



*"Blow ye the trumpet in Zion,
and sound an alarm in my holy
mountain: let all the inhabitants
of the land tremble: for the day
of the LORD cometh, for it is
nigh at hand;" Joel 2:1*

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If We Would, We May

*If any man will . . . let him follow
me, He says, and some will rise
and go after Him, but others
give no heed to His voice. So the
gulf opens between man and
man, between those who will
and those who will not. Silently,
terribly the work goes on, as
each one decides whether he
will hear or ignore the voice of
invitation.*

*Unknown to the world, perhaps
unknown even to the individual,
the work of separation takes
place. Each hearer of the Voice
must decide for himself, and he
must decide on the basis of the
evidence the message affords.*

*There will be no thunder sound, no
heavenly sign or light from
heaven. The Man is His own
proof. The marks in His hands
and feet are the insignia of His
rank and office. He will not put
Himself again on trial; He will
not argue, but the morning of
the judgment will confirm what
men in the twilight have
decided. And those who would
follow Him must accept His
conditions. Let him, He says, and
there is no appeal from His
words. He will use no coercion,
but neither will He compromise.
Men cannot make the terms;
they merely agree to them.*

*Thousands turn from Him because
they will not meet His
conditions. He watches them as
they go, for He loves them, but
He will make no concessions.*

*Admit one soul into the Kingdom
by compromise and that
Kingdom is no longer secure.
Christ will be Lord, or He will be
Judge. Every man must decide
whether he will take Him as Lord
now or face Him as Judge then.*

A.W. Tozer (1897-1963)

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- Section 1 -

WORLD WIDE SOCIALISM REVISITED

The United Nations has embarked on a program to establish world-wide socialism. The one world government the United Nations has in mind is a socialist state. The following news clip clearly demonstrates this to be the UN objective.

"The United Nations, which marked a 'WORLD DAY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE' on Sunday, Feb. 20, 2011, is calling for a 'new era' in which all the people of the world have access to basic services and 'decently' paying jobs."

"According to the U.N., 80 percent of the world's people lack 'adequate social protection'."

"To eliminate the problem, the U.N. is trying to establish what it calls a global 'social protection floor.' Such a 'floor' would guarantee food security, health services for all, and old-age pensions for the 80 percent of the world's people believed to lack such protections."

"In his message urging 'social justice

for all,' U.N. Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon said, 'No one should live below a certain income level, and everyone should have access to essential public services such as water and sanitation, health and education'."

The word "social justice" is code for communism.

NO CLEARER DEFINITION OF SOCIALISM COULD POSSIBLY BE GIVEN

It is clearly a world-wide government based on socialism that the UN seeks. Such objectives at first glance seem to be noble and good. The problem is that history teaches that socialism has never delivered on any of these promises. In fact history clearly teaches that socialism delivers poverty, persecution, oppression, imprisonment, hunger, mass murder, destruction and a totalitarian state with a totalitarian dictator. Socialism is incapable of

"Give me a child for four years and the influence will not be broken." -- Lenin

producing anything else, let the record speak for itself. Sooner or later socialism pulls everything down, whether it is morality or the family or law or property or productivity or life itself.

I believe that there is a world-wide socialist government coming and what the United Nations is now advocating is setting the stage for the arrival of the Kingdom of the beast.

THE KINGDOM OF ANTICHRIST IS A WORLD-WIDE SOCIALIST STATE

The scriptures reveal this to be the case. In Revelation we have a description of the kingdom of the beast. That description reveals classic socialism. "And he had power to give life unto the image of the beast, that the image of the beast should both speak, and cause that as many as would not worship the image of the beast **should be killed**. And he causeth **all**, both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond, to receive a mark in their right hand, or

in their foreheads: And that no man might buy or sell, save he that had the mark, or the name of the beast, or the number of his name" (Revelation 13:15-17).

First: notice that in this kingdom all are included, there are no exceptions. The government is the final and absolute authority; *this is classic socialism*. We see that which each person can buy or sell is controlled by government. Everyone in the whole world will receive the same goods and services. That is exactly what the United Nations is now proposing, that is communism. Remember that communism is the final phase in the destination of socialism.

We can assume a number of things about the socialist kingdom of Antichrist. We can assume them because they are always true of socialism and communism wherever they have been found or wherever they are found in the world today.

The first fact about socialism is that in its

final stages it resorts to mass murder to consolidate its power. History tells us that Stalin murdered 20-50 million men and women in the process of consolidating his Socialist Soviet Republic. History also tells us that Hitler murdered 20 million men and women as he consolidated his Socialist National State. History tells that Mao murdered 40 million men and women as he consolidated his Chinese Communist State. There are other cases as well, not only did they murder but they persecuted and imprisoned and tortured and abused multiplied millions, history records the story. The US congressional records show that 150 million peoples have been slaughtered by the socialists, in the last century, in times of peace.

We see that this will be true of the socialist dictatorship of Antichrist. The book of Revelation reveals that 1/4 to 1/2 half of the world's population will be slaughtered by Antichrist as he seeks to consolidate his socialist kingdom. He will slaughter those who stand in the way of his socialist system, tribulation Saints, Jews, Muslims and Capitalists alike will be put to the sword by him, for refusal to conform to his socialist agenda. That will include all who refuse accept his program and receive the certifying mark of the beast.

Second: notice that socialism always breeds despotic dictators. The masses have only one purpose and that is to serve the dictator. Oppression is the center piece of socialism, history records it. The masses will finally rise up and throw off the repression of socialism if given an opportunity. Socialism can only be maintained at the barrel of a gun. Again we have a reflection of the kingdom of the beast.

HERE ARE SOME TERRIFYING QUOTATIONS CONCERNING SOCIALISM:

John Stormer; author of 'None dare call it treason,' "In those countries where socialism has control, millions have been murdered; the legacy of communism is that it is the greatest killing machine in all of human history."

Hon. Ed Meese; former US Attorney General. "Millions have been enslaved, imprisoned and oppressed by communism; instead of the utopian society you have murder and enslavement."

Howard Phillips; former director of the US Office of Economic Opportunity. "You would think that if the 20th, century was the most murderous of centuries, everyone would say, 'Let's find out why?' The truth is that it is forbidden to ask that question because the ideas that brought about those murders are still being taught in our schools and colleges today. There are thousands of socialist and hard core communist professors in our colleges today."

Jim Simpson; former White House Staff Economist. "The communists are responsible for the mass murder of more people in times of peace than in all the wars of human history combined."

History has proven beyond any shadow of a doubt that the free enterprise system provides more for anyone willing to work (a biblical injunction) for it, than any other system.

The goal of socialism is communism.
-Vladimir Lenin

The question arises as to why would the left be pushing their socialist agenda on the world? There are only two possibilities. They are **IGNORANT** or they are **EVIL**. If you read the books and speeches of the left you will be see without doubt that the socialists are tearing down the present structure of society to build their brave new socialist world. And they are very close to reaching their goal.

Some mistakenly say that communism is dead. Today communism is very much alive, though sometimes under a different name. Most people under fifty years of age have no idea what communism means. Many of those who promote socialism do not understand the end result of socialism.

Today 1½ billion people live in communist countries. The openly communist countries are China, Cuba, North Korea and Viet Nam. There are six countries in Latin America which are openly communist. The force behind Russia is still communism. Many countries of the world are heading down the path of socialism which ends up ultimately in a communist state. Europe is deeply entrenched in socialism and being prepared to accept the socialism that Antichrist will deliver.

America is heading down the road to socialism at a breakneck pace. There is no doubt in my mind that when Americans wake up and realize what socialism means to them, they will demonstrate and rebel against the authority. The authority will do what socialists always do when their agenda is challenged. American blood will flow in the streets.

The main stream media has imbibed deeply of socialism. As a result of this influence, the political parties, both Liberal and Conservative, Democratic and Republican have shifted to the left of center on the political spectrum. The Liberals and Democrats have shifted into socialism. There is now no opposition to socialism. The socialist agenda has infiltrated both mainstream America and Canada.

In 1958 a book was published entitled, "The Naked Communist" by Cleon Skowsky. This book outlined the communist agenda; it lists 45

communist goals to subvert America from within. Every one of those goals has been accomplished and no one seems to notice or care. For the last 50 years these people have been (no doubt some in high places) behind the scenes to move the people and the culture in a direction that is designed to destroy it.

Some of these goals are:

GOAL # 28: "To eliminate prayer in the schools on the grounds that it violates the principle of "separation of church and state."

GOAL # 40: "Discredit the family as an institution. Encourage promiscuity and easy divorce." The family is the basic building block of society and its removal will bring society down.

GOAL # 17: "Gain control of the schools and use them as a transmission belt for the promotion of socialism. Soften the curriculum."

GOAL # 24: "Eliminate all laws governing obscenity by calling them 'censorship' and a violation of free speech and a free press."

GOAL # 25: "Break down cultural standards of morality by promoting pornography in books, magazines, motion pictures and TV."

GOAL # 26: "Present homosexuality, degeneracy, and

promiscuity as normal, natural and healthy.”

GOAL # 20-21: “Infiltrate the press and gain control of key positions in radio, TV, and motion pictures.”

GOAL # 27: “Infiltrate revealed religion and replace it with ‘social’ religion and discredit the bible.”

Another objective is to use the feminist movement either to remove the father from the home or to negate his role allowing the state to take his place. When Hillary Clinton quoted the socialist line saying, “It takes a village to raise a child,” she understood that the village is the state. The state intervenes in the life of the child through indoctrination in the school system. Lenin said, “Give me a child for four years and the influence will not be broken.” Under socialism the state is the final and ultimate authority and seeks total control of all of society. Freedom is eliminated altogether.

The environmental movement has been taken over by those who are seeking to destroy productivity.

Before a new order can be established the old must be torn down. The “brave new world” is the world of socialism.

Socialism makes the state the final authority in place of God. It makes man an

animal instead of a unique being made in the image of God and accountable to God. Man can be used and manipulated or destroyed at the whim of society and ultimately a dictator. We see this in action in the kingdom of the beast, “*And he had power to give life unto the image of the beast, that the image of the beast should both speak, and cause that as many as would not worship the image of the beast should be killed*” (Revelation 13:15).

This explains why Satan has chosen socialism as the form of government for his kingdom of the beast. Blessing comes from the state instead of God. The states blessings are in the form of welfare and social benefits. The state is revered and worshipped in place of God. Satan’s plan is for Antichrist to be head of the state and to be worshipped in place of God.

- ♦ Nietzsche tried to prove to the world that God was dead.

- ♦ Darwin tried to prove to the world that man is a part of the animal kingdom.
- ♦ Karl Marx realized that the philosophies of these two men would legitimize his own philosophy of communism.

Karl Marx knew that their ideas would justify the brutality and slaughter necessary to implement communism world-wide. He attempted to force communism on the world by revolution. In 1883, when he died, only nine people showed up for his funeral. The assumption was that communism was dead.

In October of that same year another group met with a different approach to establishing communism. This group was called the Fabien Socialist Society. They decided they would bring socialism to the world incrementally, a little at a time. They called it socialism by evolution instead of revolution. Socialism by evolution, over the last fifty years, has infiltrated America and Canada.

A government big enough to give you everything you want, is big enough to take away everything you have.
-- Thomas Jefferson

Communism is the final destination of Socialism; it is the final destination on the road where much of the world is now travelling. Socialism is best described by two words. “**BIG GOVERNMENT.**” Government controls everything and they use that control to take things from one person and give them to another. That is the program of Antichrist as found in Revelation 13:15 (see above). Big governments will become a one world government.

To better facilitate this objective they have changed the name from communism to socialism. George Bernard Shaw said, “I am a communist but I am not a member of the communist party.”

The symbol of the Fabien society is a wolf in sheep clothes.

Whitaker Chambers said, “Communism succeeds because most people who promote communism are not communists. If socialists were called communists it would not succeed.”

Both the words “socialism” and “progressive” are code for the word “communism”. “Social action” and “social justice” are code words for socialism. Few understand what is happening. Many just have a good feeling about helping the poor of the world by bringing about the brave new world of socialism. They do not understand that socialism ultimately destroys instead of helping.

The seed has been sown; the groundwork is taking place for the coming kingdom of the beast, a socialist kingdom.

Islam is not the program of Antichrist, which some are proclaiming today. Islam will be destroyed by God in the battle described in Ezekiel chapters 38-39. Ezekiel tells us about that destruction which takes place very early in the tribulation period, “*And I will turn thee back, and leave but the sixth part of thee, and will cause thee to come up from the north parts, and will bring thee upon the mountains of Israel*” (Ezekiel 39:2).

That destruction is not limited to those on the battle field, but extends to their homelands. Ezekiel 39:6, “*And I will send a fire on Magog, and among them that dwell carelessly in the isles: and they shall know*

that I am the LORD.” Islam will be decimated, only to have Antichrist further attack it, as he removes all opposition to his socialist world empire.

When Antichrist comes he will deceive Israel, Christendom, the nations and Islam. Islam will be temporarily deceived, thinking that Antichrist is their Mahdi or Messiah. There are many similarities between the Mahdi and the Antichrist as taught in the Bible and in the Quran respectively. When Islam realizes that they have been deceived the war of Ezekiel 38-39 will take place.

Europe has been on the road to socialism for some time and is being prepared for the socialist dictatorship of the beast. The whole world is being prepared for the brave new socialist Antichrist. All who stand in the way will be slaughtered, including those who resist among the Jews, among Islam and among the tribulation Saints. The world will be almost de-populated.

Art Sadlier

Socialism and the Evangelical Church

Western society is denying the existence of absolute truth.

Postmodernists within the church are deconstructing Christianity, as did Kierkegaard, by proclaiming that the Bible is not the absolute, inerrant, divinely inspired Word of God.

The Emergent Church has imbibed of this lie when it rejects the Bible's teaching concerning the return of Jesus Christ and His coming judgment of the world. In place of that, they have assumed the responsibility of building the kingdom of God on earth through utopian ideals of the redistribution of wealth, social justice and pluralism. This is a commitment that is increasingly shared by the Church Growth movement, the Purpose Driven movement, the New Apostolic Reformation, Word of Faith, and many in the New Religious Right.

ministry to a place where the world is made comfortable and consensus is achieved. The church becomes a part of the community and the community becomes a part of the church.

Another writer summarizes the dangers of the church growth movement: "In this movement it is imperative that unbelievers are brought into the church; otherwise, the process of continual change cannot begin. There must be antithesis (unbelievers) present to oppose the thesis (believers), in order to move towards consensus (compromise), and move believers away from their moral absolutism (resistance to change). If all members of the church stand firm on the Word of God, and its final authority in all doctrine and practice, then the church cannot and will not change."

Change agents have deliberately

confuse social justice with fulfilling the great commission.

The instruments of change are many. Replace the choir with a worship team that radically changes the music program. Take out of the building much that identifies it as a church. Do away with the hymn book and bring in contemporary music, the world's music. Casual dress will help the unsaved to feel more comfortable and help them feel that they are in a familiar unthreatening environment. The message is, "come as you are," no change is necessary. Some pastors dress like bums on skid row. Find out what the unsaved want in the service and give it to them. Enough basic changes will cause the unbeliever to feel comfortable in the church. That changes the very essence of the church. The church is changed from a

Do not confuse social justice and the social gospel with fulfilling the great commission.

This is laying a foundation for a socialist church and a socialist society that will be incorporated into the Harlot church of Antichrist. This growing global false church is preparing the way for Antichrist.

Socialism, social justice, social transition, social transformation and social work have all become elements of the social gospel which is now beginning to flower in the Evangelical Church.

Globalists promote the idea that through the 'dialect process' (Webster's definition - the practice of argument in which conflict between contradictory ideas are resolved) both socialism and capitalism can merge and produce "welfare-state capitalism." This is a step on the road to total socialism.

In relation to the above one writer states, "The area that concerns me most is how the Hegelian Dialectic Process is being applied to the church to produce what I call the communitarian church growth movement. A more accurate name would be the sinner-sensitive church growth movement, since the real goal is to transform the church from a place saints are equipped for the work of the

brought this philosophy into the church in order to set up conflict. They know that to be effective in the church, they need discord so people will tire of disagreeing and be willing to compromise biblical truth so as to attain consensus. There are some who are co-opted into this program who do not fully understand what is happening; the socialists refer to them as 'useful idiots.'

People like Rick Warren are change agents. Rick Warren is not only a change agent but he trains change agents. He claims that he has 500,000 pastors and church leaders in training programs. Warren is training these men to be change agents in their churches.

These men have changed the church. They have moved it away from its foundation and its founder, Jesus Christ. These men have moved the church to embrace the social gospel and social justice. They are advancing the cause of socialism and are leading the church into the business of bringing social transformation to the community around them. That will be the program of the harlot church of Antichrist. It is the antitheses of the great commission and the calling of the church. Don't

group of believers who are called out of the world to worship God into a mixture of believers and unbelievers. Such a group is no longer a true church; that is change.

Many pastors read books by change agents and attend church growth seminars hosted by change agents, who tell them how to grow their churches by attracting unbelievers through seeker-sensitive programs.

Such pastors and leaders are change agents. If your pastor has brought contemporary music into your church, he is a change agent. Whether he understands it or not he is separating the church from its roots in sound doctrine and sound practice. He is changing the church into something that is not the church. He is bringing the unsaved into the church to advance the dialectic program to break down resistance to change. Though he may not fully understand, he is preparing the church to be swallowed up in the coming world church.

Rick Warren launched his program to bring about change in the church. He appealed to those evangelicals who were not grounded and rooted in sound doctrine. He has had tremendous

success in reaching, as quoted above, some 500,000 churches.

Many evangelicals were not caught up in Warren's web of departure from sound doctrine and right practice. Now in another phase of the thrust to change the church we have James McDonald's program. McDonald uses the same dialectic program to bring about change. He appeals to some of the charismatic types by using Charismatic worship styles. To this, he adds an appeal to more fundamentalist people with his expository preaching. In addition he mixes in an appeal to the unregenerate through his use of contemporary music. Every change agent uses the world's music to attract the world into the church. McDonald is doing what Warren could not do, reaching those that Warren could not reach. There is a full court press on to change the church.

McDonald has lost some credibility

application of the social gospel; it is socialism in action in the church, it is a preview of the coming world church. This social gospel is the fruit of the seed planted at the birth of New Evangelicalism in the late 1940's.

Dr. Ockenga wrote, "*Neo-evangelicalism was born in 1948 in connection with a convocation address which I gave in the Civic Auditorium in Pasadena. While reaffirming the theological view of fundamentalism, this address repudiated its ecclesiology and its social theory. The ringing call for a repudiation of separatism and the summons to social involvement received a hearty response from many evangelicals... It differed from fundamentalism in its repudiation of separatism and its determination to engage itself in the theological dialogue of the day. It had a new emphasis upon the application of the gospel to the sociological, political, and economic*

The responsibility of the corporate church is also to teach and equip the saints for the work of the ministry. Social justice and social transformation are not the calling of the church, though some are imposing it upon the church. Social justice is a term used by communists and socialists.

Social justice is like giving a water bottle to a man on the way to hell. The church is not to be a part of the world's system or the world's programs. We are to lead men and women to Christ and their needs will be met by their heavenly Father and by their brothers and sisters in the church. All of man's other needs pale into insignificance in comparison to his need for salvation.

New Evangelical pastors have been persuaded to embrace social justice, which is to depart from their calling. The end result will be the embracing of world socialism, a one world economy and a one world government.

"And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature. He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned." Mark 16: 15-16

because of his drive to bring change into the church. He was pressured to resign from the Gospel Coalition Council because of his association with men like T.D. Jakes, Steven Furtick and Perry Nobel. His Elephant Room program is designed to bring together Pastors with contradicting theologies and practices, again he is facilitating change.

It seems that underlying the communitarian church growth movement is a deliberate strategy to infiltrate the church and transform it from being an opponent of the demonic new world order and make it a willing participant and promoter of its goals. Contemplative prayer, Eastern Meditation and the New Spirituality are vehicles to this end. Rick Warren's five point peace plan obviously fits into this scheme as well.

Globalists seek to neutralize, infiltrate, compromise, and co-opt the opposition and create a religious Trojan horse. Religion will be the foundation of the new world order and the Evangelical church is being co-opted to assist in this agenda.

What is at stake is nothing less than a complete reversal of the program of Christ for the church. This is the

areas of life. That was the birth of the modern social gospel.

What I am about to say will not be accepted by the unregenerate nor by the carnal Christian. But this is important because it relates to the difference between the calling of the church of Jesus Christ and the practice of the Trojan Horse Church of the last days. It relates to the social gospel and the socialism of the Harlot church.

The church is never commanded to show compassion for the poor as a means of expanding the kingdom; we owe it to the poor to give them the gospel, and we do not have to earn the right to do that, we are under the Lord's command to do so.

It breaks our hearts as we see the depths sin in this dark world. Poverty, suffering, perversion, aids sufferers, child abuse, a thousand needs and the horrors of abortion, but most of all our hearts are crushed by the impending and infinitely greater eternal sufferings of hell.

Do not confuse social justice and the social gospel with fulfilling the great commission. The corporate church is to fund the gospel, and to promote evangelism.

Though we are to love the lost and show compassion as individuals, the church is not called to corporately feed the poor of the world. Nowhere in the New Testament is the church called to be involved in social work or social transformation (we will deal with this topic at a later time).

The gospel is the only instrument that can really change society, as the individual becomes a new creature in Christ and is transformed. The church is called to – Evangelize the lost – Train new believers to reach the lost – Teach them and equip them to do the work of the ministry – To ground them in sound doctrine. To focus on social justice will result in a call for more socialism, bigger government, more global governance and the result will be the kingdom of Antichrist.

I might as well be shot for a sheep as for a lamb, so I say on the other side of the coin are those that are Ephesian in character, dead fundamentalists. They are right but wrong. They are sound in doctrine and right in practice but they are spiritually dead.

John summed them up in Revelation 2:4, "*Nevertheless I have somewhat against thee, because thou hast left thy first love.*" It is of little consequence

that we are not caught up in Laodiceanism if we are Ephesian in character. John describes their fate in verse 5, "Remember therefore from whence thou art fallen, and repent, and do the first works; or else I will come

unto thee quickly, and will remove thy candlestick out of his place, except thou repent."

It is not enough to be happy about what we are not, what we are, is what really counts. Are we moved and motivated

by a burning first love for Jesus Christ? Do we have a passion for the lost that moves us to action? Do we live each day with the singular goal of pleasing Christ and doing His will?

Art Sadlier

The End is Near

"...if the watchman see the sword come, and blow not the trumpet, and the people be not warned...."

We are racing toward the end of our world as we have known it. We have seen a monumental moral collapse that has been laboriously induced by men who are motivated to destroy the status quo in order to bring in a new world order. These men have worked for many years on this project, their timetable has often changed, but their objective is set in stone. Their objective is now in sight.

It seems that this motivation is found on both sides of the aisles of Congress. Neither Bush, Clinton nor Obama are the real shakers and movers in this agenda, they are tools in the hands of the elite powers that are in control.

Our society is standing on the brink of catastrophe unprecedented in history.

The following item from Newsmax is typical of the flood of items that continue to appear daily.

"The world already has entered a currency war that began in 2010 on the heels of the Federal Reserve's massive easing program, he tells Wall Street Journal Digital Network. Since then, plenty of nations have joined in, including Brazil, Switzerland and Japan, says Rickards, author of "Currency Wars: The Making of the Next Global Crises." "All major central banks are easing," he says. "Eventually so much money will be printed that this will lead to inflation. The endgame is collapse of the international monetary system — sometime sooner than later."

We are facing the collapse of our currency, millions will lose all. Anger, frustration and chaos will reign; civil unrest will threaten the collapse of society. The socialist government will do what socialist governments always

do in such a situation, opposition will be gunned down. There is evidence that the Department of Homeland Security is prepared to decisively face an uprising in the streets of America.

The following news item reinforces this fear:

"The Department of Homeland Security is set to purchase a further 21.6 million rounds of ammunition to add to the 1.6 billion bullets it has already obtained over the course of the last 10 months alone, figures which have stoked concerns that the federal agency is preparing for civil unrest...the Fed Bid website details how the bullets are required for the DHS Federal Law Enforcement Training Center in Artesia, New Mexico."

Canada Free Press has recently published a disturbing report about this potential scenario.

You can put your head in the sand, but these events are nearer than you may think. The preparations for them are more advanced than you may suspect.

I would add that I believe Christians ought not to be involved in this whole scenario. We need to stand aloof and let the world face its judgment. As long as we are here we need to sound the only message that really matters, the gospel of Jesus Christ.

We know that this scenario will not just involve America. I believe that as the world watches this scenario begin to unfold that unrest, chaos and rebellion will sweep the world, as others move to tear down the old to bring in the new.

The same scenario is set in Europe and the same process will sweep over the

continent. This will be the opportunity for Antichrist to ride in and bring his miraculous solution and establish himself as the saviour of the world.

There is even now a convergence of signs of the end times. There has been a recent tremendous increase in earthquakes and volcano activity, both in numbers and magnitude. Another end time warning is "wars and rumours of wars."

China and Japan are on the brink of war, this would be a war with devastating consequences, both militarily and economically. There is the potential of war between N. Korea and S. Korea. Pakistan and India are also on the verge of war. The world is also facing a coming Mideast war, which will be a war of great magnitude. All of these wars hold the threat of the use of chemical, biological and nuclear weapons.

I repeat, we are racing toward the end of our world as we have known it.

My brothers and sisters in Christ, only the Lord knows the timing of these coming events. We know that we are standing on the threshold the sound of the trumpet, and our going home. "But ye, brethren, are not in darkness, that that day should overtake you as a thief ... For God hath not appointed us to wrath, but to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ" (1 Thess. 5:4, 9).

We ought to make our days count. Our opportunities to please our Lord in this life are fast slipping away. Our command has not changed, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." Art Sadlier

COMING SOON TO ISRAEL

There are five major events that lie ahead for Israel according to the scriptures. These events will take place in succession. Today we are seeing signs that foreshadow each of these five events.

These events are:

1. The coming war of Psalm 83.
2. A sudden brief period of peace and security with the construction of the third Temple.
3. The coming war of Ezekiel 38-39.
4. The time of Jacob's trouble.
5. The return of Christ and his millennial reign from the throne of David.

These events will begin prior to the tribulation period and climax in the Millennial Kingdom. Nevertheless we are seeing signs that foreshadow each of these events.

* THE WAR OF PSALM 83

We have given much attention to this war and will continue to do so because we feel it is the next major event for Israel. This war is also referred to Isaiah 17 and Ezekiel 35-36.

Psalm 83:3-5 describes the attitude of Israel's enemies toward her prior to this war. *"They have taken crafty counsel against thy people, and consulted against thy hidden ones. They have said, Come, and let us cut them off from being a nation; that the name of Israel may be no more in remembrance. For they have consulted together with one consent: they are confederate against thee."* This is exactly what is happening today. In verses 6-8 we have the groups named that are right now planning to destroy Israel. *"The tabernacles of Edom, and the Ishmaelites; of Moab, and the Hagarenes; Gebal, and Ammon, and Amalek; the Philistines with the inhabitants of Tyre; Assur also is joined with them: they have holpen the children of Lot. Selah."*

A careful study will reveal these to be the Palestinians which would be the descendants of the Edomites and a mixture of Arab people, Hamas, Hezbollah, Syria and Jordan. The stage is set for this war of Psalm 83. Exactly when this war will take place we are not certain, but former Secretary of State Clinton has just

issued a warning of the imminent danger of all-out war by Syria and Hezbollah against Israel. Since the last war with Israel, Syria has purchased nearly 3 billion dollars in military equipment. Israel has stated that the transfer of SA 17 anti-aircraft missiles and chemical and biological weapons to Hezbollah from Syria would shift the balance of power against Israel. Israel is gearing up for war with Syria and Hezbollah; they have placed Iron Dome missile defence systems in the north and have their forces in the North in ready alert. Iran is urging Syria to go to war with Israel in order to keep Israel from attacking their nuclear program as it nears completion.

The recent bombing attack by Israel on Syria has greatly increased the tension in the area. The signs of this coming war of Psalm 83 are flashing brightly.

* THE SIGNS OF THE FALSE PEACE AND THE BUILDING OF THE THIRD TEMPLE

The scripture makes it clear that even as the world undergoes judgement, disaster and chaos Israel will experience a time of peace and security dwelling in their land in the first half of the tribulation period. We read in Daniel 9:27 about this situation. *"And he shall confirm the covenant with many for one week: and in the midst of the week (mid-trib point) he shall cause the sacrifice and the oblation to cease..."*

Paul tells us about this situation in 2 Thessalonians 2:4, *"Who (Antichrist) opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God."* This precludes the fact that Israel has had the freedom and liberty to rebuild the Temple and re-establish the Temple worship, dwelling in the land in peace and security in the first half of the tribulation period.

In a news article on January 15, ["The Temple Institute moved a giant copper laver, or wash basin, to the new home of its exhibit of Temple articles on Monday. A statement by the Temple Institute said the basin, which is 2.5 meters (8.2 feet) tall and 2.8 meters (9.1 foot) in diameter is kosher for use

in the Third Temple and can be used to purify 12 priests at once."]

For some time now Israelis have been quietly making all the preparations for the building of the Third Temple. The plan is to build it in sections ready for quick assembly. The moment the way is opened by the false messiah, the Temple will be built.

In recent days Jewish confidence in their right to all of the Promised Land is growing.

In another news item by Israel Today we read, ["An international law expert has explained that even from a secular point of view, Israel has every right to settle Jews in Judea and Samaria, those territories that the world calls the "West Bank" and which the Palestinian Arabs claim as their sovereign homeland.

Dr. Alan Baker pointed out that numerous international documents, most especially the Balfour Agreement and the original British Mandate for Palestine, unequivocally grant Jews the legal right to settle all of the territories in question. Those documents have never been rescinded or amended.

There is also the question of history. It is painfully obvious to anyone willing to even glance at the archeological evidence that the Jews have a long history in these territories."]

Israelis now realize that the two state solution is dead, and are getting ready for a new situation.

The war of Psalm 83 will neutralize the Muslim opposition and the appearance of Antichrist will bring about this radical change.

* SIGNS OF THE WAR OF EZEKIEL 38-39

Signs of the fulfillment of this prophecy are unfolding before our very eyes. We are seeing the alliance of Ezekiel 38 & 39 forming at this very time. In the last few years Turkey has withdrawn from its' intended goal to join the EU and has rapidly moved to join an alliance of Russia, Iran and the Muslim nations which surround Israel (See Ezekiel 38: 2, 3, 5, 6, - Persia is Iran). Turkey and Iran have recently announced an agreement to triple trade between the two countries. Russia has been moving into a closer

relationship with both Iran and Turkey. In the last few years the good relationship between Israel and Turkey has been shattered, Turkey is now the avowed enemy of Israel.

We know from scripture that before the war of Ezekiel 38 & 39 takes place there will be a peace treaty signed by Antichrist involving Israel and the nations of the world. This alliance of Muslim nations and Russia will temporarily delay their attack on Israel. Today Iran is feverishly striving to obtain nuclear weapons to annihilate Israel. According to Bible prophecy this will not happen. It seems that nuclear disarmament will be a part of the seven year peace treaty. The war of Psalm 83 which precedes it may see the use of chemical, biological and nuclear weapons, this would set the stage for Antichrists disarmament program (he wants a world that is disarmed). This would explain the primitive weapons used in Ezekiel 38:4.

We have seen the passionate desire of the Iranian President Amadinejad to destroy Israel. He stated some time ago, "If the West does not support Israel, this regime will be toppled. As it has lost its *raison d'être*, Israel is a tyrannical regime that will one day be destroyed. Israel is a rotten, tree that will be annihilated in one storm".

Notice how these words of Amadinejad are prophesied 2600 years ago in Ezekiel 38:9 "Thou shalt ascend and come **like a storm.**"

Just in recent days we have learned that through the new process of extracting oil called fracking, Israel will become one of the world's leading oil producers. Israel's reserves are said to be equal to Saudi Arabia's. Add to that the fact that Israel will also become a leading exporter of natural gas. That sheds new light on Ezekiel 38:12 where Russia is said to come, "to take a spoil."

The preparations for this war of Ezekiel are being laid at this very time. How thrilling to watch as Bible prophecy is being fulfilled day by day.

* THE TIME OF JACOB'S TROUBLE

The last 3 ½ years of the tribulation period is called the time of Jacob's trouble. Jesus referred it in Matthew 24:21, "For then shall be great tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be." It is at this point that I believe the Land of Israel will be divided (Mt.24:15-19). Not only will the land be divided but many Jews will be slaughtered by Antichrist. Zechariah describes that terrible hour in Zechariah 13:8, "And it shall come to pass, that in all the land, saith the LORD, two parts therein shall be cut off and die; but the third shall be left therein."

Though this drive to remove Israel from her land will not come to fruition until the mid-tribulation point, yet we see the pressure even now being applied. The following report is from the United Nations. ["Israel must... cease all settlement activities without preconditions (and) must immediately initiate a process of withdrawal of all settlers" from the occupied territories, said a report commissioned by the UN's Human Rights Council last March.] Everywhere we look we see the signs of the coming end time events; the stage is being set for the climax of the age.

* THE RETURN OF CHRIST AND HIS MILLENNIAL REIGN ON THE THRONE OF DAVID

The scripture tells us much about this glorious time. Christ will rule the world from the throne of David and Israel will be head of the nations. We are not accustomed to looking for signs of that time. However we are surprised to learn

that we now have small preview of that promised time.

As mentioned above, we see that Israel is about to become the center of the world's energy resources, both for oil and gas. Just as the nations have bowed to the wishes of the Arab oil producing nations so they will bow to Israel in that coming day.

Though the promises of God about that day are sufficient for us, nevertheless our Lord has given us a preview of that time. Again I say that every where we look we see the signs of end times. How wonderful to be a part of God's plans and purposes. Give me Jesus and take the world, someday the kingdom of God on earth will be mine also.

"And I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea. And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, and be their God"
(Revelation 21:1-3)

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An Astonishing About Face

In December, President Obama made it clear that his priority had changed from the Mideast to the Pacific, meaning the Far East. It was apparent that he was withdrawing from the Mideast situation. He even withdrew much of his naval force from the area. Now suddenly he has changed his direction again.

Debkafile intelligence report indicates that President Obama has decided to take on Iran's nuclear program and its Damascus - Hezbollah Axis. His coming visit to Israel is tied in with this change of policy.

To learn more about this significant change in direction go to our 'Section Two' and read the article entitled "Obama Decides to Take on Iran's Nuclear Program and Its Damascus - Hezbollah Axis"