

"[The Bereans] . . . searched the scriptures daily,

[to see] whether those things were so." —Acts 17:11

Road Map to Armageddon

Dave Hunt — First published in January 2004

[This article by Dave Hunt was written in January of 2004. Although it speaks directly regarding the plans of the world's government leaders for Israel that were contrary to the Scriptures, it also sends a message to our newly formed US government today. The players have changed for us, and hopefully for the good. —T. A. McMahon]

THE "QUARTET" OF Bush, Putin, UN, and EU is determined, through a division of land, to bring a "just and lasting peace" into the Middle East between Israel and her neighbors. Assuming they are sincere and not just working for their own interests, their mental state must be on a par with those who gave the Nobel Peace Prize to Yasser Arafat, a mass murderer, habitual liar, and the world's leading terrorist, who has done more than anyone to destroy world peace. How thankful the West should be that Al Gore (who repeatedly, as vice president, warmly received Arafat into the White House) is not there now as president!

In fact, Muhammad, whose word cannot be changed, imposed upon every Muslim in every age the duty of exterminating all Jews. Only then can the "Last Day" (the climax of Islam) arrive. That fact makes "peace" between Israel and Muslims impossible—ever. Any apparent "peace" agreements signed by Muslim leaders are not worth the ink in their signatures! In the ten years prior to the signing of the Oslo Accords, 211 Israelis were killed by terrorists; in the ten years since, about 1,200 have been killed and 5,000 wounded [that number has only increased since then].

No Arab/Muslim political or religious leader can contradict Islam's founding prophet. Thus to continue to pursue a negotiated "peace" in the Middle East is the height of folly! Yet Western political and religious leaders continue to hold out that vain hope and to force concessions upon Israel that pave the road to her destruction!

Modern Israel occupies a relatively small piece of land. Arabs possess 700 times as much, with vast amounts of oil and minerals. Why are they determined to possess tiny Israel too? *Islam* says it belongs to them! A sovereign Jewish state proves that Muhammad was a false prophet, and that Allah is not God. Muslims must destroy Israel!

Both the Bible and Qur'an agree that 4,000 years ago God gave the Promised Land to Abraham and his Israeli descendants. Yet, the Arabs claim ownership through Ishmael, Abraham's first son. But God declared that not Ishmael, but Isaac, who would be born to Sarah, was the son and heir He had promised (Genesis 17:15-21).

Like his father, Isaac also had two sons, Esau and Jacob; and again the Lord rejected the firstborn and gave the inheritance to the second—so the inheritance flows from Abraham to Isaac and on to Jacob, whose name God changed to Israel. Twelve times Yahweh calls Himself "the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob," declaring, "This is my name for ever, and this is my memorial to all generations" (Exodus 3:15). More than

200 times, from Exodus 5:1 to Luke 1:68, Yahweh is called "the God of Israel."

Muslims claim that the Bible was corrupted by later revisions. However, the Bible's thousands of manuscripts, historical and prophetic accuracy, and the intricate integration of themes from Genesis to Revelation (none of which the Qur'an can boast!) reduce such a claim to nonsense. Furthermore, the Qur'an itself supports what the Bible says concerning Israel's claim to the Promised Land: "We made a covenant of old with the Children of Israel" (Surah 5:70); "We brought the children of Israel across the [Red] sea, and Pharaoh with his hosts pursued them..." (10:91). "[B]ut we drowned him and those with him all together. And we said unto the Children of Israel...dwell in the land [and] hereafter...we shall bring you...out of various nations" (17:103, 104); "[W]e delivered the children of Israel...from Pharaoh.... We chose them, purposely, above all creatures" (44:30-32); "favored them above all peoples" (45:16); "Remember Allah's favor to you... He...gave you what he gave no other of his creatures. O my people, go into the Holy Land which Allah hath ordained for you" (95:20, 21); etc.

The territory God gave to Abram (later renamed Abraham by God) and to his descendants was not "Palestine," but Canaan: "Into the land of Canaan they came" (Genesis 12:5-6). There were no "Palestinians" from whom those who take that name today claim to be descended: "the Canaanite and Perizzite dwelled then in the land" (13:7). Abram remained there the rest of his life: "... Abram dwelled in the land of Canaan" (13:12). God told him, "For all the land...to thee will I give it, and to thy seed for ever" (13:15); "...all the land of Canaan, for an everlasting possession" (Genesis 17:8). Abram settled in Hebron in Canaan and "built there an altar to the LORD [Yahweh]" (13:18)—not to Allah.

Ten years later, Ishmael (the product of Abraham's and Sarah's unbelief) was born to him through Sarah's maid, Hagar. Fourteen years later, when Abraham was 100 years old and Sarah 90, Isaac was born in Hebron to Abraham by his wife Sarah, exactly as God had promised. Thirty-seven years later, at the age of 127, Sarah died. Abraham was still living in Hebron, having been there more than 70 years. To bury Sarah, he bought the cave of Machpelah from Ephron the Hittite (23:1-20).

Thirty-eight years later, at the age of 175, Abraham died. Isaac and Ishmael buried him in Machpelah next to Sarah. Isaac lived in Hebron 110 more years. Isaac, Rebekah, Jacob, and Leah were also buried in the cave of Machpelah. Abraham had entered Canaan 400 years after the flood and 300 years after the Tower of Babel. It was sparsely settled, the land was his for the taking, and he, Isaac, Jacob, and their families, lived there more than 300 years before temporarily moving to Egypt to escape a famine. There, for 400 years they were slaves, just as God had said, until the Canaanites became so wicked that He was forced to destroy them. God used Israel for that task, giving them Canaan as an everlasting heritage (Genesis 15:13-16), as He had promised. God referred to Isaac as Abraham's "only son" (Genesis 22:2). Thus Ishmael was not buried in Machpelah, but where he had settled far away, having "died in the presence of all his brethren" (Genesis 25:17, 18).

No Arab or Muslim was ever buried in Machpelah. Arabs can't claim a pure descent from Ishmael. Ishmaelites intermarried with Midianites (Judges 8:5,12,22,24), Edomites (Genesis 28:9), and Hittites (26:34; 36:1-4). In contrast, during 400 years as slaves in Egypt, the Israelites became an identifiable ethnic people who were led *en masse* into Canaan. We know who they are today. Denying Israel's God-given heritage, Yitzak Rabin, who had secretly promised Clinton he would give up the Golan, declared, "The Bible is not a geography book." Shortly thereafter, he was assassinated, preventing him from giving to Syria the most strategically vital part of Israel.

It was not Arabs but Hebrews who settled in ancient Hebron and all of Canaan, creating Israel, whose kings ruled from Jerusalem over an empire stretching from the Sinai to the Euphrates. Around 600 BC they were conquered by the Babylonians and scattered to many nations.

Chased out of their land under God's judgment in the Babylonian dispersion, and later twice by the Romans, numbers of Jews always returned. This despised people continued living in Israel under the oppressive heel of various occupying foreign invaders for another 2,500 years. On May 14, 1948, Israel declared itself an independent nation once again. The Jews once again possessed their own land, as God had promised—but only that small fraction of it that had been allotted by the UN partition on November 29, 1947. In contrast, the Arabs *never* lived in Canaan but settled in the Arabian Peninsula. Not until the seventh century AD, through the Islamic invasions, did Arabs come in any significant numbers into the land of Israel, which, in AD 135, the Romans had angrily renamed Syria-Palestina, after Israel's chief enemy, the Philistines.

The so-called Palestinians of today are Arabs whose ancestors came from Arabia. They are a Semitic people, with no relationship either to the Canaanites or the Philistines, who were not Semites. It is a blatant lie that today's "Palestinians" (who at the same time claim descent from Ishmael) are descended from the original inhabitants of the land of Canaan, which God promised to Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, and their heirs. David was first crowned king in Hebron and ruled there seven years before moving his throne to Jerusalem. This ancient city has no significance to Arabs/Muslims. Yet they have built a mosque at Machpelah, have forbidden access to Jews, and, at various times in history, have massacred Jews living there. Today Muslims are attempting to force out the few remaining Jews. They claim all of "Palestine" and state that Israelis are occupying land that belongs to them! And this fraud is the foundation for a so-called road map to peace!

President Bush, as a Christian, ought to tremble at God's solemn warning that He will destroy all who *divide* His land (Joel 3:2). Yes, *His* land: "the land shall not be sold [or traded] for ever: for the land is mine" (Leviticus 25:23)! Quartet, take heed: you are defying the God of Israel and will not escape unpunished! Those who make "peace" by taking land from Israel, which God gave her, will be destroyed: "[A]ll that burden themselves with it [Jerusalem] shall be cut in pieces, though all the people of the earth be gathered together against it" (Zechariah 12:3). On September 13, 1993, under the triumphant gaze of a smiling President Clinton, Arafat signed, with Yitzak Rabin, the Oslo Accords on the White House lawn.

The ink was scarcely dry when Arafat began publicly apologizing in Arabic to Muslims around the world. In fear for his life (remember Anwar Sadat's murder by fellow Muslims for making "peace" with Israel), Arafat pleaded that he was only following the example of Muhammad and the Islamic law he established. In AD 628, Muhammad led a few of his followers (recent converts to the new religion of Islam) from Medina back to Mecca, hoping to join thousands of pagan Arabs in the *hajj*. This annual pilgrimage to the Ka'aba (Islam, incredibly, claims it was built by Abraham and Ishmael!), with its elaborate ceremonies, had been practiced

by pagan Arab tribes for centuries before Muhammad was born. He was turned back by the Meccans, but both parties signed a 10-year ceasefire known as the Treaty of Hubaybiya, as part of which Muhammad relinquished his claim to being "the prophet of Allah." This treaty allowed Muhammad the next year (AD 629) to lead a group of Muslims in the *hajj*. They joined thousands of "infidel" Arabs in the same pagan ceremonies that their ancestors had practiced for centuries (See TBC Q&A July '03 for the rituals). In 630, Muhammad broke the ceasefire on a pretext and took over Mecca. At first, he allowed pagan Arabs to continue in the *hajj*, mingling with the new Muslims in the ancient rituals. Then he gave the pagans four months in which to convert to Islam or be killed. Thereafter, no non-Muslims were allowed into Mecca, as is true today.

So it is with Ramadan, which President Bush (like previous US presidents) and other western leaders naïvely honor as a "holy Muslim holiday." Beginning with the first sighting of the new moon in the ninth month of the Muslim lunar calendar, Ramadan was celebrated by pagan Arabs in honor of Allah, the moon god, for centuries before Islam. To the *hajj* and Ramadan, Muhammad added the horror of *jihad* and commanded Muslims to take over the world. That belief has cost millions of innocent lives and drives terrorism today. Those promoting the Road Map to Peace are following a history of good intentions on the part of Israel and the West, which invariably have been betrayed by the Arabs/Muslims and have steadily made Israel's position more untenable. American presidents, one after another, have cajoled Israel into compromise after compromise with Arab/Muslim leaders that could only have been uproarious jokes as far as the latter were concerned.

Always, the good intentions of Israel and the West have led only to their further humiliation. Pursuing their impossible peace initiatives, world leaders defy the God of Israel and of the Bible. As the "heathen rage, and the people imagine a vain thing [and] the kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against the LORD, and against his anointed" (Psalm 2:1-2), those with "ears to hear" (Deuteronomy 29:4; Ezekiel 12:2; Matthew 11:15; 13:9, etc.) detect the terrifying sound of laughter: "He that sitteth in the heavens shall laugh: the LORD shall have them in derision" (Psalm 2:4).

We are in the late stages of the awesome fulfillment of Bible prophecy, behind which lies the omnipotent hand of God himself: "*I will make Jerusalem a cup of trembling unto all the people round about, when they shall be in the siege both against Judah and against Jerusalem*" (Zechariah 12:2, 3). That remarkable prophecy is being fulfilled today. *Never before in history* have *all* those surrounding Israel been united to destroy her. This significant development in history and Bible prophecy has come about through the rise of Islam. Bush wants a "democratic, viable" Palestinian state living in peace with Israel, but no democracy exists, *or can exist*, in a Muslim society. Israel is the only democracy in the Middle East. Bush is trying to create democracy in Afghanistan and Iraq. If that could happen, it would shake the entire Muslim world. Islam cannot survive in freedom. No wonder there is such fanatical opposition from Muslims worldwide, even for the capture of that sadistic mass torturer and murderer, Saddam Hussein. Muslims hold 80 percent of the world's political prisoners.

America's precipitous withdrawal from Lebanon 20 years ago, fleeing from known Syrian/Iranian-sponsored terrorists instead of pursuing them, encouraged the terrorism rampant today worldwide. Can Bush really, with terrorist partners, stand up against the evil of terrorism? When will he admit that it is endemic to Islam? Will the strategic (politically correct?) time ever come for telling the truth? It remains to be seen whether the US can eliminate terrorism, when our State Department secretly opposes Israel and favors Arabs.

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QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

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QUESTION: Someone I know has a burden for her church. It has split several times. She said that once during a service she was so burdened for the church that she began to cry and ended up lying face down, prostrate on the floor in the back of the church crying and moaning into her tissues and the carpet. She said it didn't draw attention to her because she was in the back where no one could really see her. Can you explain to me what this was all about?

RESPONSE: There are a number of examples of people in Scripture who have had a similar reaction and assumed a prone position before the Lord. When the Lord appeared to Abraham and made a covenant with him, Abraham acknowledged his unworthiness before God and “fell on his face” (Genesis 17:1–22). When the leaders of Israel were confronted with sin or very difficult situations, they knew that only God could deliver them. Consequently, they fell on their faces before Him and sought His favor and help. During the rebellion of Korah, the Scriptures tell us that “when Moses heard it, he fell upon his face” (Numbers 16:4). “And Moses and Aaron went from the presence of the assembly unto the door of the tabernacle of meeting, and they fell upon their faces: and the glory of the LORD appeared unto them” (Numbers 20:6).

When Israel was defeated in their first attack on Ai because of the sin of Achan, “Joshua tore his clothes, and fell to the earth upon his face before the ark of the LORD until the evening, he and the elders of Israel, and put dust upon their heads” (Joshua 7:6).

When the prophets of God received a message or vision from God, they often fell upon their faces. Ezekiel wrote, “And when I saw it [the vision], I fell upon my face, and I heard a voice of one that spoke.”

A leper who came to Jesus for healing fell on his face and begged for mercy, saying, “Lord, if thou wilt, thou canst make me clean” (Luke 5:12).

We clearly see a precedence. What we don't see is a methodology. In other words, if the burden of prayer (prompted by the Holy Spirit) brings you to this position, that is one thing. Too many, however, teach positions of prayer, actions taken during prayers, and other practices as something that guarantees the success of your prayer. That is a methodology and has no biblical support.

For the believer, however, “the Spirit also helps our infirmities: for we know not what we should pray for as we ought: but the Spirit itself makes intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered” (Romans 8:26).

QUESTION: I've been told that the Old Testament saints were saved by faith in God. Besides the statement in Genesis 15:6 about Abraham being saved by believing what God had told him, are there any other Old Testament verses that show that men and women under the old covenant were justified by their faith in God apart from the Law?

RESPONSE: Genesis 15:6 is perhaps the key verse that shows how Old Testament saints were saved: “And he [Abraham] believed in the LORD; and he counted it to him for righteousness.” Paul references that verse in Romans 4. Verse 13 sums it up, saying “For the promise, that he should be the heir of the world, was not to Abraham, or to his seed, through the law, but through the righteousness of faith.”

Sometimes the references may be slightly veiled, but nevertheless they are there. For example, Job, by faith, declared in 19:15,

“For I know that my redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth...” How did he know? By faith!

Galatians 3:11 tells us, “no man is justified by the law in the sight of God, it is evident: for, The just shall live by faith.” We can't limit this passage to being only applicable to the New Testament, because Paul is quoting Habakkuk 2:4: “Behold, his soul which is lifted up is not upright in him: but *the just shall live by his faith.*” Salvation by faith, not from the Law, was an Old Testament principle.

This issue is apparently never far from Paul's mind, for in Romans 4:6–8, Paul is quoting Psalm 32:1,2,5: “Blessed is he whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered. Blessed is the man unto whom the Lord imputeth not iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no guile....I acknowledge my sin unto thee, and mine iniquity have I not hid. I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord; and thou forgavest the iniquity of my sin.” Paul explains further in verses 23–24, “Now it was not written for his sake alone, that it was imputed to him; But for us also, to whom it shall be imputed, if we believe on him that raised up Jesus our Lord from the dead.” It is apparent that salvation has always been by grace through faith.

QUESTION: A pastor preached that we should have a humble mind like Jesus and that Christians are slaves to God and to one another. He said that Jesus was like a slave to the Father, because he humbled Himself to God's will to die on the cross, and that we should have the mind of Jesus. Then he used the words 'Slaves' and 'Servants' interchangeably, giving the impression that the two words mean the same. Are we slaves of God? This is affecting some of my Christian friends who've told me that they want only God's will for their lives and they would really like and be satisfied to be God's slaves.

RESPONSE: It is true that Scripture teaches we are “servants” of the Lord Jesus Christ. The word “servants” literally means slave. In Romans 1:1, Paul wrote that he was, “a servant of Jesus Christ, called to be an apostle, separated unto the gospel of God....”

Regarding each other, we are not called to be “slaves” to our fellow brethren. Rather, “...brethren, ye have been called unto liberty; only use not liberty for an occasion to the flesh, but by love serve one another” (Galatians 5:13). Although we're not slaves, our attitudes should be that we are willing to serve one another. Romans 15:1–2 tells us, “We then that are strong ought to bear the infirmities of the weak, and not to please ourselves. Let every one of us please his neighbor for his good to edification.”

Also, “I have showed you all things, how that so labouring ye ought to support the weak, and to remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he said, It is more blessed to give than to receive” (Acts 20:35). Again, it is the attitude of servanthood that we are to have, not that we are slaves to each other.

In John 8:36, the Lord Jesus declared, “If the Son therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed.” Before we were saved, according to Galatians 4:3, “Even so we, when we were children, were in bondage under the elements of the world.” The Lord Jesus will set us free, but He also said, “Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls” (Matthew 11:29). So although we are free from the bondage offered by the world, we are to be willing slaves of Christ, who loves us and willingly gave Himself up for us, and servants of one another.

LETTERS

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Dear Berean Family,

Those original books (*Occult Invasion*, *The Seduction of Christianity*) were such a blessing in my infancy, and recently I purchased again *Seduction* to share with brethren on this unit. Not unlike the world, the prison system isn't welcoming to any truth unless it's backed up by the RCC, Church of Christ (water baptism saves), and anything that builds up one's self esteem. RS (TX, prisoner)

TBC NOTES

The Cost of Being a Berean

There are a host of things taking place in the world and the church today that can only be described as thoughtless at best. That term is actually a euphemism, a polite way of describing an era when the majority have taken leave of their senses. The Bible describes such conditions as madness, not in one's right mind, lunacy, being beside oneself, and not being of a sound mind. That seems to be a general condition that has become fairly obvious, so much so that the publishers of the *Oxford Dictionary* selected "post-truth" as the word of the year because the concept seemed to be proliferating in 2016.

As that leaven has crept into the church it puts a Berean (one who tries to check out everything he's being told or taught against the teachings of Scriptures) definitely at odds with much of what passes for Christianity, which is becoming less and less an advocate of biblical truth (2 Timothy 4:3-4). Furthermore, steadfastness in God's Word fosters opposition even when the believer's only reaction is to not go along with false teachings or practices. Today it seems that the opposition is becoming more and more malicious.

Going clear back to the publishing of *The Seduction of Christianity* some 30 years ago, we here at TBC have weathered hostilities. At the time I found such disapproval surprising. Why? Because we were simply asking those who claimed to believe in the Bible to check things out according to what it teaches. And that includes the information they receive from us. Sound reasonable?

It should. Except we are in the climate of post-truth where irrationality reigns. Our latest example stemming from opposition to our articles on the Hebrew Roots Movement implies that we may be anti-Semitic. Sadly, there is no convincing otherwise those who make such veiled accusations. Yet for anyone entertaining such slander I recommend Dave's book *Judgment Day!*, our production of *Israel, Islam, and Armageddon*, and not in the least the name of our ministry—the Bereans were not Christians, they were Jews.

While the Word of God exhorts us to count the cost in our service to the Lord, it also greatly encourages us: "Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye steadfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labour is not in vain in the Lord" (1 Corinthians 15:58).

T. A. McMAHON

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To whom it may concern,

I am from a good church where we have a good shepherd who feeds the flock of God; we have a good foundation in the full counsel of God's Word. I shared about our church because I am blessed, and when we receive your newsletter we are further blessed and edified—because we can tell that you are led and guided by the Holy Spirit. Thank you for your stand in these last and evil days. Preach the Word and let Jesus get all the glory. BR (MD)

Dear Berean Call,

Praise God for such a helpful review of Jewish "roots" and the "truth" of not being under "law." Relief that we are the righteousness of God in Christ Jesus because of His Grace! TV (email)

Dear Berean Call,

Regarding your radio broadcast on "Has Bethel Church Been Upgraded?", whatever they want to call this movement, it is all over the place. It's in big churches and small churches everywhere and because it makes them feel important, it is hard to counter. It is extremely difficult to speak with them about it also, which is sort of like Calvinists...Keep on preaching. (AE email)

Dear Berean Staff,

We really appreciate the Berean Call—only we would like to see more material. The letters you receive show well the in-depth coverage on what is written each month. May God bless you and your families in the new year. LM (IA)

QUOTABLE.....

He was better to me than all my hopes
He was better than all my fears;
He made a bridge of my broken works
And a rainbow of my tears.

The billows that guarded my sea-girt path
But carried my Lord on their crest;
When I dwell on the days of my wilderness march
I can lean on His love for the rest.

He emptied my hands of my treasured store,
And His covenant love revealed,
There was not a wound in my aching heart
But the balm of His breath hath healed.
Oh, tender and true was the chastening sore,
In wisdom, that taught and tried,
Till the soul that He sought was trusting in Him,
And nothing on earth beside.

He guided by paths that I could not see,
By ways I could not have known;
The crooked was straight, and the rough was plain
As I followed the Lord alone.
I praise Him still for the pleasant palms,
And the water-springs by the way,
For the glowing pillar of flame by night,
And the sheltering cloud by day.

—ANNA SHIPTON (1877)

NEWSWATCH

News stories are selected for reader awareness and as an exercise
in discerning the times from a biblical perspective.

DECODING JESUS: SEPARATING MAN FROM MYTH

CNN.COM, 3/7/17, "DECODING JESUS: SEPARATING MAN FROM MYTH" [EXCERPTS]: Timothy Freke was flipping through an old academic book when he came across a religious image....a drawing of a third-century amulet depicting a naked man nailed to a cross. The man was born of a virgin, preached about being "born again" and had risen from the dead after crucifixion.

But the name on the amulet wasn't Jesus. It was a pseudonym for Osiris-Dionysus, a pagan god in ancient Mediterranean culture.

There is another view of Jesus that's been emerging....A number of authors and scholars say Jesus never existed.... The debate over Jesus' existence has led to a curious role reversal. Two of the New Testament scholars who are leading the way arguing for Jesus' existence have a reputation for attacking, not defending, traditional Christianity.

[Bart] Ehrman, for example, is an agnostic.... [He argues] that virtually half of the New Testament is forged. [Yet] Ehrman...scoffed at the notion that the ancient world was full of pagan stories about dying deities that rose again. Where's the proof? he asks. Ehrman devoted an entire section of his book to critiquing Freke, the mythicist and author of "The Jesus Mysteries: Was the 'Original Jesus' a Pagan God?" who says there was an ancient Osiris-Dionysus figure who shares uncanny parallels to Jesus.

Craig A. Evans, the author of "Jesus and His World: The Archaeological Evidence," says the notion that Paul gave his life for a mythical Jesus is absurd.... "Don't you think if you were in Paul's shoes, you would have quickly discovered that there was no Jesus?" Evans asks. "If there was no Jesus, then how did the movement start?"

(<https://goo.gl/ENISMn>)

[TBC: The evidence that Jesus was a real person is so obvious that even agnostics will acknowledge the fact.]

THE LOSS OF FREE SPEECH IN THE UK

ANSWERSINGENESIS.ORG, 3/6/17, "THE LOSS OF FREE SPEECH IN THE UK AND HOW WE SHOULD REACT AS CHRISTIANS" [EXCERPTS]: The ruling by a magistrate's court in Bristol, convicting two street preachers (Michael Overd and Michael

Stockwell) of a public order offence is just another example of the loss of freedom of speech for Christians in the UK. The prosecutor argued that publicly quoting the King James Bible in modern Britain should "be considered to be abusive and is a criminal matter."

During the trial, the prosecutor argued: "to say to someone that Jesus is the only God is not a matter of truth. To the extent that they are saying that the only way to God is through Jesus, that cannot be a truth."

(<https://goo.gl/13Wgw2>)

CNN'S TOUR DE FARCE

CHRISTIANHEADLINES.COM, 3/7/17, "REZA ASLAN DOESN'T GET RELIGION: CNN'S TOUR DE FARCE" [EXCERPTS]: Reza Aslan's "Believer," a "spiritual adventure series," it's called...on CNN, explores belief systems from around the world. But in a recent opinion piece at CNN, Aslan (who identifies himself as a Sufi Muslim) makes it clear that he doesn't believe there are any essential differences between the world's religions. As a matter of fact, he seems to think all religions are basically subjective nonsense.

"I know better than to take the truth claims of any religion (including my own) too seriously," he writes. And considering the "conflict" and "bigotry" religion inspires and the way it clashes with reason, Aslan thinks it's "understandable why so many people view religious faith as the hallmark of an irrational mind."

Yes, ladies and gentlemen, this is your tour guide to the religions of the world. But he goes much further, contrasting these recently evolved "symbols and metaphors" we call religion with something more "mysterious, "ineffable," and "emotional": faith.

Quoting the Buddha, Aslan likens the religions of the world to different wells, which believers dig in order to drink the same water. In other words, all religions are equally true. All roads, so to speak, lead to Heaven, resurrection, enlightenment, Nirvana, or whatever else your endgame may be.

(<https://goo.gl/uW23Lk>)

[TBC: Aslan's Sufi mysticism has unthinkingly accepted the huge contradictions in religious teachings, identifying them as coming from the "same water." Man's dilemma (sin) is never solved in Sufi mystical experience.]

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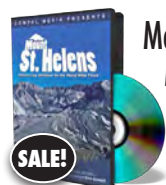
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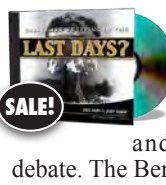
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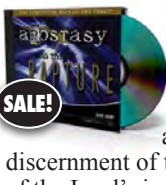
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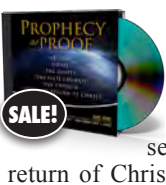
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