



*"Blow you 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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- Knowing God -

One of the heaviest problems the inquiring Christian faces today is why so many good and apparently sincere religious leaders are going so far astray from the plain teachings and practices of the New Testament. Destructive elements are being innocently introduced into present-day worship and service by Bible-loving evangelicals, elements so opposed to the true genius of Christianity that the two are mutually exclusive. One or the other must go. Either these new parasitic growths must be destroyed, or they will in a short time destroy the Christian faith. Yet these deadly things are encouraged in the churches by some of the most zealous orthodox leaders. Why?

The answer is simpler than we might suppose. These leaders are depending on their brain to guide them in their religious practices. They conceive the truth to be a doctrinal deposit, a kind of a theological road map to lead them to heaven. They check the map to make sure they are going the right direction, and after that they are on their own. No Unseen Guide is necessary. If they should be attacked by doubts, they need only stop under a lamppost and reassure themselves that they have indeed "accepted" Christ. Then they get underway again with complete confidence that they are on the same road as the apostles and prophets.

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Sound the Trumpet!

- Section 1 -

Contemporary Christianity

Rick Warren is on an ecumenical path to Rome and he is taking millions around the world with him. Warren was known as "America's pastor" but now he is literally reaching around the world and impacting all types of religious and secular people, he is now known as "pastor to the nations."

Warren has stated that his favorite TV station is EWTN, EWTN stands for Eternal Word Television Network. This American-based network is better known as the Roman Catholic Television Network founded by Mother Angelica, which began broadcasting in 1981.

In an interview on EWTN Warren gave an example as to how he is reaching around the world to establish his P.E.A.C.E. plan.

The following is an excerpt from that interview.

"He [the young pastor] said, 'I know who you are.' I said, 'How do you know who I am?' He said, 'You're Pastor Rick.' I said, 'How do you know who I am?' He said, 'I download your free sermon every week.' I said, 'Now you're in a village with no water and no electricity. How are you downloading my sermon every week?' They're putting the Internet in every post office in South Africa. They're calling it PITS Public Information Terminals. He said, 'Once a week I walk an hour and a half to the nearest post office. I download your free sermon. I walk an hour back and I teach it to my people.' He said, 'You know, Rick, you're the only training I've ever had.'"

Warren stated, "That was a turning point in my life. I'll give the rest of my life for people like that. I've spent most of the last decade in little villages around the world you've never heard of, helping these barefoot evangelists, these priests, these pastors, these deacons, these ministers, these bishops who are serving faithfully when I have so much and they have so little. And out of that we've developed the PEACE Plan, P. E. A. C. E."

Warren continues to circle the world to promote his world peace plan through a World Church; his term is a "World Class Church."

When asked his secret of reaching people Warren revealed his close association with the Pope in the following answer.

"Well, the main thing is love always reaches people. Authenticity, humility, Pope Francis is the perfect example of this. He is a—He is doing everything right. You see, people will listen to what we say if they like what they see. And as our new pope he was very, very symbolic in, you know, his first mass with people with AIDS, uh, his kissing of the deformed man, his loving the children. This authenticity, this humility, the caring for the poor, this is what the whole world expects us Christians to do. And when we—when they go, oh, that's what a Christian does—In fact there was a headline here in Orange County—and I love the headline. It said, if you love Pope Francis, you'll love Jesus. That was the headline! I showed it to a group of priests I was speaking to a while back."

In the above the fact is established that Rick Warren has an objective of building a world church and that church will involve at its center the Pope and the Roman Catholic Church.

Actually Rick Warren and Tony Blair have been partnering together with the Roman Catholic Church for some time in the formation of a P.E.A.C.E. Plan that leads towards the formation of a global religion in the name of Christ for the cause of peace.

Rick Warren has now in fact, publically declared that the Purpose Driven way is an ecumenical way on the road to Rome? The fact is that the purpose driven church has morphed into the Contemporary Church and that the Contemporary Church is knowingly or unknowingly on the road to Rome also. If you are a part of a contemporary church you are perhaps unknowingly, on the road to Rome.

John tells us the fate of this movement, it is to be cast out of the Lord's mouth and spewed into the tribulation period with Rome. This apostate church is called the Laodicean church in

Revelation 3:16, "So then because thou art lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will spew thee out of my mouth."

Verse 17 removes any doubt about the identity of this church, it gives an exact and perfect description of the contemporary church of the present hour. "Because thou sayest, I am rich, and increased with goods, and have need of nothing; and knowest not that thou art wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked."

That is a description that is true of no other church in all of church history. It describes the contemporary church of the present hour. And that church is heading at break neck speed back into the arms of Rome.

David Hunt has thoroughly and often exposed the false gospel of Roman Catholicism that is still sending countless millions to hell. Yet in spite of excellent exposés by others as well, the Catholic "gospel" gains an ever-wider acceptance among evangelicals. There used to be many sound authors and leaders who powerfully opposed Roman Catholicism. Now scarcely anyone raises an objection to this religious system that has likely sent as many to hell as has Islam. One becomes exceedingly weary reminding evangelicals from Billy Graham to Rick Warren that Roman Catholicism is damning billions-especially when these two men lead the evangelical church in embracing Catholicism as just another way to heaven.

Didn't the Lord in "the great commission" command His disciples to, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature? Has that command ever been revoked? Absolutely not; it still holds for every Christian today. But which gospel should one preach? Today the gospel has been so perverted, compromised, and catholicized that the power of God unto salvation has been taken out of it for fear of giving offense. Would those in hell thank us for sparing them the offense that would have taken them instead to heaven?

Do we withhold the gospel from the unsaved for selfish reasons? Are some of us ashamed of the narrow gate that the gospel forces us to present to those who prefer the broad road to destruction? The Word of God is clear: "The fear of man bringeth a snare: but

whoso putteth his trust in the LORD shall be safe" (Proverbs 29:25).

Our Lord warned us that the greatest sign of the nearness of His return would be a great apostasy, a great turning away from the faith.

Those days are upon us now. All around us are contemporary churches; churches which have bowed down to the world and who exist to draw the world into the church by being like the world.

Many contemporary churches have full time staff members who are assigned to meet new people at the door and move to integrate them into the church. They are not assigned to give them the gospel but to integrate them into the church. The gospel might offend them and drive them away. The philosophy is to get them in and maybe something good might happen along the way. These mega contemporary churches work hard at bringing the world into the church. They borrow the world's music, the world's methods and the world's life style is accepted and promoted. The whole thrust is to make the church a comfortable place for the unsaved. They arrive at the place where the world and the church are indistinguishable. As a result unbelievers are comfortable in the church and the church is quickly taken over by the world, instead of the church winning the world wins the church.

They make it clear that you have to wait until an opportune time to give these people the gospel lest you offend them, in the process they so dilute the gospel that a decision for Christ is meaningless and easy. This is pure social gospel which focuses on the social aspect instead of the souls of men and women. Then they brag that they are winning souls to Christ while the fundamentalists are failing to win people to Christ.

The whole thing is the great deception that Jesus warned would sweep the world and Christendom in the last days.

We read about this situation in Matthew 7:21-23, "Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven. Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many

wonderful works? And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity.

These are people who thought they were saved only to discover to late, that they were not. Jesus warned about a broad way on which multitudes would walk in deception even as the true believing remnant would be but a faithful few.

I urge those reading this article, I urge those who are caught up in the contemporary church, I urge those who have some understanding of what the church ought to be, I urge you to escape the deception you have fallen under.

John spoke of the last days church in Revelation 18:4, "And I heard another voice from heaven, saying, Come out of her, my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues."

To receive of her plagues would involve eternal destruction.

I urge you my friend not to dismiss this warning lightly, your eternal destiny may be at stake.

"Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat" (Matthew 7:13).

There are several reasons why you should remove yourself from the Contemporary Church.

First - The Contemporary Church is involved in Broadway Christianity

In the above verse Jesus is telling us that the way to eternal life is a narrow way and that few would actually find it. If you are on the broad way with great crowds that are almost indistinguishable from the world, no matter how appealing it may seem, no matter how the great crowds seem to be confirming, you are on the wrong road.

Second - Broad way Christianity does not declare the whole counsel of God

"Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock, over the which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers, to feed the church of God, which he hath purchased with his own blood. For I know this, that after my departing shall grievous wolves enter in among you, not sparing the flock. Also of your own

selves shall men arise, speaking perverse things, to draw away disciples after them. Therefore watch, and remember, that by the space of three years I ceased not to warn every one night and day with tears” (Acts 20:27-31).

The Contemporary Church teaches only that which it wants from the Bible. As a result, there are many important teachings that are skipped-over, de-emphasized, and left out; particularly in regard to prophecy and spiritual deception. Great messages that leave out important truths can be the basis for deception. I repeat that statement, **Great messages which leave out important truths can be the basis for deception.** Deception is not deception unless it comes immersed in truth. Don't be deceived by messages that present some good and great truths but leave out foundational truths that are complimentary and must be embraced along with them.

For example, Paul said, *“Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved....”* That is truth and yet that truth must be embraced in the context of scripture; Jesus said, *“Except ye repent ye shall all likewise perish.”* The context also involves knowing the facts of the gospel, you must know who Jesus is, you must know what He did on the cross, you must know that what He did on the cross he did for you, etc. Paul explained this in 2 Peter 1:20, *“Knowing this first, that no prophecy of the scripture is of any private interpretation.”* That simply says that if you take scripture out of its context you do not have truth.

A person cannot be deceived unless he or she is convinced they have the truth. Jesus said that deception would be the mark of the last days. *“And many false prophets shall rise, and shall deceive many” (Matthew 24:11).*

“For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall shew great signs and wonders; insomuch that, if it were possible, they shall deceive the very elect” (Matthew 24:24). Those who are deceived by Broadway Christianity are not true followers of Christ.

“For I have not shunned to declare unto you all the counsel of God. Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock, over the which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers, to feed the church of God, which he hath

purchased with his own blood. For I know this, that after my departing shall grievous wolves enter in among you, not sparing the flock. Also of your own selves shall men arise, speaking perverse things, to draw away disciples after them. Therefore watch, and remember, that by the space of three years I ceased not to warn every one night and day with tears” (Acts 20:27-31).

Third – Contemporary Christianity does not discern the spiritual signs of the times

Just as the leaders in Jesus' day discerned the weather but not the signs of the times, contemporary Christianity discerns many of the social and economic problems, but not the spiritual signs of the times and Jesus denounces that.

“O ye hypocrites, ye can discern the face of the sky; but can ye not discern the signs of the times?” (Matthew 16:3)

Contemporary Christianity is not aware of the imminent judgment that is about to fall upon a wicked world. They are wrestling to change the world and make it a better place rather than seeking to deliver the souls of men from plunging into the eternal fires of hell. A better world will not help anyone when the judgment of God falls on this wicked world which is soon to suffer catastrophic judgment.

Fourth - Broad way Christianity is ignorant of Satan's devices

Whereas the apostle Paul stated that he and other believers were *“not ignorant of Satan's devices,”* Broad Way Christianity states that Satan's schemes are *“entirely predictable.”* By being ignorant of Satan's devices, Contemporary Christianity has fallen prey to Satan's devices; particularly in the area of the New Age / New Spirituality / New Worldview.

Ecumenical inclusiveness is a device of Satan that is drawing the contemporary movement into the coming one world harlot church.

“Lest Satan should get an advantage of us: for we are not ignorant of his devices” (2 Corinthians 2:11).

Fifth – Contemporary Christianity does not expose spiritual evil

It does not sound a true warning about the deceptive spirit world and spiritual deception. Evil must be exposed, to fail

to do so is to allow it to take root in the lives and hearts men and women and allow them to be deceived. We are told to expose false prophets and false teachers, not to study under them, spiritually join with them, and further their plans. Contemporary Christianity is wide open to whatever comes down the road next and fails to expose evil.

“For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places” (Ephesians 6:12).

“But evil men and seducers shall wax worse and worse, deceiving, and being deceived” (2 Timothy 3:13).

“And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather reprove them.” (Ephesians 5:11).

“For if the trumpet give an uncertain sound, who shall prepare himself to the battle?” (1 Corinthians 14:8).

Sixth– Contemporary Christianity does not “earnestly contend for the faith”

By not declaring the whole counsel of God, by not discerning the signs of the times, by being ignorant of Satan's devices, and by not exposing spiritual evil, Contemporary Christianity is not fighting the good fight of faith, and contending for the truth.

“Beloved, when I gave all diligence to write unto you of the common salvation, it was needful for me to write unto you, and exhort you that ye should earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints” (Jude 3).

“Fight the good fight of faith, lay hold on eternal life, whereunto thou art also called, and hast professed a good profession before many witnesses” (1 Timothy 6:12).

“Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand” (Ephesians 6:13).

Seventh – Contemporary Christianity is loved by the world and its leaders

Jesus loved the world, but the world did not love Him. Jesus warned his followers they would be hated, persecuted, and even killed by the world; just as the world hated, persecuted, and killed Him.

In its compromised effort to reach out into the world, contemporary Christianity has become the world. No matter how many times they mention the name of Jesus, their loyalty is to the world and the things of the world.

"They are of the world: therefore speak they of the world, and the world heareth them" (1 John 4:5).

"Woe unto you, when all men shall speak well of you! for so did their fathers to the false prophets" (Luke 6:26).

"Yea, and all that will live godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution" (2 Timothy 3:12).

"And ye shall be hated of all men for my name's sake" (Matthew 10:22).

"If they have called the master of the house Beelzebub, how much more shall they call them of his household?" (Matthew 10:25).

Eighth– Contemporary Christianity is engaged in a process of ungodly change

Many leaders in the contemporary church actually call themselves "change agents." But in their attempts to change the world they are actually changing biblical Christianity and that change is a profound change that those who are caught up in, cannot see or comprehend.

Compare the Laodicean Church with the Philadelphian Church and you will understand the changes that have taken place. Compare the Evangelical/Fundamentalist church of today with the church 50-60 years ago and you will comprehend the change. It is not today's fundamentalists who have changed; it is contemporary Christians who have changed. We stand where the true church has always stood, we have not changed.

Those who have resisted the agenda authored by Warren to re-shape Christianity for the twenty-first century are often told to get with the program, make the transition, or find another place to fellowship. There is no place found in contemporary Christianity for those who will not give in to change.

The Bible warns about those who push for unbiblical and ungodly change.

"My son, fear thou the LORD and the king: and meddle not with them that are given to change" (Proverbs 24:21).

"Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and today, and for ever" (Hebrews 13:8).

"For I am the LORD, I change not" (Malachi 3:6).

"Behold, the days come, saith the Lord GOD, that I will send a famine in the land, not a famine of bread, nor a thirst for water, but of hearing the words of the LORD" (Amos 8:11).

"For what is a man advantaged, if he gain the whole world, and lose himself, or be cast away?" (Luke 9:25).

The last days are upon us

The apostle Paul preached the importance of adhering to God's Word. He warned that the time would come when believers would not endure sound doctrine but would find teachers who would tell them what they wanted to hear. That day has arrived.

"Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine. For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears; And they shall turn away their ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables" (2 Timothy 4:2-4).

Contemporary Christianity is headed down the "broad way" of the New Spirituality, it is very clear that the movement is anything but the "narrow way" that Jesus Christ described in Matthew 7:14.

We must understand what is at stake here; it is the centrality of the Cross as the one and only true Gospel; without which the hope of salvation is lost. Jesus Christ, dying on the Cross for our sins, is the central message of the Gospel. It is the plumb line for ultimately discerning truth from error. But in discerning truth from error, it is essential that we must adhere to all the counsel of God. Acts 20:27, *"For I have not shunned to declare unto you all the counsel of God."*

Though the contemporary church would declare that they preach the gospel in fact they are adding to and omitting from the gospel things which deny the context in which the gospel is set.

For example Jesus said, *"So likewise, whosoever he be of you that forsaketh not all that he hath, he cannot be my disciple" (Luke 14:33).* The environment

of the contemporary Christianity is "grab all you can get." That contradicts the context of gospel.

Jesus said through John, *"Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him" (1 John 2:15).* Those who love the world are then not believers, no matter how much they may profess to be. The environment of the contemporary church is love for the world and the things of the world. That is a contradiction of the context of the gospel.

To set the record straight, those who may call themselves fundamentalists have no exemption from the Word of God. It is not what you may call yourself but what you are in the light of God's Word.

For those who still rightly divide and depend upon the Word of God, the Bible warns that the coming deception will be so great that most of the world will be deceived (Revelation 13:13-14). Jesus warned that His way is not the broad way but the "narrow way" of continuing in His Word. *"Then said Jesus to those Jews which believed on him, If ye continue in my word, then are ye my disciples indeed" (John 8:31).* It is His way that leads to eternal life not the broad way of the contemporary church.

"And when these things begin to come to pass, then look up, and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh" (Luke 21:28).

What is next? Those who follow Rick Warren, the man, will also follow Rick Warren and his methods. I believe this will lead toward a peace plan that will eventually come under the jurisdiction of Rome under the guise of a Christianity that will embrace all religions for the cause of peace in the name of Christ. While many will believe this Christ is Jesus Christ, this so-called messiah will actually be the antichrist.

Multitudes today are professing to be followers of Christ but their lives deny their profession. I urge you to re-consider your involvement with the contemporary church and examine your heart to see if you are indeed really in the faith.

Art Sadlier

The Campaign for the Harlot Church

Is the campaign for the harlot church about to get underway?

We understand from scripture that in the last days there will be a one world religion which is called in scripture the harlot. It will be a counterfeit of the true church, the body of Christ also known as the Bride of Christ. At the present time there is an ecumenical gathering together of the religions of the world.

When we realize that the tribulation period will commence with a great world peace treaty, we can safely assume that a world-wide peace initiative will precede it.

Paul tells about a time when there will be many who will be saying, "Peace and safety." This suggests a campaign, perhaps around the world, where there will be a great cry go up for peace and safety and unity. We further understand from scripture that this initiative will be carried forth by the harlot church as it struggles to gain influence and power in the world.

One of the requirements for bringing the religions of the world together would be the declaration that the Reformation is over, and the "separated brethren" (Protestants) will be welcomed back into the fold. That will be a major step in the unifying of

all of Christendom; from there the other world religions will join hands creating a great monolithic religious structure.

It is becoming apparent that Rick Warren will be a player in this campaign. We are discovering that Rick Warren seems to have a plan, or a platform to launch this campaign. Warren seems to be one of Antichrist's little helpers.

A Rick Warren-Raymond Arroyo EWTN interview provided some clues indicating this campaign is about to get underway. In a portion of this interview which dealt with the topic of religious liberty we see a plan unfolding that would promote a "religious liberty movement" that will be the equivalent of the "civil liberties movement" of the past.

When asked by Arroyo what Warren thought about the separation of church and state and how the Supreme Court would rule on this topic in the future, Warren responded:

"Now it's interesting that phrase today means the exact opposite of what it meant in Jefferson's days. Today people think it means keeping religion out of government, or out of politics. But actually, the separation of church and state was, we are going to protect

the church from the government. I believe that **religious liberty may be the civil rights issue of the next decade.**

And if it takes some high profile pastors going to jail, like Martin Luther King did with civil rights, I'm in. So be it. I mean, as Peter said and the apostles that we must obey God rather than men."

I believe we see here a seed plot to unite the world's religions.

Warren goes on to explain what he envisions in this new civil rights movement. He emphasises that the rights of Muslims and Jews and every other religious group must be defended at all costs. It seems obvious that rather than promoting liberty, the goal is to bring all the religions of the world together in a common cause.

From a purely secular viewpoint, the unification of all religions would seem to be a major step to world peace and security.

This new religious rights movement would fit well into a world-wide campaign to unify all religions.

Watch for this campaign to begin.

Art Sadlier

Islam and the Mahdi

Today Islam is threatening to annihilate Israel, to displace and replace Christianity and to turn the whole world into an Islamic state. The scourge of Islamic terrorism and the Islamic agenda has turned the world upside down and taken peace and safety from the earth.

Today Islam is the fastest growing religion on earth. One fifth of the world's population is Muslim, 1.3 billion. Mosques are popping up in great numbers all around the world, financed primarily by Saudi Arabia. Millions of Muslim immigrants have been welcomed around the Western World, but by way of contradiction it is illegal for a Jew to be a citizen of Saudi Arabia.

Islam was founded by Muhammad who was born in Mecca in Ad 570. He remained illiterate all of his life. Christianity and Judaism were the

dominate religions he was exposed to and they greatly impacted his thinking in establishing his new religion.

At age 40 it is alleged that Gabriel began appearing to him, giving him

revelations over the next 23 years. His wife recorded these revelations.

There are five basic beliefs a Muslim must practice, they are known as the five pillars.

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- 1. FAITH** or Shahada - Conversion involves a reciting a simple statement. "There is no god but Allah, and Muhammad is his prophet." Simply stating that makes you a Muslim. Understand that in Muhammad's day Arabs worshipped 300 gods. The moon god was named "Allah". Allah was chosen as the only god to the exclusion of the other 299.
 - 2. PRAYER** or Salat - Obligatory prayers are performed 5 times a day. Dawn - Noon - Midafternoon - Sunset - Nightfall.
 - 3. ALMS GIVING** or Zakat - Two percent annually of one's capital and possessions.
 - 4. THE FAST** - During the month of Ramadan, from sunrise to sunset.
 - 5. PILGRIMAGE** or The Hajj - An annual pilgrimage to Mecca, once in a lifetime for those who can afford.
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What is wrong with Islam according to the scripture?

"But though we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel unto you than that which we have preached unto you, let him be accursed. As we said before, so say I now again, if any man preach any other gospel unto you than that ye have received, let him be accursed" (Galatians 1:8-9).

As a substitute, Muhammad claims to follow the teachings of Abraham through Ishmael. The scripture states plainly, "But my covenant will I establish with Isaac, which Sarah shall bear unto thee at this set time in the next year" (Genesis 17:21).

Salvation is to come to the world through Christ, who is of the seed of David and of Abraham, "Now to Abraham and his seed were the promises made. He saith not, And to seeds, as of many; but as of one, And to thy seed, which is Christ" (Galatians 3:16).

Islam says Jesus is not the Son of God. The Koran says Allah has no sons. Islam says Jesus was not crucified but caught up by Allah before being crucified. Isla says Jesus was not divine. In these issues the Koran outright contradicts the Bible.

Islam has a system of eschatology or a theory as to how the age will terminate, the central figure in Islam's end time expectations is the Mahdi. His full name is Al Mahdi Al-Muntadar or "The awaited Saviour." The Mahdi is the universal Muslim hope of both Sunni and Shia.

Israel also is awaiting a saviour, the Messiah. There is a striking similarity between the expectations of the saviour that both Islam and Israel are waiting for.

Israel is awaiting the Messiah to come and bring peace and prosperity, but scripture tells us that Israel will be deceived by a counterfeit Messiah, who will be the antichrist. Jesus told about that counterfeit in John 5:43, "I am come in my Father's name, and ye receive me not: if another come in his own name, him ye will receive."

Someday, perhaps soon, antichrist will come and with the promise to bring Israel peace and prosperity. Israel will be deceived into receiving him as their long promised and awaited Messiah who will set up the kingdom of God on earth.

Muslims who are Shiites are preparing for the return of "The Mahdi". To the

Shiites, the Mahdi is the last Imam, the twelfth Imam, and though he has been hidden for the past twelve centuries, they believe his return is imminent.

Islam is expecting someday soon the Mahdi will come and bring to Islam their long awaited world kingdom.

I suggest to you that the Mahdi of Islam and the counterfeit Messiah of Israel will be one and the same person, the antichrist out of the Revived Roman Empire.

That is the only possible way that a peace treaty could be agreed upon by Islam and Israel. I believe at the same time the war of Psalm 83 will decimate the Palestinians and humble Islam and cause them to be more open to the peace treaty.

It is fascinating to understand Islam's expectations of the Mahdi; there is a striking similarity to the person and program of antichrist.

1. An unparalleled political, military and religious world leader. (That is a description of antichrist)
2. He will be revealed after a period of great turmoil and suffering on earth. (That is the present hour)
3. He establishes justice throughout the world. (That is the program of antichrist)
4. He will lead a revolution to establish a new world order. (That is the Biblical agenda of antichrist)
5. He will go to war against all nations who oppose him. (That is the common expectation of both Islam and Israel and it is what scripture says antichrist will do see Rev. 13:7)
6. He will make a seven year peace treaty with a Jew of priestly lineage. (That is the preconditioning of Islam, to welcome antichrist's peace treaty between themselves and Israel)
7. The Mahdi conquers Israel for Islam and leads the final battle against the Jews. (That is why Islam will welcome the peace treaty)
8. He rules for seven years in Jerusalem.
9. Causes Islam to be the only religion practiced on earth.
10. Has power from Allah over wind and rain and crops. (That is antichrist's signs and wonders)
11. He will possess and distribute great wealth. (Daniel 11:38 ascribes this to antichrist)

12. His face will shine like a star and he will be loved of all people. (That is antichrist's description)

The above expectations of Islam have no authority but rather manifest Satan's deceptions based on his knowledge of scripture, Satan reads the bible.

The obvious is that both Israel and Islam are being prepared for the moment when antichrist will be revealed. The incredible hatred of Islam for Israel today would lead us to believe that a peace treaty is impossible, suddenly the impossible will happen.

Iran's Ayatollah Khamenei recently called on Muslim nations around the world to unite militarily in response to the imminent coming of Islam's messianic saviour, the Mahdi.

Khamenei, through his spokesman Ali Saeedi, specifically beckoned the nations of Turkey, Iraq, Lebanon, Pakistan and Afghanistan to join together with Iran in preparation for the Mahdi's soon coming.

The purpose of uniting now, a report in Al Arabiya explained, is to fight Israel and the U.S. - seen as the two greatest obstacles to the coming of the Mahdi and the age of Islamic "justice" that would ensue.

There is a third aspect to the coming of antichrist and that third aspect is the expectation that will grip the coming world church, known as the harlot. This coming ecumenical church will be working to bring about peace and unity and the New World Order.

The Roman Catholic Church has long sought to return to the days when it ruled the world. Today much of the Evangelicalism holds to Kingdom Theology which basically espouses the idea of establishing the Kingdom of God on Earth. As these entities come together they will be deceived into believing that antichrist is none other than Jesus Christ.

The whole world is now being prepared for the coming of antichrist. We know also that before the harlot of Satan can appear, the Bride of Christ must be removed from the earth.

Let me ask you Evangelical, let me ask you religious person, let me ask you Roman Catholic are you a part of the true Bride of Christ or are you a deceived member of the ecumenical movement which is sweeping the world. Are you a member of a church

that is heading full steam into the harlot church?

“And I heard another voice from heaven, saying, Come out of her, my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues” (Revelation 18:4).

I urge you to study the scriptures and compare them with Contemporary Christianity. Jesus repeatedly warned

that in the last days great deception would sweep over those who claim to be the followers of Christ.

I believe Jesus was speaking of the present hour when He said in Matthew 7:21-23, *“Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven. Many will say to me in that*

day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works? And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity.”

Please, do not be a professing Christian who is on the broad road that ends in hell.
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Summary of the News

The Mark of the Beast

Through new developing technological innovations, it will be possible to have an invisible RFID-based tattoo printed into your skin.

This RFID-based tattoo will hold your medical history, insurance and financial information, etc. It would have the potential to credit your salary and social benefits to your account. It would also have the potential deny the above or to fine you for some non-compliance. This has the potential to impose total control over the people of the entire world, even over their ability to purchase the necessities of life.

It would be easily applied to the entire population.

This would be adequate to fulfill the program of antichrist. The Bible prophesies that in the last days, everyone will be required to wear a mark on their right hand or forehead, in order to be able to buy or sell. This “mark of the beast” will not be voluntary and will be permanent. The mark will be a sign of allegiance and worship to Satan, through the anti-Christ. All who take this mark will be doomed to an eternity in hell.

“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 13:16-17).

This mark will come into effect at the mid-tribulation point at least 31/2 years from now. The preparation is now well under way for this coming scenario.

“And the third angel followed them, saying with a loud voice, If any man worship the beast and his image, and

*receive his mark in his forehead, or in his hand,
The same shall drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is poured out without mixture into the cup of his indignation; and he shall be tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of the holy angels, and in the presence of the Lamb:
And the smoke of their torment ascendeth up for ever and ever: and they have no rest day nor night, who worship the beast and his image, and whosoever receiveth the mark of his name” (Revelation 14:9-11).*

No other generation has seen such a scenario developing.

The great day of the Lord is at hand! *“Therefore be ye also ready: for in such an hour as ye think not the Son of man cometh”*

Hamas – Fatah Unite

The peace negotiations between Israel and the PA are now dead. The Palestinians are now embarking on an era of confrontation. They are moving to gain support from the United Nations in their efforts to remove Israel from the land. They are seeking opportunity to sue Israel, forcing Israel to surrender what the Palestinians could not gain through negotiations. They are now trying to use political means to defeat Israel.

Eventually this scenario will unfold as recorded in Joel 3:2, *“I will also gather all nations, and will bring them down into the valley of Jehoshaphat, and will plead with them there for my people and for my heritage Israel, whom they have scattered among the nations, and parted my land.”*

Along with the scenario above, there is also a move by the Palestinians to

unite with Hamas which can only end in war.

Hamas has vowed never to accept the Jewish State; they are committed to utterly destroy Israel. Hamas is now moving to reconcile with Iran and bring Iran into the Gaza Strip.

This represents a whole new scenario for the Jewish State. Though in the next war the major thrust against Israel will come from Hezbollah and Syria in the north, Hamas and the Palestinians will seriously weaken Israel’s ability to respond.

I believe this coming war will ultimately involve the war of Psalm 83.

In the meantime Israel is embarking on whole new era of confrontation.

Persecution is on the Horizon

Islam through persecution is attempting to remove Christianity from the Mideast. There is also a sinister endeavour underway to eliminate Christianity in Western nations. There is an attack underway to eliminate freedom of speech and freedom of expression. This attack is being aimed directly at Christianity to eliminate it altogether.

In many of the world’s Christians are being violently attacked, but in Western Culture there is a systematic plan to silence the true Church of Christ.

The program begins with caricaturization then proceeds to marginalization to vilification to criminalization and finally to elimination.

This program has been accelerating in recent days. It begins with an effort to make the believer or the church appear as ridiculous, comical or grotesque.

The process moves to marginalization as the believer or church is portrayed as outside the bounds of what is acceptable in society. For example, those who do not embrace homosexuality are portrayed as beyond that which is acceptable in modern society.

Vilification easily follows marginalization. This process is to slander and vilify the believer, church or Christian organization. The idea is make the values of Christians appear absurd and abnormal. To suggest that

they have nothing to contribute to society or the culture and they will only disrupt society and tear down the culture.

The suggestion is that this out of step person, movement, institute or church is to be feared. It has the potential to disrupt society and is a danger to the common good. Society needs some valiant defenders to arise and protect it from the peril at hand.

The next step which is already underway is to criminalize those who break with cultural norms. Jail time for

nonconformists is already becoming a practice.

From that point it is an easy step to elimination.

The consensus-makers in the contemporary Establishments of Entertainment, Information, Academia, and Governance raise national awareness regarding these villains. At this point, there's not enough evidence to send an armed team to get the villains off the street. But the cultural SWAT team is standing by.

God's Warning

Over 2,600 years ago, the prophetic Scriptures described scenarios which would appear on the world scene in the last days.

In Zechariah 12:2 the Lord said through the prophet that in the last days, *"I will make Jerusalem a cup of trembling unto all peoples round about."* In verse three the prophet says, *"In that day I will make Jerusalem a burdensome stone for all peoples; all that burden themselves with it shall be cut in pieces"*.

Today the UN, the US, the EU and all of the nations of the world are obsessed with the problems surrounding Jerusalem and Israel. The whole world is contesting Israel's right to the land God has given to her.

2,600 years after the writing of Zechariah, Jerusalem is a burdensome stone and a cup trembling to the nations. I believe this is a warning sign to the world. This is a God's warning of judgment to come on a world that defies God concerning Israel and the land God has given to her. *"And I will bless them that bless thee, and curse him that curseth thee: and in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed"* (Genesis 12:3).

"I will also gather all nations, and will bring them down into the valley of Jehoshaphat, and will plead with them there for my people and for my heritage Israel, whom they have scattered among the nations, and parted my land" (Joel 3:2).

How can the world miss the clear teachings of God's Word? God's Word declared 2600-3500 years ago that He would chasten Israel for unbelief and disobedience. He warned that He would scatter them to the four corners of the Earth. The same God said, that after a long period of time He would bring Israel back again to their own land. *"For the children of Israel shall abide many days without a king, and without a prince, and without a sacrifice, and without an image, and without an ephod, and without teraphim: Afterward shall the children of Israel return, and seek the LORD their God, and David their king; and shall fear the LORD and his goodness in the latter days"* (Hosea 3: 4, 5).

Only willful blindness can fail to see the hand of God in all of this, and can fail to recognize that there is warning in this to a rebellious world.

In the fullness of time God sent forth His Son to be the Saviour of the world. In the fullness of God's time He will send forth His Son once again to call His Church home to heaven. Are you a part of the true Church of Christ?

"He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life: and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him" (John 3:36).
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