

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

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

Judgment Day Approaching

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ISRAEL IS THE major topic of the Bible. The word "Israel" occurs 2,565 times in 2,293 verses. More than enough prophecies have already been fulfilled in Israel's unique history to prove that "the God of Israel" (203 times) is the true God. In Zechariah 12:2-3, He declares:

Behold, 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. And in that day will I make Jerusalem a burdensome stone for all people: all that burden themselves with it shall be cut in pieces, though all the people of the earth be gathered together against it.

This is an amazing prophecy not only that Jerusalem, which was then in ruins, would become a burden to the whole world, but that all of Israel's neighbors would be united against her. They have fought one another in the past. Yet today, for the first time in history, "all the people round about" are united by Islam to destroy Israel.

For more than [60] years, Israel's neighbors have launched surprise attacks against her and she has proved too strong militarily, even though they outnumber her forty to one. God said, "I [will] make...Judah like an hearth of fire among the wood... and they shall devour all the people round about..." (Zech 12:6). Soundly defeated every time, her Muslim neighbors feign a desire for peace, hoping to deceive and ultimately destroy her—a strategy established by Muhammad.

The real battle is not between Arabs and Jews, but between Allah and Yahweh. There is no question of the outcome, but it will be costly for both sides: Israel will be severely punished for rebellion, and her enemies will be destroyed.

Exactly as foretold, Jerusalem is a burden to all people of the world. More than 60,000 individual votes have been cast in the UN against Israel. This tiny nation with one 1,000th of the world's population has occupied one-third of the United Nations' time—a burden indeed!

Skeptics accuse Christians of trying to fit current events to the Bible, claiming that no one recognized such prophecies until Israel was formed in 1948. On the contrary, for centuries most evangelical Christians have preached from the Bible the return of the Jews to their own land. Even John Owen, a leading Calvinist, wrote in the 17th century: "The Jews shall be gathered...into their homeland."¹ This was also the opinion of the poet John Milton, of John Bunyan, Roger Williams, Oliver Cromwell, and many others.

Martin Luther wrote: "If the Jews are Abraham's descendants...[they should be] back in their own land [with] a state of their own. But...[they are] scattered and despised."² He therefore wrote off the Jews as God's chosen people and persecuted them. But today the Jews are back in their own land after 2,500 years of being scattered worldwide, speaking Hebrew just as King David did 3,000 years ago. No other people have returned to reestablish

their own nation and language after being cast out of their land for such a period of time.

Some prophecies applicable only to our day are frightening, foretelling God's judgment. The language is often graphic:

If I whet my glittering sword, and mine hand take hold on judgment; I will render vengeance to mine enemies...my sword shall devour flesh...(Deut 32:41-42). For, behold, the LORD will come... to render his anger with fury...by his sword...(Isa 66:15,16). And the slain of the LORD shall be at that day from one end of the earth even unto the other...they shall not be lamented, neither gathered, nor buried.... (Jer 25:33)

The question is often asked as to whether the United States (or Canada, Australia, et al.) is in Bible prophecy. Of course! Scripture declares that every nation in the world will join together to invade Israel in the last days and be destroyed in the battle of Armageddon: "I will gather all nations [surely "all" includes America] against Jerusalem to battle; and the city shall be taken....Then shall the LORD go forth, and fight against those nations..." (Zech 12:9; 14:2-4).

But wouldn't the United States be spared for being Israel's friend? In fact, the U.S. State Department has often been against Israel. This was true in the Yom Kippur War. In a sneak attack (October 1973), 80,000 Egyptians overwhelmed 500 Israeli defenders along the Suez and 1,400 Syrian tanks swept down the Golan with only one Israeli tank brigade in service to oppose them. Israel was taken by surprise. Most of her armed forces were on holiday. The initial success of the attackers so electrified the Arab world that nine other Arab states rushed to get in on the slaughter.

Historian David A. Rausch writes: "Jordan's King Hussein sent two of his best armored brigades to Syria. Saudi Arabia and Kuwait financially underwrote the huge cost while sending thousands of troops to fight the Israelis. Kuwait lent her British-made Lightning jets to Egypt. Libya's Muammar Qaddafi turned over forty French-made Mirage III fighters and 100 tanks. Iraqi MiG fighter jets as well as tank and infantry divisions fought on the Golan Heights, while a squadron of Iraqi Hunter jets were utilized by Egypt. Arabs predicted the extermination of the Jewish state and the 'liberation' of Palestine..."³

The Soviet Union blocked any UN attempt at a cease-fire and re fortified the Arab forces with armaments and supplies by sea and air. It was the closest Israel ever came to being defeated. But when the war ended, the Israeli tank columns were on the outskirts of Damascus and Cairo and could have taken those cities had they not turned back. Tragically, Israel suffered about 3,000 dead—which would be comparable to the U.S. losing 150,000. Except for a series of miracles from God, Israel would not have survived.

Where was her friend, the United States? Dozens of notices were sent to the Nixon White House by America's National Security Administration (NSA) that an Arab Pearl Harbor was about to be launched against Israel. Nixon sat on them. Kissinger hid at the Waldorf Astoria hotel in New York the day of the attack and waited another three days before convening the UN Security Council. Declining to rush desperately needed military supplies to Israel, the White House said it had to be careful not to upset the Arabs and cause an oil crisis.

Six years earlier, on June 8, 1967, the fourth morning of the “Six-day War,” the *USS Liberty*, an electronics eavesdropping vessel, arrived off the Sinai coast and began to suck in every Israeli military communication, relaying it all to the British Secret Service’s giant computer installation on Cyprus. From there, complete maps of every Israeli military move were transmitted in advance to the Arab armed forces. With that help, the Arabs might have been able to use their overwhelming numerical superiority to turn the tide of the war. Israel had no choice except to sink the *Liberty*. Of course the media screamed about this “cold-blooded attack.” No one believed Israel’s public excuse that the *Liberty* had been mistaken for a hostile Egyptian ship—and neither the U.S. nor Israel has publicly told the truth.

Yes, the United States, too, will attack Israel and will be punished at Armageddon. God declares plainly that He will bring all nations against Israel to destroy them:

In the latter days...I will bring thee against my land...my fury shall come up in my face...there shall be a great shaking in the land of Israel...the fishes of the sea, and the fowls of the heaven, and the beasts of the field, and all creeping things [on] the earth, and all the men [on] the face of the earth, shall shake at my presence...[all nations] shall know that I am the Lord. (Eze 38:16-23)

This is terrifying language! What causes this “great shaking” of the entire planet and every living creature upon it? God is personally coming to earth as He did at Mount Sinai when He gave the Law—and He is going to take vengeance upon the enemies of Israel!

There are two specific reasons for God’s judgment: “I will also gather all nations...into the valley of Jehoshaphat [between Jerusalem and the Mount of Olives, where God miraculously destroyed invading nations without Israel lifting a finger (2 Chr 21:10-25)], and will plead with [punish] them there for my people and for my heritage Israel, whom they have [1] scattered among the nations, and [2] parted my land” (Joel 3:2).

Of course, all nations have participated in persecuting and scattering the Jews from country to country for 2,500 years. The second reason for God’s judgment falling on all nations, however, is something that has only occurred within our generation: “they have...parted [divided] my land.”

Israel has been overrun by invaders many times—but never did any conqueror divide the land. The victor does not share its spoils with others. Since World War I, however, all nations have joined to divide the land of Israel.

The 1917 Balfour Declaration, the 1919 Paris Peace Conference, and the 1922 Declaration of Principles by the League of Nations all recognized that the land that had become known as “Palestine” (since the Romans renamed Israel in A.D. 135) belonged to the Jews. It was set aside to become the national homeland of the Jewish people “internationally guaranteed, and...formally recognized to rest upon ancient historic connection.” Of course, history ties Israel to all of “Palestine.”

Britain was given the mandate to see that the Jews were safely settled there. The discovery of huge reservoirs of oil under Arab lands caused Britain to keep Jewish immigrants out and let in tens of thousands of Arabs. Just when millions of Jews desperately needed a haven to which they could flee from Nazi Germany, Britain’s 1939 White Paper limited Jewish immigrants to 10,000 per year for a maximum of five years, plus an additional 25,000 “refugees” during that period—then the door to Palestine would be shut entirely to the Jews. Since the Nazis had marked for extinction 11 million Jews in Europe, the quota of 25,000 defied God and conscience.

A year earlier, President Roosevelt had gathered delegates from 32 countries in Evian, France, to discuss the worsening plight of the Jews. Roosevelt made it clear that the United States

would do nothing. Britain said there was no room in Palestine and it was not to be discussed. Professing their great sympathy for Europe’s Jews that everyone knew were to be exterminated, the nations offered various excuses why they could do nothing to intervene.

Hitler shrewdly declared, “We...are ready to put all these criminals at the disposal of these countries...even on luxury ships.” When the conference ended with the Jews completely abandoned, Hitler mocked the participants: “It was recently regarded as wholly incomprehensible why Germany did not wish to preserve in its population...the Jews...[yet these] countries seem in no way anxious to [receive them] now that the opportunity offers.” The entire world was Hitler’s partner in destroying the Jews!

In 1944, Hitler offered to sell to the allies 500,000 Hungarian Jews for \$2 each—and no one would take them! England said there was “no room” in Palestine for them! In 1943, Britain and America had agreed to say and do nothing about the Holocaust, fearful that if pressed, Hitler would dump the Jews on his critics. The Allies steadfastly refused the repeated urgent appeals from Jewish organizations to bomb the rail lines going in and out of the extermination camps. God will judge all nations!

After the war, a trickle of emaciated survivors of Hitler’s death machines sought to reach “Palestine” in half-sinking ships. Some who got within sight of the land God had given to them as an everlasting inheritance (1 Chr 16:15-18) were driven back by the British navy and put into internment camps on Cyprus. Many who did manage to find shelter within what would become the new Jewish State of Israel were rounded up by the British and removed to those camps. Britain created Jordan out of most of the Promised Land. The demise of the British Empire, upon which “the sun never sank,” can be counted from the time Britain betrayed the Jews—one more fulfillment of the prophecy, “I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee...” (Gen 12:3).

When the UN finally voted to partition Palestine on November 29, 1947 (UN Res. 181), God’s “chosen people” received about 13 percent of the land that had once belonged to them! Thus Joel’s prophecy was fulfilled that all nations would join to divide Israel. The only part of that prophecy remaining to be fulfilled is the judgment on the nations for having “parted” God’s land: “The land shall not be sold [partitioned] for ever; for the land is mine” (Lev 25:23).

God’s anger is growing hotter against the nations of this world for robbing Israel of what He gave to her. Yet in continued defiance of God, every peace proposal that the West has imposed upon Israel has involved further dividing of God’s land. President Bush, a professing Christian, originated the so-called “road map to peace,” which calls for a further dividing of the land of Israel. He ought to tremble and repent, as should President Putin, the EU, and the UN, who have joined Bush to make up the “quartet” sponsoring this plan.

On her part, Israel has been willing to give away more and more land in exchange for promises of “peace” from the PLO in spite of the fact that its charter calls for the destruction of Israel and that its maps and those of the entire Arab world do not even acknowledge Israel’s existence. The fact that Israel has been forced to do so by the West is no excuse. For this she will be punished severely in what is called “the time of Jacob’s trouble” (Jer 30:7). Yes, God will deliver her, but only after two-thirds of all Jews on earth have been killed (Zec 13:8,9).

There is no more appropriate place and way to destroy the nations that have abused Israel than when they, in the spirit of Satan, come to effect once and for all what Hitler called the “final solution to the Jewish problem.” Believers are to meet together to encourage and exhort one another from Scripture, “so much the more, as ye see the day [of judgment] approaching” (Heb 10:25). Fulfilled prophecies are heralding that day as never before.

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QUESTIONS & ANSWERS

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QUESTION: I read with empathy and agreement your excellent article “Jews, Gentiles, and the Church.” However, one thing you said puzzled me. It was this: “Essential also is an understanding that the church was created through offering to both Jews and Gentiles a ‘new covenant’ relationship with God.” My understanding of the “new covenant” is Jeremiah 31:31-40. This covenant is identified clearly as the New Covenant. It is a covenant addressed solely to the Nation of Israel. The church has no part in it—indeed it will not be instituted until after the close of the church age (the catching up of the church). Your statement, quoted above, seems to imply that the new covenant was offered to the church. Is that what you meant, or have I misunderstood you?

RESPONSE: As you note, the Scriptures speak of “covenants.” When Israel came to Sinai, and before the giving of the Law, the Lord said, “Now therefore, if ye will obey my voice indeed, and *keep my covenant*, then ye shall be a peculiar treasure unto me above all people: for all the earth is mine: and ye shall be unto me a kingdom of priests, and an holy nation. These are the words which thou shalt speak unto the children of Israel” (Exodus 19:5-6, our emphasis).

The only “covenant” in view is the one that God made with Abraham (Genesis 12:1-3), which would be a blessing to all nations. We know this because the Law that was given, beginning in chapter 20, limits the priesthood to the tribe of Levi alone. Yet, in Exodus 19, the Lord states to all Israel “If ye will obey my voice indeed, and keep my covenant, then ye shall be a peculiar treasure unto me above all people: for all the earth is mine: And ye shall be unto me a kingdom of priests, and an holy nation.” Israel refused, and the Law was instituted.

That offer would be repeated centuries later by the promised Seed: “Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life” (John 5:24). It was the *fullness of time*. “But when the fullness of the time was come, God sent forth his Son, made of a woman, made under the law, to redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons” (Galatians 4:4-5).

In his first epistle, Peter echoes the words spoken by God in Exodus 19 (1 Peter 1:1). “Ye also, as lively stones, are built up a spiritual house, an holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices, acceptable to God by Jesus Christ.... But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light” (1 Peter 2:5, 9).

The New Covenant is not “instituted?” It is “solely for Israel?” The longest quotation of any Old Testament passage by any writer in the New Testament is said to be in Hebrews 8:8-12. There, the unidentified writer quotes Jeremiah 31:31-34 in full. It is the core of the inspired writer’s argument that Jesus is “the mediator of a better covenant” and that the old covenant (the Law) was insufficient. The inspired writer proclaims, “For if that first covenant had been faultless, then should no place have been sought for the second” (Hebrews 8:7). The covenant of Jeremiah 31 must be in operation. The language will not allow a differing opinion.

Between Hebrews 4:14 and 10:18, the writer argues that the sacrifices performed by the priesthood of the old covenant could not bring about the forgiveness of sins. Therefore (he concludes), a new sacrifice and a new priesthood were necessary. They came

as a result of Christ’s once-for-all death on the Cross. In light of the “operational” New Covenant, the Old Covenant has ceased to have a role in the lives of New Testament believers, for, “...he saith, A new covenant, he hath made the first old. Now that which decayeth and waxeth old is ready to vanish away” (Hebrews 8:13). In Hebrews 10:16-17 he clinches the argument by repeating Jeremiah 31:31-34 in Hebrews 10:16-17 to show that Jesus’ sacrifice of himself as the “Great High Priest” is the one truly effectual sacrifice for sins. Consequently, the New Covenant has no need of bloody sacrifices or Levitical priests to offer the sacrifices. As Jesus declared, “it is finished!” (John 19:30).

QUESTION: A neurosurgeon applied electric currents to the brain’s surface. Probing some areas would trigger whole memory sequences—even a familiar song that sounded so clear the patient thought it was being played in the operating room. So it seems that the memory is physical, yet you say thoughts even about physical things are nonphysical. If memory is part of the brain, then I can’t see why thoughts, too, can’t be part of the brain. If memory is nonphysical and has a physical source, then why can’t thoughts have a physical source, too (i.e., the brain)?

RESPONSE: First of all, even the memory of a physical event must result from its having been observed by a nonphysical intelligence (i.e., the spirit within us), or there would be no memory imprinted upon the brain, which in itself neither observes, thinks, nor understands. Memory involves thought, and thoughts are clearly not physical because they include nonphysical ideas such as truth, justice, perfection, etc. Amazingly, however, because of the mysterious connection of the mind to the brain, what the mind thinks is recorded upon the brain.

Obviously, no event of itself creates memories. Neither is the mechanism by which a memory is recorded the source of the event, nor is it the source of the memory of the event. Thus the brain is no more the source of memories physically stored on it than a video or a DVD, an audio cassette, or a computer is the source of the sights and sounds physically stored on it.

Dr. Wilder Penfield described the brain as “a computer programmed by something independent of itself, the mind.” That a computer (or the brain) can have “memories” of ideas or events implanted on its physical structure does not mean that the computer (or brain) originated such ideas or events. Just as an intelligence that exists outside and is independent of the computer must put into it whatever “memory” it has, so it is the mind (the independent intelligence) that imprints memories on the brain.

Simple logic tells you that if thoughts originate with the brain, then the person living in that body is not doing the thinking but is at the mercy of the brain—and who will monitor the brain to see whether its thoughts are accurate? The physical brain serves many essential functions, but in all of them it is either directed by the mind or operates as an integrated part of autonomic body systems. The brain itself is not an intelligence. The fact that memories are physically recorded in certain parts of the brain and can be awakened by an electrical stimulus of such areas does not say that the brain either originated or even knows the significance of these memories. In the case of an event that was observed, both the awareness of the event and comprehension of its relevance requires a nonphysical mind. A memory has no existence without a mind to recognize and give it meaning.

LETTERS

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Dear Brother T. A.,

I want to express my appreciation for the newsletter that I have received for over 20 years now. I thank you for exposing the many false teachers that permeate our society more now than ever, a true biblical sign of these latter days (2 Thessalonians 2:1-3). This is especially seen among some in the Pentecostal or Charismatic movements, who have twisted the Scriptures to a perverted farce, which does more to push the unbeliever further away from God, than to draw them. Our late brother Dave Hunt was a true defender of the Faith, and to see this ministry keep up that good work is a blessing. GV (PA, prisoner)

Dear T. A. & Staff,

I loved the two-part article on psychology and psychotherapy. You are right on target, as usual! From personal experience I believe this whole thing of psychotherapy is a hoax. They come up with some fancy title and hand you a med, [and] of course you'll need repeat visits and more meds.

I have several Christian friends who are convinced that their loved ones need this "therapy," as the Scriptures and truth cannot help. Part of the problem is that those outside the body of Christ choose not to hear scripture and will not receive salvation, leaving them to their own devices. MT (NY)

Dear Berean Call,

In regard to today's podcast with Mr. Fisher about the Hebrew Roots Movement, I was especially struck with your anecdote about the seminar recently at the University of Oregon with the Jewish rabbi and Muslim cleric. Why would any serious student wishing to

understand the relationship between Christianity and Judaism ever consider joining the HRM to become more "biblically Jewish" so as to be more like Jesus? After all, it was the Judaism of Christ's time (as "eclectic" a mix as you mentioned) that demanded the crucifixion of our Lord Jesus in the first place!

To persuade a believer of Christ to become more like the mob who chose Barabbas over Christ makes as much sense to me as attempting to persuade a biblical Jew to become a biblical Pagan. [One is the] antithesis of the other—just as Jesus was [the] antithesis of the so-called 'biblical Judaism' of his time. Great podcast! PS (email)

Dear TBC Staff:

Since the '90s, I have been both delighted and encouraged by your most vital ministry for the Lord. Thank you so much for encouraging the saints to stay true to God's Word, in thought, word, and deed. May our Lord continue to use you for His church, so long as He wills it! HG (Australia)

Dear T. A. and Staff:

I struggled with this note because I rarely find fault with the newsletter. I will just state, however, that in the April issue Tom wrote, "If a church *holds to the biblical gospel and the biblical Jesus*, even if they are buried in a heap of worldly teachings and programs, my recommendation is to attend that fellowship." I contend that if they are buried by worldly teachings and programs, I would strongly suggest they also have false teaching. JA (OR)

Dear TBC:

I know a lot of Christians who went to see the Mel Gibson movie with high hopes of seeing a movie where the bad guys weren't the ones wearing the collar or to see (in this case) Jesus Christ portrayed a little more accurately than the usual tripe of the Hollywood way. I know a lot of disappointed Christians. But really, Mel Gibson?

What made people think Mel Gibson (or the movie industry) would get anything about Christ's life right? That's like asking one political party to produce ads for their opponents. Seriously? PA (email)

QUOTABLE.....

Backsliding resides in the heart, and these other things are only external aids to the devil. When a man is backslidden in heart, he tends to get a little bit bored. If a glowing, earnest Christian bores you a little; if when you are in a little group drinking coffee or soda, and it bores you a little or embarrasses you when somebody brings up the thought of God, you had better look to your own heart. Whenever talk of God and His Word and His work in the world bores us, be sure that we are wrong inside.

—A. W. TOZER

END NOTES.....

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- 3 David A. Rausch, *The Middle East Maze: Israel and Her Neighbors* (Chicago: Moody Press, 1991), 57.

TBC NOTES

The Mind Invaders...You're Kidding!

No! We're stunned, we're delighted, we're surprised, we're thrilled, and we're not kidding.

Dave Hunt's novel *The Mind Invaders* has been included in the PBS list of "America's 100 most-loved books brought to you by The Great American Read." It was a surprise to us because we have no idea how it made the list. The book was based upon a screenplay that I wrote with Dave in the late 1970s which Dave then novelized a decade later. It was originally titled *The Archon Conspiracy* yet was hardly one of Dave's most popular books.

This has taken us all by surprise so we covet your prayers for wisdom to discern what the Lord would have us do regarding what He is obviously orchestrating. At this point we are only encouraging others to vote for *The Mind Invaders* as a "favorite book on The Great American Read." The voting rules can be found at:

<https://www.pbs.org/the-great-american-read/about/how-to-vote/>

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NEWSWATCH

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

WE ARE DEALING WITH THE CHRISTIANS

CHRISTIANTODAY.COM, 5/22/18, “‘DON’T WORRY WE ARE DEALING WITH THE CHRISTIANS’: ALGERIA’S CRACKDOWN ON CHURCHES” [EXCERPTS]: Largely dormant for more than 10 years, a law in Algeria which permits the outright persecution of Christians is shaking back into life.

But even after 2006, when laws controlling non-Islamic worship were introduced, the former French colony tended to continue its largely tolerant attitude towards minorities.

‘Since November last year they have been cracking down on the churches,’ says Ali Khidri, general secretary of the Bible Society in Algeria....With presidential elections looming next year and the government under pressure from the Islamist MSP opposition party, ministers are using the 12-year-old legislation to instil a new crackdown on churches.

The 2006 law means non-Islamic worship can only take place in buildings officially sanctioned by the government’s National Commission on Religious Worship. Those gathering in ‘house churches’ could face a prison sentence of between one and three years and a fine of between 20,000 and 60,000 AD (\$1,400-\$4,200).

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“HUSBAND AND WIFE” REMOVED

ANSWERSIN GENESIS.ORG, 5/21/18, “US EPISCOPAL CHURCH REMOVES “HUSBAND AND WIFE” FROM MARRIAGE LITURGY” [EXCERPTS]: We’re increasingly seeing churches ignore God’s clear Word and bowing to the pressures of our culture. The US Episcopal church already ordains practicing homosexual clergy and offers gay wedding services. Now they’re taking this blatant erosion of biblical truth a step further by removing the terms “husband and wife” and “procreation of children” from their marriage liturgy after gay and lesbian couples complained it was “offensive and exclusionary.”

The “union of husband and wife,” is being replaced with, “the union of two people.” And....the purpose of marriage will replace “for the procreation of children” with “for the gift of children,” reportedly “to make it more relevant for same-sex couples who may wish to adopt.”

Now, marriage is not just the “union of two people.” Marriage is the union of

a man and woman, where the two become one (Genesis 2:24). And marriage is not the Episcopal church’s institution to redefine. It’s ultimately not a church, government, social, or cultural institution. It’s God’s institution. He ordained marriage when he created the first man and woman in Genesis 1. Since he created it from the very beginning, only he has the authority to define what it is.

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YOUR BEST LIFE NOW OR LATER?

CONCERNINGTHE TIMES.COM, 11/18/17, “YOUR BEST LIFE NOW OR LATER?” [EXCERPTS]: Christians and non-Christians in the West are being lied to....What is the lie being sold? It is the promise of having your best life now. What makes the lie all the more deceptive is that it is being sold to people wrapped in a big beautiful box complete with ribbons, bows, and a gift tag naming Jesus as the giver and you as the recipient. The problem is that the Bible never promises anyone your best life now, but it promises believers that in this life we will have tribulation, that Jesus is coming soon and he will repay us according to what we have done.

Your best life now isn’t just a best selling book by a prosperity gospel preacher; it is the widespread unbiblical mindset that puts the focus on the god of self in lieu of the One true God. There are a multiplicity of reasons for the popularity of the your-best-life-now type of message being so popular but I think we can dial it down to one primary reason, and that is the idol of self. The self-focused your-best-life-now message is in diametric opposition to what the Bible teaches.

I’m not calling out or judging anyone’s personal life or sin. What I am calling out is the unbiblical teaching that people like Joel Osteen, Creflo Dollar, Paula White, Benny Hinn, Mike Murdock, Kenneth Copeland and many others preach. The me-centered or your-best-life-now teaching isn’t something isolated to the television prosperity gospel preacher crowd....we have replaced the gospel message of sin, judgment, repentance, grace, and atonement with words like acceptance, togetherness, doing life, experience, and belonging. The approach and methodologies are multifaceted and the hook is delivered in numerous ways but the underlying message is always the same...

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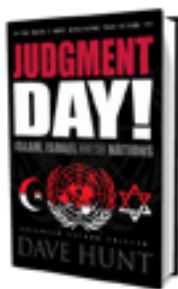
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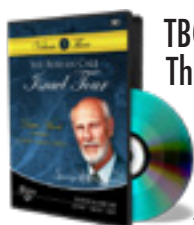
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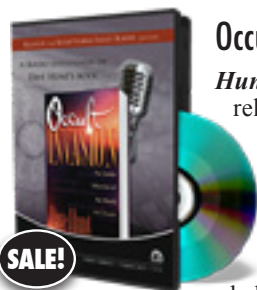
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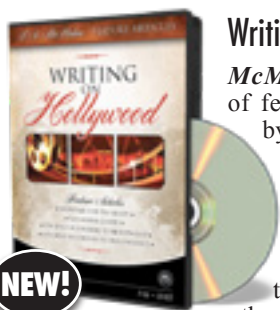
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