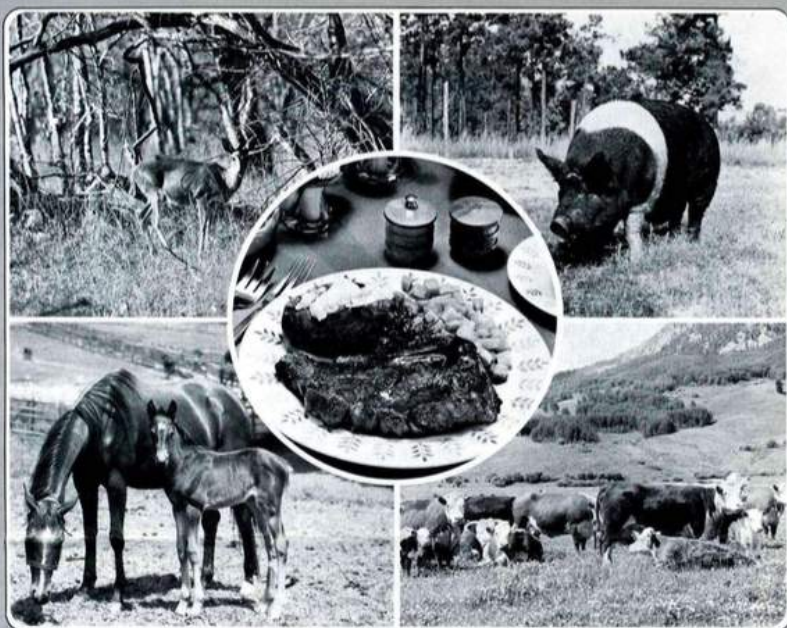
Now the Word of God sets

apart the animals that are for meat and the vegetables and so on that we shall have for food, Leviticus 11. It is already set apart by the Word of God. **“If thou put the brethren in remembrance of these things thou shalt be a good minister of Jesus Christ nourished up in the words of faith and of a good doctrine. But refuse profane and old wives fables and being blown about by every wind of doctrine that comes along.”**

And that is exactly what some are using to try to apostatize. However, there are more new brethren being baptized and brought in than that kind of thing can take out. Isn’t that strange and wonderful. Oh, yes, prophecy is being fulfilled.

Now, in Revelation 3 it speaks of this Church and of the work we are doing and of the door open to get the gospel out. In the 11th and 12th verses it speaks of how when the Great Tribulation comes, which will end our work, we are not going to have to go through it if we are faithful. If you know how terrible that is, you will want to escape. I don’t expect to have to go through it.

Now, let me see, well, I said a while ago the Bible is written primarily for us of this time because they didn’t understand it before. Now, the



Is All Animal Flesh Good Food?

Were all animals made clean? What about the unclean animals shown to Peter in a vision? Here is a straight forward Bible answer, giving the New Testament teaching. This subject is important to your health and well-being!

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apostatizing began while Jesus himself was on Earth. I want to read that to you. John 6 beginning with verse 66.

From that time many of Jesus' disciples went back, not the ones who became apostles but others, and walked no more with him. And then said Jesus unto the twelve, "Will ye also go away?" Then Simon Peter answered him, "Lord to whom shall we go? Thou hast the words of eternal life and we believe.

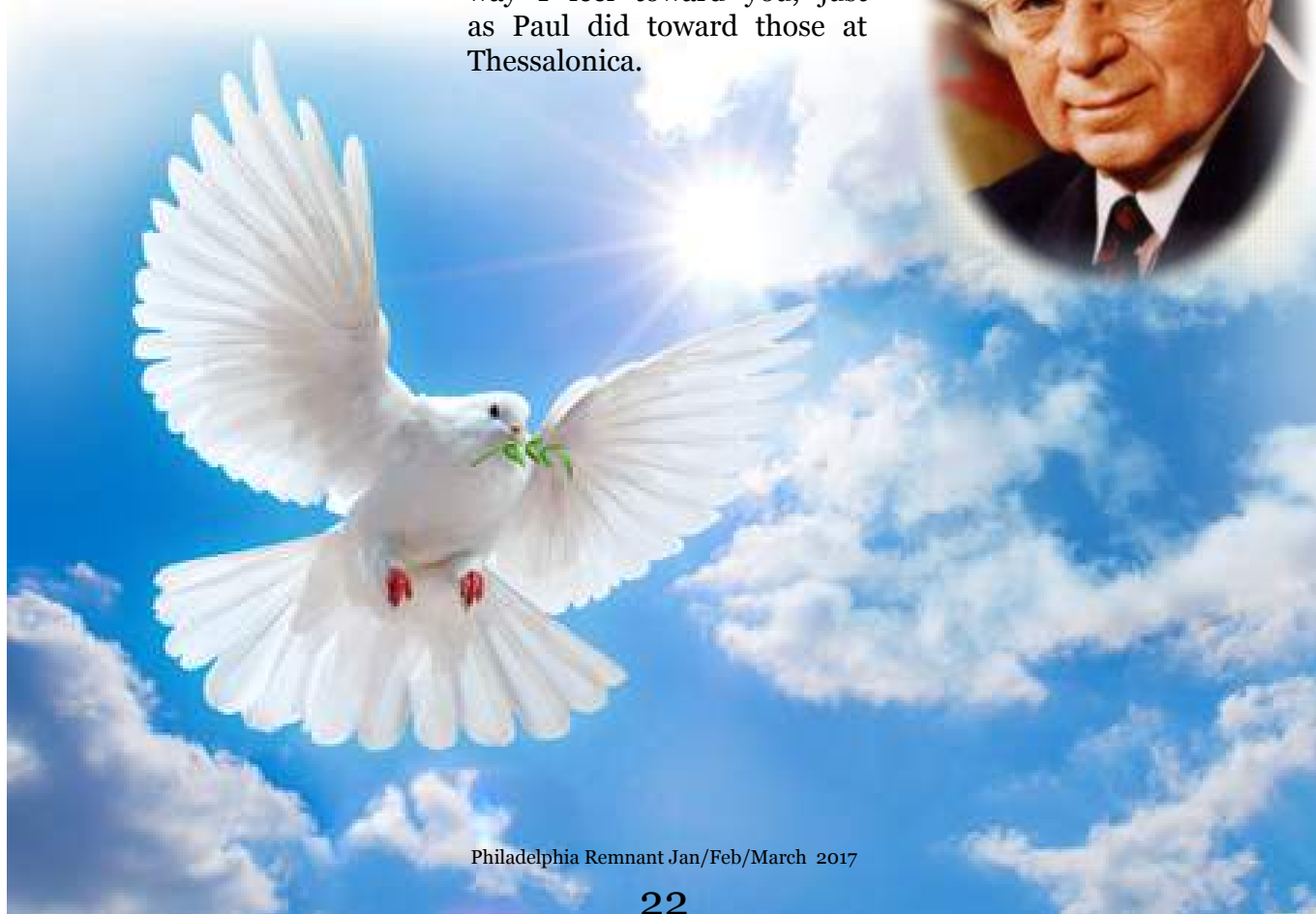
They believed what he said. Many others didn't. **"And are sure that Thou art the Christ the Son of the living God." And Jesus answered**

them. "Have not I chosen you twelve? And one of you is a devil." He spoke of Judas Iscariot the son of Simon for he it was that should betray Jesus being one of the twelve.

Even Jesus had a traitor of those he himself had called. Now I just want to read one final Scripture in II Thessalonians again in the first chapter beginning with verse 2. I want to say this with Paul to you brethren here.

"Grace unto you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. We are bound to thank God always for you brethren. Now this is the way I feel toward you, just as Paul did toward those at Thessalonica.

"As it is meet, or fit or proper, because that your faith groweth exceedingly and the charity, or love, of every one of you all toward each other aboundeth so that we ourselves glory in you in the Churches of God for your patience and faith in all your persecutions and tribulation that you endure which is a manifest token of the righteous judgement of God that ye may be counted worthy of the Kingdom of God for which you also suffer."



The Closing Years for America

***“Behold, the day! Behold, it has come! Doom has gone out; the rod has blossomed (Isaiah 10), pride has budded . . . the time has come, the day draws near.
Ezekiel 7:10,12***

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The Tsunami the Media Never Saw Coming EYES WIDE SHUT

Record Newspaper, Stockton, California, Page A13, Bernard Goldberg wrote, 11-27-2016, “I’m going to take a wild guess and say that nobody in what passes for the mainstream media saw the tsunami coming the wave of discontent that we witnessed on Election Day . . .

“So, on Election Day, voters fed up with the arrogance of the elites didn’t only reject Hillary Clinton – or Barack Obama and his legacy, or big swatches of liberal culture in general – they also rejected the

liberal elite, the ones who thought they were smarter and better than ordinary Americans . . .” End of Quotes

The President-Elect Donald Trump

As of 12/19/2016, Donald Trump has been chosen to become the new president of America by the Electoral College.

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From the beginning of his declaration on June 16, 2015 that he was going to run for the office of the president until he won the needed electoral votes on November 9, 2016, he has been a *phenomenon*!

He was considered a joke, ha, ha, sneered, and ridiculed! But he kept running and one by one all the 16 others running for the same office fell away leaving Donald Trump as the sole survivor. The media and democrats were delighted for they believed he would be

the easiest one to beat in the election.

Then he was left to run against Hillary Clinton. Being a woman placed him at a disadvantage. She had experience, a polished speaker, and debater. However, he held his own with her without any real problems.

With virtually the whole media slamming him throughout the election process, it appeared there was no way he would become the president-elect, but he did! And this stunned virtually everyone! Why?

God's Master Plan and His Perfect Time Table

God has in place His Master Plan for the ultimate salvation of mankind. And with it He has a perfect Time Table based on the Seven Day Week. Each Day pictures a thousand years (**II Peter 3:8**). He has allotted 6,000 years to this present age. Then will begin the millennial reign of Jesus Christ as pictured by the 7th Day.

At the same time this awesome and great God knew the end (Book of Revelation) from the beginning (Book of Genesis, **Isaiah 46:10**). And God watches over it to make sure all the prophetic events and happenings during the 6,000 years will fall in place in their appointed times as He made known to His Prophet

Daniel (8:19;12:11-12; Habakkuk 2:3).

Having God's Time Table in mind, it become easier to see why Jesus Christ chose Mr. Trump to fulfill His purpose of the needed additional years before the demise of this country. He would not only be more conservative than his counterpart but would also have special appeal to the down-trodden electorate.

President Ronald Reagan

Having previously based my understanding on prophetic Scriptures that speak of the very end-time and expecting Hillary Clinton to be elected as the new president, that will yet

come to pass, but not as soon as I had believed, and trying to understand why, my thoughts went back to President Reagan—a conservative president.

President Ronald Reagan's background and rise to the presidency had a lot in common with President-elect Donald Trump. His election and reign for eight years slowed down the fall of this nation that would fit within God's Time Table.

To enable better understanding the years needed to fit within God's Time Table, consider a few of the past presidents from this past century, and others of this present century, who have reigned over this country.

Past Presidents of America

Notice from one president to the next the downward slide of the moral values from real conservatism to moderate to extremely liberal. In between God chose presidents that were more conservative to slow the accelerated slide of this nation into oblivion before the time:

- Dwight David Eisenhower, 1953-1961 - conservative .
- John Fitzgerald Kennedy, 1961-1963 – no moral values .
- Lyndon Baines Johnson, 1963-1969 – no moral values .
- Richard Milhous Nixon, 1969-1974 – somewhat more conservative .
- Gerald Rudolph Ford, 1974-1977 – compassionate - moderate .
- James Earl Carter, Jr., 1977-1981 – Began giving our sea-gates away .
- Ronald Wilson Reagan, 1981-1989 – a real conservative .
- George Herbert Walker Bush, 1989-1993 - moderate .
- William Jefferson Clinton, 1993-2001 – very immoral and liberal.
- George Walker Bush, 2001-2009 - moderate .
- Barack Hussein Obama, 2009 - extremely liberal; conservative. news media revealed he had an agenda to transform this nation by destroying its values, religion, and military.

Extraordinary and Unprecedented Times

Considering these past presidents together with the years allotted by God for this present age makes it abundantly clear, that only God in heaven could have made it possible for Mr. Trump to overcome the very difficult challenges he had to face and endure to be where he is today as the next president.

In the face of an over whelming and hostile environment fearing their freedom from moral values would be taken away, God chose a more conservative man to serve in that high office for either four or eight years! And come January 20, 2017, barring the unforeseen, he is scheduled to be inaugurated as the 44th president of this country.

God Determines the Rulership of all Nations

This election with the odds against Donald Trump to become the new president come January 20, 2017, brings to life what the angel of God said to the pompous arrogant King Nebuchadnezzar, the supreme ruler of the ancient Babylonian Empire.

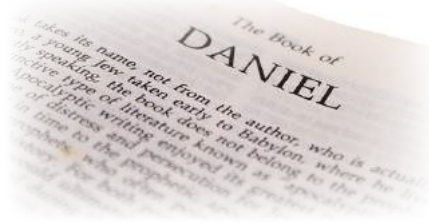
The angel made known to Nebuchadnezzar that he had been sentenced by God to be given the mind of a wild animal for seven years in severe humiliation (**Daniel 4:22-35**)! Afterwards, he would then realize it was God Himself who had

chosen him to be the king over the Babylonian Empire, and not by his own intellect and powers.

The same is true with Donald Trump. In time to come he will also realize this about himself as well.

The angel from God said to the high and lofty Nebuchadnezzar this would not be for him alone to understand, but for all of humanity as well:

“. . . in order that the living may know that the Most High RULES in the kingdom of men, gives it to whomever He will, and sets over it the lowest of men . . .” (Daniel 4:17, 25, 32; Revelation 1:5).



Scripture reveals God has often intervened in the affairs of nations to choose the ruling leadership Himself. There are other times when He determines who the rulers will be by permitting Satan the devil, the prince of the power of the air, to influence and sway people through the election process to vote for the person needed for his destructive purposes (*cf. Ephesians 2:2; I John 5:19*). And due to the degree of the depravity of the people, God allows it.

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Donald Trump the 44th President

Why do I say Donald Trump will be the 44th president when he is being spoken of as being the 45th president? To understand, please read the following from the internet:



insidegov.com/app [Home](#) > [U.S. Presidents](#) > [Q & A](#)

“How many presidents has the United States had? According to our research engine: The United States has had 44 presidents to date, with [Barack Obama](#) being the last one.

[Brian Ridge](#) 843 days ago:

“Unfortunately the answer is more complicated than one would expect. 43 People have served as President of the United States. This includes Barack Obama, currently serving his second term.

“Barack Obama is most often listed as the 44th President,

because Grover Cleveland is counted as both the 22nd and 24th President - he was elected, then lost, then won again four years later.



“This is the accepted way to count the US Presidents, making Barack Obama both the 44th President **but only the 43rd person to take the oath of office. An argument can be made that Grover Cleveland should not be counted twice.** Order should not affect a count of quantity, or simply that one person shouldn't be two Presidents . . .” (Emphasis mine)

End of Quote

President Grover Cleveland

Reviewing briefly the history of President Grover Cleveland, God chose him to become the president for four years. Then He chose another man to become the new president for the next four years. Amazingly, God then brought Grover Cleveland back into office again for another four years - a gap of four years in between his presidency.

Internet: Stephen Grover Cleveland (March 18, 1837 – June 24, 1908) was an American politician and lawyer who was both the 22nd and 24th **President of the United States.**



“The first Democrat elected after the Civil War in 1885, our 22nd and 24th President Grover Cleveland was the only President to leave the White House and return for a second term four years later (1885-1889 and 1893-1897).

End of Quotes

History Come to Life with this Election

When considering the perplexities of this present time, there seems to be no question but that Jesus Christ had those two split-elections of Grover Cleveland in mind during that time for Donald Trump to become the 44th president to fit the needed years within His Time Table.

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This becomes very intriguing when considering this present election is the forty-fifth and Donald Trump is only the 44th president.

But God had a purpose in mind to work it out this way knowing there would be one more to come before the demise of this nation and with it the dreaded and terrible **Great Tribulation.**

The Spiritual Significance of Numbers

Based on this history of President Cleveland it becomes easy to see President Trump will be the 44th person to serve as president. With this in mind it is noteworthy to consider the numerical number 44 as to its meaning:

Companion Bible, The Spiritual significance of numbers, page 11,

“Numbers are used in Scripture, not merely as in Nature, with supernatural design, but with supernatural significance, which may be summarized as follows—

FOUR. Denotes creative works ($3 + 1 = 4$), and always has reference to the material creation, as pertaining to the earth, and things “under the sun”, and things terrestrial.

Eight [$4 + 4 = 8$] Denotes resurrection, regeneration; a new beginning or commencement. The eighth is a new first.

Hence the octave in music,
color, days of the week @c. . . ”
End Quotes

The Promises of Donald Trump

Does the meaning of this number fit with Donald Trump as the 44th president? Yes, it does! From the beginning of his run for the presidency, Donald Trump spoke of a new beginning for this country and to make America great again.

This was promised on the back of a deteriorated and immoral country having been brought to almost its lowest level with 95,000,000 people unemployed.

Donald Trump promised to make America great again by making big changes in all areas and this resonated with millions of people including many democrats. He promised Americans would go back to work again by bringing back companies who have re-located in other countries.

This fulfills the meaning of creative works—a new beginning or commencement.



The Closeness of Hillary Clinton to Become the New President

One might wonder, as did I, when considering the state of this country, as viewed by many people, together with Hillary Clinton's reputation as reported by the News Media, that would have coupled with the historical duality of Queen Athaliah (**II Chronicles 22:10-12**), had she become the president-elect there would possibly have been little more than six years before the prophesied time of Jacob's trouble and the demise of America (**Jeremiah 30:5-7**).

She did win the popular vote by almost three million votes but the electoral voters defeated her.

Based on the above, while speculating on what is now taking place, God being the supreme Ruler of all nations, while having His perfect Time Plan of allotting to this age 6,000 years in mind, there was

needed four more years before Hillary Clinton, or a similar woman, will become the 45th and final president of America.

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The 45th President of America

Further consideration, based on historical duality with Queen Athaliah of Judah (**II Chronicles 22:10-12**), had Hillary Clinton been selected by God it would appear this nation would have had no more than six years before its demise!

There is yet the possibility that she might be elected in 2020. If so, or whoever she might be, she will be the 45th and final president of this country.

Consider the meaning of the number 45:

Companion Bible, The Spiritual significance of numbers, page 11,

“Numbers are used in Scripture, not merely as in Nature, with supernatural design, but with spiritual significance, which may be summarized as follows—

9

Nine [4 + 5 = 9]. Denotes finality of judgment. It is 3 x 3, the product of Divine completeness. The number nine, or its factors or multiples, is seen in all cases when judgment is the subject (*cf. Daniel 5:1-31*).

End of Quotes

The Former Worldwide Church of God

The number NINE also connects with the reign of the former Pastor General of the Worldwide Church of God.

For those who may remember, Mr. Joseph Tkach reigned over the Worldwide Church of God nine years (1986-1995). He then died with an agonizing death from cancer throughout his body. God killed him as He has others in past ages (*cf. Acts 12:20-24*).

In contrast God's late apostle and the promised Elijah just leaned back in his chair and went to sleep at the time of his death.

Democrats Planning for 2020

Internet: "By Election Day 2016, ambitious Democrats had already resigned themselves to an eight-year wait for their chance in the national spotlight. Hillary Clinton was an overwhelming favorite against Donald Trump and, assuming she won, running a primary challenge against her in four years would be a fool's errand. Then Clinton lost.

While this most stunning upset in modern presidential history has produced (and will produce) a thousand after-shocks, one of the most unlikely and important is that the Democratic presidential nomi-

nation in 2020 is now open."

End of Quotes

The Future President - 2021

However, Scriptures clearly show the next president will be a woman (***Isaiah 3:12; Nahum 3:12-13***). Though it could be another woman do not count out Hillary Clinton who would then be 74 years of age at that time.

In Hillary Clinton's speech to her constituents after her loss, she said they would not give up but would keep trying to bring their agenda back again. An excerpt from her speech is as follows:

"Now, I – I know – I know we have still not shattered that highest and hardest glass ceiling, but some day someone will and hopefully sooner than we might think right now." (APPLAUSE).

Could this be a prelude to the very near future?

Consider the following News Article about Hillary Clinton:

**What's next for Hillary?
Latest moves indicate
Clinton won't fade away**
11 / 19 / 16

[FOX News](#)

Adam Shaw 7 hrs ago

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"Hillary Clinton's election defeat had many pundits declaring the Clinton era finally over. But a series of meetings with key Democratic donors and leaders – combined with still-fawning press coverage and even a quirky social media project driven by a longtime aide – are raising questions about what's next.

A return to the speaking circuit? Advocacy work? Assuming the role of elder stateswoman? Or even, a 2020 presidential run?

"I think if she wants to run again, and my guess is she probably does, because they always do, then yes I think she's doing a good job laying the groundwork," Brad Bannon, Democratic strategist and CEO of Bannon Communications Research, told [Fox-News.com](#).

A third presidential run -- after two grueling campaigns that both ended in defeat to a rival political sensation who captured the imagination of voters -- could be a stretch for the former secretary of state, senator and first lady.

But after a brief period of seclusion, Clinton is slowly but surely appearing more in public, and in ways that indicate a political and public future of some sort.

One clue that her team wants to keep its cachet with millennials is the viral sensation surrounding pictures of her spotted by her Chappaqua

home -- in the woods, at the grocery store and elsewhere. The Twitter account [@HRCIn-TheWild](#) was created to track those appearances; the account was set up by longtime Clinton aide Adam Parkhomenko.

Parkhomenko is no random staffer – he created the Ready for Hillary PAC to draft her to run and was director of grassroots engagement for the 2016 campaign. His Twitter account is littered with personal letters from Clinton and photos with the candidate. Parkhomenko is such a significant player in ClintonWorld that in January [The Washington Post](#) published a lengthy profile of him.

Parkhomenko told [FoxNews.com](#) the Twitter account has nothing to do with the campaign, which he says wound down in November. He says instead it was a request from supporters and he happily obliged.

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“These photos have put a huge smile on her supporters' face and I think it has really pushed them to get back up and keep going after a devastating presidential loss. It has been incredible to watch the account grow,” he said.

If, as Parkhomenko says, it is a response to supporters, then it has been wildly successful. The account, which had only been up for a few weeks, has over 27,000 followers on

Twitter as well as countless likes and re-tweets, as well as corresponding accounts on Facebook and Instagram.

Saturday Night Live even did a light sketch on the “in the wild” phenomenon. Meanwhile, days after [Vanity Fair](#) described Clinton's appearances a move “from Presidential Candidate to Wandering Folk Hero,” the [New York Times](#) used similar language Sunday, calling her “a new folk hero in a familiar face” for some Americans.

“After the knock-down, drag-out battle of the campaign, the images suggest she has, unexpectedly, found peace,” the piece reads.

Clinton indeed continues to enjoy favorable press coverage despite her upset defeat. Even as Time magazine declared Donald Trump its person of the year this week, the write-up on Clinton in the same edition compared her to “an American Moses.”

Clinton's team also has not exited the limelight quietly.

Campaign manager Robby Mook last week blamed the loss in part on FBI Director James Comey's decision to re-open the probe into Clinton's use of a private email server. Meanwhile, Jennifer Palmieri, the campaign's director of communication,

accused Trump campaign manager Kellyanne Conway of having given a platform to white supremacists, and followed it up with a barbed op-ed in [The Washington Post](#), calling on the Trump campaign to “own up” to how it won. (Conway told “Fox & Friends” on Friday that “a little self-awareness would do for a team that is blaming everybody but themselves.”)

Clinton herself drew attention Wednesday to what she called an “epidemic” of so-called “fake news” – which some pundits and supporters have claimed contributed to her defeat. It also was blamed for a gunman visiting a D.C. pizza restaurant over the weekend looking for answers on a Clinton-related conspiracy theory.

“It's now clear that so-called fake news can have real-world consequences,” Clinton said in a speech at the Capitol.

[CLINTON DECRIES FAKE NEWS IN CAPITOL SPEECH](#)

Clinton was in D.C. to pay tribute to retiring Senate Democratic Leader Harry Reid. While Reid is stepping down from his role, he is likely to remain as an elder statesman whose 2020 endorsement would hold value. Additionally, [The New York Post](#) reported Wednesday that Clinton is set to throw a party next week to thank her millionaire donors.

Some strategists believe the actions may point to at least a consideration of a run in 2020.

"It's the Potomac Fever -- if you get close to being president, you can't get the smell off, and you're always going to want to do it again," Bannon said.

Parkhomenko said whatever Clinton chooses to do, "her supporters will be there to support her and help amplify her message. As we can see, she never sits still and I can't imagine she will not remain active in whatever she way she thinks she can continue to have the most impact for good."

Clinton's lead in the popular vote, which supporters have been touting, gives her camp an argument that Clinton at least wasn't rejected by voters in a McGovern-like defeat, and if Trump's presidency stumbles, a do-over of 2016 may appeal to some. However, Bannon warned such a call could turn off many Democratic Party activists.

"While I'm sure Clinton is thinking that way, I'm not sure it's going to work," he said. "With both [Vice President Joe] Biden and Clinton, they're going to be pretty old by then, and what I'm hearing in conversations I've had with people in the Democratic Party is everyone really wants a new face."

End Quotes

The Future Election

The next election will be 2020. Whether President Trump continues in office is very questionable based on several

factors. If not, Scripture makes known Hillary Clinton or another woman will occupy the Oval Office.

"As for My people, children are their oppressors (*Soncino Commentary: young men in years lacking experience and sagacity*), **and WOMEN RULE over them. O My people! Those who lead you cause you to ERR, and DESTROY the way of your paths**" (*Isaiah 3:12*).



Hillary had promised that half of her cabinet would be made up with women. Undoubtedly, this promise will carry over to the next election. And this will be the undoing of this country.

It should be realized God did not create women to provide the leadership over men (*I Corinthians 11:3*). Rather, He created Eve to be a helper to her husband and he was to rule over her (*Genesis 2:18; 3:16*;

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I Timothy 2:12; Ephesians 5:27-33), and not her over him.

Each has a different mindset as has also been made known by science. A woman, as God created her, is by nature affectionate, caring, and trusting. As such she is much easier to be deceived than a man. The Serpent knew this and he waited until Eve was alone before he used his cunning lies to deceive her (*Genesis 3:4*;

II Corinthians 11:1-3; I Timothy 2:13-14).

In the face of the critical times ahead when facing the threat of a blitzkrieg nuclear attack from the super-power Holy Roman Empire, the weakness of her leadership will fail the country along with the limitations of the military's defense system (*cf. Isaiah 3:12*).

"All your strongholds are fig trees with ripened figs: if they are shaken they fall into the mouth of the

eater. Surely, your people in your midst are WOMEN! The gates of your land are WIDE OPEN for your enemies (cf. Isaiah 45:1-7); FIRE (nuclear) shall DEVOUR the bars (defense systems) of your gates" (Nahum 3:12-13).

Being aware of the rumors with the reality of the threats coming closer (**Ezekiel 7:25-26**), she begins making preparation to go to battle:

"They have blown the trumpet and made everyone ready, but no one goes to battle (during the debate between Hilary Clinton and Trump each promised they would not be the first to launch a nuclear war); for My WRATH is on all their multitude. The sword is outside, and the pestilence and famine within . . ." (**Ezekiel 7:14-15**).

God views this nation as He did the Pre-Flood World of Noah (**Genesis 6:5-7**), and of Sodom and Gomorrah (**Genesis 19:13**). As each was beyond redemption, this country, and other nations of Israel are also viewed in the same manner.

"Behold the eyes of the Lord GOD are on the sinful kingdom, and I will destroy it from the face of the earth; yet, I will not utterly destroy the house of Jacob," says the LORD (Amos 9:8; Jeremiah 30:5-7).



Donald Trump a One-Term President?

Based on the writings from the media it appears that President Trump while trying to bring about unity and harmony within this country is backing off and softening some of the strong promises he had made during his run for the presidency.

According to the media if the present circumstances are unchanged, unless he strengthens those promises he will turn off the very people that voted for him in the next election. They will probably not vote having given up on the politicians who make the strong promises and hardly ever fulfill them. He would come to be unbelievable. Consider this from the following writings: **Donald Trump Reiterates Some of His Promises...**

Newsmax wrote on November 21:

“President-elect Donald Trump is telling the American people that he is assembling a Cabinet made up of ‘patriots’... He reiterated [in a surprise video] a number of his promises for the first 100 days of his administration, including vows to negotiate new trade deals, remove regulations on businesses and establish a five-year ban on executive officials becoming lobbyists.

“Specifically, Trump vowed to issue a notification of intent on his first day to withdraw from the 12-nation Trans-Pacific Partnership (TPP), which he described as a ‘potential disaster for our country.’ . . .

Notably missing from his promises is his pledge to repeal the Affordable Care Act and his vow to build a southern border wall with Mexico.”



. . . While Breaking Others The New York Times wrote on November 22:

“President-elect Donald Trump said he would not pursue any further criminal investigations of Hillary Clinton regarding her private email server use or the Clinton Foundation... Trump added he was seeking to unify the nation and he did not believe his decision would upset his supporters... Prosecuting the former secretary of state ‘would be very, very divisive for the country,’ Trump added . . .

“Trump’s decision brought a strong rebuke from Tom Fitton, president of Judicial Watch. The organization has filed more than 20 lawsuits against the Obama administration over Clinton’s private email use. ‘Donald Trump must commit his administration to a serious, independent investigation of the very serious Clinton national security,

email, and pay-to-play scandals,’ Fitton said. ‘If Mr. Trump’s appointees continue the Obama administration’s politicized spiking of a criminal investigation of Hillary Clinton, it would be a betrayal of his promise to the American people to ‘drain the swamp’ of out-of-control corruption in Washington... President-elect Trump should focus on healing the broken justice system, affirming the rule of law and appointing a special prosecutor to investigate the Clinton scandals,’ Fitton added.”

The New York Post added on November 22:

“At the second presidential debate in October, Trump [promised:] ‘If I win, I am going to instruct my attorney general to get a special prosecutor to look into your situation because there has never been so many lies, so much deception’...”

“Donald Trump Will Pay Dearly for His Outrageous Decision”

Newsmax wrote on November 22:

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“President-elect Donald Trump ‘will pay dearly’ for his decision to not seek any new criminal prosecutions against Hillary Clinton for her private email use or the Clinton Foundation, political strategist Dick Morris told Newsmax TV on Tuesday. ‘It’s your own people that will be mad at you, not the others,’ he told “Newsmax Prime” hosts J.D. Hayworth and Miranda Khan.

“It is so cynical. All of those Democrats who said this is just political, this is just an election nearing a charade, this isn’t serious judicial stuff, this isn’t real are suddenly proven right. And all the Republicans who said: “No, no this is very serious. This is real. Whether she’s running for president or not, this has to be prosecuted” are suddenly undercut by their own president.

“To do it now or to say he’s not going to pursue it when it was such a fundamental part of his campaign is outrageous — and I totally condemn Trump for doing that,’ he added. Further, ‘this makes it very easy for [President Barack] Obama to pardon her. This is outrageous. Just incredible,’ Morris told Newsmax . . .”

Newsmax also wrote this on November 22:

“Conservative pundit Ann Coulter slammed President -elect Donald Trump on Tuesday for not pursuing charges against Hillary Clinton over her private email server. Coulter, an ardent Trump supporter, tweeted: ‘I thought we elected Donald Trump president. Did we

make him the FBI [and the] DOJ [Department of Justice]? His job is to pick those guys, not do their jobs. As happy as I am that our long national nightmare’s over, NO president should be blocking investigators from doing their jobs.’



“It’s not the first time Coulter disagrees with Trump. In August, she criticized his ‘softening’ stance on immigration after the billionaire developer said he would work with ‘upstanding’ illegal immigrants on a plan to have them stay in the country.”

Donald Trump’s Statement “Deeply Disturbing” Breitbart added on November 22:

“Tuesday’s edition of ‘The Kelly File’ on the Fox News Channel, Breitbart editor at large Peter Schweizer, author of ‘Clinton Cash,’ criticized President Elect Donald Trump’s statement that he

doesn’t want to prosecute Hillary Clinton.

“Schweizer said, ‘I think it’s deeply disturbing. Look, he shouldn’t be talking about this at all. It’s not his job. I was on your program earlier this year, Megyn, talking about how inappropriate it would be for President Obama to intervene in an investigation. It is equally inappropriate for a President Elect and later President Donald Trump to do the same.

If he wants to pardon her at the tail end of an investigation, if the Department of Justice decides that they’re not going to prosecute, they are fine to do that, but the FBI is undergoing an investigation right now, and the President Elect should not be telling them to halt their investigation.’

“Schweizer added that Trump was ‘overstepping’ his role, and President Obama would have been hammered by the right for doing likewise. And ‘If Hillary Clinton had won in November, I think it’s safe to assume that she would not have been investigated for the Clinton Foundation. She has lost in November, and now it seems that Donald Trump does not want her to be investigated for the Clinton Foundation. That is the definition of a rigged system.’”

Donald Trump Announces Pro-Common Core Betsy DeVos as Education Secretary Breitbart reported on November 23:

“President-elect Donald Trump’s transition team announces the choice of Common Core and charter school supporter Betsy DeVos as U.S. Secretary of Education. Anti-Common Core grassroots groups of parents and teachers urged Trump to abandon DeVos as his choice, citing her support for the education reform policies of pro-Common Core Jeb Bush and her influence through the Great Lakes Education Project (GLEP) in favor of Common Core . . .

“While on the campaign trail, Trump said Common Core was a ‘disaster,’ and criticized Jeb Bush for his support for the standards. Trump also said he would get Washington, D.C. out of education, and said he favored local control of education and the dismantling of the U.S. Department of Education.”

Newsmax added on November 23:

‘Conservative Review panned the pick, writing... ‘DeVos fails on two key promises Trump repeatedly made to voters: ‘Get rid of Common Core’ and ‘keep education local’ . . .’

End of Quotes

Dark Times Await America The Berliner Zeitung wrote on November 7 (prior to the election):

“One could mention many reasons for (America’s) downfall . . . It is clear: The status of America’s society will not change, regardless as to who will win the election. For the considerable future, America is paralyzed politically, if not

something worse happens. Even without Trump, dark times await America...”

Another Serious Factor to Contemplate

What if Donald Trump should die while serving the country as its president from either natural causes or by assassination as others have before him. If this were to occur, another man would then become president. Would he continue to pursue the same objectives or become a lack-luster president due to political pressures placed on him by his fellow republicans together with the democrats?

From a human point of view, if this were to take place undoubtedly it would become much easier for Hillary Clinton

or another woman with similar problems, to be elected in 2020 and be sworn into the office of president in 2021.

News Media and the Internet make known that threats continue to be made against the life of Donald Trump by disgruntled and hate-minded people. News items reveal he has upset a lot of people not only in society but also in high places.

Hopefully nothing like this would happen! But when considering this violent age in which we live and remembering what happened to President Kennedy, one can only wonder.

With this in mind, consider the following list of presidents who have died in office in one way or another:

List of U.S. Presidents Who Died In Office



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Presidents Lincoln and Kennedy are perhaps the best known of the Presidents Who Died in Office

U.S. Presidents

Who Died In Office

“Since the adoption of the U.S. Constitution in 1787, and the inauguration of our first president in 1789, only 43 men have served as President of the United States , and Barack Obama became the newest president when he was sworn in on January 20, 2009. Obama is considered the 44th president, even though 43 have served. One president served twice in non-consecutive terms, and is therefore counted twice.

Of those 43 presidents, eight have died while serving as president. Four of natural causes, and four through assassination. Below is list of those eight presidents who died in office.

William Henry Harrison --The 9th President, who died in 1841 of pneumonia and pleurisy.

Zachary Taylor --The 12th President, who died in 1850 of bilious fever, typhoid fever, and cholera morbus, following a heat stroke.

Abraham Lincoln--The 16th President, was assassinated in 1865. Lincoln was the first of four presidents to be assassinated.

James Garfield--The 20th President, who was assassinated in 1881.

William McKinley--The 25th President, who was assassinated 1901.

Warren G. Harding --The 29th President, who died in 1923 of a suspected heart attack.

Franklin Delano Roosevelt --The 32nd President, who died in 1945, of a cerebral hemorrhage.

John F. Kennedy--The 35th President, who was assassinated in 1963.”

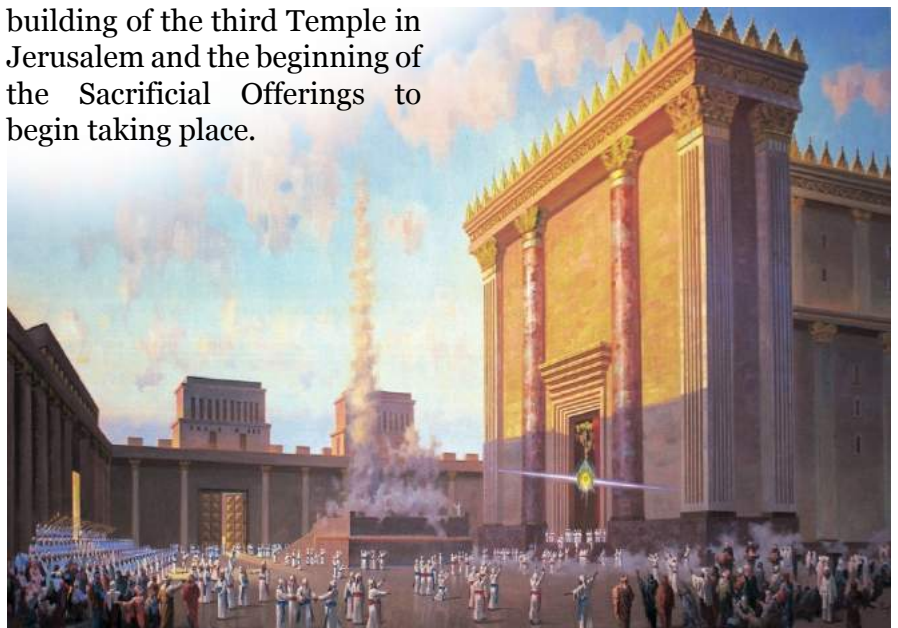
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Time Needed for the Emergence of the Holy Roman Empire

Having God’s Time Table in mind and with needed end-time prophecies yet to be fulfilled additional time will be needed for the prophesied Holy Roman Empire to develop and emerge in Europe as a mighty economic and military super-power. This is also another reason why God chose Donald Trump to become the new president of the United States of America.

Additional time is also needed for the prophesied

building of the third Temple in Jerusalem and the beginning of the Sacrificial Offerings to begin taking place.



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Time Needed for the Temple and Sacrificial Offerings

The prophecy given by an angel of God to the Prophet Daniel made known sacrificial offerings are to begin some little time before the Tribe of Judah is overwhelmed by an occupation army in Jerusalem with the promise of protecting them (***Daniel 12:11-12***).

Other prophecies fit into this as well (***II Thessalonians 2:1-4***, etc.).

It is presently believed by some of the Jewish Priests' that President Trump and President Putin of Russia will enable the Temple to be built. This is based on the warm relationship of President Trump has with Israel together with what President Putin said

in 2012 while standing before the Western Wall in Jerusalem as made known by the following news article:



Trump and Putin Asked to Help Building Third Temple

Israel National News reported on November 15:

"Eyeing what appears to be a twice-in-history opportunity, [an] organization called the Sanhedrin has called on U.S. president-elect Donald Trump and Russian President Vladimir Putin to join forces and back the rebuilding of the Jewish Temple in Jerusalem. The Sanhedrin is an attempt to renew the glorious Great Court of the same name from the last Jewish kingdom, some 2,000 years ago.

"Prof. Rabbi Hillel Weiss, spokesman for the Sanhedrin, said, 'The political conditions today, in which the two most important national leaders in the world support the Jewish right to Jerusalem as their spiritual inheritance, is historically unprecedented.' He said that the election of Donald Trump, who has promised to recognize Jerusalem as the capital of Israel, coupled with Putin's expressed desire for the Temple's rebuilding, prompted the Sanhedrin to send a letter to both leaders. The letter proposes that they act jointly as did King Cyrus of Persia 2,500 years ago and show most practically that they recognize the importance of Israel and the Holy Temple. 'We are poised to rebuild the Temple,' Weiss said.

"Trump's support for Israel, and for the relocation of the U.S. Embassy to Jerusalem, is well-known, and many of his close aides are similarly strong supporters of Israel. Less well-known is Putin's support for the Holy Temple.

As the Sanhedrin writes in its letter, Putin paid a late-night visit to the Kotel (Western Wall) in 2012, during his third official trip to Jerusalem. Upon his arrival, the former KGB agent who became the leader of Russia stood in silent prayer for several minutes, after which he read Psalms from a Russian-Hebrew prayer book.

At one point, an Israeli bystander called out in Russian, 'Welcome, President Putin.' Putin then approached the man, who explained the importance of the Temple Mount and the Jewish Temple. Putin reportedly responded, 'That's exactly the reason I came here – to pray for the Temple to be built again.'

"The Sanhedrin sent a letter at the time to Putin, calling on him to act to fulfill his prayer. President Putin did not respond, but the Sanhedrin hopes he will respond to the current letter, now that he has a potential ally for the project in the United States leadership.

"Basing himself on Biblical passages and Rabbinic tradition, Rabbi Weiss explained that 'the leaders of Russia and America can lead the nations of the world to global peace through building the Temple, the source of peace.' Supporting the Jewish claim to Jerusalem would bring benefit [to] Russia and America, as well as the entire world, he said."

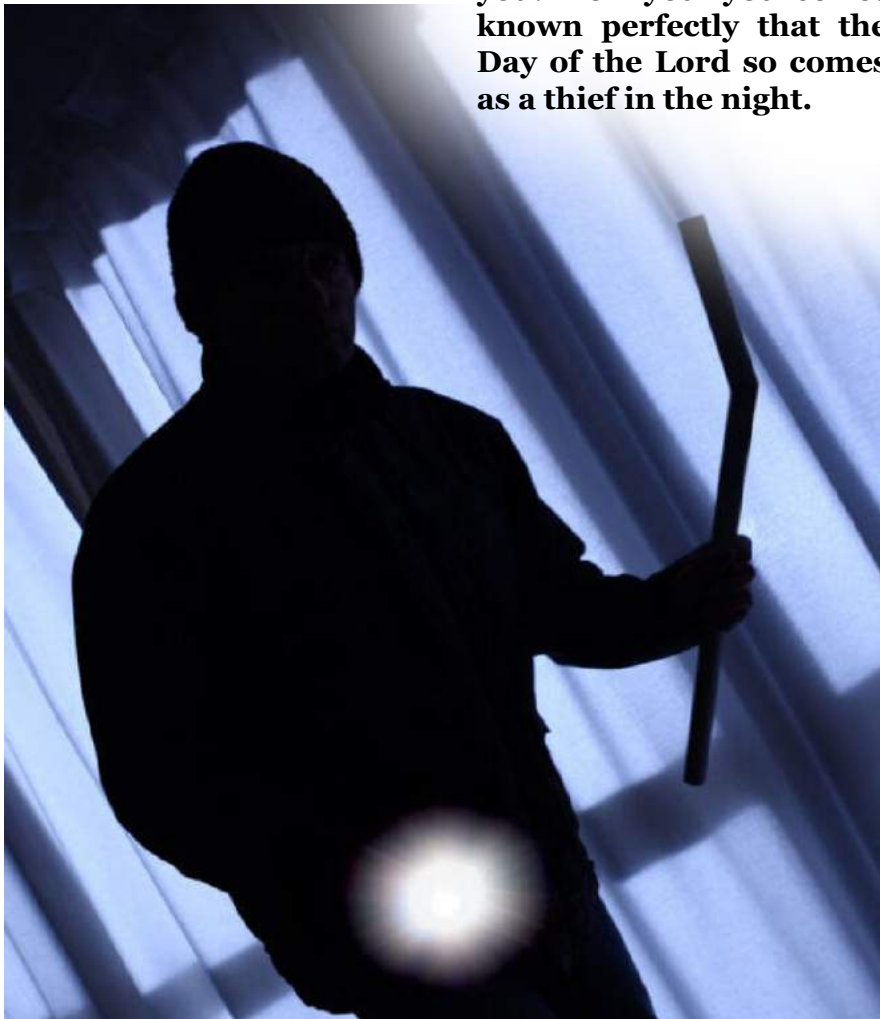
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Extraordinary and Perplexing Times

Please realize these are times like no other in modern history! Anything can happen at any time! Satan the devil is still very active and seeking to destroy not only Israel but God's little flock together with all of mankind.

Our part is to trust our God to be with all of us during the very dark and troubling times we have entered knowing Jesus Christ is always right in whatever He chooses to do within the political scene and otherwise while knowing He has purpose for everything He does.



Christ's Promise to Make Known Prophetic Details

In view of the approaching disastrous times that will begin taking place over the next few remaining years before the **Great Tribulation**, it would be well to remember God's true people are not left in the dark in understanding of these terrible and perplexing times:

I Thessalonians 5:1-11

vs.1-2 "But concerning the times and the seasons, brethren, you have no need that I should write to you. For you yourselves known perfectly that the Day of the Lord so comes as a thief in the night.

vs.3-4 "For when they say, 'Peace and safety (cf. Revelation 11:10)!' then sudden destruction comes upon them (**Revelation 11:15-19**), as labor pains upon a pregnant woman (cf. Jeremiah 30:5-7). And



they shall not escape. But you, brethren, are NOT in darkness, so that that Day should overtake you as a thief.

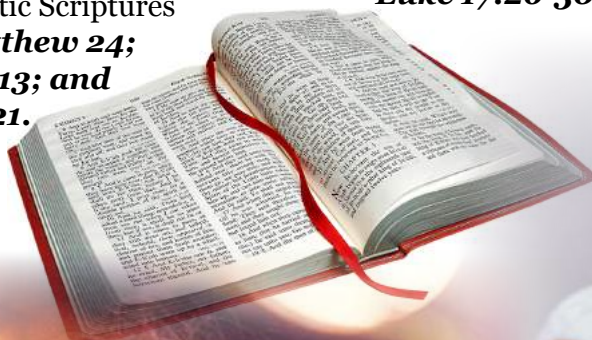
vs.5-6 "You are all sons of LIGHT (truth) and sons of the day. We are NOT of the night nor of darkness. Therefore, let us not sleep, as others do (cf. Matthew 25:1-5), but let us WATCH and be SOBER . . ."

The awesome and great God in heaven alone knew the end (Book of Revelation) from the Beginning (*Book of Genesis*). And knowing the time of the end has come, true to His promise to Daniel, the details of the end-time that were to be hidden until the time of the end are now beginning to be made known to those who remain faithful to all the true teachings taught by Jesus Christ through His late apostle Mr. Herbert W. Armstrong (**John 16:13**).

Realizing the times in which we now live, please know anything can happen in the interim before the Great Tribulation and the Coming of Jesus Christ. Our part is to trust our God to be with all of us during the very dark and troubling times we have entered knowing Jesus Christ is always right in whatever He chooses to do with the political scene knowing He has purpose for everything He does.

Watching Together with Prayer

And for the needed understanding of the impending destruction to come in many forms Jesus Christ gave an overview of them in the prophetic Scriptures in ***Matthew 24; Mark 13; and Luke 21.***



With these things in mind, Jesus Christ exhorts His true people to keep abreast of the breaking news with discernment while keeping ourselves away from the things that would take us away from Him:

Luke 21:34-36

v.34 “But take heed to yourselves, lest your hearts be weighed down with dissipation (*margin*), drunkenness, and cares of this life; and that Day come upon you unexpectedly.

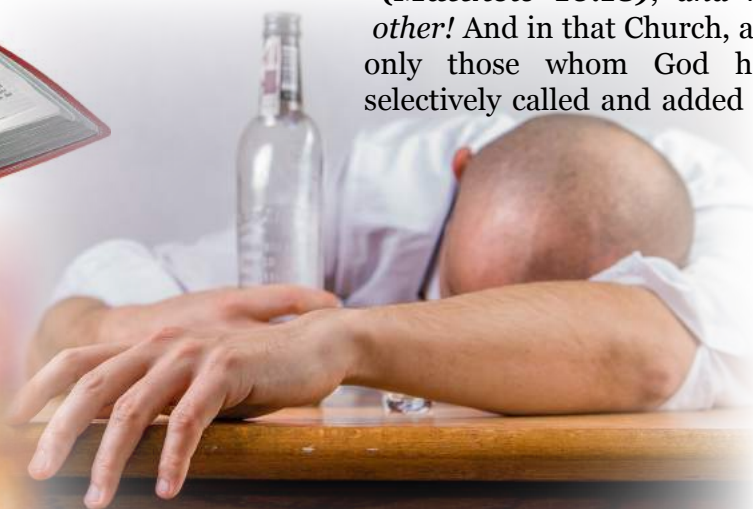
v.35 “For it will come AS A SNARE on all those who dwell on the face of the whole earth (*as it did with the PreFlood World and Sodom and Gomorrah, Luke 17:26-30*).

v.36 “WATCH therefore, and PRAY always that YOU may be counted WORTHY TO ESCAPE all these things that shall come to pass, and to STAND before the Son of Man.”



God’ True Church

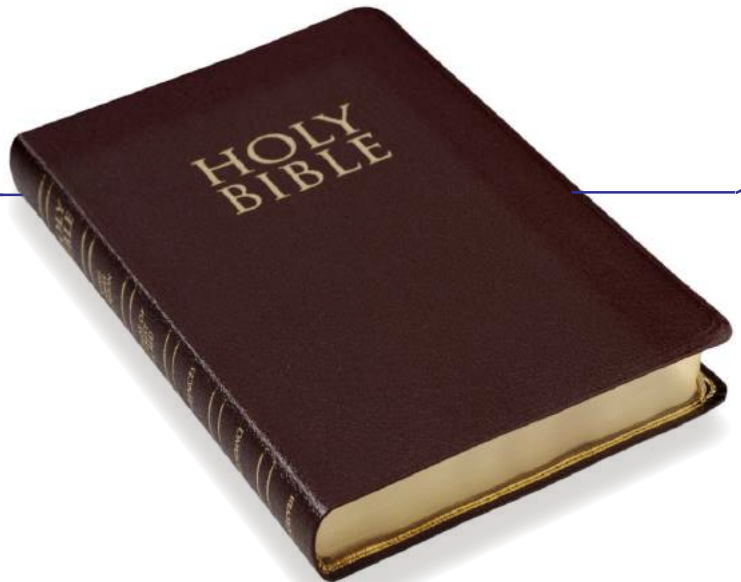
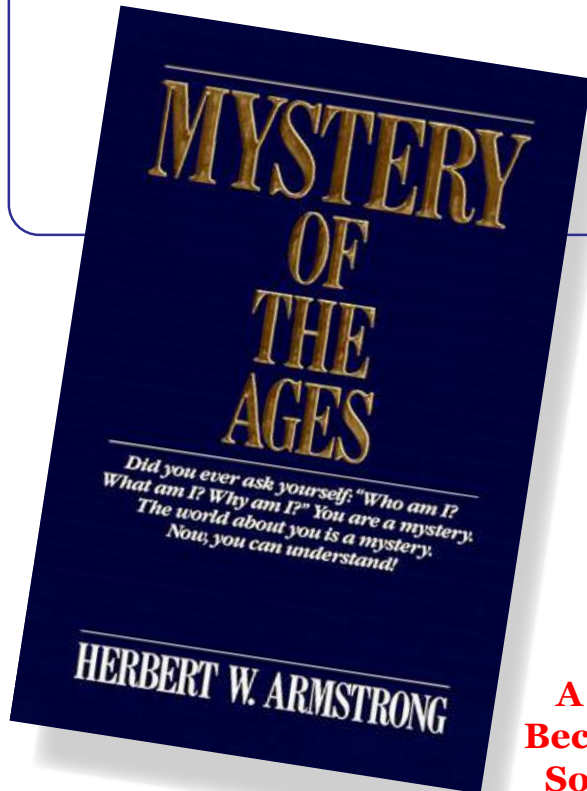
For those who know and believe the teachings of God’s Holy Bible, Scripture reveals God has only ONE CHURCH (***Matthew 16:18***), and no other! And in that Church, are only those whom God has selectively called and added to



it (***John 6:44; Ephesians 4:1-16***); a little, little, Church (a double diminutive-small, Exp. Com.; ***Luke 12:32; Matthew 7:13-14***) And in God’s true Church the fullness of His true teachings are believed and taught by His true and faithful ministers (***Revelation 3:7-13***).

MYSTERY OF THE AGES

Study your Bible together with the last book Mr. Herbert W. Armstrong wrote: the unedited *MYSTERY OF THE AGES*, ISBN 0-396-08773-6, and believe it. This could save your life from the worsening troublesome times before us. Remember – Mr. Armstrong was the man Jesus Christ used to teach all of us His truth (***II Timothy 3:13-14***).



A Woman Will Become President Sooner or Later

Prophecy does show a woman will be reigning at the time of the end of this nation (Isaiah 3:12). It also reveals, she will be ruling the nation when the nuclear bombs fall on the major cities of this country (***Nahum 3:12-13; Ezekiel 6:6; 12:20***).

This would paralyze the nation by shutting down all communication leaving the remaining populace without any leadership and totally

helpless to defend themselves against the invading Roman armies who will transport most of them to Europe and slaughter the rest of them (***Zephaniah 1:17-18; Habakkuk 1:6-9; cf. II Kings 17:6-23***).

Numerous prophecies reveal God's wrath is on this nation for its abominable sins. And it is now very close! Grasping this should help us realize we should be drawing closer to God with an ongoing relationship that will be unbreakable—due to our untiring efforts together with God's mercy and grace (***Ephesians 2:1-10; Romans 8:31-39***).

Famine and Pestilence

Shortly before the conquest of this nation, prophecy makes known the famine and disease epidemics will be striking this nation and take the lives of millions of people. It will cover three and one-half years. This will basically be a repeat of the Famine that struck Israel during the time of Elijah and King Ahab—a severe famine (***1 Kings 18:2***), so said Jesus Christ (***Luke 4:25***).

The soon- coming famine will be far more severe than at that time for this one will claim the lives of one-third of the population—as made known by God through His prophet:

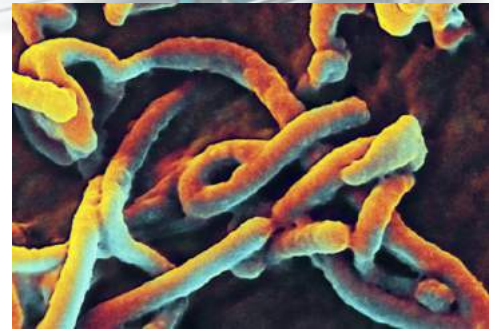
“One-third of you shall die by the pestilence, and be consumed with famine in your midst . . .”
(***Ezekiel 5:12***).



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God's Great Anger for His People Israel

God is very angry with His people Israel and intends to use severe correction for their abominable sins, as made known by Him in the following Scriptures:

Ezekiel 6:11-14

v.11 “Thus says the Lord GOD: ‘Pound your fists and stamp your feet, and say, ‘Alas, for all the evil abominations of the House of Israel! For they shall FALL by the sword, by famine, and by pestilence.’”

v.12 “He who is far off shall die by the pestilence, he who is near shall die by the sword, and he who remains and is besieged (*no more food will be brought into this country from other nations*) shall die by the famine (*Deuteronomy 28:23-24*). Thus, will I spend My fury upon them

v.13 “Then you shall (*come to*) know that I am the LORD, when their slain are among their idols all around their altars, on every high hill, on all the mountain tops, under every green tree, and under every thick oak, wherever they offered sweet incense to all their idols.

v.14 “So I will stretch out My hand against them and make their land desolate, yes, more desolate than the wilderness of Dibiah, in all their dwelling places. Then they shall (*come to*) know that I am the LORD.”



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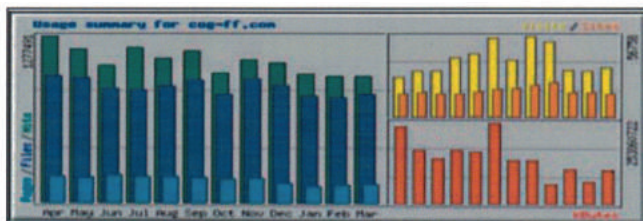
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