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"Blessed be the LORD God of *Israel*; For He hath visited and redeemed *His* people, And hath raised up an horn of salvation for *us* in the house of his servant David; as he spake by the mouth of his holy prophets, which have been since the world began; That *we* should be saved from *our* enemies and from the hand of all that hate *us*; to perform the mercy promised to *our* fathers and to remember his holy covenant; The oath which he sware to *our* father Abraham, That he would grant unto *us*, that *we* being delivered out of the hand of *our* enemies might serve him without fear, in holiness and righteousness before him, all the days of *our* lives." Luke 1:68-75; the Anglo-Saxon-Celtic-Germanic-Scandinavian people are *ISRAEL!*

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"THE POST-CHRISTIAN ERA AND THE NEW DARK AGES"

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The pictures (not included here for reasons of space) of St Andrews Cathedral ruins; Glastonbury Cathedral ruins; Hamar Cathedral ruins; are simple testimony to the fact that all earthly things decay over time.* However, the decay of our Living Faith, the Christian religion, our heritage, our culture, and our very existence, is in much greater peril than these old, though sacred relics. Little does the average Christian realize the gravity of the situation, nor the extent of the national cancer, because rather than being "watchmen on the wall" and "shepherds willing to lay down their lives for the flock," as Scripture commands, the majority of preachers today are "dumb dogs," the "blind leading the blind," and "prophets for hire" who have *sold out to the highest bidder*. They preach a cotton-candy, godless, liberal theology of love and tolerance—and shun the Holiness and Justice of God which must punish sin.

[*—which foundational law of nature and biology (entropy) itself disproves evolution. Things de-volve and naturally gravitate to a more simple state, disintegrate, break down, and decay: they do not (on their own) progress to a more complex state or progress].

I have written in numerous books of mine, for several decades now, that we are in the **Post Christian Era** and about to enter the **New Dark Ages** (apart from God's Grace and Christ's direct deliverance).

The situation is far worse than the average person can imagine, for the enemies of Christendom (who are actually at the helms of our ships of state) are so busy *creating artificial* "emergencies," sabotaging and gutting the infrastructure of our nations from within, and giving all our resources away—while smiling to the camera and telling people "everything is good...! We are fine..."—though our nations are in spiritual and moral and economic bankruptcy.

The barbarians are not merely *at the gate*, pounding away at it with their battering rams, as of old—the barbarians actually *occupy the chiefest seats* in the government, the church, the institutions of learning, and the highest levels of finance, business, and industry of our Christians nations. Our constitutions and holy faith have been subverted from within. Scripture admonished us: "...how can one enter into a strong man's house, and spoil his goods, except he first bind the strong man? and then he will spoil his house." (Matt. 12:29).

"Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the false accuser, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour: Whom resist stedfast in the faith, knowing that the same afflictions are accomplished in your brethren that are in the world." (1Pet 5:8-9).

Heart-wrenching, shocking, despairing, tragic proof that we are in the Post Christian Era was written in a recent newsletter by Joyce Meyer Ministries"

"In 1900, Europe was home to 70% of the world's Christians. Today it's less than 1%."

If that doesn't shock you . . . if that doesn't sicken you . . . if that doesn't cause you to mourn . . . if that doesn't scare you—something is desperately wrong with you and your mind is carnal and worldly and you do not understand the nature or truths of Scripture, History or our common Heritage as the nations of Christendom (and what that really means).

The current African dictator who now sits on the *throne* of the US brazenly claimed, "The United States is not a Christian nation." Sadder and more shocking than this irrelevant, self-aggrandizing, self-appointed decree, is the fact that Europe itself was *once* truly a *Christian Continent!*—as was North America and as were the British Isles and her colonies of Australia and New Zealand; as was the Dutch Republic of South Africa. However, one cannot rest on his laurels. If a generation does not build on the accomplishments (spiritual or physical) of its ancestors, the civilization will fall into decay and it will become the abode of jackals, scorpions, snakes, and vermin. However, it is not an African-Muslims dictator's decree that causes the US or the other nations of Christendom, to cease to be Christian Nations. It is the pragmatic reality of the people comprising

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those nations. God declares in His Word:

“My people [Israel] hath been lost sheep: their shepherds have caused them to go astray, they have turned them away on the mountains: they have gone from mountain to hill, they have forgotten their restingplace. All that found them have devoured them: and their adversaries said, We offend not, because they have sinned against the LORD, the habitation of justice, even the Lord, the hope of their fathers.” (Jer 50:6-7).

However, it is a moot point to declare that the reason the nation is no longer Christian is because God’s people have gone astray—when the majority of those persons proliferating the nations of Christendom are not even God’s people. That very fact reveals our having passed the point of no return. Once a person finally accepts the prognosis of death, a peaceful resolve is found which is liberating. However, I am not referring to the blind apathy of those who stick their head in the sand and lose themselves in hedonistic pleasure. I am talking about those who understand reality and God’s Plan and stop living in denial. The only way out of the problem is to shake off the narcotic delusion of denial and face the problem square on. As Christians, we need to know God’s Play Book: to understand how we are to progress from here. However, in order to understand the solution to the problem, one must recognize the problem itself and identify its cause.

[When Jacob (after 2 decades of self-imposed exile) was about to meet his brother Esau (who had threatened to kill him at his first opportunity, 20 years earlier), Jacob came to an end of himself and realized the desperation of the situation and Jacob finally met and submitted to God at Peniel when he wrestled with an “angel” of the Lord and was bested. This was the first step toward his deliverance and ultimate blessing. The situation was hopeless, he could not save himself. Like the Prodigal Son, he was reduced to such depths of desperation that all he could do was look up. However, this is just the situation in which God delights (not necessarily the suffering, but the “breakthrough” in which His children finally surrender to *Him*). For God declares,

“... for My strength is made perfect in weakness” (II Corinthians 12:9).]

We need to understand the *true origin, nature, and cause* of the (—“decline” can not even be used as a word to describe this)—demise of Christian Europe (and indeed, the former nations of Christendom everywhere).

In misunderstanding Christ’s meaning and scope of “the Great Commission,” the nations of Christendom, rather than continuing to evangelize themselves—and take Dominion—throughout their nations around the world, they took the message of Christ to the third world in violation (and bearing the consequences thereof) of the Word of God (*having erred, not knowing the Scriptures*):

“Give not that which is holy unto the dogs, neither cast ye your pearls before swine, lest they trample them under their feet, and turn again and rend you.” (Matt 7:6).

[These statements may truly shock many people . . . however, as Lord Byron said, “Truth is strange; strange indeed—stranger than fiction.” To understand the deeper truth and meaning of this, see my foundational book, *Uncovering the Mysteries of Your Hidden Inheritance*, #330 @ \$31.85)

For the most part, “conversions” in third world coun-

tries only occurred when food, medical care, toys, clothes, technology, infrastructure, education, and other material goods and services* were given to them free (or initially, also when the military troops were sent in to protect the missionaries)—yet true moral and spiritual change rarely accompanied these “conversions.”

[*Yet God declared: “Shouldest thou help the ungodly, and love them that hate the LORD? therefore is wrath upon thee from before the LORD.” (II Chron 19:2)

This indictment was given against the children of Israel who were helping their own sinful brethren. How much more does it apply to pagan foreigners who are under God’s judgment...? Scripture even mandates the requirements that must be met by widows, before they are given financial support (1 Tim 5). God is not an equal-opportunity welfare office. He has standards that must be met, and if those standards are not met, then people choose to suffer].

To those who would deny the impotency of these “conversions,” I ask: “Where is the real, lasting fruit...” Have those third world peoples taken Christianity and themselves elevated their own nations to spiritual bastions of Christendom, with prosperit, peace, safety, and freedom—as the nations of Christendom once were before the invasion of the third world...? (—as many of those nations once were back when they were colonized of the nations of Christendom!).—or do they continue to flee from their nations to ours...? Have any of these nations then evangelized their own people and nation, then their *sister* nations...? Have they ever offered spiritual and economic aid to the nations of Christendom who helped them—in the times of distress in the nations of Christendom...? Christ said that every tree is known *by its fruit*. Have third world missions produced any *real* fruit...?

—certainly not! Any “success” of such missionary endeavours to the third world is calculated on a piece of paper: how many Bibles were printed, how many dollars were spent, and how many “confession of faith” cards were signed (in order to get more free stuff)

[That is no different than the dead spiritual barometer of modern churches: a “head count” and “numbers placed on a marquis” to show what the weekly Sunday attendance was—while the congregation is spiritually dead and live their lives secularly as godless fools. But God says,

“Be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves. For if any be a hearer of the word, and not a doer, he is like unto a man beholding his natural face in a glass: For he beholdeth himself, and goeth his way, and straightway forgetteth what manner of man he was.” (James 1:22-24)].

If there was true conversion, these people would have stidied, learned, thanked and dismissed the white missionaries and took over the task of evangelizing their own people themselves. If there was true conversion, paganism would have died out, immorality, crime, corruption, perversion, and vice would have faded away in the glory of a new Christian civilization (as it once did in all the nations of Christendom—before foreigners were allowed to immigrate to our lands and introduce new brands of paganism and immorality).

[A friend of mine was raised in Nairobi, the son of missionaries. He said he was always astounded that the natives, endlessly, after alleged “conversions”—still continued to sin flagrantly and then even joke about it among them-

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selves in locker-room style bragging].

These foreign peoples were then later allowed (by the enemies of Christendom who had wriggled their way into our religious bodies, media, and government) to move to our Christian lands *en masse* (where they live off the backs of hard-working Christians like parasites, sucking the economic life's blood of the work force and weakening the nation—while also injecting their paganism and general immorality into society—which, by the liberals is hailed as “wonderful contributions to our culture.”

[If a newspaper in a sovereign Christian nation dares publish a column or even a cartoon that portrays Islam or the Jews in a poor light, all hell breaks loose. Yet Muslims in our countries openly picket and call for death and murder. Type in the simple words, “Islam Death London” in an internet Google search and see the shocking things that come up. (or go to this link: http://img.dailymail.co.uk/i/pix/2006/08/muslim220806_600x400.jpg).

They are allowed “free speech” in our nations (though our Constitutions guaranteed free speech for citizens—not pagan foreigners) even when they call for violence and murder. The Jews in Israel brag that they own the US government politicians (a horribly disproportionate percentage of Jews, in relation to the overall population, are in high places of government and are directly responsible for antichrist legislation being passed against us—and the Talmud itself declares that Christians are mere cattle to be slaughtered and their possessions to be stolen). Yet if a white Christian says something, in his own nation, disfavourable to the Jews or Islam (even merely mentioning the crimes they commit), he is persecuted, prosecuted, vandalized, and assaulted (even murdered)—and the criminals never brought to justice. Crime rates have soared in France, Denmark, Netherlands, the UK, and the US as a direct result of such pagan immigration].

The blood of our nations is purposely being contaminated and destroyed (genocide) and so are the morals, the legal institutions, and Christianity itself (which attacks exconstitute acts of war, treason, and “hate crimes”).

God commanded His people: “*Come out from among them and be ye separate!*” - “*Learn not the way of the heathen!*”

The enemies of God and His people whisper seductively, over and over as a brainwashing technique: Amalgamate, intermarry, become one . . .”—creating the new TOWER OF BABEL and modern-day **BABYLON** (which both mean, “confusion by mixing” —which God hates!)— “you are all the same, break down all antiquated and artificial barriers of religion, race, nationhood.” - Yet God declares:

“*Remove not the ancient landmark, which thy fathers have set.*” (Prov 22:28). “*Ye shall observe to do therefore as the Lord your God hath commanded you: ye shall not turn aside to the right hand or to the left.*” (Deut 5:32).

“*Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness? And what concord hath Christ with Belial? or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel? And what agreement hath the temple of God with idols? for ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord...*” (II Cor. 6).

Further, Communism itself teaches: “One world, One

religion, One race, One creed.” God, on the other hand demands the purity of His people, in every respect—and does not accept a single degree of compromise or corruption. Christ clearly declared: “Every plant which My heavenly Father hath not planted, shall be rooted up.” (Matt 15:13).

God is not some doting old grandfather who displays surprise and pleasure at every thing his grandchild does—whether good or evil. God is Holy and His Holiness demands Justice. God is Perfect and His Perfection cannot accept the corruption of His creation. He created the boudaries and estavlished Good and Evil. Modern sinful man denies God’s very existence, has thrown the morality of God’s Law out the window, and has accepted the lie that man is his own god. Sinful man with a god-complex then sets out to destroy the image of everything the *true* God created by perverting, corrupting, hybridizing, bastardizing and now even genetically altering it: creating new, bizarre, hideous abominations—and then passing them off as superior to God’s perfect creation.

“Black is the new white.”

“Ugly is the new beautiful.”

“Whoredom is the new chastity.”

“Perversion is the new morality.”

“Feminine is the new masculine” (and vice versa).

“Corruption is the new purity.”

“Blasphemy is the new worship.”

“Chaos is the new order.”

God places His eternal curse on corrupters and perverters of what He created, established, and declared, “good.”*

[*—that is, that which He created, He declared to be, “final,”

“complete,” and “perfect” (with no room for improvement.)]

God declares: “Woe unto them that call evil good, and good evil; that put darkness for light, and light for darkness; that put bitter for sweet and sweet for bitter! Woe unto them that are wise in their own eyes, and prudent in their own sight!... Which justify the wicked for reward, and take away the righteousness of the righteous from him. Therefore as the fire devoureth the stubble, and the flame consumeth the chaff, so their root shall be as rottenness, and their blossom shall go up as dust: because they have cast away the Law of the LORD of hosts, and despised the word of the Holy One of Israel.” (Isa. 5:20-24).

After teeming millions of third world people have swmped our Christian lands (and left it in the condition of a truck-stop bathroom—and put on a pedestal—and then they were given leadership roles in those churches, schools, and government, where, by their corruptive influence, they changed the truths upon which our people, our nation, and our religion were founded. Rather than these people becoming “Christianized”—*our people* have become *paganized* (and they don’t even know it: just like Israel of old).

Where is the “fruit” of these foreign peoples having truly been “converted” . . .? It exists no more than their “appreciation” of living in our lands. If they *truly* appreciated living in our lands, they would not try to change *our* nations into “their own” (which creates all over again the unbearable environment from which they fled in the first place). Likewise, if they were truly converted, they would not “change” the Word of God to suit their own sinful desires—and defecate on the Puritans and Reformers, and so alter the face of Christianity that Christ would not recognize it if He saw it. He will spew such out of His mouth and



say, —that is not My reflection! That is not what I taught! They are not who I came for! **“I never knew you: depart from Me, ye that work iniquity (Lawlessness)”** (Matt 7:23).

Centuries ago, the Holy Land was delivered from the Turk. However, modernly, all of Christendom needs to be delivered from the modern foreign pagan infidels and destroyers of Christendom: the “jews” (modern Edomites) and Muslims—who both have some relation to the Turks. Both are antichrists. Both initially entered our Christian lands under false pretenses, feigning conversion, meekness, or grovelling appreciation. However, once their numbers gained in strength, they cast off all Christian and republican disguises and now openly and brazenly attack the very foundations of our race and nation: both Christianity and our moral and legal institutions, our culture, mores, customs and folkways [as England today plainly shows!]. It is High Treason and an Act of War! They now demand that Talmudic Law* and Sharia Law be given equal footing in the lands of Christendom: while Christian Law is not even given any voice in Jewish or Muslim lands—their true nature is exposed in their double standard: “tolerance of us in your lands”—“intolerance of you in our lands.”**

[*—whose “morality” is what all Hollywood filth and the modern corrupt legal system is based upon.

** When two teams in a sport or two forces in a war engage, and one side religiously follows proscribed rules and the other side follows no rules at all ... the side that follows no rules will win every time. It is an artificial contest. How can intelligent people not see this....? - this double standard also applies with people from Asian lands.]

When they entered our Christian lands, they demanded tolerance of all they championed as so-called minority rights. However, once they gain sufficient numbers, they become violently *intolerant* and majority rule will be re-established, once they have supplanted the peoples of the host nation they have invaded. This is subversion and an act of war. The final goal of both Judaism and Islam is world domination and the destruction of all *infidels* worldwide (that is, *anyone* who does not accept Judaism or Islam is to be put to death). This is not secret. [see the Geert Wilders movie FITNA #CI-775 @ \$5] The average person thinks there is a “good side” (or element) or a “bad side” (or element) to both Judaism and Islam. This is a mirage. There is no good side. Both are antichrist. It is merely the age-old actors in a play” “good cop” and “bad cop.” Whereas, in reality, they are both evil cops and the “good cop” was just a role being played to deceive the unsuspecting—so that once the enemy is close enough, he can drive the dagger into the back of the gullible, unsuspecting Christian.

This mamby-pamby, surrendering, grovelling, apologising, pacifistic modern religion (which has embraced pagan doctrines and does not even know it*) is not the Christianity which Christ proclaimed, taught, and commanded.

[* See Time is the Ally of Deceit, 260pp., and Too Long In The Sun, both by Richard Rives (available from STM), which trace sun worship from the time of the Tower of Babel (Chaldean Mysteries) through history to the present date and its influences on some of the doctrines and

practices of present-day “Christianity].

Jesus declared by His own voice and that of His Apostles:

“Occupy till I come!”

“Have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rebuke them!”

“I would that you were hot or cold, but because you are lukewarm I will spue thee out of My mouth!”

“What fellowship hath light with darkness?”

“He who would be a friend of the world is the enemy of God!”

“Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him!”

“If you are not with Me, you are against Me!”

“If anyone preach another doctrine to you let him be accursed!”

Elsewhere, God eternally declared,

“Woe unto them that call good evil and evil good....”

“To fear/love the Lord is to hate evil!”

“Come out from among them and be separate!”

“Learn not the way of the heathen!”

By misunderstanding the nature of “love” (thinking that is God’s only attribute—and considering only the corrupt notion of love devised in man’s sinful heart and fallen mind), Christians have forsaken the truth, shirked their responsibility, and abandoned their God. Resultantly, God declared:

“My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge: because thou hast rejected knowledge, I will also reject thee, that thou shalt be no priest to Me: seeing thou hast forgotten the Law of thy God, I will also forget thy children.” (Hosea4:6).

[Hence, the new generation of our peoples of Europe, the UK, the US, and Australia and New Zealand, are godless, pagans and atheists]

As I explain in a recent book of mine, *Our Blood on the Altar, # 684 @ \$9.90ppd*; due to current population and birthrate statistics (not even counting immigration trends), all of the nations of Europe will be Muslim States in 15-25 years.*

[* To make matters even scarier, China and India, with their teeming billions, are lurking on the outskirts like vultures in the branches of dead trees, waiting for the carnage to take place so they can swoop in and claim the spoils. Tragically, Christianity is not even a contender in this final battle between Judaism and Islam. However, that does not mean that Christians will not be involved in the battle and will not suffer the greatest casualties—for the shocking truth is, the Christians will be fighting on the wrong side of the battle as mercenaries, doing the fighting for Judaism and having abandoned the true Christian faith and God. Christians have been fooled into surrendering their birthright, their responsibility, their heritage, and their God, to fight for the atheist Jews who do not have the numbers sufficient to defend themselves against even one muslim nation, let alone against a world confederation].

It is a spiritual war. It is a physical war. We will lose if we do not return to our roots and to our God [we have traded our heritage, our birthright, and our inheritance for a make-believe heaven, a tin-foil halo, and a harp that’s probably made in China]

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“Hearken to me, ye that follow after righteousness, ye that seek the LORD: look unto the rock whence ye are hewn, and unto the hole of the pit whence ye are digged.” (Isa 51:1)

However, if the roots of the tree are destroyed, how can the tree grow again? Europe now has less than 1% of the world’s population of Christians. Europe was the rootstock for the founding of the US and the UK, South Africa, Australia and New Zealand—and the rootstock of the Reformation.*

[*—and if you have never studied the Reformation or the Reformers (let alone European history), you don’t even understand the meaning of Christianity to civilization or freedom. Without the Reformation, there would have been no American Revolution and we would be imprisoned in darkness in Catholicism and paganism. See Foxe’s Book of Martyrs, John Foxe; Heroes of the Reformation, Hagstotz; and Twelve Reformation Heroes, Neilson; available from Sacred Truth Ministries. We can never read enough about the Reformers. . . They are our greatest heroes. Every Christian needs to read these 3 books above. One other important, larger book with more information is: The Martyr’s Mirror—The Story of Seventeen Centuries of Christian Martyrdom from the Time of Christ to the persecutions of the Anabaptists in AD1660, Thieleman J. van Braght; with etchings by famous Dutch artist Jan Luyken. This massive volume went through numerous Dutch to German to English, and Dutch to English versions, it was a major book of the Christian faith among the German Christian groups (Mennonites, Amish, Hutterites, etc.). This book was to the Dutch and German peoples what Foxe’s Book of Martyrs has been to the English-speaking peoples.]

As the twig is bent, so grows the tree; but tragically, if the root dies, the tree dies too! What is even sadder and scarier—of those Christians extant in Europe, **probably over 80%** of that “less than 1%” are Christians *in name only*—they are not truly converted; they have no spiritual life, desires, or convictions; they don’t know God. Thus, the true Christians of Europe are only about 0.2%. This is judgment from God. Even as Israel of old was cast out of the land because they heeded not the words of the prophets and (even killed them), so too God’s people of Europe have been given over to captivity. The Almighty declared, “And now also the axe is laid unto the root of the trees: therefore every tree which bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire.” (Matt 3:10).

Scripture also woefully declares: “If the foundations be destroyed, what can the righteous do?” (Psalm 11:3).

However, the only answer is found in Scripture: “If my people [Israel], which are called by My Name [more correctly: Upon whom My Name is called-Num.6:23-27], shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek My face, and TURN FROM THEIR WICKED WAYS; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land.” (2 Chron 7:14).

Repentance requires understanding exactly what God considers sin—and turning from it toward obedience by

God’s grace. However, repentance and obedience are *impossible*, if God’s people believe the lie that His Law (His Standard of Morality) has been “abolished.”

[See my new book, What’s Keeping God From Delivering The US, Britain, Europe, Australia & New Zealand from Destruction?-Sacred Truth Ministries]

“Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap.” (Gal. 6:7).

“... *the curse causeless shall not come.*” (Prov 26:2).

Our European brethren (as our South African brethren, and those of the UK and around the world)—as **we ourselves**—have all forsaken God and His ways and we are now paying the price for it. Apart from God’s Grace and the Return of Christ to take vengeance on those who hate Him, we have no hope.

“*Ye are the salt of the earth: but if the salt have lost his savor, wherewith shall it be salted? it is thenceforth good for nothing, but to be cast out, and to be trodden under foot of men.*” (Matt 5:13).

“*Salt is good: but if the salt have lost his savor, wherewith shall it be seasoned? It is neither fit for the land, nor yet for the dunghill; but men cast it out. He that hath ears to hear, let him hear.*” (Luk 14:34-35).

Considering the demise of Christian Europe, we should consider it as the amputation of our own legs—as the death of one entire branch of our immediate family: as if your brother and his family all died in some tragic accident or natural disaster, like Job’s sons and daughters were all taken from him in an instant. As family (physical and spiritual brethren), when one suffers, we all suffer. However, more than that, we should view it as our very own “death sentence”—like someone who has been told he has cancer and has 1 week to live. Like someone standing on shore, looking out to sea and seeing a 100-foot tidal wave coming straight for him at 1,000 mph; or like a person trapped, watching a molten lava flow creeping ever closer to his precarious position at the edge of a 300-foot sheer cliff. We are **doomed** apart from Jesus Christ’s Return!

However, the scarier part of this story is this: Jesus is **not** coming back—until His people truly repent and submit to Him. Jesus is not going to return for a rebellious bride, a modern “liberated woman,” who

wants to be in charge and force her husband to do things *her way*. As long as *that* is the modern Christian’s nature and attitude, Jesus will **not** return.

Further, as long as Christians are apathetically content to “tolerate” sin, injustice, immorality, perversion, tyranny, and iniquity—*rather than driving it out of their communities and lands!*—then God will not deliver His people. People who are willing to tolerate something, don’t need deliverance. They merely indulge themselves in the narcotic Epicurean diversion:

“*Eat, drink, be merry, tomorrow we die.*”

However, God thunders: “How long wilt thou sleep, O sluggard? when wilt thou arise out of thy sleep? Yet a little sleep, a little slumber, a little folding of the hands to sleep: So shall thy poverty come . . .” (Proverbs 6:9-11)

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“But Zion said, The LORD hath forsaken me, and my Lord hath forgotten me. Can a woman forget her sucking child, that she should not have compassion on the son of her womb? yea, they may forget, yet will I not forget thee. Behold, I have graven thee upon the palms of My hands; thy walls are continually before Me. Thy children shall make haste; thy destroyers and they that made thee waste shall go forth of thee. Lift up thine eyes round about, and behold: all these gather themselves together, and come to thee. As I live, saith the LORD, thou shalt surely clothe thee with them all, as with an ornament, and bind them on thee, as a bride doeth. For thy waste and thy desolate places, and the land of thy destruction, shall even now be too narrow by reason of the inhabitants, and they that swallowed thee up shall be far away. The children which thou shalt have, after thou hast lost the other, shall say again in thine ears, The place is too strait for me: give place to me that I may dwell. Then shalt thou say in thine heart, Who hath begotten me these, seeing I have lost my children, and am desolate, a captive, and removing to and fro? and who hath brought up these? Behold, I was left alone; these, where had they been? Thus saith the Lord God, behold, I will lift up Mine hand to the nations, and set up My standard to the people: and they shall bring thy sons in their arms, and thy daughters shall be carried upon their shoulders. And kings shall be thy nursing fathers, and their queens thy nursing mothers: they shall bow down to thee with their face toward the earth, and lick up the dust of thy feet; and thou shalt know that I am the LORD: for they shall not be ashamed that wait for Me.” (Isa. 49).

“Behold, I will make them of the synagogue of Satan, which say they are Jews, and are not, but do lie; behold, I will make them to come and worship before thy feet, and to know that I have loved thee. Because thou hast kept the word of my patience, I also will keep thee from the hour of temptation, which shall come upon all the world, to try them that dwell upon the earth. Behold, I come quickly: hold that fast which thou hast, that no man take thy crown.” (Rev. 3:9-11).

“In that day shall the branch of the LORD be beautiful and glorious, and the fruit of the earth shall be excellent and comely for them that are escaped of Israel. And it shall come to pass, that he that is left in Zion, and he that remaineth in Jerusalem, shall be called holy, even everyone that is written among the living in Jerusalem. When the Lord shall have washed away the filth of the daughters of Zion, and shall have purged the blood of Jerusalem from the midst thereof by the spirit of judgment, and by the spirit of burning.” (Isa 4:2-4).

“I know thy works, and tribulation, and poverty, (but thou art rich) and I know the blasphemy of them which say they are Jews, and are not, but are the synagogue of satan. Fear none of those things which thou shalt suffer: behold, the false accuser shall cast some of you into prison, that ye may be tried; and ye shall have tribulation ten days: be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life. He that hath an ear, let him hear what the spirit saith unto the

churches; He that overcometh shall not be hurt of the second death.” (Rev. 2:9-11)

“Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of His might. Put on the whole armor of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For we wrestle not against flesh and blood,* but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places...”

[*This does not mean that we do not have an earthly battle also, and that it is merely spiritual. This means that is the origin of the seat of power of the battle. Our power and authority comes from God. Likewise, the power of our enemies has its origin in the darkness of their collective evil hearts. Both forces must be battled against, but through the authority we have from God and trusting in His Grace and direction to know how we should proceed. - against the ‘high places’ of political office’ not against the flesh and blood that occupies that position, as they are easily replaced]

“Wherefore take unto you the whole armor of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand. Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth, and having on the breastplate of righteousness; And your feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace; Above all, taking the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked. And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God: Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the spirit, and watching.” (Ephesians 6:10-18).

“I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service. And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.” (Romans 12:1,2)

Addendum

Pat Buchanan recently pointed out that there are more illegal Mexicans in the State of Arizona alone (over 500,000) than all the soldiers in the US Army: if that doesn't qualify as an invasion, what does...?—especially when they openly declare they claim on taking all the border states (and even

as far as Oregon) back from the US, claiming it was their land we stole....!

Also, check out the below link to see the demonstrations carried out by Mexicans on US soil (which seem to be protected under “free speech”)—even though they often promote and incite “hate crimes” of violence and terroristic threats: <http://michellemalkin.com.2010/05/03/the-may-day-angry-mob-you-wont-see/>

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BECOMING AN ADULT

(It's not easy to be a young adult in today's world)

by pastor J.V. Foster, Ph.D.

Hey kids! So you wanna be an adult, eh? Growing up

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isn't easy in present day conditions. Because we live in such a technical age, more is expected of you intellectually today than ever before. More is expected of you in being mannerly, caring, modest, and discrete . . . not because that's what is being taught in the educational institutions, but because it is a lost art, and we adults are looking for a youth revival of Christian integrity.

I have a twelve-year-old granddaughter who is going on twenty-two . . . she thinks. She already wants to dress like a nineteen-year-old, act like a nineteen-year-old, and expects everyone to treat her like she's a full-grown mature adult capable of making important decisions in life without life's experiences to dictate common sense decisions. However, as much as I love her I must admit, she is still just a twelve-year-old with too much knowledge for her age.

I was asked recently, "Pastor, what do you tell the youth in your church?" The truth is, I preach to the youth just like I preach to the adults. I tell them that the only real source of positive and dependable information is the sixty-six books of the Bible. If they will read it, (especially Proverbs), they will gain great insight on how to be mature, intelligent, respected, accomplished, and appreciated by the adult community. Paul said it wisely in I Cor 13:11: "When I was a child, I spake as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a child: but when I became a man (older), I put away childish things." Adulthood demands respect! Respect demands adulthood. You will never have the capacity of greater adulthood than that which comes with the teaching of Scripture.

Growing up means embracing responsibilities without complaining. It means learning how to be accountable for your own actions and attitudes. It means learning how to make restitution when you have affected the life of another in a negative way. It means learning about human nature without judging everyone. It means developing compassion for those [of your own people] less fortunate than you. It means finishing what you start. It means getting wise counseling from others who are successful, and have learnt from experience. It means choosing the right kind of friends so that by association you are not branded in a negative way (Be not deceived: evil communications [or associations] corrupts good manners - 1 Cor 15:33). It means learning how to give without expecting anything in return. It means learning how to receive graciously without offending the giver of a gift. It means accepting life's disappointments and defeats with courage. It means learning how to correct disappointments and defeats, God's way. It means how to treat a true friend and discern a phony. It means learning how to pray, worship and give of yourself to Jesus so that you become valuable to the local assembly, your church, and to God - help out with activities. It means diligently pursuing the vocation of your choice through proper education and experience so that you are valuable to an employer or a customer. And it means learning how to be sympathetic and even with those who are suffering. And it means learning how to lose with grace and how to win with humility.

Being twenty-one has nothing to do with being grown up. being thirty has nothing to do with being grown up. I

know people in their fifties and sixties who have never grown up. Growing up is not getting older, but it is becoming the fine Christian person that brings honor to God, family, church, and country.

Enjoy your childhood. Enjoy your youth. Have fun in a godly way. Enjoy good friends and make Godly friends. Be modest in apparel, kind to everyone, and let your motto in life be, "How can I help you?"

Avoid sin and choose your friends wisely. When you begin courting, notice how the person treats their parents. If they treat their parents badly and have no respect for their authority, they will treat you the same way and have little respect for your integrity later on.

Always remember, there is someone watching you . . . and if it happens to be someone younger than you, be careful that you do not lead them in a path of grief. There is always someone older than you who will judge you and unfortunately, judge your parents by your actions and attitudes. As a modern young person today, you have a greater load to carry than any generation in the past, but you have many who are praying for you and rooting for you to be the best you can be, because of good parental guidance, the prayers of a good pastor and spiritual leaders, and because of God's spirit within you.

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THE GALATIANS

by Pastor Don Elmore

Who were the Galatians that the Apostle Paul wrote to in the New Testament? The city of Galatia was in Asia Minor so many will say that they were Turks. But were they? Galatia was a Roman Province located in the middle of Asia Minor and included the cities of Antioch, Lystra, Iconium and Derbe. **Near the end of the 1st century AD**, they were either assimilated and/or annihilated. But they for almost 400 years were the tribes of the Celts.

Many Celtic tribes settled in Thrace (Northern Greece and Southern Bulgaria) by 300 BC. Brennus invaded Greece in 281 BC with a huge war band and was turned back in the nick of time from plundering the temple of Apollo at Delphi. At the same time, another Gaulish group of men, women and children were migrating through Thrace. Some invaded Macedonia, killed the Ptolemaic ruler Ptolemy Ceraunus but were eventually ousted by Angigonus Gonatas, the grandson of the defeated Diadoch Antigonus.

Some of these tribes of Celts became invaders at the invitation of Nicomedes 1 of Bithynia, who required help in a dynastic struggle against his brother. **Three Celtic Tribes** crossed over from Thrace to Asia Minor. They numbered about 10,000 fighting men and about the same number of women and children.

They were eventually defeated by the Seleucid King Antiochus 1, in a battle where the Seleucid war elephants shocked the Celts. While the momentum of the invasion was broken, the Galatians were by no means exterminated. They became Greeks.

Instead, the migration led to the establishment of a



long-lived Celtic territory in central Anatolia, which included the eastern part of ancient Phrygia, a territory that became known as Galatia. There they ultimately settled, and being strengthened by fresh accessions of the same clan from Europe, they overran Bithynia and supported themselves by plundering neighbouring countries.

In the time period of 300 BCD, there were several Celt tribes that went west into France and the surrounding area. Several of the tribes attacked Rome and afterward settled in Northern Italy. And **three tribes**, mentioned above, attacked and afterwards settled in the middle of Asia Minor.

After several battles, their right to the district was formally recognized. The three Celtic Galatian tribes remained as described:

1. The **Tectosagesw** in the centre, with their capital Ancyra
2. The **Tolistobogii** on the west, with Pessinus as their chief town
3. The **Torcini** on the east, with their chief town Tavium

Each tribal territory was divided into four cantons or tetrarchies. Each of the twelve tetrachs had under him a judge and a general. A council of the nation consisting of the tetrachs and three hundred senators was periodically held at Drynemeton.

Galatia was later, after 25 BC, incorporated by **Octavian Augustus** into the Roman empire, becoming a Roman province. During the Apostle Paul's second missionary journey, accompanied by Silas and Timothy (Acts 16:6) they visited the "region of Galatia." On his third journey he went over "all the country of Galatia and Phrygia in order" (Acts 18:23). During the journeys of Paul he was received with enthusiasm in Galatia.

in Acts 14:8-23, at Lystra the multitude could scarcely be restrained from sacrificing to Paul, assuming that he and Barnabas were gods (calling him Hermes and Zeus) after Paul healed a man who "was crippled from birth and had never walked" (Acts 14:8). It is reported that even "the priest of Zeus, whose temple was at the entrance to the city, brought oxen and garlands to the gates and wanted to offer sacrifice with the crowds" (14:13). Paul emphatically urged them not to do so; . but he was later stoned by a crowd of JEWS (Acts 14:18-19) and left for dead. Despite this, a portion of the Galatians (House of Israel) seem to have retained belief in the gospel Paul preached to them.

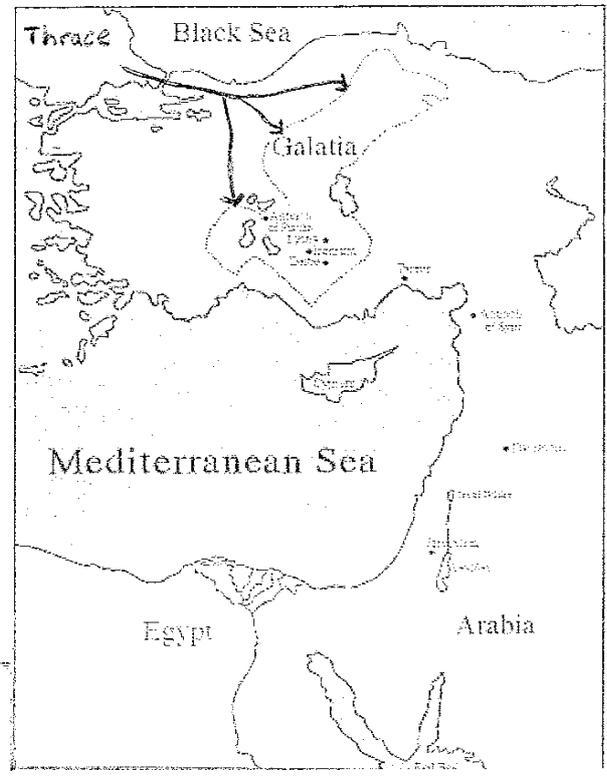
The majority of the Galatians (Celts) were members of the House of Israel (ten tribes) who either became:

1. Refugees from the captivity of Assyria, or]
2. Escaped the captivity by fleeing to Northern Greece—southern Bulgaria in today's map.

They had been **divorced** by God for over 700 years; cut off, not His people, no mercy shown to them, and scattered. But Hosea wrote that this would not go on forever—because of the PROMISE (not the Mosaic Law) made unto the fathers of Israel, that they would be once again His people and would be shown mercy. This is the **gospel of the Kingdom** that the Apostle Paul was preaching. ONLY the House of Israel and the House of Judah believed it; the Canaanite—Edomite—Shelahite—Shau-

lite—"JEWS" tried to stop the preaching and, as usual, attempted to assassinate the preachers.

The Apostle Paul preached to the Galatians—even wrote a book in the Bible to the Galatians—referred to them as Greeks; Celts who either fled the captivity or were part of the captivity of the House of Israel by Assyria. They were "lost sheep of the House of Israel."



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DECEPTION ON IDENTIFYING ISRAEL; PART V by Jim Jester

"James, a servant of God and of the Lord Jesus Christ, to the TWELVE tribes which are scattered abroad, greeting." (James 1:1).

From the opening statement of James we can see that he knew where the dispersed Israelites were. If the research is done we can learn much from history. The Bible is also a very reliable history book, but the establishment does not want us to be pointed anywhere near the Bible nor do they want anyone to take interest in it. Another thing; if the facts of history prove that the covenant people still exist in the world, then those claiming today to be the "chosen people" of God, would be proven wrong. This would be publically disastrous to their nation.

PARTHIA

At the time Rome ruled the Mediterranean area, Parthia ruled over much of Asia. The concept that the Roman Empire had a rival will come as a surprise to most readers. Parthia is almost totally omitted from history books; once again reminding us that we are taught history from a Greco-Roman perspective. Rome launched many wars against the Parthians but never conquered them. For nearly three centuries (64 BC — 225 AD), they acted as a balancing power equal to Rome. The Parthian Empire extended 1900 miles from east to west, the Indus and Euphrates Rivers, and 100 miles from north to south, the Russian steppes to the Persian Gulf.

They ruled far more benevolently than did Rome and offered "home rule" to many of its cities. Parthia's prov-



inces were basically self-governing when it came to local matters. Even those nations or tribal groups who rebelled against Parthia and ended up under Roman dominance, later aided Parthia against Rome to once again come under Parthia's benevolent rule! In our modern world, Rome's totalitarianism was much like the former USSR, while Parthia was like the US, maintaining "federal" control over military and foreign matters; and giving freedom to its vassal kings locally. Yet most students today are taught that Rome was "civilized" and all others were "Barbarians."

The early historians maintain that the Parthians were a Scythic. They also regarded them to be "exiles." Their language was half Scythic, half Median. The Parthians originated in the area of Syria and Palestine where the Aramaic language (closely related to Hebrew) originated. The fact that the Parthians used a Semitic alphabet is evidence that their language and racial origin were Semitic ("White"). Their language, being related to the Hebrew, also indicates that they were among the descendants of Israel (*The Lost Ten Tribes of Israel Found*, Stephen Collins, p.208, #990 @ \$25.75).

Also, there are many names that link them to the original kingdom of Israel. Their word for city was "karta," a shortened version of the Semitic, "kirjath;" from which Carthage (Kirjath Hadeschath—meaning "new city") got its name. Its chief city was "Gaza," named after the Gaza in Palestine (Rawlinson, *History*, p.474). Another prominent city was named "Asaak" where Arsaces, the Scythian founder, was crowned king. Notice how the same of "Isaac" is represented in these words; continuing God's promise (Genesis 21:12) that "...through Isaac shall your descendants be named."

Another interesting piece of history concerning Parthia is the "White Huns" (*Encyclopaedia Britannica*, vol. 8, p.646); so called because of their light skin (evidence of Semitic origin). They were called the Ephthalites" (also "Hephthalites" or Nephthalites"). The encyclopedfia adds that "the initial N.. is believed to be a clerical error," but gives no evidence as to why. Most students of the Bible can recognize with the letter "N" in front of "Ephthalites," we have the tribe of Naphthali, one of the ten tribes of Israel. It is likely the Nephthalites kept their exact tribal name over the centuries because they were taken captive as a whole group rather than in pieces.

The other Israelite tribes, who were taken in various groups at different times and in different directions, became known by their appropriate clan names. So, why is it "believed" that there is an "error" about this tribe when there is no evidence to support such a conclusion? It is because "establishment" histories do not want to find any of the "lost" tribes of Israel. To do so would mean that those (the Jews) who claim to be Israel today would be exposed. Also, they would not want any interest toward the Bible as a credible book. If the establishment histories were to study Scythian or Parthian history to any depth at all, it would be impossible to miss an Israelite connection. Perhaps this is why their history is mostly ignored in the modern world.

The final piece of evidence linking the Israelite culture to the Parthian Empire is the name "Parthia" itself. The Hebrew consonants for "covenant" are B-R-T or B-R-TH, and were commonly used wherever the empire of Israel

was dominant; such as seen in its colonies, BRiTOn and BRiTtany, and in groups of Israelites, BRyTHonic Celts. In the ancient world the letters B and P were used interchangeably as they were very close phonetic sounds. Waddell notes that the Phoenicians interchanged the B's and P's in the Mediterranean world, and adds that the Phoenicians of Cilicia called the city of Tarsus "PARTHenia." The Greek explorer Pytheas referred to the British Isles by the term "PREtanic (using the P) while Aristotle refers to them by the word "BRiTannic" (using the B). The Greeks could have easily written "ParTHia" as "BarTHia" or "Ber-iTHia." In the Hebrew dictionary you will usually find the word "Briyth" (B-R-T). Using the "P" sound as the consonant (P-R-TH) you have the identical sounds for "Parthia." The identity of the Parthians is no longer a mystery! They were the covenant people of the ten tribes of Israel then living in Asia. An early king of their Scythian kinsmen name Partatua (circ 626 BC) included the P-R-T root word which foreshadowed the later name, "Parthia" (Rice, *The Scythians*, p.45). Their very name declared to the world that they were the "covenant" people.

POLITICAL STRUGGLES

Parthia, in its early years had little contact with Rome. It was a province of the Seleucid Greek Empire and declared its independence in 256-250 BC, much like the Americans did from the British Empire. In their struggle they obtained help from their brethren, the Sacae Scythian Tribes, just as Americans received assistance from the French. One result of their victory was that the Judahite Maccabees were able to assert their independence from the Seleucids. These Judahites even conquered the Idumeans (Edomites), who submitted to Judean laws including circumcision. Josephus records that the Judahites and the Edomites became one people, henceforth known as "Jews." This is an important note to remember for today's Christian people who think that the "Jews" are God's "elect." This is only true if "Jews" are descended from the tribe of Judah

(remember in part 2 of this series I gave various meanings for "Jew") because Judah was an Israelite and in covenant with Yahweh. But if the "Jews" are a mixed race from Esau (Edomites) as Josephus noted, they became one people, then they cannot be among the Elect, because God has said Israel is His Elect (see Isa 45:4), then they also had the admixture of Ashkenazim from the Khazars, who now are the majority of 'Jews'.

Rome and Parthia did not come into contact with each other as enemies but rather as allies in a war with Armenia. The main reason there was an eventual rift between them was because Rome did not keep their word. There were many wars fought between them but I will not share all of them in this series of articles.

For the most part, I will let Collins give the account of the final war and demise of Parthia quoting from his book, *The Lost Ten Tribes of Israel Found*, pp.253-256:

"The final Roman-Parthian war began with immense treachery on the part of the Romans. In 215 AD, the Emperor Caracullus, developed an elaborate "disinformation campaign" to dupe the Parthians into letting down their defenses. He proposed a peace settlement between Caracullus and a daughter of the Parthian monarch. The Romans even proposed a political and economic union between Parthia and Rome. (Rawlinson, *The Sixth Oriental Monarchy*, p.352).

Even though Roman promises had never had any worth,

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THE SACRED NAMES ISSUE

A Study of the Names of God and Christ in History and Scripture

by Charles Weisman

The Sacred Names Issue relates to the belief that there are proper names for God and Christ which existed in the Hebrew Language, and that these names should be used today. But the author has found that many of the arguments used are based upon assumption rather than fact. Noah Webster stated: "In Scripture, the name of God signifies his titles, his attributes, his will or purpose, his honor and glory, his word, his grace, his wisdom, power and goodness, his worship or service, or God himself."

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the Parthians believed the deceitful Roman "peace initiative," and allowed the Roman Emperor (escorted by a huge army) to proceed to the Parthian capital for the wedding. It is a testimony to the human capacity for self-delusion that the Parthians were so gullibly willing to believe the Romans in spite of every historical warning that such an offer could not be genuine. They continued in a state of denial even as Caracullus marched his army to Ctesiphon, Parthia's western capital. Parthia so wanted to believe that Caracullus was a reformer, an enlightened man of peace, different from the warlike Romans with genuine hospitality, certain that a "New World Order" [to borrow a modern term] of peaceful harmony was beginning. (you could say that these Parthian ancestors were as believing of the Romans' promises, as their modern-day descendants are of politician's promises - repeated election after election, CIM)

According to Herodian's history, the Parthians "were transported with joy at the prospect of an eternal peace ... and were keeping holiday" (Ibid, p.354) as Caracullus and his army arrived. The Romans then dropped their pretense of peace and began slaughtering the gullible Parthians. The Parthian monarch barely escaped with his life. Not content with his already heinous betrayal of Parthian trust, the Romans then added massive insult to massive injury by desecrating the Parthian royal cemetery and scattering the remains of the deceased Parthian emperors (Ibid, p.356).

Outraged, the Parthians assembled a vast military force to take vengeance on the Romans. Based on subsequent events, it may have been the largest army Parthia had ever assembled. Since Rome's armies had never penetrated the huge interior of Parthia's empire, most Parthian provinces had never experienced the treachery of Rome's aggressions. However, all Parthians throughout the empire were outraged by the violations of the tombs and corpses of their dead emperors!

Indeed, Rome's armies had never even come close to Parthia's homeland, which was located southeast of the Caspian Sea. Ctesiphon, the "western capital" known to the Romans, was nowhere near the actual homeland of the Parthians. It is possible that Ctesiphon was an administrative center for governing their western Provinces, but that other "capitals" existed eastward in their empire ... Given the historical relationship between Parthia and the Sacae tribes of Scythia, it is possible that Scythian tribes furnished troops for this battle as well.

The Roman headquarters in the areas was at Nisibis (near the modern border of Syria and Turkey). The enraged Parthian army headed for Nisibis to avenge themselves on the Romans; Caracullus had been assassinated prior to the arrival of the Parthians, and the new Roman emperor, Macrinus, tried to appease the Parthians by offering to return Parthian captives as part of a peace treaty. The Parthian emperor, Artabanus IV, spurned this offer as his army was there to exact vengeance and spill as much Roman blood as possible.

The Parthian and Roman armies, both headed by their emperors, clashed in what must have been one of the fiercest (and bloodiest) battles ever fought in the ancient world. What occurred was not merely a battle, but the death struggle of two mighty empires ... It is recorded that the bodies of the dead were: "piled to such a height that the manoeuvres of the troops were impeded by them, and at last the two contending hosts could scarcely see one another!" (Ibid, p.360). At this point of mutual exhaustion, the battle ended [3 full days of fighting] with a clear Parthian victory, Macrinus, the Roman emperor, fled the scene and afterward agreed to repatriate all Parthian captives and to pay a huge war indemnity to Parthia.

...The classical Greco-Roman historians wrote captiously about Scythian and Parthian history. As recent as 1888, a historian could still recognize the battle of Nisibis between Roma and Parthia as one of the greatest events of world history. Yet today, the important histories of Scythia and Parthia have been virtually erased from history texts. What caused this glaring omission?

During the nineteenth century, the famous historian

George Rawlinson wrote books about the Parthian Empire in an attempt to counter what he called a "defective" and "false" view of history which omitted the major role of the Parthian Empire in world history. It is only coincidental that modern history book deemphasize or omit the histories of empires founded by the ten tribes of Israel (Phoenicia, Carthage, Scythia and Parthia) while waxing eloquent about the histories of the non-Israelite empires? In the late nineteenth and twentieth centuries, the dogma of evolution became the new religion of a secularized world. It is now "politically incorrect" to have real faith in the Bible or the God of Israel. It hardly seems coincidental that the world's awareness of the history of the ten tribes of Israel (an important biblical theme) declined even as evolution became the new "god" of modern, secularized culture.

The Parthian Empire had won a great victory over the Roman Empire. One would expect the Parthian Empire to be reinvigorated by its triumph, but, in fact, the end of its empire was at hand. It is recorded that, in this time of trial, Artabanus IV, Parthia's emperor, sought to the occult for guidance and was told Parthia's empire was about to end (Ibid, p.173). This account echoes that of Saul, the first Israelite king, whose effort to seek occult guidance via an ancient "séance," led to his defeat and death (1 Samuel 28:7-25). Based on biblical precedent, it is a symptom of advanced moral decay in a society when its leaders seed to the occult (astrology, "channelers," etc.) for guidance. Such actions not only forfeit God's

favor (via the sin of idolatry), but also invite His punishment. If God had divinely protected Parthia in earlier battles, this sin of Artabanus was especially grievous . . .

In 220 AD, the province of Persia revolted. A series of three battles was fought which resulted in a Persian victory in 227 AD, costing Artabanus IV his life and effectively ending the Parthian Empire. The Sassanian Persian Empire replaced the Parthian Empire, and the Parthians were forced to migrate out of their old empire to flee the Persians. Some histories discuss Parthian history as part of "Persian" history, although this is misleading. Although the Parthians ruled the territory of the previous Persian Empire, the Parthians and Persians were two separate people in the same region of the world. The Parthians had been the subjects of the Persians before establishing their own empire, in which the Persians were a subject nation."

This was the end of Parthia. What became of the Parthians after

they were forced out will be continued in part 7 of this series.

This account of the final demise of Parthia should come as no surprise to Americans. Are the lies and corruption of the US government today any different than that of Rome under Parthia? I think not. Many Americans cannot understand why their politicians do things, claimed by them to be in our best interest to help the country, which actually hurt the country. The same people usually think that the politicians are "stupid," or "badly informed," but are they really just "stupid" or is their a hidden motive behind their actions? [notice the changes that occur in them from when they are campaigning, to later when they have actually been elected - often a 180 degree change, CIM]

There is no doubt in my mind that it is the latter. They are not stupid; most all of them are lawyers and highly educated. The motive of the government is to establish a world dictatorship sometimes known (in their words) as the "New World Order." Most people have no concept of this idea since they are totally conditioned by the media to think that their government could never do such a traitorous thing. However, that number of people is shrinking. More of them are waking up, but if they do not hold themselves and their leaders accountable to God's Law (not the Constitution) it

Library Builder JEWISH IDENTITY by Charles Weisman

Modern history and theology tells us that the Jews are an ancient people who have been around for 4,000 years. But this is not an accurate statement, for neither the Jews nor their name existed 4,000 years ago, or even at the time of Christ. The common Christian teaching about the Jews of today being the Israelites of the Bible has been hanging by a thread, and is about to give way as the facts of Jewish Identity come to the forefront of Christian study and thought. What is Jewish Identity? It is, in brief, the truth about the Jews —about their race, heritage, historical relationship to the Bible, and spiritual relationship to God.

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will do no good, and the American empire will be lost. The people must wake up to their heritage as descendants of Israel and their duty to obey the God of their fathers.

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A TALE OF FINANCE

It's a slow day in a small market town. Times are tough and everybody is in debt. The people are hurting, all are living on credit. On this particular day a rich tourist is driving through town. He stops at the hotel, goes inside and puts a \$100 note on the counter and tells the owner he wants to inspect the rooms as he may wish to stay the night.

The owner hands over the room keys and the tourist heads for the stairs to check out the rooms. As soon as the tourist walks up the stairs, the hotel owner grabs the \$100 note and runs next door to pay his debt to the butcher.

The butcher then takes the \$100 note and runs down the street to repay his debt to the pig farmer. The pig farmer takes the \$100 and heads off to pay his bill at the feed supplier. The feed supply owner runs to pay his debt to the local prostitute who has, surprisingly, been facing hard times and has been offering her "services" on credit.

The hooker then rushes to the hotel and pays off her room bill with the hotel owner. The hotel owner quickly places the \$100 back on the counter, as he hears the tourist coming down the stairs.

He says that the rooms are a disgrace, and grabs his \$100 note, jumps in his car and leaves town.

No one produced anything. No one earned anything, however, the whole town is now out of debt and looks forward to the future with a lot more optimism.

[what can you learn from that?!]

THE HAND THAT ROCKS THE CRADLE

This continues from previous articles on boy/girl, man/woman relationships.

One thing that has been a bit concerning to me through the past 24 years that I have been in fellowship with those who claim, "We are Israel," and "We must follow God's commands [Laws] if we love Him and wish to serve/please Him," is the number of casualties among the youth. When Jesus has said:

"Enter by the narrow gate; for the gate is wide, and the way is broad (heard of 'Broadway'?) that leads to destruction, and many are those who enter by it. For the gate is small, and the way is narrow that leads to life, and few are those who find it." Matt 7:13-14.

I never would have considered that a people who have so much truth as to the narrow path that leads to life, would have so many problems leading their youth into a faithful pure relationship with Jesus. It has become clear through the years though, that the failures or ones who stray are confused by an age-old cover-up. If adversaries were not able to reward (for a time) the vessels that choose their w

God's people would have more success at keeping their young people on the narrow path of life as well. If you watch long enough the truth always reveals itself. Remember David troubled about the prosperity of those who chose wrong - but then saw their end in Psalm 73 - read the whole psalm.

"For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who suppress the truth in unrighteousness" - Romans 1:18.

The truth simply cannot remain suppressed forever. I remember begging God for a proper witness for my daughter to see as her peers were all falling into boy/girl crazy relationships before they had done the necessary preparation work at establishing a solid foundation with Jesus and life skills to be truly successful in marriage. These relationships made fornication not the only stumbling-block to trip up the youth. When you ask God in faith for something worthwhile (like a good witness or example), He provides. We got to watch a full-grown prepared Christian woman walk the aisle marrying a man who was established as a God-fearing, hard-working man of God, committed to furthering the work of God's Kingdom and the church - my step-daughter and son-in-law. All the other witnesses and testimonies that surrounded as (at that time) have since failed completely or been truly unsatisfied and cursed just

as we foresaw coming way back then. Out of many, many youths there was but one couple who weathered through the storm put upon them. We saw some of the saddest scenarios unfold over the years.

Today, we can look back and every once in a while can see who was faithful as a child and is now raising children in THE WAY. If it is even half as pleasing to Jesus as it is to us to have generations stay faithful, that's big. And most likely, God gets more pleasure about that than us, right?

Now, do not read this wrong; as we recognize sometimes Jesus does move a young person to marry young, as is the case with the newest bride-to-be in our midst. But contrary to what many teens think, and many parents sometimes wish, a teen growing up is not usually as quick as it physically appears. It takes time for most teens' hormones and emotions to balance out, and for them to train themselves so they are not on a roller-coaster-ride, an effort which can easily be clouded with boyfriend/girlfriend relationships before God's timing. Especially with today's diet which is so adulterated that reproduction is threatened, let alone reproduction of healthy children. Gaining the knowledge of how to become and/or stay healthy in this day and age is a major need and challenge in itself, but we do have a promise or goal worth trying to obtain found in Scripture:

"But you shall serve the LORD your God, and He will bless your bread and your water; and I will remove sickness from your midst. There shall be no one miscarrying or barren in your land; I will fulfill the number of your days." Exod 23:25-26.

A Biblical , Historical and Scientific Evaluation of the Racial Equality Doctrine NOT OF ONE BLOOD

by Charles Weisman

The subject matter you are about to read is perhaps the most important and volatile issue facing our nation today. This pivotal issue is the truth of racial inequality, an issue which has a major impact on economics, politics, crime, war, culture, freedom, and truth itself. This booklet will reveal: • That Christian leaders today are hypocrites and humanists in dealing with racial issues. • Most Christian "creationists" promote the concepts of evolution. • The proper interpretation of Acts 17:26 is consistent with Scripture and science. • Why ministers and churches have failed us by compromising the truth about race for prestige and big congregations (Tit.1:11). • The media is biased and "racist" in its reporting and has corrupted the thinking of the public on racial matters (1 Cor. 15:33). This material and the references it supplies will expose the error of the equality doctrine.

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are racist; trying to control the brain, etc. So, what she learned to do was constantly redirect her sights. She made a point of thinking always about how to attract a good man. That, in turn, made her focus on her own abilities and skills, especially her domestic skills, ie, cooking, cleaning, sewing, decorating, health awareness, and on and on it went. When it was God's timing for her, I personally know she was nothing of a disappointment to her husband, nor was she disappointed in him. When we delight in Him, He does grant our desires.

Working on a personal relationship with Jesus is of utmost importance for teens. Knowing the difference of when He is pulling on your heart, or when it is the world trying to trick us is something many of our youth do not take seriously, which might account for the casualty rates among the saints' children. Surely there is nothing wrong with teens enjoying time in youth gatherings or single men and women fellowshiping, but to allow some time as a single following Jesus alone, instead of as so-and-so's boyfriend or girlfriend, is probably a wise thing to experience before you are a couple. It grants you time to establish a secure, healthy walk with Jesus as a true foundation to success.

We hope the future holds many more Godly witnesses and examples for the God of Israel and His Kingdom Ways, and it is our prayer that the parents and youth are able to avoid the anxious spirit that the world tries to instill. A Godly standard is certainly not the wide path, but even a few who choose to wait for God's timing can lead others to prepare a healthy foundation which God can richly bless - and cancel out worldly opportunities and desires. It would certainly be a Godly outcome if we could claim every young person reading and listening to these messages for the narrow path that leads to life.

The world has a statement in the dating world saying, "Timing is everything." It should be, 'God's timing is everything.' May God grant you teens and parents wisdom, commitment and dedication to pass the Kingdom Gospel message on to your children and grandchildren to build the church and God's Kingdom.

"Unless the LORD builds the house, they labour in vain who build it;" Psalm 127:1.

When our will becomes God's Will, we succeed.
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JUSTICE IN THE HOME

One of the primary attributes of God is that He is a God of Justice. Oh yes, He is a God of mercy and compassion too. But, if He were not just, He would not be God.

Because we are created in His likeness, He wants us to be just people. Micah 6:8 says, "What does the Lord require of thee, but to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God?" If justice is to be part of our lives, where should it start? It seems that God wants it to start in the home.

In the story of the destruction of Sodom and Gomorrah, God said that he would not hide from Abraham what He was going to do. Why? Because of the way he parented his children. Genesis 18:17-19 says, *"For I know him that he will **command his children** and his household after him, and they shall keep the way of the Lord to do justice and judgment. . . "* Abraham **ordered** his household and trained

his family in the ways of justice. Justice is close to God's heart. It is the foundation of family life. It is the primary principle of parenting.

WHAT IS GODLY JUSTICE?

Justice is the use of authority to uphold what is right and fair. It is acting as a judge and rendering the proper verdict—God's verdict. Because justice is missing from many homes today, it is missing in the nation. Often people do not understand justice because they have not experienced it. They have not experienced godly discipline in the home that teaches them right from wrong. They may have been spanked, but out of frustration and anger, and therefore not understood righteous judgment.

Children need to know true justice growing up or they will never understand who God is. Many people have a god of their own imagination. He is whoever they want Him to be. He is tolerant of whatever they want to do. He has to fit into their ideas. We can all be guilty of falling into this trap. But God is God. He is who He is. We must understand this and give this understanding to our children. We do this by teaching them to have a clear demarcation of what is right and wrong in the sight of God.

WHAT IS PARENTAL JUSTICE?

In the book, *Surveying the Evidence*, the authors state: "If atheism is not normal, why do certain people become unbelievers? First of all, it is well known that the seeds of atheism can be planted early in life. One of the most dangerous contributions a parent can make toward the spiritual delinquency of his child is a failure to instill within him/her a wholesome respect for authority. If the parent neglects to set the proper example as an authority figure, or refuses to exercise discipline with love, he might well be rejected as an authority-figure by his child, and thus, by transference, the child ultimately may come to disdain all

authority, including the Supreme Authority, God."¹

The Bible tells us that if we do not discipline our children, we honor them above God. (1 Samuel 2:29 and 3:13).

Children must be taught the clear difference between right and wrong, the clean and the unclean.² Jesus said in Luke 16:11, "He that is unjust in the least is unjust also in much." If our children do not learn justice in the little things of life while they are young, how will they know how to execute justice in bigger things as they grow older? Sadly, many young people, even from "Christian" homes, do not have clear insight of God's Word about conception, the sacredness of life in the womb, morality, purity and honesty. Because they do not understand justice, they tolerate what God hates.

Our children must understand that justice will be executed for wrong-doing. If not, their judgment will be blurred all through their life. If we do not understand justice, we do not understand the necessity for Christ, the beloved Son of God, to die on the cross, in our place, for our sins. On the cross God's mercy and justice came together, as they always do. Justice must be fulfilled, but God's mercy is always available to forgive and embrace when there is repentance.

EXAMPLES OF PARENTAL JUSTICE

We see more examples of parental justice in the Scriptures. When the angel came to Manoah and his wife to tell them that she would conceive Samson, Manoah asked the Lord, *"How shall we order the child, and how shall we do unto him?"* (Judges 13:12). The word 'order' is mishpat,

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the Hebrew word for justice. Manoah knew that he needed God's wisdom to raise him with justice. Unfortunately, their parenting didn't work too well. Even though they prayed for justice, they did not execute it. When Samson wanted a wife from the Philistines (seeking a mate in an ungodly environment), instead of one of their own Israelites (i.e. kinsman believers), they gave in to Samson's whim. Samson's end may have been different if they had exercised justice (Judges 14:1-3).

What kind of an earthly father did God look for when it was time for His Son to be born on earth? We would think that He would choose a wealthy man who owned a big home and could provide well for the Son of God. Surely He would choose a man of prominence and influence in the community. Perhaps a man of great intellect. No, He looked for a very special quality—a quality that describes who God is. When Matthew 1:19 introduces Joseph, the only quality mentioned is that he is a "just" man. It is obviously the No.1 requirement for parenting.

We notice that God looked for the same characteristic in everyone who was part of the birth of Jesus. John the Baptist's parents, Zacharius and Elizabeth were "both righteous (just) before God, walking in all the commandments and ordinances of the Lord blameless." (Luke 1:6). John the Baptist himself grew up to be a "just man" like his parents. (Mark 6:20) Simeon was also "just and devout." The Holy Spirit revealed to Simeon that he would not die until he had seen the Messiah. The Holy Spirit led him to the temple just as Joseph and Mary brought Jesus to be dedicated and witnessed to him that this was the Anointed One (Luke 2:25-35).

THE TIME FOR JUSTICE IS NOW!

One of the greatest needs of this hour is for a generation of children to rise up who know justice. We need leaders who understand justice. We need men like King David who "reigned over all Israel and administered justice and righteousness for all his people." (2 Samuel 8:15). We need leaders like Solomon, who rather than ask God for riches for himself, asked for "discernment to understand justice." (1 Kings 3:11; 2 Chron 9:8).

We need young men like Phinehas who was not afraid to take action against evil [stopping forbidden marriages](Num 25:6-15; Psalm 106:30) We need prophets, young and old, who are not afraid to speak the word of the Lord—"Hate the evil and love the good, and establish justice in the gate!" [government](Amos 5:15). We need judges in the land who will "justify the righteous and condemn the wicked," not the other way around as so often happens today (Deut 25:1, 16).

The "gates" are the legislative capitals where laws and decisions are made for communities, states and the nation.³ This is where we need justice to be set up again. But before justice can come to the gates of our cities, it must come to our homes. It starts with parents who command their household in the ways of justice, who do not allow disobedience, rebellion, lies and deceit to go undisciplined. Parents who abhor evil and love righteousness and who teach their children to do the same.

Justice is an action. The Bible tells us to think justice, seek justice, know justice, talk justice, execute justice, establish justice, preserve justice, follow justice, joy in justice and sing of justice.⁴

THE BLESSINGS OF JUSTICE

We know that justice is often a hard thing to execute and even harder to receive. It is often painful for parents to discipline their children; they would rather gloss over it and hope the problem will go away. But it doesn't work like that. Sin is like yeast and multiplies. It must be nipped in the bud. Hebrews 12:11 says, "Now no chastening seems to be joyful for the present, but , but grievous; nevertheless, afterwards it yields the peaceable fruit of righteousness to those who are trained by it." Afterward! Yes, that's it. Blessing comes **after** discipline. Always. There are many incidents in the Bible where grievous justice was executed, but great blessing came afterwards.⁵

God orders the universe with justice and judgment. In the same way, we should order the little universe of our homes. Does that mean that parents rule with an iron rod? That their homes are religious and full of legality? Of course not. Our homes are to be spheres of love and joy, peace and happiness. They are to be like the first Eden, which means "delight." They are to be filled with laughter and fun. They are to be sanctuaries of rest from discord and strife. Justice comes into play when these blessings are violated. A home is no longer a haven when children are disobedient and rebellious. The parents are distressed, the children are unhappy and the atmosphere is dreadful. It is no longer heaven on earth; it is hell. When justice is executed peace reigns again. Children are secure for they have clear boundaries and know the difference between good and evil. And parents are no longer frazzled. They can enjoy life as they experience the blessing of Proverbs 29:17, "Correct your son , and he will give you rest; yes, he will give delight to your soul."

May God anoint us as parents to command our children in the paths of justice. -- Nancy Campbell

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Pamphlet LISTEN MR. PREACHER

by John L. Steely

It poses the challenge to a preacher to preach on Acts 26:6-7. "And now I stand and am judged for the hope of the promise made by God to our fathers, unto which promise our twelve tribes, earnestly serving God day and night, hope to come. For which hope's sake, King Agrippa, I am accused of the Jews."

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WHO REDEFINED MARRIAGE?

by Robert McCurry

US District Judge Vaughn Walker issues a landmark Proposition 8 Ruling on Wednesday, August 4, 2010, to overturn the California 2008 referendum approved by 7 million voters that banned 'gay marriage.' The judge said in the conclusion of the 136-page opinion: "Proposition 8 fails to advance any rational basis in singling out gay men and lesbians for denial of a marriage license."

The Ninth US Circuit Court of Appeals has issued a stay against implementation pending an appeals process. But no matter what happens to 'gay marriage' legality in the long appeals process ahead it raises the question about the very process of social change. Who really redefined marriage? Look in the mirror, say two experts.

Walker's ruling very clearly reflects how marriage has already been redefined—by heterosexuals, says historian Stephanie Coontz, a professor at Evergreen State College and author of *Marriage, A History*, says,

"It was heterosexuals who say it needs to be voluntary, not arranged as it once was for centuries, and that it should be about love and also sexual fulfillment. It was heterosexuals who said you should have a choice in marriage, not be required for politic, economic or social respectability. Heterosexuals said you ought to have the right to birth control so marriage is not just about pro-creation."

And the final straw came when heterosexuals said,



'Yes, we will throw out that marriage is based on opposite roles and duties and rights.' That's when homosexuals raised their hands and said, 'Hey, guess what'

As for whether civil or religious law ruled marriage in western history, the historian says,

"It was not until the 16th century—and not until 1754 in England—that European states began to require marriages to be performed under official auspices in order to be valid . . . (and) licenses in America were civil from the beginning"

William Doherty, professor of family social science at the University of Minnesota, says Walker's 136-page ruling....

"...accurately reflects the evolution of law about marriage in America. Whether you agree it's a good evolution or not, that's it. Marriage has moved to a model as a private contract between equals that does not involve a strong community, let alone a religious community."

But Doherty notices that many religious voices are most upset by what Walker had to say about gender -- that traditional roles are not valid for 21st century marriage law. While it's true that gender roles have not been legally codified in US marriage law for years now, the evolution to gender equality has been gradual. Walker's ruling, stapled to the judge's survey of social change,

"...is very fast and very dramatic. This is a nig change coming very quickly while cultural evolution normally moves very slow. Pro-gay marriage forces should be worried when the courts get this far ahead on social change. There can be a tremendous backlash."

Meanwhile, religious voices opposed to same-sex marriage have continued to speak out against the ruling, saying Walker has it all wrong. *Christianity Today* did a round up of several theologians and thinkers including Andreas Kostenberger, author of *God, Marriage, and Family* and professor of New Testament and biblical theology and director of Ph.D. studies at Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary. He wrote:

"... the Bible makes clear that marriage is God's idea rather than a social contract that we are free to renegotiate based on changing social trends. but we can't expect the unbelieving world or any government or judicial system to understand or reinforce that. For this reason we should focus our efforts ... on teaching people what the Bible says about God's plan for marriage and the family."

Yes, marriage is God's idea; God ordained , designed and established marriage. God took Eve *out* of the side of Adam and created a woman and presented her to Adam (Gen 2:18, 21-24). God joined them together. The two became one. They were *one flesh*. It was Adam and Eve not Adam and Steve.

God made no spares for Adam and Eve in the event they later decided, for whatever reason, to disssolve the marriage and go on their separate ways. There were no dis-illusion clauses in this marriage. It was one man for one woman and one woman for one man, for life - and a long one at that! Jesus said, "What therefore God hath joined together, let not man put asunder (Matt. 19:6). It was a marriage "until death do us part." This was God's ideal model for marriage.

But in less than two thousand years man had aban-

doned God's marriage ideal. In the days of Noah God said, "I've had enough." With the exception of Noah, his family, and the animals aboard the ark, God destroyed that entire part of the world in a flood. Why did God say, "I've had enough" and impose such drastic measures of wrath and judgment upon His creation? God's Word provides the answer.

"For in the days that were before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noah entered into the ark, and knew not until the flood came, and took them all away" (Matt 24:37-39).

It is not a sin to eat and drink. Eating and drinking are necessary for the preservation of man's life. But the people in Noah's day did not eat and drink to live, they lived to eat and drink. This was their pursuit of life. They had their being for no other end than to eat and drink. Life consisted of perpetual parties and banquets. They indulged themselves in gluttony and drunkenness.

It is not a sin to marry. God originated and ordained marriage. Marriage is necessary to God's orderly way of propagation and preservation of mankind. It is evident then that their "marrying andf giving in marriage" had violated God's ordained, orderly way of marriage. They had entered into unlawful marriages (inter-racial) and followed a course of constant intemperance and lust. As a result the earth was "filled with violence" (Gen 6:11, 13).

They eventually passed the point of no return. Things were so broken that God in essence said, "I've had enough. I'm going to end it all with a flood." And He did. But not until

after Noah, a righteous man, preached repentance for one hundred twenty years. The people refused to hear, believe, and repent. One day God shut the door to the ark, and a world that refused to listen didn't even know what happened "until the flood came and took them all away" (Matt. 24:39).

Unfortunately and sadly, postmodern 'Christianity' and America have redefined marriage; God's ideal has become obsolete and is rejected by the nation at large and by an ever-increasing number of professing Christians

As it was in Noah's day so it is today. The certainty of God's judgment is not 'if' but 'when.' Although it won't be a flood this time, it will be serious and intense!

WAKE-UP PASTORS, WAKE-UP CHRISTIANS!

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Here we are again, still awaiting the results of this 'hung' election. Someone suggested not only numbering the 'Greens' last on the Senate paper, but also numbering them from the bottom up - so that the top name carries the absolute highest number - to get them as "last" as possible. Personally, I can't see enough of repentance in the nation to see conditions improve. "The prophets prophesy falsely, and the priests bear rule by their means; and my people love to have it so; and what will ye do in the end thereof?" (Jer. 5:31). Many thanks to those who have sent in names, and also for the complimentary letters about our recent messengers. We appreciate your comments, and are blessed by them. Work on family members and try to get them to subscribe - especially your adult children. May the God of our forefathers bless you and keep you safe, and in His gracious care,

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