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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 that which
was driven away. . .” *Ezekiel 34:12,16 KJV*

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Why Were You Born?

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HOW DO you know there is a God? To the agnostic or atheist, I reply, “Look about you. The creation you see is visible proof of the pre-existence of the CREATOR.” What is God’s work? For He does work - Jesus, you know, said, “**My Father works, and I work.**” His work is that of CREATOR! God, then, creates! Now look about you again. Look at all the species and forms of living creatures. How many of those whom God created and started living are able to think, plan, devise, and then bring about, by making or creating, that which was thought out, designed and planned?

What You Can Do

Of course none but God Himself can create in the strictest sense of bringing into existence that which did not even exist. But changing existing materials, and putting them together in a new and different way—in other words, MAKING things—is akin to

actual creating and often called that.

How many creatures can think, plan, design, and then execute the idea into MAKING things? By instinct beavers build dams. But all these dams follow the same pattern.

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The beaver cannot think out some new, different pattern and make some new and different thing. Ants may form ant hills, gophers, snakes and rodents dig holes, birds build nests. But they always follow the same pattern. There is no originality, no thinking and designing of a new idea, no new construction. Man can

design and build great dams such as Grand Coulee. Man can build the great tunnels under mountains or the Hudson River. Man can invent and build automobiles, airplanes, battleships, submarines.

Man alone, of all God created, is capable of approaching real CREATIVE powers. But God has limited man's powers! Why? It is only now, mid-twentieth century A. D., that man at last learns a little about the use of atomic energy. Now man is experimenting, striving desperately to develop jets, rockets, and means of flight and transportation which might take him to other planets.

Why Man's Powers Are Checked

Why has man been restrained? Are we blind? Look at what man has actually done with the things God has allowed him to devise and to make. Thousands of years ago he learned to deal in iron, steel, and other metals. He made implements, constructed buildings—but he also made swords and spears and went out to DESTROY!

Man learned how to organize his kind into cities, groups, nations. But to what use did he put the organization he controlled? He organized the able-bodied of his men into armies, and set out to conquer, to destroy, and to acquire by TAKING, not by

producing and creating. And, even in those peaceful cities, states and nations not at war, those men who run the government seek greedily to fatten their own pockets at the expense of their fellows, and the smell of graft and illegal influence ascends to high heaven!

Man invents and makes ships that carry him overseas, then he arms them and turns them into weapons of conquest. He makes tractors, trucks and automobiles, then converts them into armored tanks. He learns how to build airplanes and fly swifter than any bird, then bends all his scientific, inventive, and creative genius into producing mightier carriers for atomic bombs, swifter jet and rocket fighters. He discovers that the powers God gave him allow him to produce explosives, so that he could move mountains if necessary—but soon he is exerting the most frenzied energies of his nation at cost of billions of dollars, endeavoring to develop atomic bombs faster than his enemy, and now to produce the hydrogen bomb, a thousand times more destructive!

A philosophic country doctor once said to me it was his belief that everything man's hand ever touched of God's creation man had polluted, befouled, besmirched, and ruined. That

statement 'seemed radical' then. But I have been observing, since he said that seventeen years ago, and I am almost persuaded he was right.

In another article in this number I have written how GOD gave man the wonderful grain of wheat—the perfect food, containing every element needed to nourish man, and in perfectly—balanced alkaline-acid proportion; and how, in his greed for million-dollar profits, the big flour miller grinds up this precious wheat, takes it apart, ruins it, and sells it to us in a form that produces rheumatism, colds and fevers, kidney diseases, impaired digestion, heart troubles, and ills too numerous to list here. The sugar refiners do the same to sugar. Today it's almost impossible to obtain any food, unless a farmer raises his own, which has not been rendered partly or wholly foodless, often poison, by man. And thus man DESTROYS health, which is only another way of saying he destroys man!

I need not go further. Just look about you, and observe. If you are a thinker, you'll see how man, endowed with a portion of God's actual CREATIVE POWER and the only being which has it—turns this power of devising, planning, inventing, and producing into DESTRUCTIVE channels!

Science Running A Muck

Look at the great factories of American industry, of which we boast. Here hums and roars the CREATIVE activity of mankind! Man has made some slight approach toward actual GOD-powers, and GOD-activity, in his tremendous industrial activity. But there is one deadly fault with all this. Man has learned to exercise scientific, inventive and mechanical powers in excess of his development in ability to direct the product of his efforts into right and constructive channels! And in that he is defeating the very purpose of his being!

WHY did God place mankind here? WHY did God endow humanity with a slight proportion of God's own creative power? WHY, in a word, were you born? And WHY were we born mortal?

Why You Were Born

In the past you've heard me say that the PURPOSE of life is the development Of CHARACTER—holy, righteous, perfect CHARACTER. That is true. God is the PERFECT character, and His purpose is to create in us, by development and with our consent and active determined effort, His very own perfection until we become like HIM! You've also heard me say the PURPOSE of life is that in us God is really re-creating His own kind-reproducing Himself after His own kind—for we are, upon real conversion, actually begotten as sons (yet unborn) of GOD; then, through study

of God's revelation in His Word, living by His every Word, constant prayer, daily experience with trials and testing, we grow spiritually more and more like God, until, at the time of the resurrection we shall be instantaneously CHANGED from mortal into immortal—we shall then be BORN of God—WE SHALL THEN BE GOD!

For the word "God" comes to us from the Hebrew word "Elohim," which personality is one of the greatest forces for GOOD with which an all-wise God endowed you means the Ever-living, Eternal Creating, All powerful, Governing KINGDOM. "Elohim" means one God---not many gods. But that ONE GOD is a KINGDOM. There is but one true CHURCH—one Church, but many members! (*1 Corinthians 12:20*).



So it is with God. There is the mineral kingdom, the plant kingdom, the animal kingdom, and we might segregate it and designate the human kingdom, in this material world. Spiritually, there is the angel kingdom, and, high above all, the KINGDOM OF GOD. A human, flesh and blood, cannot enter into the Kingdom of God (**John 3:6**), but one BORN of God can!

So I've said, and truly, the PURPOSE of your being alive is that finally you be BORN into the Kingdom of God, when you will actually BE God, even as Jesus was and is God, and His Father, a different Person, also is God!

But now I am opening to you a NEW and DIFFERENT way of saying the SAME THING! I am not now giving you a *different* reason for your being—but a new and different way of way of looking at the same great PURPOSE! God is Supreme CREATOR—not supreme Destroyer! Satan is the Destroyer!

The DANGER of Hugeness

God has given us powers approaching the creative that we might learn, through them, and through years, centuries and millenniums of experience, to CREATE—not to destroy! That we might learn to direct creative powers into peaceful, useful, PRODUCTIVE channels—not toward harmful, destructive, evil results.

The PURPOSE of life, then, is not to learn to create, devise, plan, and set in motion more and greater forces—but to learn to control the powers at our disposal—to learn to guide them into beneficial uses—to learn to direct them toward DOING GOOD, to produce peace, and happiness, and joy!

Once this great principle is seen and grasped, it will be realized that the quantity—that is, the vastness of the creative development, is not the true measure of value or the yardstick of real Progress. The important thing is the direction of that development. Thus, the greater the nation's industrial might, the greater is its retrogression if that productive energy is directed toward destruction and evil.

That's another way of saying that POWER alone is good or evil according to how it is used. Power uncontrolled, or wrongly directed, becomes DANGEROUS, and the greater the power the greater the danger and the evil.

Money, in this world, is power. The love of money is only a form of lust, and when the power of money is directed lustfully, it becomes, truly, the root of all evil. But MONEY is not evil. Employed in right, godly, wise and useful channels money become a great blessing, and the more so used the greater the blessing.

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We were not put here to see how GREAT man can develop the powers GOD permits him to utilize. The important thing is RIGHT DIRECTION—WISE CONTROL—PROPER USE! So far as mere SIZE goes, all the great industries and projects of all nations combined are not a drop in the bucket compared TO the greatness of POWER OF GOD! Read **Isaiah 40:12-18**.

We are here for the express purpose of learning how to rightly direct the vast powers of GOD! Powers so tremendous the mind of man could not now conceive! If we are faithful in little things, God will entrust us with BIG things, later on, when we're born into His Kingdom! This life is the training ground.

Now what powers are at your disposal? And how well are you learning to control and properly direct them?

What YOU Can Do

Well, start out by looking at your temper! Some tempers are mild, and others are quite powerful. Are you learning to control, and rightly direct yours?

Your voice is another. Do you use it like a wild, raucous snarling animal yelling, accusing, cursing perhaps—or are you controlling it and training it to speak softly, kindly, courteously, and only letting forth its real power when there's purpose in it?

Your personality is a power, if you develop and train it so as to charm, influence, persuade others rightly, to bring pleasure and encouragement and sunshine and inspiration to others, and to lead them as they ought to be led. Most people let their personalities stagnate. They never do one thing to improve or develop them—yet a charming captivating, and persuasive personality is one of the greatest forces for GOOD with which an all-wise God endowed you.

The Power of Money

Your money—your income—is a power God lets you possess. Do you employ it only for the necessities of keeping alive, and for selfish pleasures and desires? The first tenth of every dime or every dollar is NOT YOURS. All of it belongs to God, and that first tenth God reserves for His own use—for His work!

Every dollar of that money GOD Himself is using in this great work to reach, in dynamic power and with conviction, more than two thousand precious souls with His GOSPEL. Are you stealing some of all of that first tenth of God's money, withholding from His work, putting it to your own selfish uses? If so you are depriving thousands of other humans from hearing the ONLY MESSAGE which offers them real salvation and eternal peace and happiness.

God has directed every one of us not only to pay His

first tenth, but also to GIVE, liberally, of generous offerings besides. There are other ways in which still other portions of your income can be used to bring happiness and good to others in addition to yourself and immediate family.

And if you are honest with God's tithe, faithful and generous with additional offerings, and diligent in finding still another portion of your income to be used for good—then you are employing the power of money toward the purpose for which you were born. And God always prospers, now in this life, the honest and faithful tithe-payer!

Think for Yourself

From here on, THINK FOR YOURSELF! Think out your own problem, according to your own circumstances. What powers, what opportunities, are now in your control?

Perhaps, through your job, your profession, your business, you have really important powers to wield.

Perhaps not much more than just your own self. Analyze for yourself your own position and circumstances. Ask yourself, how are you using the powers you may have to use? And ARE YOU DEVELOPING—GROWING—in self-control, in ability to restrain impulse, wrong desire, selfish motive, or

vanity? If you had some really great POWER thrust into your hands to direct—perhaps thirty million dollars perhaps a vast manufacturing industry with many subsidiaries—would you be able to direct and wield that power as you know GOD would have it used? Are you sure? Well, the test is this:

If you are now rightly directing little powers in your control, such as your temper, your voice, your passions and emotion, or your present possibly small income, then you probably could be entrusted to control properly at least a slightly larger power. But if you have not yet learned to control and constructively guide even these little powers God has permitted you to use, then you are not at all qualified or fit to handle greater responsibilities!

Don't ask God for more money, more powers, bigger opportunities. First, demonstrate your ability wisely to use the power of a CREATOR over the little powers and opportunities you now have. If you are not faithful even in the paltry unrighteous mammon, who will entrust to your care the TRUE RICHES, and the GREAT powers of God? But, if you are faithful over what God has already given you, He will say to you some day: **“Well, thou good servant: because thou hast been faithful in a very little, have thou authority over MUCH!”**

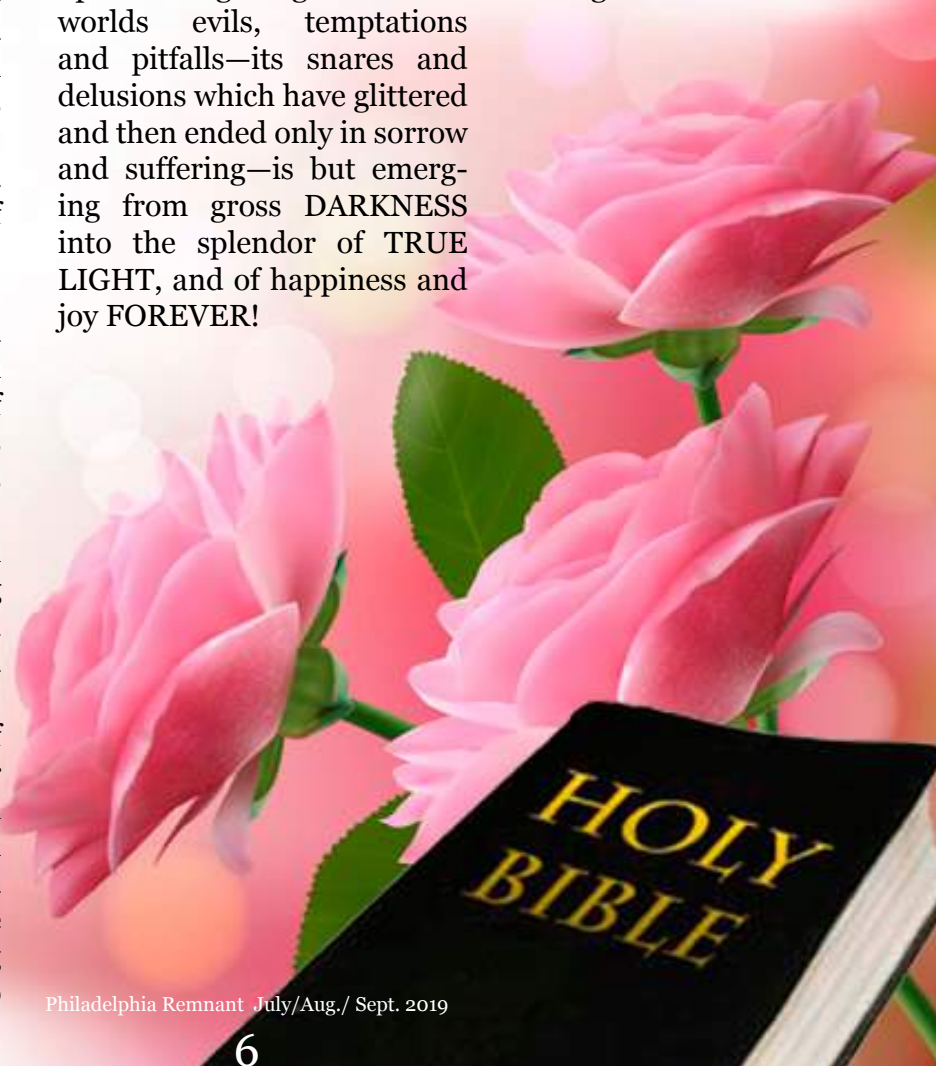
The True Repentance

Mankind swayed by human nature, the devil and his demons, has followed the beaten path of destruction—of polluting, perverting, destroying whatever he has been allowed to handle and use and control. He has perverted the sacred Word of God, polluted his own mind, dissipated his body; he has failed to train or has mistaught his children; he has manifested resentment, envy, and hatred toward his neighbor, sought to get the best of his neighbor in a deal; tried to get more out of life than he put into it, which is Destruction rather than Construction; perverted the human food supply; turned scientific and technological developments into engines of destruction until now, unless God steps in, he would annihilate human life from off the earth!

The first beginning toward fulfilling your PURPOSE on earth is to REPENT—repent of these wrong ways, customs and practices. Accepting Jesus Christ as personal Saviour, truly, means letting Him **“who went about doing GOOD”** live your life for you henceforth—just as HE would live it! It means living henceforth by every Word of God—making the Bible your guide, your AUTHORITY in life. It means you now begin to develop CREATIVE instead of destructive powers. You are setting out on a training to become CREATOR — to become GOD!

When you fully grasp this tremendous, wonderful TRUTH, your mind will be filled with transcendent JOY and GLORY! It gives a NEW MEANING to life so wonderful you'll never comprehend the full heights of its splendor! It means, of course, total renunciation, denial, of those injurious things and ways which have falsely seemed so bright and alluring in this world. But your eyes will be open at last to the great deception—the scales will fall from your blinded vision—you'll see the meaning of life, its great purpose, as you never dreamed it could be! Giving up the “bright lights” of this world's evils, temptations and pitfalls—its snares and delusions which have glittered and then ended only in sorrow and suffering—is but emerging from gross DARKNESS into the splendor of TRUE LIGHT, and of happiness and joy FOREVER!

KNOWLEDGE is of no value except as it is used. Not the hearers, but the doers of the law shall be justified. The command to STUDY is for the purpose of putting the instruction into action that we may **“show ourselves approved unto God.”** And therefore it is written: **“A good UNDERSTANDING have all they that do His commandments”** Since the purpose of the knowledge is to do, the doing is the condition to acquiring right knowledge. Bible study is of value only in proportion as the knowledge revealed is incorporated into your character in actually living it.



A close-up photograph of pink cherry blossoms with green leaves, filling the top half of the page.

“In My Fathers House”



“In My Father’s house are many mansions; if it were not so I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself, that where I am, there you may be also. And where I go you know and the way you know (John 14:6).”

By Alton B. Don Billingsley

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To His disciples, and in reality to all of the people who would come to be called and added to God's Church in this age, each in his or her own time frame (**John 6:44**), Jesus Christ spoke to them of the future when this ultimate blessing will be bestowed on each one of His true and faithful people to live with Him, in "Our Father's House." **"... I go to prepare a place for you. . . and where I am, there You May Be Also..."**

Historical Similarities of the Three Temples

The following history reveals the forerunners of that which will come to be in the Spirit World. Each Temple would have its part in the ongoing Plan of God. What is revealed about them in Scripture should be an aid in understanding the reality will come to be experienced in less than 1,200 years — **"Our Father's House"** in New Jerusalem. **PART TWO Continued.**

Solomon's Temple

Some little time after King David's death, the time came for Solomon to direct and oversee the building of the Temple of God. It's construction began in 964 B.C. (*the 440th year after Israel entered the Promised Land, Plain Truth, 2-91, page 14*).

II Chronicles 2:1, 4

v.1, 4 Then Solomon determined to build a

Temple for the name of the LORD, . . . "Behold I am building a Temple for 'The Name of the LORD my GOD', to dedicate it to Him . . . and the Temple I build will be great, for our God is greater than all gods."

An Overview

Solomon's Temple set the standard for the rebuilding of the Second Temple in the time of Ezra. Approximately 400-years later it was modified and embellished by King Herod. Its accompanying buildings were also made very beautiful (**Matthew 24:1**). However, the Temple did not reach the glory and greatness of Solomon's Temple (**Haggai 2:3**). Solomon's Temple was recognized as the greatest of the seven wonders of the world. In reality, it was God's Temple, not Solomon's Temple. He was used as the builder of it for God.

The construction of the third Temple will also follow the same standard and pattern though it will not attain to the same greatness of the previous Two Temples. Very possibly this will be due to a lack of time, money, and worldwide threats of warfare against the small nation of Judah, called Israel.

Historical Facts About The First Temple

It took seven years to complete the construction

work of building Solomon's Temple (**I Kings 6:37-38**). Having been completed it stood a work of the greatest art, tall, majestic, and magnificent — a wonder to behold!

The Jewish Virtual Library: "The Bible's description of Solomon's Temple (*also called The First Temple*) suggests that the inside ceiling was 180 feet long, 90 feet wide, and 50 feet high. The highest point on the Temple that King Solomon built was actually 120 cubits tall (*about 20 stories or about 207 feet*).

According to the Tanach (**II Chronicles 3:3-4**) "The length by cubits after the ancient measure was three-score cubits, and the breadth twenty cubits". **3:4-** "And the porch that was before the house, the length of it, according to the breadth of the house, was twenty cubits, and the height a hundred and twenty; and he overlaid it within with pure gold."

Solomon spared no expense for the building's creation. He ordered vast quantities of cedar wood from King Hiram of Tyre (**I Kings 5:17-18**), had huge blocks of the choicest stone quarried, and commanded that the building's foundation be laid with hewn stone.

To complete the massive project, he imposed forced

labor on all his subjects, drafting people for work shifts that sometimes lasted a month at a time. Some 3,300 officials were appointed to oversee the Temple's erection (**5:17-18**). Solomon assumed such heavy debts in building the Temple that he is forced to pay off King Hiram by handing over twenty towns in the Galilee (**I Kings 9:11**)."

End of Quotes

The LORD God the Architect and Designer

Its awesome greatness and beauty has to be attributed to God Himself! For it had been designed by Him, the greatest designer and architect of all—the Almighty God (**I Chronicles 20:11-19**). To further add to its greatness, it stood on Mount Moriah, the highest mountain in Jerusalem—having become a bright shining light to Israel and to the world.

I Kings 6:7, 16-17,

v.7 And the temple, when it was being built, was built with stone finished at the quarry, so that no hammer or chisel or any iron tool was heard in the temple while it was being built (cf. Exodus 20:25, lest it be polluted).

v.16 Then he built the 20-cubit room at the rear of the Temple, from floor to ceiling, with cedar boards; he built it inside

as the inner sanctuary, as the Most Holy Place. And in front of it the sanctuary was 40 cubits long.

Note: **Verse 17:** Temple (*Hebrew kal=holy place*). This is the largest room in the Temple located immediately behind the porch, to the west (approx. 40 feet wide by 80 feet long). Its walls were lined with boards of cedar while the first was of cypress (**I Kings 6:15**), a further description in **I Kings 6:29-30**.

I Kings 7:51

v.51 Thus all the work that King Solomon had done for the house of the LORD was finished, and Solomon brought in the things which his father David had dedicated: the silver and the gold and the furnishings. And he put them in the treasuries of the house of the LORD.

Note: **I Chronicles 28:12** proves that God was the author, designer, and architect of the Temple—not Solomon, Ezekiel or anyone else.

The Ark of the Covenant

The Temple of God could not be fully completed without having moved the Ark of the Covenant into it from the Tabernacle of Meeting. For it would symbolize His Holy Presence dwelling in the newly constructed Temple:

I Kings 8:1-13

v.1 And Solomon assembled the elders of Israel and all the heads of the tribes, the chief fathers of the children of Israel, to King Solomon in Jerusalem, that they might bring up the ark of the covenant of the LORD, from the city of David, which is in Zion.



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Quote by Mr. Leroy Neff: "To bring up is usually referred to as in height or to the north. The ark was taken up and north to Mount Moriah (*II Samuel 24:24-25; II Chronicles 3:1*). The ark was brought from Zion to the new Temple located on Mount Moriah (*where both Temples were built*). . . This Scripture proves Mount Zion and Mount Moriah are two different places. This also shows that the city of David is Zion. Zion is part of Jerusalem – however not all of it."

End of Quote

Soncino Commentary: "Originally the name Zion was restricted to the southern portion of the hill rising on the eastern side of Jerusalem. The name was subsequently extended to the northern portion on which the Temple stood, and ultimately it embraced the whole of the city." End of Quote
The present day Zion is 100 feet higher than Moriah therefore it could not be the city of David (*Jeremiah 30:17; Micah 3:12*).

v.2 And all the men of Israel assembled to King Solomon at the Feast (Feast of Tabernacles) in the month of Ethanim which is the seventh month.

Soncino Commentary: "Ethanin"> Bears the meaning of strength and running water; the former refers to the harvesting of produce, man's

life and strength. The latter indicates the early rains that begin to fall this month."

vs.3-4 Then all the elders of Israel came, and the priests took up the ark. And they brought up the ark of the LORD, from the tabernacle of meeting, and all the holy furnishings that were in the tabernacle. The priests and the Levites brought them up. . .

v.6 Then the priests brought in the ark of the covenant of the LORD to its place, into the inner sanctuary of the Temple, to the Most Holy Place, under the wings of the cherubim.

I Kings 8:7

v.7 For the cherubim spread their two wings over the place of the ark, and the cherubim overshadowed the ark and its poles. . .

A further description is given in the following Scripture:

II Chronicles 3:10-11

vs.10-11 In the Most Holy Place he made two cherubim, fashioned by carving, and overlaid them with gold. The wings of the cherubim were 20 cubits in overall length (42 feet): one wing of the one cherub was five cubits (10 and 1/2 feet), touching the wall of

the room (each was 21 feet complete), and the other wing was five cubits, touching the wing of the other cherub.

v.13 The wings of these cherubim spanned 20 cubits overall. They stood on their feet, and they faced inward.

The Physical is a Copy of the Heavenly

The Apostle Paul made known the earthly ark and temple was symbolic while being a copy of that which is in heaven.

Hebrews 8:1-5

v.1 "Now this is the main point of the things which we are saying: We have such a High Priest, who is seated at the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in the heavens.

v.2 "A minister of the sanctuary (lit. holies) and of the true tabernacle which the Lord erected, and not man . . .

v.5 "Who serve THE COPY AND SHADOW of the heavenly things, as Moses was instructed when he was about to make the tabernacle. For He said, 'See that you make all things according to THE PATTERN shown you on the mountain.'

Hebrews 9:6-9, 23

vs.6-7 "Now when these things had been thus prepared, the priests

always went into the first part of the tabernacle, performing the services. But into the second part the high priest went alone once a year, not without blood, which he offered for himself and for the people's sins committed in ignorance.

v.8 "The Holy Spirit indicating this, that the way into the Holiest of All was not yet been made manifest while the first tabernacle was still standing. IT WAS SYMBOLIC (a copy) for the present time in which both gifts and sacrifices are offered which cannot make him who performed the service perfect in regard to conscience—

v.23 "Therefore it was necessary that THE COPIES of the things IN HEAVENS should be purified with these; but the heavenly things themselves with better sacrifices than these."

An Empty Ark of God

There was nothing to be found in the Ark itself as the following makes known:

I Kings 8:9-12

v.9 There was nothing in the ark except the two tablets of stone which Moses had put there at Horeb, when the LORD made a covenant (*marriage covenant, Exodus, chapters 19-24*) with the children of

Israel, when they came out of the land of Egypt.

Experimental Commentary, volume 2, page 315: "Nothing else was ever in the Ark, the articles mentioned, (*Hebrews 9:4*), being not in, but BY it, being laid in the Most Holy Place before the testimony (*Exodus 16:33; Numbers 17:10*)."

vs.10-11 And it came to pass, when the priests came out of the holy place, that the cloud filled the house of the LORD, so that the priests could not continue ministering because of the cloud; for the glory

of the LORD filled the house of the LORD.

v.12 Then Solomon spoke: "The LORD said He would dwell in the dark cloud. I have surely built You an exalted house, and a place for You to dwell in forever.

"The Height and Width of the Temple

As will be noted in Scripture and by Josephus, the famous Jewish historian, the Temple's height was 120 cubits and width was 120 cubits.

Note the following quotes from the writings of Josephus:

FIRST TEMPLE HEIGHT & FOUNDATION

The First Temple stood over 20 stories tall (120 cubits). Josephus, the Jewish historian with Roman citizenship, states that both the Main Temple and Porch were 120 cubits tall. Why was the main tower 120 cubits tall?

Possibly because the First Temple might have been built vertically. "And the porch that was in the front of the house,



the length of it was according to the breadth of the house, twenty cubits, and the height was a hundred and twenty: and he overlaid it within with pure gold.”DIVRE HAYYAMIM 3:4 The Jerusalem Bible, Koren Publishers (JB)

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2 CHRONICLES 3:4 Bible, King James Version (KJV)

“So that the entire altitude of the temple was hundred and twenty cubits. Its front was to the east. As to the porch, they built it before the temple; its length was twenty cubits, and it was so ordered that it might agree with the breadth of the house; and it had twelve cubits in latitude, and its height was raised as high as a hundred and twenty cubits.”

Josephus, Antiquities of the Jews, B-VIII, C-3, V-2

The porch is high and the main temple of the house is very high also. **II Chron. 7:21**. On this porch stood the two free standing round pillars. The pillar on the south was called Jachin (He shall establish) and the north pillar was called Boaz (In it is strength). Attached upon these two pillars were ornamental pomegranates.”

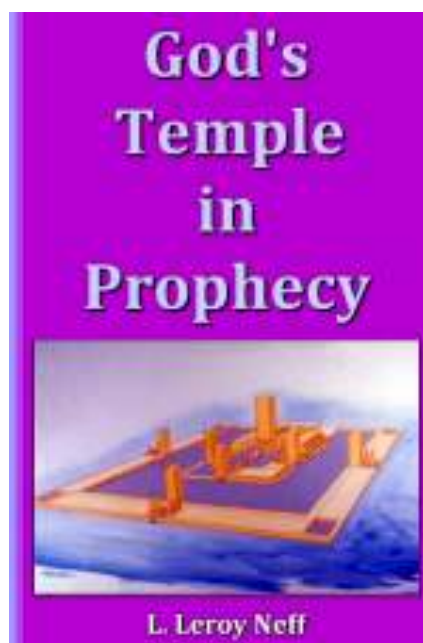
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The Cubit Measurement

The following is from the research of Mr. Leroy Neff during the lifetime of Mr. Herbert W. Armstrong:

“There is a difference in the cubit measure between the Books of Kings and Chronicles. Kings was compiled before the Babylonian captivity, Ezekiel was written during the captivity, Chronicles was written after the captivity.

The original cubit was seven palms (*palm of the hand*) – the number of completeness.



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Judah went into captivity and adopted the Babylonian cubit of six, the number of man. It was used in **Deuteronomy 3:11** (5 or 6 palms). Seven palms is 25.2” Bible cubit, five palms 18.0”; six palms 21.6”.’

II Chronicles 3:3 >

Ezekiel’s cubit was one hand-breath longer, 40:5; 43:12. This shows the hand-breath was used as the basis for the cubit—not the arm. See Adam Clarke Commentary Volume 2, Page 638, on **II Chronicles 3:3**.”

End of Quotes

Note: **II Chronicles 3:15** “Also he made in front of the Temple two pillars 35 cubits high (73 and 1/2 feet. They were hollow, **Jeremiah 52:21**) Josephus Ant. v111, 111 2. The Temple stood 252’ high. This was the entire altitude of the Temple.”

Internet: The Bible's description of Solomon's Temple (*also called the first Temple*) suggest that the inside ceiling of the Temple was 180 feet long, 90 feet wide and 50 feet high. The highest point of the Temple was 120 cubits tall . . . Chambers were built around the Temple. These formed a part of the Temple."

End of Quotes

Solomon's Failure to Obey God

During his older age, Solomon's heart was turned after other gods by his 700 pagan wives to worship Baal and Asherah (***I Kings 11:1-13***). He did evil in the sight of the LORD, and did not fully follow the Lord. As the result the LORD became angry and spoke to Solomon:

I Kings 11:11, 13

v.11 "Because you have done this, and have not kept My covenant and My statutes, which I have commanded you, I will surely tear the kingdom away from you and give it to your servant.

v.13 "However I will not tear away the whole kingdom, I will give one tribe to your son for the sake of My servant David, and for the sake of Jerusalem which I have chosen."

To punish the kingdom of Judah for her abominable sins and rejection of the Him and

His Holy Laws, the LORD enabled the Babylonians to conquer Judah and took away whatever was left of the treasures and desecrated the Temple; then they destroyed the Temple and left it in ruins.

Josephus: The Temple stood 470 years, six months and 10 days after having been built—till Nebuchadnezzar destroyed it (604 B.C. to 585 B. C.)."

End of Quote

The Disappearance of the Ark of the Testimony

The Ark of the Covenant became a mystery for it was no longer there! No one knew what had happened to it! A total mystery!

Jewish Quarterly, "THE DISAPPEARANCE OF THE ARK OF THE COVENANT

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"One of the great mysteries of the Bible is the disappearance of the Ark of the Covenant of the Lord. The Ark is mentioned as being placed in the First Temple (***I Kings. 8:3-8***), but does not appear in the dedication ceremony of the Second Temple (*Ezra 3*). The Talmud (*TB Yoma 22b*) notes that the Ark was one of the five items that were in the First Temple, but not in the Second Temple. The Bible does not mention who removed the Ark, why the

Ark was removed, where it was moved, when it was taken, and, finally, how this was achieved. It simply disappears from the biblical narrative. It would be anachronistic to expect the biblical writers to function as investigative reporters; however, their silence on this subject is startling."

End of Quote

Due to great interest about the missing Ark, a movie was made about it. It is worth taking some edited quotes about the movie:

From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia ***Raiders of the Lost Ark*** (later marketed as "***Indiana Jones: Raiders of the Lost Ark***") is a 1981 American action adventure film directed by Steven Spielberg.

The first installment in the *Indiana Jones* film franchise. it stars Harrison Ford as archaeologist Indiana Jones, who battles a group of Nazis searching for the Ark of the Covenant. . . .

Raiders of the Lost Ark became 1981's top-grossing film and remains one of the highest-grossing films adjusted for inflation. It was nominated for eight Academy Awards in 1982, including Best Picture, and won for Best Art Direction, Film Editing, Sound, and Visual Effects with a fifth Academy Award: a Special Achievement Award for Sound Effects Editing.

It is often considered one of the greatest films ever made. [3][4][5][6][7] In 1999, it was included in the U.S. Library of Congress' National Film Registry as "culturally, historically, or aesthetically significant".

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End of Quotes

Scripture Solves the Mystery of the Lost Ark

Scripture provides the true answer to the mystery of the missing Ark—revealing its presence and location at the time of the sounding of the 7th Trumpet:

Revelation 11:15,19

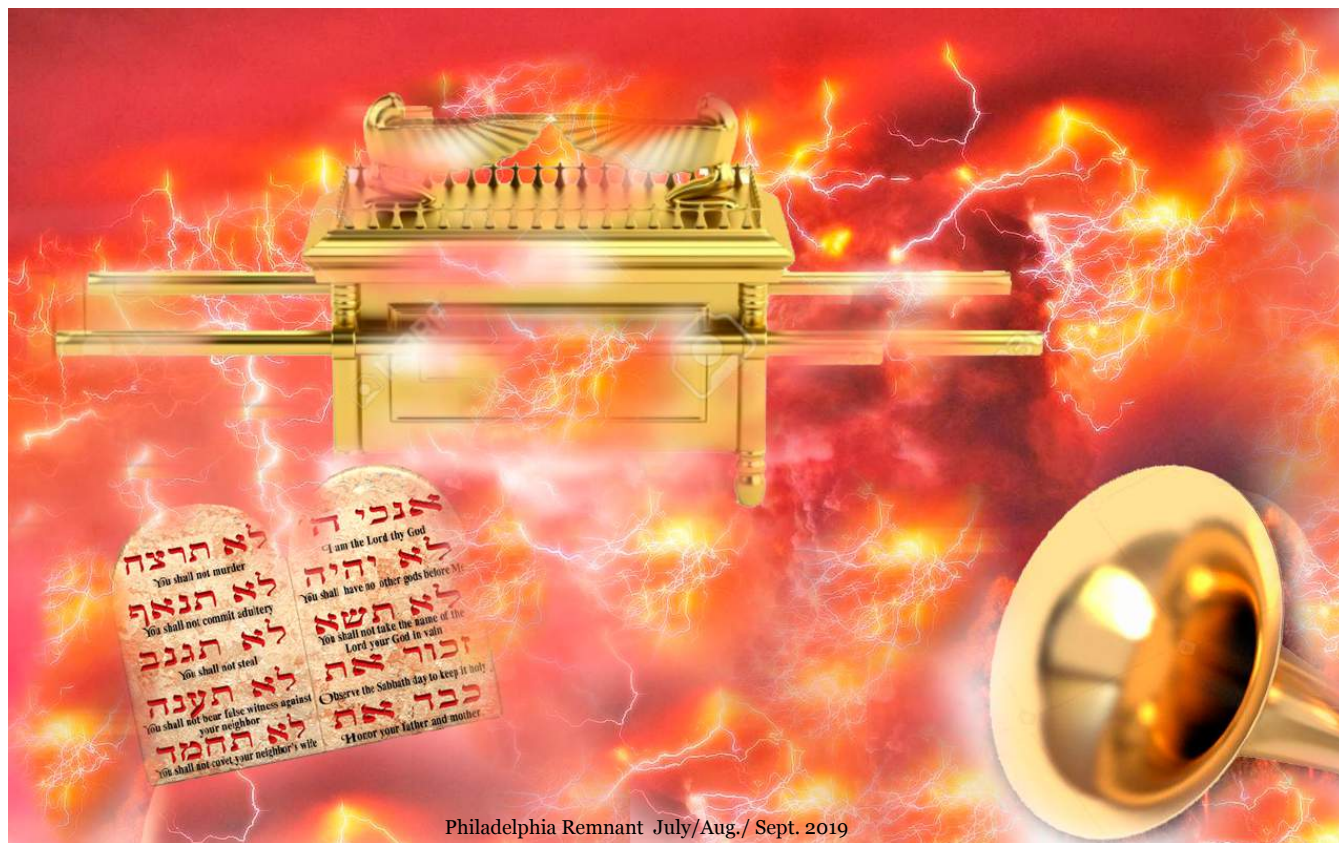
v.15 Then the 7th angel sounded: And there were loud voices in heaven,

saying, "The kingdoms of this world have become the kingdoms of our Lord and of His Christ, and He shall reign forever and ever!"...

v.19 Then the Temple of God was opened in heaven, and THE ARK OF HIS COVENANT was seen in His Temple (*The Ten Commandments lay alongside the Ark—as a witness to the people of Israel, at that time being held in captivity, for rejecting Him as their Husband and their God; they will see this and lament greatly, Jeremiah 31.*). **And there was lightning, noises, thunderings, an earthquake, and great hail.**

Due to the sins of His people Israel and Judah, Jesus Christ divorced His people and sent both kingdoms into captivity. Jesus Christ not only had permitted Nebuchadnezzar to destroy His Temple, but had the Ark of the Testimony taken into heaven where it is yet today.

At the time of the return of Jesus Christ to this earth, the Ark will be seen and serve as a witness to both Israel and Judah of their having broken the covenant of marriage by rejecting their Husband, and sinning terribly against Him. Though they will be yet in captivity at that time, they will nevertheless see this taking place upon His return to this earth.



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The 7th Bowl: The Earth Utterly Shaken

At the same time of viewing Christ's coming and seeing the Ark (**Revelation 11:19**), He will unleash terrible destruction from the elements to destroy the nations of this world assembled at Armageddon.

Revelation 16:17-21

v.17 Then the 7th angel poured out his bowl into the air, and a loud voice came out of the temple in heaven, from the throne, saying, "It is done!"

v.18 And there were loud noises and thunderings and lightnings, and there was a great earthquake as had not occurred since men were on the earth.

v.19 Now the great city (Rome) was divided into three parts, and the cities of the nations fell. And great Babylon (the religious system, the woman symbolic of the Catholic Church, **Revelation 17:1-6**) was remembered before God, to give to her the cup of the wine of the fierceness of His wrath.



v.20 Then every island fled away (Islands of the sea will blow up. New volcano formed), and the mountains were not found (moved out of their places by a huge earthquake, **Revelation 6:14**).

v.21 And great hail from heaven fell upon men, every hailstone about the weight of a talent (ACC. Lesson 51, 58 pounds, cf. Joshua 10:11-12). And men blasphemed God because of the plague of the hail, since that plague was exceedingly great."

These hailstones and earthquake will level most man-made structures of this world. While using the forces of nature, and by other means, God pours out His great

anger against one another, then turn their forces against Jesus Christ upon seeing His return to this earth, cf. **Psalm 2:1-8**); they will be destroyed (**Ref. Zechariah 14:8-15**).

The Second Temple

After the completion of the prophesied 70 years of captivity for Judah the LORD made it possible for the rebuilding of the second Temple:

Jeremiah 29:10

v.10 "For thus says the LORD: 'After 70 years are completed at Babylon, I will visit you and perform My good word toward you, and cause you to return to this place (Jerusalem).'"

To make this possible, God



anger against the power-block nations in Europe and Asia who will be gathered in the valley of Jehoshaphat just outside Jerusalem to battle

used King Cyrus of the Medio-Persia Empire to conquer the Babylonian Empire who were holding the

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Jewish people in captivity (*Autumn 537 B. C. Isaiah 44:28; 45:1-7*).

Due to God stirring up the spirit of King Cyrus to fulfill his purpose in His Master Plan, that had been determined 150 years before he was to reign in Persia (*Isaiah 44:28; 45:4*), the LORD then used Cyrus to make a proclamation for the rebuilding of the second Temple, and then supporting it with his authority as the powerful king of Persia; however, as already noted, the Ark would not be in it:

Ezra 1:1-3, 5

v.1 Now in the first year of Cyrus king of Persia, that the word of the LORD spoken by the mouth of Jeremiah might be fulfilled, the LORD ‘Stirred Up the spirit’ of Cyrus king of Persia, that he made a proclamation throughout all his kingdom, and also put it in writing, saying,

v.2 “Thus says Cyrus king of Persia: All the kingdoms of the earth the LORD has given me. And He has commanded me to build Him a house (*Temple*) at Jerusalem which is in Judah.

v.3 “Who is there among you of all his people? May his God be with him! Now let him go up to Jerusalem, which is in Judah, and build the house of the LORD God

(*He is God*), which is in Jerusalem . . .”

v.5 Then the heads of the fathers’ houses of Judah and Benjamin, and the priests and the Levites, with all those whose spirits God had moved, arose to go up and build the house of the LORD which is in Jerusalem.

Notes from the New King James Bible: Ezra relates there were two returns from Babylon to Jerusalem:

- 1) *The first was led by Zerubbabel to rebuild the Temple (chapters 1-6).*
- 2) *The second was led under the leadership of Ezra to rebuild the spiritual condition of the people (chapters 7-10).*
- 3) *Sandwiched in between these two accounts is a gap of nearly six decades, during which Esther lives and rules as queen in Persia.”*

End of Quotes

The Altar Built for the Sacrificial Offerings

Joshua and Zerubbabel and their brethren, arose and built the altar of God, to offer burnt offerings on it:

Ezra 3:1-2, 6

vs.1-2 And when the seventh month had come, and the children of Israel

were in the cities, the people gathered together as one man to Jerusalem. Then Joshua . . . and his brethren the priests, and Zerubbabel . . . and his brethren arose and built the altar of the God of Israel, to offer burnt offerings on it, as it is written in the Law of Moses the man of God.

v.6 From the first day of the seventh month (Feast of Trumpets) they began to offer burnt offerings to the LORD, but the foundation of the Temple had not yet been laid.

Ezra 5:1-3

v.1 Then the prophet Haggai and Zechariah . . . prophesied to the Jews who were in Judah and Jerusalem, in the name of the God of Israel, who was over them.

v.2 So Zerubbabel. . . and Joshua . . . rose up and began to build the house of God, which is in Jerusalem, and the prophets of God were with them, helping them.

v.3 At the same time Tattenai the governor of the region . . . and their companions came to them and spoke thus to them: “Who has commanded you to build this temple and finish this wall?

Soncino Commentary:
Tattenai and his colleagues either pretended to be, or

actually were, unaware of the decree of Cyrus made so many year before. . .”

A letter was sent to Darius to find whether there ever was a letter from Cyrus to authorize the building of the Temple and its walls:

Ezra 6:1-3

vs.1-2 Then Darius the king made a decree, and search was made in the archives (*lit. books*), where the (*literary*) treasures were laid up, in Babylon. And there was found at Almetha, in the palace that is in the province of Media, a roll, and therein was thus written: “A record—

v.3 “—in the first year of King Cyrus, King Cyrus issued a decree concerning the house of God in Jerusalem: “Let the house be rebuilt, the place where they offered sacrifices and let the foundation of it be firmly laid, its height 60 cubits, and its width 60 cubits . . .”

Note: “Cyrus and Darius . . . determined the measures for its (*Temple*) rebuilding.”

Josephus: “60 cubits lower than Solomon’s Temple 120 cubits of the original Temple. They had not the opportunity to follow the original model of this plus edifice, nor could raise it—to its ancient height.”

Ezra 6:14-15

v.14 So the elders of the

Jews built, and they prospered through the prophesying of Haggai the prophet and Zechariah . . . And they built and finished it, according to the commandment of the God of Israel, and according to the command of Cyrus, Darius, and Artaxerxes king of Persia.

v.15 Now the temple was finished on the 3rd day of the month of Adar (*equivalent to December. Soncino: the foundation was laid 20 years earlier*), which is the 6th year of the reign of King Darius.

The building of it took place during three successive reigns of the kings of Persia.

Soncino Commentary: ‘Artaxerxes’ > Rashi and Metsudath David explain the name as a dynastic title like Pharaoh and identify the king with Darius. More probably the reference is to the Artaxerxes mentioned in the next chapter whose favorable attitude to the Jews and material assistance justified the inclusion of his name.

Ezra 7:1

Now after these things, in the reign of Artaxerxes king of Persia . . .”

Soncino Commentary: ‘Artaxerxes’ he was the first of that name, surnamed

Longimaus (*reigned 463-423 B.C.E.*) son of Xerxes. He was also the reigning king in Nehemiah’s time.”

v.15 Now the Temple was finished on the third day of the month of Adar (*December*), which was the sixth year of the reign of King Darius.

Soncino Commentary: ‘Sixth Year’ > “i.e. 516-15 B.C.E. Since the work was resumed in the 6th month of Darius second year (**Haggai 1:15**) it occupied nearly four and a half years. The foundations were laid twenty years earlier, in 536.”

End of Quote

The second Temple was rebuilt under the direction of Joshua and Zerubbabel (**Ezra 5:2**).

The walls surrounding Jerusalem were rebuilt under the direction of Nehemiah (**Nehemiah 2:1-9**, and completed in only 52 days).

Some 400 years later, Herod modified the Temple and its buildings. They were made so beautiful by him the disciples marveled at the sight of them. They pointed out the buildings to Christ:

Matthew 24:1

v.1 Then Jesus went out and departed from the Temple and His disciples came to Him to show Him the BUILDINGS of the Temple.



Due to Christ's disciples pointing out the adjoining buildings of the Temple to Him, they had to be very beautiful buildings. They were primarily the abodes of the priests (*symbolically a copy of the coming time when they will be the dwelling places of the Bride of Jesus Christ in our Father's House*).

From the time of Ezra in 536 B.C., Nehemiah, Zechariah, Haggai, the Temple and buildings were modified by Herod as the following makes known:

and the surrounding mountain, enlarging and expanding the Temple. The Second Temple, however, met the same fate as the first and was destroyed by the [Romans](#) in 70 C.E., following the failure of the [Great Revolt](#)."

Herod devoted 46 years to its building while employing 11,000 men in this work on it. *The International Standard Bible Encyclopedia*, volume 5, 'Temple', Page 2037 "Herod became king *de facto* by the capture of Jerusalem in 37 BC. Some years later he

motive for his purpose, he formed the project of rebuilding the Temple itself on a grander scale. . .

To allay the distrust of his subjects, he undertook that the materials for the new building should be collected before the old was taken down; he likewise trained 1,000 priests to be masons and carpenters for work on the Sanctuary; 10,000 skilled workmen altogether were employed upon the task.

The building was commenced in 20-19 BC. The *noos*, or Temple proper, was finished in a year and half, but he took 8 years to complete the courts and cloisters. The total erection occupied a much longer time (cf John 2:20, forty and six years," etc.); indeed, the work was not entirely completed till 64 AD — 6 years before its destruction by the Romans.

Built of white marble, covered with heavy plates of gold in front and rising high above its marble cloistered courts—themselves a succession of terraces—the Temple, compared by Josephus to a snow-covered mountain was a conspicuous and dazzling object from every side. . ."

End of Quotes



INTERNET: "During the first century B.C.E., [Herod](#), the Roman appointed head of Judea, made substantial modifications to the Temple

built the fortress Antonia to the North of the Temple (*before 31 BC.*) Midway in his reign, assigning a religious



To be continued—

In the next writing the focus will be on the 3rd Temple—to be followed by the 4th Temple to be constructed in the early part of the millennium where Jesus Christ and His bride will be Headquartered. These four Temples all lead to the final one in the New Jerusalem —

in Our Father's House.

The Coming Judgment - on America-Manasseh The Year-“2026!”



“Now the end has come for you, and I will send My anger against you; I will judge you according to your ways and I will repay you for all your abominations. My eye will not spare you, nor will I have pity. Thus says the Lord God; a disaster, a singular disaster *(nuclear)*; behold it has come . . . DOOM has come to you ”Ezekiel 7:3-6

By
Alton B. Don Billingsley

“A STAGGERING TURN IN WORLD events is due to erupt in the next few years. It will violently involve the United States, Britain, Western Europe, the Middle East. It's already rather late for the free world to come awake to the real meaning behind current world events! Why don't the world's leaders see what is coming? Why are the world's best minds unseeing . . . they are totally unaware! Why? . . .

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People of the Western world would be stunned—dumbfounded—if they knew! The governments of the United States, Britain, Canada, Australasia, South Africa would set in motion gigantic crash programs—if they knew! They could know! But they don't! Why? . . .” The United States and Britain in Prophecy, by Mr. Herbert W. Armstrong, Page ix “Introduction”

To be continued

This present writing will focus on the revival of the Holy Roman Empire, the prophesied famine, pestilence, and the Mark of the Beast. It is vital for one to be knowledgeable and understand the major events that will affect everyone in the very next few years—leading to the year-2026.

Part Two—Continued

God's Revelation of the Prophesied End-Time Events Now Being Revealed

The prophet Daniel was given the prophecies of the end-time by an angel from God (**Daniel, chapters 2, 8-12**)—without the needed understanding of them—for they were only to be understood toward the close of this age (**Daniel 12:4, 8-9**).

Jesus Christ began opening the mind of Mr. Herbert W. Armstrong to understand those prophecies in 1934. He then began to preach the understanding of them on the radio, writing articles in the Plain Truth, the Good News Magazines, and Booklets and mailing them to an ever-growing list of members and co-workers.

The work Jesus Christ had begun using Mr. Armstrong to do is well described in the following Scripture:

Daniel 12:3-4, 8-10

v.3 Those who are wise shall shine (*Ecclesiastes 8:1; Philippians 2:15-16, via preaching and warning of the critical times to come at the end-time*), **like the brightness of the firmament, and those who turn many to righteousness like the stars forever** (*involved in the work of God—this means—they that bring justice in administering the law to many people*).

Note: “Those who are wise . . .” The Hebrew verb shows action. Here it means “They shall warn, or they shall admonish.” What shines is the warning they give. In effect verse 3 says—those who give insight into the truth of God and in the process warn people about the consequences of disobedience to God, are going to be in the 1st resurrection (**verse 2**).

v.4 “But you, Daniel, shut up the words, and seal the book UNTIL the time of the end (*it began in the 20th century—1934*), **many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall increase** (*in the 21st century*).”

Note: This present age, is characterized by a knowledge explosion—and especially the last few years of it.

v.8-10 Although I heard, I did not understand. Then I said (to God's angel), “My lord, what shall be the end of these things?” And he said, “Go your way Daniel, for the words are closed up TILL the time of the end. Many shall be purified, made white and refined, but the wicked shall do (continue) wickedly, but the wise shall understand (Proverbs 1:7).”

Understanding the Holy Scriptures

The understanding of those prophecies and other writings in the Holy Scripture is couched within a jig-saw puzzle; Scriptures are scrambled making it impossible for any and all others not used by Him to have the needed wisdom and understanding to grasp their meaning (**Matthew 5:19; 7:17-23, I John 2:4; Proverbs 9:10; 29:18**).

However, Jesus Christ graces His chosen leadership with the Scriptural-Keys needed to unscramble the teachings of God:

Isaiah 28:9-13

v.9 “Whom will he teach knowledge? And whom will he make to understand the message? . . . For precept will be upon precept, precept upon precept, line upon line, here a little, there a little . . .”

It is only to those who have the desire to understand these prophecies, while keeping the fullness of the commandments of God, and all of His teachings with faithfulness, who are given the needed understanding of them by Jesus Christ. (***1 Thessalonians 5:1-5***).

And with that knowledge comes the responsibility of warning America and all of the tribes of Israel (***Ezekiel 33:1-9***):

Amos 3:7-8

vs.7-8 “Surely the **LORD** does nothing, **UNLESS** He reveals **HIS SECRET** to His servants the prophets. A lion has roared (threatening to attack—as will the Holy Roman Empire after its soon-coming revival)! **Who will not hear? The LORD has spoken! Who can but prophesy?**

After having been given the needed understanding of this prophecy by Jesus Christ to Mr. Herbert W. Armstrong, he began preaching and writing with warning about this roaring lion, meaning the Holy Roman Empire, along with its soon-coming revival as a world super-power, who will bring about the Time of Jacob’s trouble (***Jeremiah 30:4-7***).

God’s End-Time Apostle and Promised Elijah to Come

Like Abel of old who yet

speaks, though dead (***Hebrews 11:4***)—so does God’s late apostle, Mr. Herbert W. Armstrong, having died in 1986, yet speaks and warns from his past Recorded Works of his ministry of 52 years: Radio Broadcasts, Telecasts, Plain Truth, Good News, booklets, and books, and

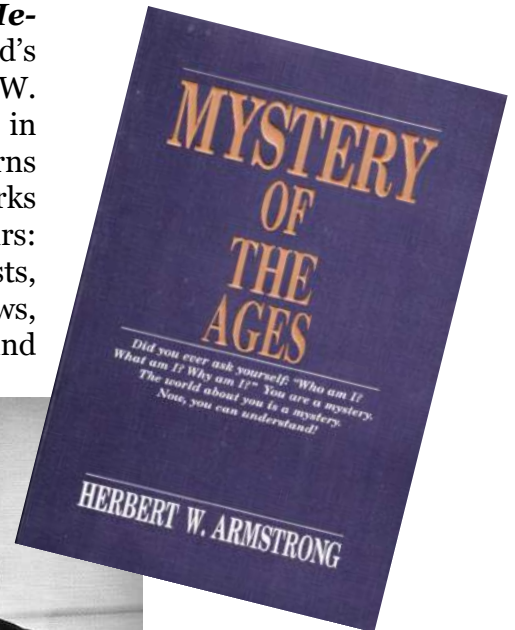


much more that are on our websites, www.cog-ff.com.

Mr. Armstrong was only able to build the trunk of the tree with an overview of the end-times prophecies during his lifetime ministry. Due to an apostate, a Judas, who replaced him as the pastor general of the Church, Jesus Christ then closed the door to the Gospel and the Ezekiel warning message at the time of his death.

Jesus Christ reopened the door to this small congregation in 2006 (***Revelation 3:7-8***). And with that door being opened understanding

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began to come regarding the needed details of those prophecies, the branches, and small limbs, that were to be added to the trunk of that tree.

Church of God Faithful Flock

Why would Jesus Christ choose such a tiny flock rather than using one of the larger fragmented churches split off from the former worldwide Church of God (***1 Corinthians 1:26-29; Luke 12:32; Habakkuk 1:5***)?

Though there are 7,000 true and faithful members scattered within the tribes of Israel and possibly a few in the Gentile Countries (***Romans 11:4-5; Revelation 7:1-8***), as far is now known, none of them are being used in the same way as Jesus Christ has graced this small Congregation.

Outside of those scattered members and their shepherds there is no other Congregation, large or small that still remains faithful to the fullness of the teachings Jesus Christ restored within His Church through His use of Mr. Armstrong, the Elijah to come (**Malachi 4:4-6; Matthew 17:10-11**).

Because of His Spirit of truth abiding within this small Congregation, Jesus Christ has upheld the members in faithfulness through the many trials and tests since the major breakup of the Worldwide Church of God in 1995. As the result, Jesus Christ began revealing the knowledge with the wisdom necessary for the understanding of the very end-time prophecies the angel had revealed to the prophet Daniel for continued warning while there is yet time. This is why Jesus Christ re-opened the door to this little flock in the year-2006 (**Revelation 3:7-8**).

The Open Door of Responsibility

Having re-opened that door came the responsibility of supporting the Work of the Gospel Jesus Christ Himself is doing by using the Recorded Works of His late apostle, Mr. Herbert W. Armstrong (**Matthew 24:14; Ezekiel 33:1-11**).

Christ's work continues to focus on America by making those prophecies of Daniel to be understood,

when connected with Matthew 24, and the Book of Revelation, with warnings to its people. The warnings also go out to the other tribes of Israel as well via websites.

The Reality of the Closing Years Came to Pass in 2017

The reality of the closing of this age began by grasping the meaning of the major record-breaking devastating events having taken place in this country since 2017, and what they portend for the next few years in view of the new things heretofore hidden but now being revealed in those prophecies.

Isaiah 42:9

v.9 "Behold the former things have come to pass, and new things I declare, before they spring forth I tell you of them (His true and faithful ministers, John 16:13,)."

One must realize, based on these Scriptures, and the following Scripture, someone had to be used by Christ to understand and warn society of what is soon to come to pass. And Christ would only use those who had a close relationship with Him while continuing to seek His Spirit of TRUTH for guidance in all His teachings and revelations of knowledge.

To these faithful people, Jesus Christ said:

John 16:13

v.13 "However when It (Spirit is neuter in the Greek), the Spirit of Truth, has come It will GUIDE you into ALL TRUTH; for It will not speak on It's own authority, but whatever It hears, It will speak; It will TELL YOU things to come."

And because of God's grace and mercy shown to this little flock, He has made known the major events to take place during the few remaining years before the fullness of calamity falls on this nation. And it begins with Satan the devil.

The Path Leading to the *Great Tribulation* Begins with Satan Being Cast out of Heaven for the Final Time The 5th Trumpet, 1st Woe

The Adversary, Satan the devil, either has already been, or soon will be, cast out of heaven for the final time with no more access to his Creator God. Any evil spirits with him will also be cast out with him. Infuriated, he will then seek vengeance against God by beginning the process to destroy His chosen nations of Israel, during the ***Great Tribulation***:

Revelation 12:9-12

v.9 So the great dragon was cast out of heaven, that serpent of old, called the Devil and Satan, who deceives the whole world, he was cast to the earth and his angels cast out with him (cf. Luke 10:18) ...”

v.12 “Woe to the inhabitants of the earth! For the devil has come down to you, having great wrath, because he knows that he has but a short time.”

The Emergence of the Holy Roman Empire

Having been cast out of heaven, Satan will then be given the key to open up the bottomless pit and restore the Holy Roman Empire to its former greatness. He will then use this power block of 10 nations in Europe to conquer the House of Jacob, destroying them as nations, while focusing primarily on America.

Manasseh-America is the only super-power nation that has the capability of standing in their way of becoming a world ruling empire. Therefore, this nation must first be destroyed! To make this possible Satan the devil will restore Assyria-Germany back to military readiness and use from its recess of the past 70 years to a war-time footing (**Isaiah 10:5-8**).

The bottomless pit is to be fully opened! And to under-

stand what is soon to take place after it having been opened, as revealed by the following chapter, one must remember the Book of Revelation was written in symbolisms. And the understanding of the symbols can only be interpreted from other Scriptures found elsewhere in the Holy Bible:

Revelation 9:1-11

v.1 “Then the 5th angel sounded. And I saw a star fallen from heaven to the earth (Satan). And to him was given the key to the bottomless pit.

v.2 And he opened the bottomless pit, and SMOKE arose out of the pit like the smoke of a great furnace (to cloud the emergence of the revival of the Holy Roman Empire with their intent of warfare, World War III, **Daniel 8:23-25**). And the sun and the air were darkened because of the smoke of the pit.

v.3 Then out of the SMOKE locusts (symbolic of a giant military force, Assyria-Germany, **Nahum 3:15, 17**; ACC, Lesson 36) came upon the earth (Europe). And to them was given POWER (**Revelation 13:11-18**), as the scorpions of the earth have power.



v.4 They were commanded not to harm the grass of the earth, or any green thing, or any tree, but only those men who do not have the SEAL OF GOD on their foreheads (Ezekiel 9:6; Ephesians 1:13; Revelation 3:10; 7:1-8).

Internet: Scorpions>Although about 2000 species exist, only about 25-40 species can deliver enough venom to cause serious or lethal damage to humans.

v.5 And they were not given authority to kill them (to launch nuclear warfare at this time), but to TORMENT them for five months (with the siege brought against America during the final months of the severe famine when many millions will die, Ezekiel 5:12). And their torment was like the torment of a scorpion when it strikes a man.

“Fear has torment” (**I John 4:18**)! This fear will come from both the threats of imminent warfare, and starvation during the severity of the famine! People of all ages will be experiencing the gnawing pangs of hunger. This will take place during the final stages of Jacob’s trouble (**Jeremiah 30:4-7**).

v.6 In those days, men will seek death and will not find it; they will desire to die, and death will flee from them.

Due to the military siege to be placed in force against America by Germany (**Deuteronomy 28:52-57**), and followed by the enforcement of the Mark of the Beast (**Revelation 13:11-18**), there will be no food available to satisfy their gnawing stomach pangs; they will want to die—possibly too weak from hunger to kill themselves.

v.7 And the shape of the locusts was like horses prepared for battle (military: tanks, helicopters, Nahum 2:3-4; 3:2-3; Habakkuk 1:6-10); and on their heads were crowns of something like gold (the leadership of the 10 nations are kings, Revelation 17:12), and their faces were like the faces of men.



vs.8-9 They had hair like women’s hair (they had hair like the hair of women), and their teeth were like lion’s teeth (Daniel 2:40; 7:7. similar to the graphics painted on the nose of their

helicopters, fighter planes, as was done by pilots of America during WWII, to terrify opposing forces making them vulnerable and become victims).

And they had breastplates like breastplates of iron (armor on the front of their helicopters and fighter planes), and the sound of their wings was like the sound of chariots with many horses running into battle (many fighter planes and attack helicopters in use).

v.10. They had tails like scorpions (explained in verse 19, power in their mouth and tails), and there were stings in their tails (the power and authority of leadership to give orders and exercised by those under them—forcing other

nations not to send food to America). And their POWER was to hurt man five months.

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Symptoms of a scorpion sting is a severe excruciating pang, tingling, burning, or a numbing sensation at the site of the sting. However, the scorpion sting will come from the gnawing pangs of starvation, no food of any kind to eat. People will then resort to cannibalism to ease those terrible pangs.

Biblical Historical Duality

The following quote should seriously be contemplated for it is also Scripturally correct: ***“Those Who Not Learn History Are Doomed To Repeat It.”*** With this in mind there is the need of reflecting on the terrible times that befell Jerusalem in 70 A. D., and consider it to what is soon to befall America for the parallel becomes very obvious.

When considering the historical duality of Jerusalem in 70 A. D. (***I Corinthians 10:11; Romans 15:4***), and parallel it with America, in its final few months before its demise as a nation, the very same things that brought about the conquest of Jerusalem in that ancient time will also be taking place in America and will be a major factor in its demise as a nation.

The City of Jerusalem 70 A. D.

History makes known that prior to being attacked by Titus and his enormous Roman armies, fierce fighting

broke out in Jerusalem between the zealots and the moderates. In the process their stored food supplies were burned and destroyed. This resulted in the terrible ravishing famine that took the lives of thousands of Jewish people.

THE BIBLE AS HISTORY,
The Destruction of Jerusalem,
Werner Keller, Pages
402-404,

“The specter of famine haunted the city, which was filled to overflowing with pilgrims [*who had come far and near to observe the Pass-over*], and death mowed them down in a dread harvest. The craving for food, no matter of what sort, drove men beyond all bounds and killed all normal feeling.

from hunger, the alleys were filled high with the bodies of the aged. Children and young people, swollen with lack of food, wandered around like ghosts until they fell. They were so far spent that they could no longer bury anyone, and if they did they fell dead upon the very corpses they were burying. The misery was unspeakable.



The terrible famine that increased in frightfulness daily annihilated whole families of people. The terraces were full of women and children who had collapsed

For as soon as even the shadow of anything eatable appeared anywhere, a fight began over it, and the best of friends fought each other and tore from each other the most miserable trifles.

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No one would believe that the dying had no provisions stored away. Robbers threw themselves upon those who were drawing their last breath and ransacked their clothing. These robbers ran about reeling and staggering like mad dogs and hammered on the doors of the houses like drunk men. In their despair they often plunged into the same house two or three times in one day.

them eat such unnatural things?” asks Josephus in his history of the Wars of the Jews.”

End of Quotes.

To further describe the ravages of hunger and starvation, quotes will be taken from another historical writing:

ANCIENT HISTORY IN BIBLE LIGHT, The Early Roman Empire, Dorothy Ruth

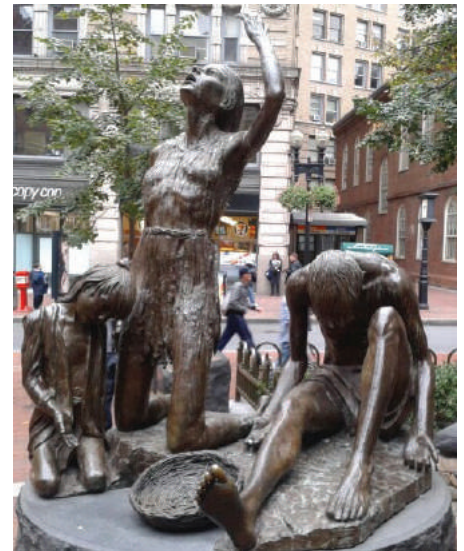


Their hunger was so unbearable that they were forced to chew anything and everything. They laid hands on things that even the meanest of animals would not touch, far less to eat. They had long since eaten their belts and shoes and even their leather jerkins were torn to shreds. Many of them fed on old hay and there were some who collected stalks of corn and sold a small quantity for four Attic drachmas—but why should I describe the shame and indignity that famine brought upon men, making

Miller, *The Terrors of the Siege*, Page 261—None of the previous calamities which had befallen Jerusalem is to be compared with this terrible siege [by the Roman Armies]. It lasted 134 days [almost 5 months]. The city was crowded for the Passover. The public granaries became empty. Private supplies were plundered. “At length no table was spread, no regular meal eaten in Jerusalem.

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People bartered all their wealth for a measure of corn, and ate it in secret, uncooked or snatched half-baked from the coals. They were often compelled, by torture, to discover their food, or were still more cruelly treated if they had eaten it.



Wives would steal the last morsel from their husbands, children from parents, mothers from children, so that the ancient prophecy (**Deuteronomy 28:56, 57**) in which Moses had described the punishments of the unbelieving Jews was fulfilled.”

“Fearful sights and Great Signs” (Luke 21:11), Pages 260-261

“Yet the Jews who suffered in the siege and destruction of Jerusalem were not left without warnings immediately preceding the siege. Josephus relates that before the revolt of the Jews which occurred in 66 A.D., on the eighth of Nisan, at the 9th hour of the night, so great a light shone round the altar that it appeared to be “bright daytime”, which light

lasted for half an hour. The scribes interpreted this an omen of evil.

The same writer says that, “The eastern gate of the inner Temple, which was of brass, and vastly heavy, and had been with difficulty shut with twenty men, and rested upon a basis armed with iron, and had bolts fastened very deep into the firm floor, which was there made of one entire stone, was seen to open of its own accord about the sixth hour of the night.”

He says, “The men of learning understood it, that the security of their holy house was dissolved of its own accord.”

We are told besides that “there was a star resembling a sword which stood over the city, and a comet, that continued a whole year.”

“Before sun setting, chariots and troops of soldiers in their armor were seen running about among the clouds.” Again on the night of the last Pentecost ever celebrated in the Sanctuary “as the priests were going by night into the inner Temple, as their custom was, to perform their sacred ministrations, they said that, in the first place, they felt a quaking, and heard a sound as of a great multitude, saying, ‘Let us remove hence.’”

Josephus adds: “But these men interpreted some of these signals according to their own pleasure; and some of them they utterly despised, both by the taking of their city and their

own destruction.”

End of Quotes.

Destruction and Death Begins with the Passover

In such a weakened condition, Jerusalem, was then attacked at the very time of the Passover by the Roman armies and shortly thereafter conquered by them in 70 A. D. The timing possibly prefigured not only the observance of the Passover in Egypt, but also connects with the Jews bringing about the death of the Messiah during the Passover in 31 A. D.



There was no Savior to save them (**Hosea 8:1-3**), nor the blood of a lamb swabbed on their doorways to spare them from the death angel this time (**Exodus 12.**), nor will there be in the future with America.

The Rulership of Women

After the coming revival of the Holy Roman Empire upon the

world stage, it will see America vulnerable due to its weak leadership of women (**Isaiah 3:12; Nahum 3:12-13**). And combining this together with the severity of the famine with many millions dying, Germany will see America weak enough to blitzkrieg a nuclear attack on key cities, including Washington, D. C., and finally conquer this country.

As Titus, the Roman General, and his huge armies were able to conquer Jerusalem, so will America be conquered by the soon coming revival of the Holy Roman Empire!

The Ominous Year of 2026

Following the two years of threats and warnings from Germany (*years—2024-2026*) together with the foretelling of prophecy (**Ezekiel 7:26**;

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Jeremiah 51:46), the blitzkrieg nuclear attack on America will then take place in the year-2026, and if the following history is to be repeated, it will take place on the 9th of Av.

Internet: (**The 9th of Av, Tisha b'Av**, commemorates a list of catastrophes so severe it's clearly a day set aside by God for suffering. . .), which 2026 at sundown (**9th of Av, 5786**); Wed, 11 August). Prophecy also reveals the attack will take place in the early morning (**Hosea 10:15**)—as occurred when Japan attacked Pearl Harbor, 1941.

The preliminary conditions leading to this coming time are already being witnessed in this nation by various astute people as well as God's true people. The Internet has revealed a few of the very wealthy are building houses deep underground in

various places, here and elsewhere, with the intent of surviving a nuclear holocaust.

The Obvious Parallels

The devastating record-breaking conditions in nature (**Ezekiel 7:26**), and other grave problems will continue and undoubtedly lead to very similar conditions toward the close of this country as it did at that time with Jerusalem: Miraculous signs will be seen (**Luke 21:25-26**, the eclipse 2024), revolutions, famine, disease epidemics, etc. (**Ezekiel 5:12; 6:11-14**).

All of these, and more, will overwhelm this country and its women leadership during the two closing years, 2024-2026.

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Madam-President

Madam-President's reign will have begun in the year-2021. Considering the political power of the Democratic Party as it will be at that time, and with her own power as president, she will be re-elected in 2024.

Considering the prophesied ongoing evils of this coming time in view of the presidential years of the Clintons and the Obamas, and moving this forward to the accelerating evils that will come to exist during her reign as President, she would appear to be a type of the murderous Queen Athaliah of ancient Judah (**II Kings 11:1**), whether in principal or in actual fact.

In any case based on all of the foregoing taking place, and considering the cruel practices of the Beast, there will be a bad

ending for Madam-President, possibly similar to Jehu having Queen Jezebel of Israel killed (**II Kings 9:30-37**).

Scotland, South Africa, Australia, Canada—due to their abominable sins as well! Prophecy makes known this will be

of lives in the pre-flood world of Noah, and those of Sodom and Gomorrah, so will this coming time be very similar, so said Jesus Christ (**Luke 17:26-30**). However, there will not be a total loss of lives as it was with then—but close—for prophecy reveals ten percent of the peoples of Israel will survive (**Amos 5:1-3; Isaiah 6:11-13**).

Warnings from God

Scripture reveals in many places that God never brings calamity upon His people Israel without first warning them—repeatedly, time after time, before it takes place!

Through His prophets, The LORD God had warned Israel over many years before their demise as a kingdom (**II Kings 17**). The same warnings came from Him through His prophets to Judah of the terrible times that would come upon them if they persisted in their sinful abominable practices, but all in vain:

II Chronicles 36:15-20 vs. 15-16 And the LORD God of their fathers sent WARNINGS to them by His messengers, rising up early and sending them, because He had compassion on His people and on His dwelling place. But they MOCKED the messengers of God, despised His words, and scoffed at His prophets, until the WRATH of the LORD AROSE against His people, till there was no remedy.”



Prophecy reveals Manasseh-America, will then have been conquered and its people exported to Europe to be enslaved by the Revived Holy Roman Empire (“the roaring lion”), **Revelation 9:1-12; 13:1-18; 17:1-18; Isaiah 10:5-11; Jeremiah 30:4-7; Deuteronomy 28:49-50, 63-68**—DOOM to befall America!

The Finality of Lawlessness

God’s wrath will not only come upon this nation, but also His wrath will be upon Britain (**Jeremiah 13:18**)—and a few nations from the former common-wealth of nations still connected with Britain, such as Wales, Northern Ireland,

the time of Jacob’s trouble (**Jeremiah 30:5-7**).

These very sad and tragic times are to come upon the House of Jacob. In particular, the focus will be on America, because of their iniquity, lawlessness! For then it will be complete—filled to the top by their evil abominable practices—and Christ will then severely chasten His people as He had done in former times (cf. **Genesis 6:5-7, 11; 15:16; 18:20; 19:13; Jeremiah 5:1-31; 6:10-31**).

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God's End-Time Apostle

In this end-time God raised up His end time apostle, Mr. Herbert W. Armstrong to begin preaching and warning this nation as far back as 1934. And this warning continued until the year of his death in 1986 (*Isaiah 6:6-13*).



The people of those ancient times did not listen to God's prophets any more than the people listened to Mr. Armstrong during all those years of his ministry! Multiple millions heard but rejected him and the truth he taught. By so doing, they rejected the true God and the fullness of His laws (*Hosea 8:14*).

As the result there will be no remedy for the peoples of America. And as the LORD God brought Nebuchadnezzar and his Babylonian armies against the kingdom of Judah, so will He also bring the revived

Roman Empire against America—year 2026!

v.17 Therefore, He brought against them



the king of the Chaldeans, who killed their young men with the sword in the House of their Sanctuary, and had no compassion on young man or virgins, on the aged or the weak, He gave them all into his hand.

The History of the Bestial Cruelty of Assyria

One has to also realize, on the basis of history, Assyria-Germany is the worst of the Gentile nations, merciless, very cruel (*Ezekiel 7:24; Nahum 3:19*)!

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Note: *Ezekiel 7:24* > Germany the worst; organized blood-thirsty Germans! She has wanted to destroy Israel since Genesis 10. All things evil have been made scientific in Germany. This was further learned during World War II.

Consider the 6-million Jews, tortured, and enslaved by the Nazis. On a daily basis millions were suffocated to death—those who were of no value to them—in the supposedly showers; they were also burned in their ovens! All this and much more torturous bestial treatment was done to the Jewish people by the merciless Nazis in Germany during World War II.

History Continues to Repeat Itself

History and Scripture make known God brought the King of Assyria to conquer and enslave Israel 721 B. C.; Nebuchadnezzar to conquer Judah in 604-585 B. C.; also, Rome against Jerusalem in 70 A. D. The same will take place once again by Jesus Christ who will bring the lead nation of the ten nations of the revived holy Roman Empire, Assyria-Germany, to conquer and enslave America, Britain, and Judah in 2026 (**Isaiah 10:5-8**)! Once again, they will practice their barbaric cruelty on the nations of Israel, in particular on America and Britain.



Promises of Renewed Warfare by Germany

With this in mind, consider the following promises from an alarming and warning book written shortly after World War II: "The Plot Against the Peace", by Michael Sayers and Albert E. Kahn, Chapter One. The Hidden Reserves, Page 1: *[At the close of World War 1, the following warning was given by a high-ranking German military officer:]* "au re-voir, [goodbye] until we meet again—in twenty years."

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Colonel Hermann Kriebel of the German Armistice Commission, taking leave of the Allied representatives in 1919. *[True to the promise of 20 years in 1939—America was at war again with Germany.]*

[Another promise was given by a German military spokesman when it was determined Germany was going to lose its war with America.]

“One day we shall come back, until then, **à bientôt** *[meaning]* see you later, until then goodbye.”

The last words of an anonymous German military spokesman over the Nazi radio in Brussels on September 1, 1944.

End of Quotes

Back Again as Promised in Year-2026

Though no exact year was given for the next war the promise was to return again! And prophecy reveals they will once again in a short time to come seeking vengeance for having lost the last two wars primarily to America. In addition to prophecy (**Ezekiel 7:1-12, 24**), their history makes known there will be no mercy shown to anyone!

The Lord GOD takes no pleasure in the death of the wicked (**Ezekiel 18:30-32**). Rather it grieves Him (**Genesis 6:5-6; Luke 19:41-44**). This is why His Gospel and Ezekiel Warning Message are warning messages of caring love.

They continue to be sent forth in this end-time with desire there will yet be repentance for their wickedness (**Ezekiel 33:1-9; Habakkuk 2:1-3**). And if this were to happen, then God would relent and spare His people from the horrors prophesied soon to

take place.

King Manasseh/ President Obama

It becomes necessary at this point to discern from Scripture the final climaxing of evils that led to the demise of the kingdom of Judah; and for the same reasons will bring the demise to America. Though there had been evil kings ruling Judah in former years the worst of all to reign was King Manasseh.

It is essential for understanding to consider this very evil king, King Manasseh, the very worst of all the former kings of Judah, for his reign over Judah parallels exactly that of former President Obama—the very worst of all presidents having occupied the oval office in the White House in Washington, D. C., for eight years.

A professional writer of his own kind likened President Obama to the ancient Nimrod who was a mighty hunter but against God (**Genesis 10:8-11**).



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THE REPORT FROM WASHINGTON ELLIS WASHINGTON

Posted: January 17, 2009

Revolutionist's Handbook



Just call him 'President Nimrod'

End of Quote

Though King Manasseh had been dead for some few years, the penalty for the terrible sins he had committed—**SEDUCING** the people of Judah to commit the same abominable sins during his reign, would then be exacted upon the nation of Judah almost 23 years after the death of King Josiah (***II Kings 23:6-7***).

To understand how terribly bad King Manasseh was, it is necessary to review his time as king of Judah in Scripture:

II Chronicles 33:1-2, 6, 9

***vs.1-2* Manasseh was 12 years old when he became king, and he reigned 55 years in Jerusalem. But he did evil in the sight of the LORD, according to the abominations of the nations whom the LORD had cast out before the children of Israel.**

***v.6.* Also he caused his**

sons to pass through the fire in the Valley of the son of Hinnom; he practiced soothsaying, used witchcraft and sorcery, and consulted mediums and spiritualists. He did much evil in the sight of the LORD to provoke Him to anger . . .

***v.9* So, Manasseh 'SEDUCED' Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem to do more evil than the nations whom the LORD had destroyed before the children of Israel.**

This is exactly what President Obama did during his 8-year reign over America—he SEDUCED most of the society in America while the remainder remained silent due to their fear of not being political correct and losing stature with

those who were important to them, and then be disgraced.

***vs.10-11* And the LORD spoke to Manasseh and his people (*via of His prophets*), but they would NOT listen.**

Therefore, the LORD brought upon them the captains of the army of the king of Assyria, who took Manasseh with hooks (margin: hooks in the nose), bound him with bronze chains, and carried him off to Babylon.

Considering the fate of Manasseh, what will be the possible fate of President Obama?

God's Promise of Judgment to Come Upon Judah

Due to the need for the fulfillment God's prophecy for the righteous reign of King Josiah, the people of Judah were not

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taken captive until a few years after his death as made known by the following Scriptures:

II Kings 21:10-16

vs.10-11 And the LORD spoke by His servants the prophets, saying, “Because Manasseh king of Judah has done these abominations (he has acted more wickedly than all the Amorites who were before him (*cf. Genesis 15:16*), and has also made Judah sin with its idols).

vs.12-13 “Therefore, thus says the LORD God of Israel God of Israel: ‘Behold, I am bringing such CALAMITY upon Jerusalem and Judah, that whoever hears of it, both his ears will tingle. And I will stretch over Jerusalem the measuring line of Samaria and the plummet of the house of Ahab; I will wipe Jerusalem as one wipes a dish, wiping it and turning it upside down.

vs. 14-15 “So, I will forsake the remnant of My inheritance and deliver them into the hand of their enemies; and they shall be victims of plunder to all their enemies, because they have done evil in My sight, and have PROVOKED Me to anger since the day their fathers came out of Egypt, even to this day.”

God’s indictment against America—makes known there will be no difference than that of Judah. He is very angry!

(Ezekiel 6:11-14; 7:1-12)!

v.16 Moreover Manasseh shed very much innocent blood, till he had filled Jerusalem from one end to another, besides his sin by which he made Judah sin, in doing evil in the sight of the LORD.

The Worst of the Evil Rulers in America

It was during the eight years of the presidency of Bill Clinton (1993-2001), who preceded President Barack Obama (2009-2019), with the eight years of President George Bush in between (2001-2009), who set the stage for the real beginning of the toboggan slide into the depths of immorality and the gruesome murder of the unborn babies when he could have stopped the extremely painful killing of the unborn inside their mother’s wombs.



President Clinton— Presidential term:

January 20, 1993 – January 20, 2001

Clinton Vetoes Ban on Procedure in Late Abortions

April 11, 1996|MELISSA HEALY | TIMES STAFF WRITER

• WASHINGTON — President Clinton on Wednesday vetoed a bill that would outlaw a controversial late-term abortion procedure, taking pains to minimize the political cost of a potentially unpopular decision [depicting the evils of society].

It was made known that President Clinton defiled the oval office with an adulterous affair with Monica Lewinsky:

INTERNET: “Bill Clinton and Monica Lewinsky embraced, made out and had sex in just about every nook and cranny of the Oval Office.

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President Obama—Presidential term: January 20, 2009–January 20, 2017, 9:00 AM PST President



**PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES
BARACK H. OBAMA**

President Obama brought this nation to its lowest level from what were once the social values of some years ago during the eight years in that office— far lower than President Clinton. During his time in the presidential office, legal license was given by the courts of this land to all who left the boundaries of normal use of sex between men and women even making possible trans-genders to enter bathrooms of choice. To cap it all off, he had the White House bathed with rainbow colors depicting his dishonor on the White House and all that it had stood for since the nation began in 1776.

FROM THE INTERNET:



Obama: “Rainbow White House was 'one of the most special moments of my presidency'”

'It was a powerful symbol here at home'

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10 June 2016 Greg Hernandez

President Barack Obama reflected this week on the day nearly a year ago when The White House was illuminated in rainbow colors in celebration of marriage equality.



One of the most special moments of my presidency was that warm summer night last June when we lit up the White House out there,' Obama said at the eighth and final LGBT Pride Reception of his presidency on Thursday (9 June).

The memorable gesture came on the day that a US Supreme Court ruling made same-sex marriage legal in all 50 states *[the ruling majority of these judges were also seduced by President Obama.]*

'It was a powerful symbol here at home, where more Americans finally felt accepted and whole, and that their country recognized the love that they felt. It was a beacon for people around the world who are still fighting for those rights,'

Obama said.

It was a reminder that when the change we seek comes, and when we move a little bit further on our journey toward equality and justice, we still

have a responsibility to reach back and help pull up others who are striving to do the same.'

During his remarks, Obama reflected on the marriage breakthrough and other progress such as a federal hate crime law and the end of the ban on gays and lesbians in the military. He stressed there is still more to be done . . ."

End of Quotes

Banning the Christian Religion

Though there are many evils Barack Obama made possible in the society of America, there are too many to mention in this limited writing. And to remove any guilt of conscience by any

who left the norms of human life (*cf. Romans 1:18-32*), he eliminated the outward show of the worship of God in America.

Using the tool of political correctness, the Chaplin's in the military, in the governmental offices, and others in the school system in all levels, were no longer permitted to use the name of God and Jesus Christ in their prayers or speeches.

The Parallel of King Manasseh, the Most Wicked and Evil King of Judah, with President Obama

King Manasseh reigned over Judah for 55 years. And during those years he SEDUCED the people of Judah into the committing the worst of abominable sins while copying the same evil practices being committed by the Gentile nations.

Manasseh was 12 years old when he became king, and he reigned 55 years in Jerusalem. But he did evil in the sight of the LORD according to the abominations of the nations whom the LORD had cast out before the children of Israel (*II Chronicles 33:1-11; cf. II Kings 21:1-16*).

President Obama is almost an exact replica of King Manasseh! And though he is no

longer president, the news media has made known he is still involved behind the scenes in trying to destroy President Trump. It should also be realized he will be close at hand during the reign of Madam-President, very probably Hillary Clinton, beginning in 2021.

Further, the news media and writings of others make known, there are those in high places who believe, based on former President Obama's record, his intention was to bring it all the way down into socialism and make it a totally defenseless and an ungodly nation.

The news media further revealed no nation really had respect for him in his travels abroad.

What God had said about King Manasseh during the reign of King Josiah, the same warning applies to President Obama, during this present reign of President Trump:

II Kings 23:26-27

v.26 “Nevertheless the LORD did not turn from the fierceness of His great WRATH, with which His ANGER was aroused against Judah, BECAUSE of all the provocations with which Manasseh (In type: Presidents’ Clinton and Obama) had PROVOKED Him.



v.27 And the LORD said, “I will also REMOVE Judah from My sight, as I have REMOVED Israel (Manasseh-America), and will CAST off this city Jerusalem which I have chosen, and the House of which I said, ‘My Name shall be there.’”

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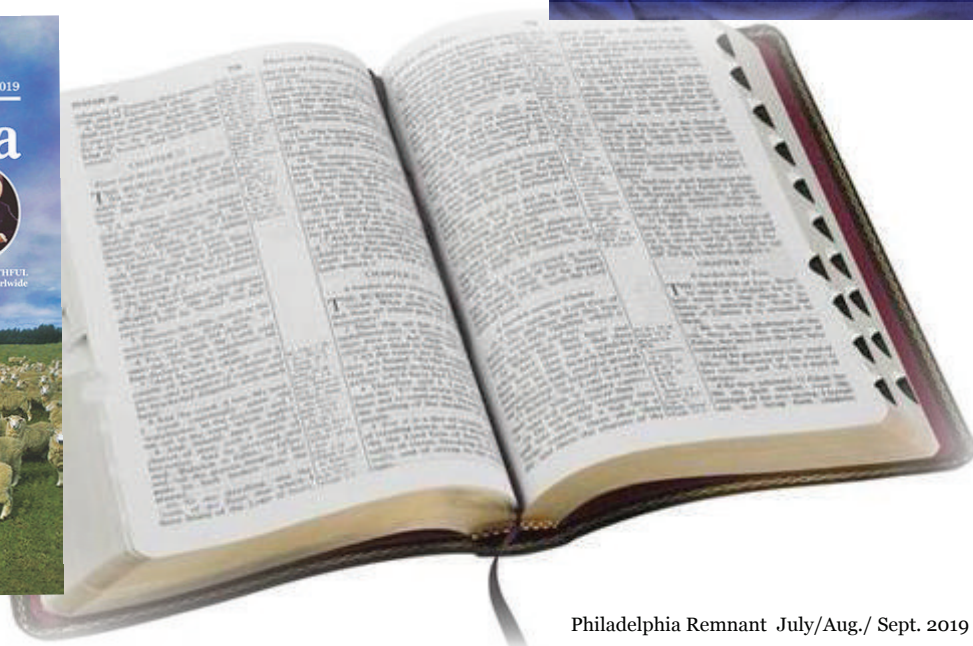
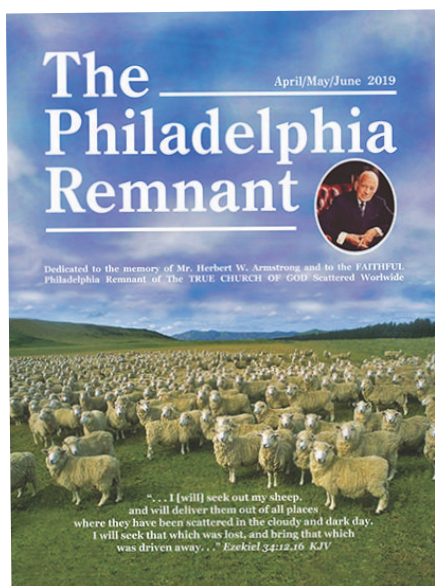
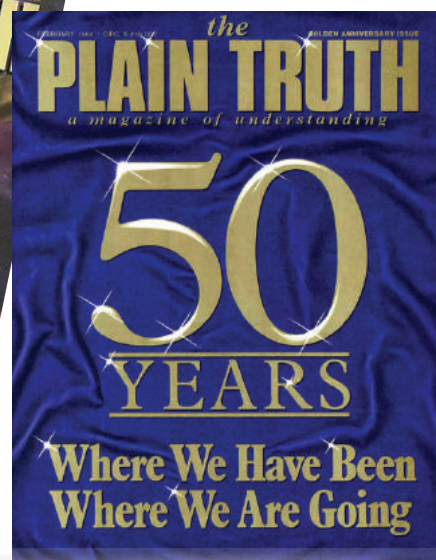
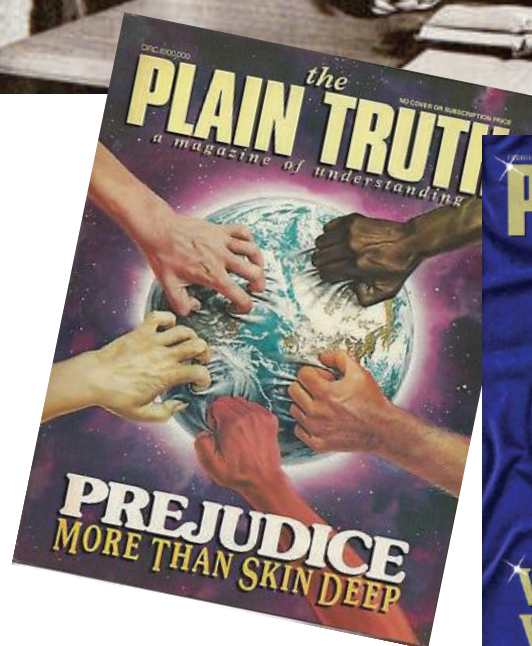
God Continues

Sending Warnings to Manasseh-America

Scriptures are replete with the LORD God sending warnings, over and over again, in different ways and through His prophets because of their sins for having forsaken Him and His laws—warnings to be followed by calamities He would bring upon them for their evil ways, were they not to repent.

Jesus Christ is the same God today as He was during their ongoing history (**Hebrews 13:8**). Warnings have been given over past years in various ways and means with some respite in between in this nation.

However, since entering the closing years of this age, warnings are being witnessed as being much closer now and are very obvious to the discerning!



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The Warning Eclipses to America from God

The eclipse of 2017 crossed over the heart of America (*the last year of the presidency of Barak Obama—picturing the wrath of God for what this evil man had done in the total society of America*).



It was God's heavenly sign of warning to all the leadership and society of the closeness of the end of this age! And to emphasize that warning, immediately following it, there were record-breaking disasters! A hurricane struck first at Corpus Christi, Texas. From there it moved to Houston, Texas. And along its path were floods of a magnitude not ever having occurred before that time.



The final eclipse warning will take place in 2024, not crossing the nation in the middle as it did in 2017—but almost on the edge—a foreboding warning to all America that the end has come!

Based on other major events taking place during the year-2024, and afterwards, while considering what took place after the eclipse in 2017, there will continue to be terrible destruction in many areas as never before witnessed taking place!

Two more years of the same, 2024-2026, will be taking place before the demise of the nation. Even with all of these terrible things ongoing in America, there will be no repentance and crying out to God for their hearts are hardened toward God as the pharaoh's heart was hardened each time after the plagues were brought upon Egypt by God through His servant Moses.



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Rumors Upon Rumors of Impending Warfare

During the years of 2024-2026, there will also be 'RUMOR UPON RUMOR' of the Revived Roman Empire poised to blitzkrieg warfare against America! These rumors will cover a two-year period of time (**Ezekiel 7:25-27**)! *However, then will come the final rumor in 2026 (Jeremiah 51:46)*, then nuclear warfare by Assyria-Germany will strike America!

To be continued—

The next writing on this subject will focus on the leadership of America, who will be panic-stricken, Ambassadors seeking peace, but to no avail, highways desolate, including the airways! Ironically, the year of 2026, is the 250th anniversary of America as a nation. All this, plus—will take place during that year and none of them good for this nation, floods, droughts, fires, two years, 2026; its 250th anniversary. A very sad and ominous time in the lives of all Americans, enough to make knowledgeable people weep with compassionate sorrow.



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The Ten Commandments
www.10commandments.ws

Herbert W. Armstrong Information
www.Herbertwarmstrong.info

FREE Online Bible Study Course
www.Acbconline.us

Herbert W. Armstrong Information
www.Herbertwarmstrong.us

Just What Do You Mean Born Again
www.Begotten.net

The Lost Ten Tribes
www.Losttribes.org

AN OPEN LETTER
To the True and Faithful members of God's
Little Flock Scattered Worldwide
www.Bodyofchristonline.us

The Philadelphia Remnant Magazine Website
www.Philadelphiaremnant.org

Prophetic Events
www.Propheticevents.us

Church of God Faithful Flock Main Site
www.Cog-ff.com

The Restored Truths of God
www.Restoredtruths.net

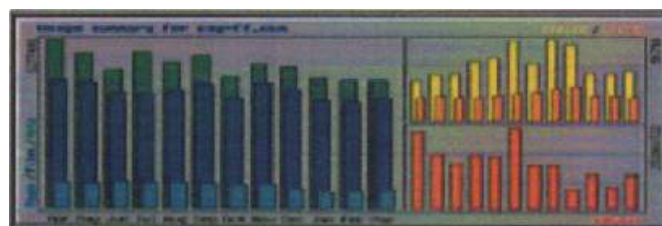
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Home School Association
www.Coghomeschool.org

Which day is the Christian Sabbath
www.Sabbathcentral.com

The Ezekiel WATCHMAN
www.Ezekielwatchman.org

The Three Elijahs
www.Threeelijahs.org

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