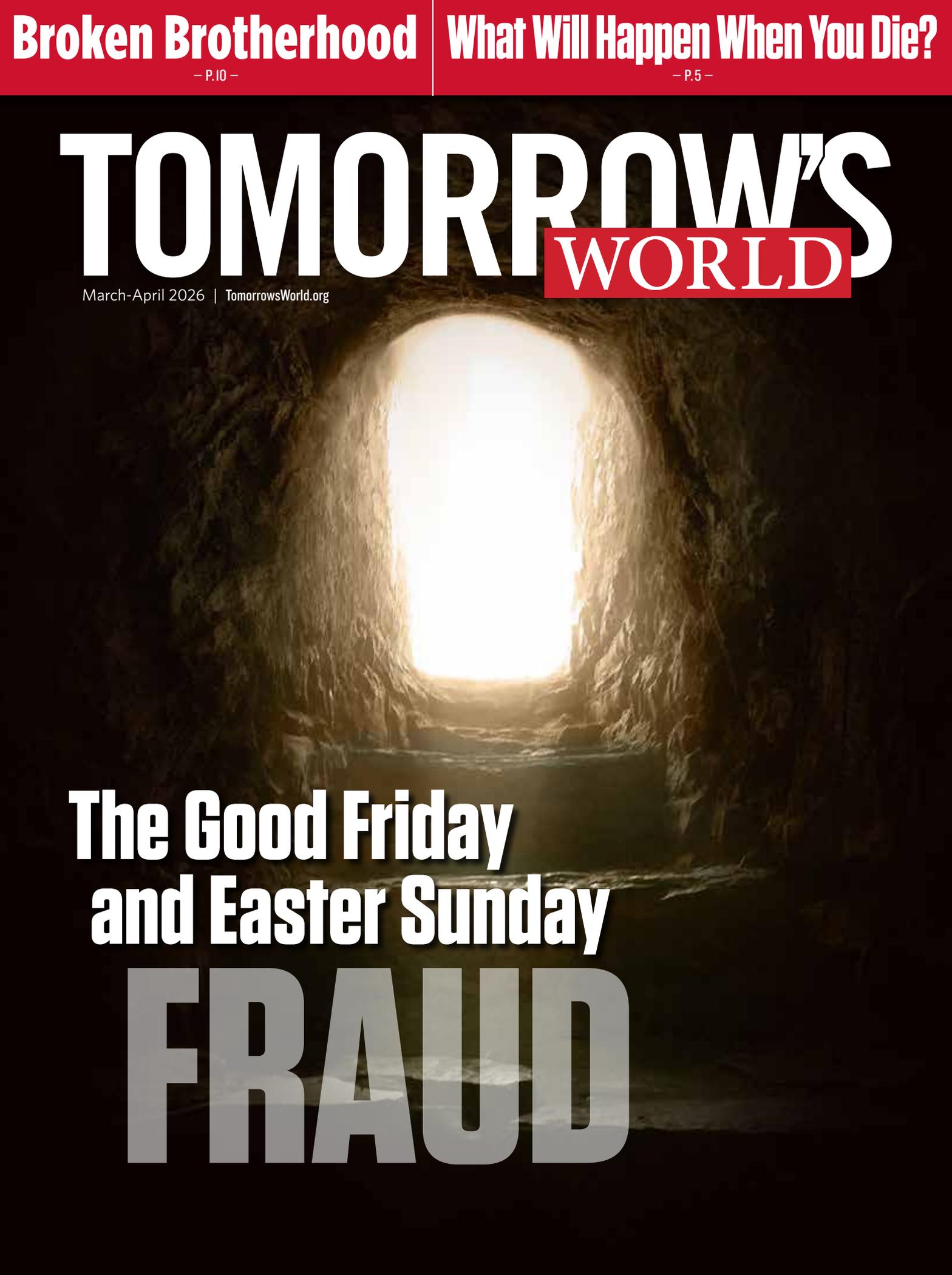


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Are You a Useful Idiot?

I apologize for even asking the question, as I have no intention of insulting any of you, our faithful *Tomorrow's World* readers. “The phrase useful idiot designates a naive or credulous person who can be manipulated or exploited to advance a cause or political agenda” (“Useful Idiot: Meaning and Origin,” *WordHistories.net*). When you and I look in the mirror, that hardly looks like us—or does it? The answer may be surprising.

We live in a very uncertain world—one that is divided, polarized, and angry. People hurl insults and accusations—sometimes without even understanding their meaning—and often those hurling the accusations are woefully lacking in understanding about the person or group they are accusing. They simply jump on the bandwagon, repeating what others have said.

There have always been divisions in the world, but behind those divisions are pride and arrogance. This is why fights erupt on the schoolyard, marriages dissolve, and nations fight wars. The Internet has only offered wider, swifter, and more accessible avenues for hatred and division to deepen and spread.

Why is our world this way? Why do people line up so viciously against others? In most cases it is because there are forces behind the scenes that they do not understand—when you trace the ideas back to where they begin, you find that there is often a hidden agenda being promoted. Here in the United States, radical professors have infiltrated universities with the motive of severing the nation from its historical foundations. It appears that many in the media share these sentiments—and there are politicians who, by their words and actions, appear not to love their country. This is not new. What *is* new is social media, which foreign governments can use to corrupt and weaken their enemies and competitors.

Individuals or countries fund protests to effect change. The U.S. and Great Britain are as guilty of playing this game as Russia, China, North Korea, Iran, and other nations. Most of us understand this—I am not saying anything that is not already obvious to any thinking person—so why the question in the title?

Just as there are shadowy characters working behind the scenes to disrupt and to destroy those individuals and nations they hate, so too is there a shadowy figure—recognized by almost no one—who is trying to destroy not only an enemy country, but the entire world. And he uses naïve people to carry out his destructive plans.

The Question of Evil

When bad people do bad things, the question of evil often comes up. It is not an inconsequential question, and it begets greater questions.



“The problem of evil is the problem of accounting for evil in a world created by an all-powerful, all-knowing, all-good God. It seems that if the creator has these attributes, there would be no evil in the world. But there is evil in the world. Thus, there is reason to believe that an

all-powerful, all-knowing, all-good creator does not exist” (“The Concept of Evil,” *Stanford Encyclopedia of Philosophy*, October 3, 2022).

Is this conclusion true? It comes from human reasoning and lacks an understanding of the almighty, all-knowing, perfectly righteous God. It fails to consider God’s plan and purpose. Only if one knows His plan can one reconcile the fact of evil in the world.

Today’s mainstream Christianity bears little resemblance to the teachings of Christ. That is more than an accusation, as it can be proved by comparing today’s common “Christian” practices with what we find in the Bible. *Tomorrow's World* has several

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The Bible takes us back to the origin of evil, explaining that God created a beautiful angel of high rank and placed him on Earth to manage and perfect it. Lucifer was not an automaton—God created him as a free moral agent. Over a long period of time, this cherub became filled with vanity and self-importance. He saw himself as wiser than God. He eventually rebelled against God and attempted to knock his Creator off His throne, only to be cast back down to Earth. We see in Scripture that this spirit being has been the unseen hand behind human leaders (Ezekiel 28:12–17; Isaiah 14:12–15).

People are familiar with the account in Genesis wherein this spirit being, appearing as a serpent, talked Eve into taking and eating a fruit that God had forbidden. He deceived her, but although Adam was not deceived he went ahead and ate the fruit as well (1 Timothy 2:14). This raises questions that we ought to ask: Why was Satan—formerly Lucifer—left on earth to tempt our first parents? Could God not have stopped him? The answer, of course, is yes, He could have—so why did He not?

God's purpose for man is far greater than what is taught in the typical Sunday-morning worship service. God has not placed us on Earth to live out our lives, have as much fun as we can, and then die and go to eternal retirement in Heaven or eternal punishment in hell. You can learn the incredible purpose for your existence by ordering a copy of our free resource *What Is the Meaning of Life?*

“The Lord’s Prayer”

When Lucifer rebelled against God, the government of God ceased to be administered on Earth. This is evident from an often-repeated prayer. The so-called “Lord’s Prayer” was not meant to be recited mindlessly over and over again, as is commonly done today. Jesus

gave it as an outline of how to pray in response to His disciples’ request to “teach us to pray” (Luke 11:1). We read in this sample prayer, “Your kingdom come. Your will be done on earth as it is in heaven” (v. 2).

Why pray for God’s will to be done on earth as it is in Heaven? Is that not already the case? Not at all. What we see on Earth today is not God’s will! While He does step in from time to time to effect His overall plan, He never removed the rebellious archangel and his followers. But why not?

In the garden, when Adam was tempted, he could have rejected Satan. Had he overcome the adversary, he could have carried out God’s will on earth—but he didn’t. He instead submitted his will to the devil. That is the reason for the “last Adam” or “second Man” (1 Corinthians 15:45–49). That is why Jesus was led out into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. Though the first Adam failed, the second Adam, Jesus Christ, refused Satan’s temptations. As the second Adam, Christ did what the first Adam could have done—qualify to restore the Kingdom of God and God’s will on earth.

However, Christ’s Kingdom has not yet come. This is explained in the parable of the Nobleman who went into a far country (Luke 19:11–27). And why did He do so? “To receive for himself a kingdom and to return” (v. 12). You can read of that future coronation ceremony in Daniel 7:13–14. When He does return, “having received the kingdom” (Luke 19:15), He will remove the devil (Revelation 20:1–3), and He will then establish His own righteous rule. Those who overcome Satan’s rule today will rule with Christ (v. 4).

Until then, Satan is desperately trying to thwart God’s plan. He is directing the course of this world and using human beings to promote his ways of violence, hatred, and rebellion. He infuses into unsuspecting minds vanity and arrogance, self-will and selfishness. He promotes an unforgiving attitude, self-pity, and a spirit of competition. And yes—we allow ourselves to be his useful idiots when we fall prey to his ways of thinking and acting.



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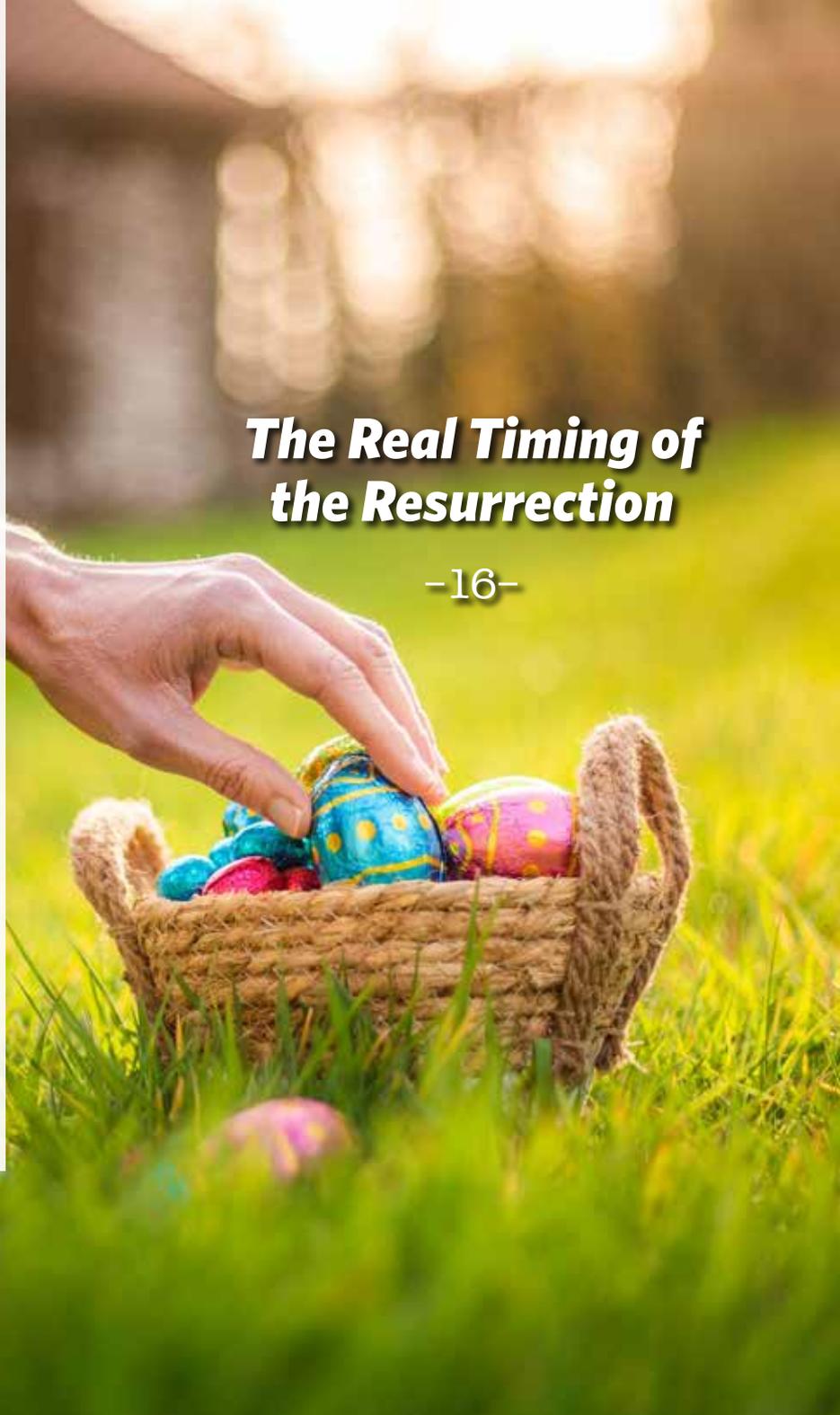
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What Will Happen When You Die?

By **Stuart Wachowicz**

It seems that human societies in all parts of the world have always pondered the question of what happens to people after death. Is death the absolute end of both physical life and human consciousness? Or does a conscious but non-corporeal entity survive, in some way, the death of the body?

Whether they buried pots of food and a spear with a deceased tribesman or created intricate entombments amidst a great civilization, human beings have for millennia acted on their beliefs that a non-physical or spiritual portion of the person would survive death. Ancient cultures accommodated this idea in various ways. Some even believed that the physical body, or some portion of it, had to be preserved for the spirit to continue to function after death.

Ancient Egypt provides a well-known case in point, taking the preservation and protection of the body to unparalleled levels. A great portion of the wealth of the Egyptian Empire was focused on this end. Each person, they believed, consisted of a physical body and not one, but two souls that lived on after death—the *Ka*-soul and the *Ba*-soul.

The *Ka* was said to be a spirit replica of the person, containing the vital force received at birth—it would dwell in the statue or picture of the dead person that was placed in the grave. The *Ba* was the part of the person that had the potential to enjoy eternal life and peace if accepted by the gods, and it was thought to return to the burial site to enjoy food and drink offerings left by family or admirers.

The body, however, had to continue to be recognizable to allow the *Ba* to return to it. Hence, Egyptians mastered the art of embalming. Anything that might cause the body to decay—like internal organs—was removed and placed in jars. But the heart, which they believed was the seat of life, was preserved and placed in the body. They felt that damaging a heart could result in a second death of the *Ka*.

The body was dehydrated and stuffed, then preserved with chemicals. An Egyptian priest, adorned with a jackal mask, would then perform the “last rites,” which included causing the mouth to be opened—to allow speaking and eating in the afterlife. The whole process took 70 days. Much of the wealth and skill of the Egyptian Empire was consumed by a religion that was essentially a cult of death.

Today, many in society claim to have no interest or belief in religion and readily dismiss the idea of an afterlife. Of course, opinion may shift a bit with age or illness, as one's apparent mortality becomes more obvious. Almost all people will at some point ponder the question, "What happens when I die?" Have you ever asked that question? I think you have.

Most religions have some sort of answer—but on what is it based? Some may claim they predicate their belief on a text called the Bible. Many of those same people, however, are actually surprised to learn that what the Bible really does say on the topic varies considerably from what most assume.

A Host of Ideas

In truth, there have been—and currently are—many varying ideas about death and its consequences. Some will take a more pragmatic or atheistic approach, seeing death as the end of one's existence; a person dies, and that person ends, both physically and mentally. Some Eastern ideologies hold that while the body may die, the spiritual essence of the body gets rein-

Rome. According to historians, ancient Mesopotamians believed that "the spirit did not die after death but lingered on to suffer a dismal afterlife.... The only respite from this existence was the food and offerings of their descendants.... It was thought that distressed, murdered and evil spirits could escape the land of the death [sic] to cause havoc among the living.... Likewise, the dead could rise up and torment the living if not given a proper burial" ("Death in Ancient Civilisations," *History.co.uk*). This theme was modified over time in the different cultures to which such ideas spread—hence the development of ancestor worship, along with the desire to placate the dead.

In the Western world, such concepts were adopted by the Greeks and their Roman students. Roman religious ideas were extensively borrowed from the Greeks. The Greek religious and cultural ideas were spread to many regions through the expansion of the Greco-Macedonian Empire in the days of Alexander the Great and his successors.

Similar to the Mesopotamians, both Romans and Greeks believed in a god or gods of the underworld—

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carnated into another living thing—human or animal. Some believe this cycle of birth and death continues until they achieve perfection and escape the wheel of life into blissful non-existence.

Other Middle Eastern or Western traditions hold that the human body is home to a non-physical entity often called a *soul*. The soul, they believe, leaves the body upon death and—subject to a judgment by God—is assigned an eternal reward in a heavenly realm or sentenced to an eternity of pain, sorrow, and suffering in hell.

Much of both Western and Eastern belief originated in ancient Mesopotamia. The ideas that came from this region spread later to Egypt and the East, and also shaped the belief structures of Greece and

Hades in Greece and Pluto to the Romans. "After death, souls would give an account of their lives to three judges and be consigned either to the Fields of Asphodel, or the Pit of Tartarus. In some literature, if a soul had been exceptionally good it might go to Elysium, or the Isles of the Blessed, a place usually

reserved for heroes and the gods" (*History.co.uk*).

The Greek poet Homer described the fields of Asphodel as dark and gloomy realm of Hades where ordinary mortals wander—wailing, lost, and aimless. "According to Plato, wicked souls judged to be curable were purified in Tartarus. The souls of those who were judged curable would eventually be released from Tartarus. The souls of those considered incurable were eternally damned" ("Tartarus: The Greek Prison at the Bottom of the Universe," *HistoryCooperative.org*, April 7, 2025).

It is well known to historians that religious ideas of various cultures were often accepted by the Israelites of the biblical record. When the Greeks absorbed Judea into their empire around 330 BC,

and when Alexander showed great favor to the Jews, many Jews settled in his new city of Alexandria. A process of Hellenization swept over the Jews of the day—many adopted Greek clothing, customs, and architecture, as well as aspects of Greek philosophy and religion.

This set the stage for the confrontation between Jewish leaders of various religious factions—with large numbers accepting much Greek culture, which affected their view of what happens to the dead. Greek thought greatly impacted the religious life of many in Judea at the time of Christ.

Adopting the Greek Tradition

So far, we have very briefly examined some of the concepts mankind has developed that have shaped the views of many cultures and religions as to what happens to a person after death. Could it be that some of these ideas of ancient pre-Christian cultures actually influenced and even shaped some of the notions prevalent in some faiths today that call themselves “Christian”?

Let us start by examining the most common beliefs of mainstream Christianity and see if they are compatible with the document upon which their faith is supposedly based—that document being the Bible.

What do most of today’s professing Christians believe regarding death and the afterlife? With a number of variations, they believe that each human body is host to an immortal spiritual entity called a soul, which departs from the body upon death. The soul immediately receives a judgment from God based upon some criteria. It is then assigned to an eternity of bliss in heaven—or, if judged wanting, it is condemned to eternal suffering and torment in a place called hell, not unlike the Greek Tartarus.

Are these teachings really found in the Bible? Most adherents are convinced they are. But let us see what the Bible actually says, first examining the matter of the soul.

Dr. Philip Almond, professor of humanities at the University of Queensland, writing for the *BBC History Magazine*, states that “from the beginning of the third century, the Christian tradition adopted the Greek tradition that individuals were composed of a mortal body and an immortal soul” (“A Brief History of the Afterlife,” July 1, 2020). In other words, Almond is stating that prior to the third century AD, this was not the Christian

opinion. As we will see, the Bible in both the Old and New Testaments teaches something very different.

Augustine (AD 354–430), held to be one of the greatest influencers of the Roman church, actually fused the religion of the New Testament with the tradition of Greek philosophy as exemplified by Plato. Another influential Roman Catholic writer was Tertullian, who openly admitted that his authority was not biblical but from Plato: “For some things are known even by nature: the immortality of the soul, for instance, is held by many.... I may use, therefore, the opinion of Plato, when he declares: ‘Every soul is immortal’” (“On the Resurrection of the Flesh,” *The Ante-Nicene Fathers*, vol. 3). Notice that they consider Plato—not the Bible—their primary authority here.

So, does the Bible support the notion that each person has an immortal soul that survives death and wafts off to Heaven or descends into hell? Let us look at a few simple scriptures that seem to be rather straightforward.

What Is a *Nephesh*?

Some English translations of the Bible clearly call man a soul: “And the LORD God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul” (Genesis 2:7, *King James Version*). However, we should note that the *New King James Version*, whose editors have updated the words used in the *King James Version*, reads that “man became a living *being*.” Why is the word “soul” used in one version and “being” in another?

Both words are translated from the Hebrew term *nephesh*. This is a term used for a living, physical creature. The same word, *nephesh*, is used for created animals: “Then God said, ‘Let the earth bring forth the living creature [*nephesh*] according to its kind: cattle and creeping thing and beast of the earth, each according to its kind’; and it was so” (Genesis 1:24).

As we can see, the term translated as “soul” in Genesis 2:7 simply means a living creature. The word *nephesh* can even refer to a dead body: “And Haggai said, ‘If one who is unclean because of a dead body [*nephesh*] touches any of these, will it be unclean?’ So the priests answered and said, ‘It shall be unclean’” (Haggai 2:13).

Thus we see that the use of the term “soul” when translated from the Hebrew *nephesh* does not refer to immortality. Ezekiel was also inspired to write a warn-

ing to those who willfully sin without the intention of changing. Through his writing, we find that the soul can die: “Behold, all souls [*nephesh*] are Mine; the soul of the father as well as the soul of the son is Mine; the soul who sins shall die” (Ezekiel 18:4, see also v. 20).

Clearly, then, the Bible contradicts what most of today’s professing Christians believe.

The Apostle Paul made the point that Jesus Christ was the only man who had ever attained immortality, asking Christians to “keep this commandment without spot, blameless until our Lord Jesus Christ’s appearing, which He will manifest in His own time, He who is the blessed and only Potentate, the King of kings and Lord of lords, who alone has immortality” (1 Timothy 6:14–16).

Human beings do not possess immortality in any way. Earlier, in fact, while Jesus was still on the earth, He made the very clear statement that no human had ever gone to Heaven except for Himself: “No one has ascended to heaven but He who came down from heaven, that is, the Son of Man” (John 3:13). Jesus was explaining that none of the patriarchs—Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, as well as men like David and the prophets—had gone to Heaven. He was saying that they were all dead. Of course, the Bible shows that they do have a great hope and promise ahead, but they have not yet received it.

What, then, are we to believe? The word of Jesus Christ—whose teachings Christians purport to follow—who said that no human being but Himself had ever gone to Heaven, or the word of human religionists who contradict His word?

The biblical text is actually quite consistent on this point, revealing that immortality is a particular gift of God, to be granted at a future time and according to certain conditions: “For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord” (Romans 6:23).

Scripture clearly states that the “wages,” or ultimate consequence, of sin—violation of God’s law without repentance—is death. Death is the absence of life; it is not an eternal life of suffering. Indeed, if we already have an immortal soul, we already have eternal life—which is a clear and direct contradiction of the words of Jesus Christ and the Apostles.

Now, to be clear, the Bible *does* speak of a “spirit in man” (Job 32:8)—not a soul, but rather a spirit from God that empowers our intellect. Every newborn

human being is in possession of this spirit of intellect, or “spirit in man,” which enables us to think, reason, create, and be self-aware, with abilities no animal can have. Upon our death, this power of intellect returns to God, who has His own record of each human who has ever lived, which He will use in the future. But after we die that spirit retains no consciousness. Note the Bible’s statement on this: “Then the dust will return to the earth as it was, and the spirit will return to God who gave it” (Ecclesiastes 12:7). “For the living know that they will die; but the dead know nothing, and they have no more reward, for the memory of them is forgotten” (Ecclesiastes 9:5).

This may seem very depressing. But that depressing end can be avoided, as God also reveals the promise of a future life—one that can be eternally happy, creative, and productive.

Restored Through Resurrection

We have seen that when we consult the Bible as to whether we harbor an immortal soul, the answer is clear: No, we do not. But centuries of tradition have been built on the writings of philosophers that in many cases have been used to attempt to override the Bible itself.

The Sadducees and Pharisees in Paul’s day differed regarding the Greek idea of inherent immortality in humans, and Paul used this division to save his life. When he was put on trial by a combined force of Pharisees and Sadducees, Paul made a controversial statement:

When Paul perceived that one part were Sadducees and the other Pharisees, he cried out in the council, “Men and brethren, I am a Pharisee, the son of a Pharisee; concerning the hope and resurrection of the dead I am being judged!” And when he had said this, a dissension arose between the Pharisees and the Sadducees; and the assembly was divided. For Sadducees say that there is no resurrection—and no angel or spirit; but the Pharisees confess both (Acts 23:6–8).

Paul believed in the Bible’s teaching that there would be a resurrection of the dead. For him, and for all the true followers of God through the ages, life and

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THE ECONOMICS OF THE DRUG CRISIS

What will it take to break free?

All the resources of the United States government to date have not been able to stem the flow of illicit drugs onto the streets and into campuses, workplaces, and even boardrooms across the nation. This has had disastrous consequences on families and society. The Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) was created in July of 1973—but, despite the best of intentions, it has not been able to eliminate the widespread use of narcotics and other harmful drugs.

With the introduction of fentanyl, a powerful synthetic opioid that is at least 50 times more powerful than morphine, deaths from accidental overdoses have skyrocketed nationally. Since 2017, more than 300,000 deaths have been attributed to its use in the United States alone! Its grave danger is well known by doctors and by users on the streets—so, why is it so prevalent?

Here enters the basic economic principle of “supply and demand.” The market has not been eliminated because there is tremendous demand for illicit drugs. Those who are addicted will pay whatever it takes, generating huge sums of money for unscrupulous people willing to take the risk of fines and imprisonment to provide the drugs. This revenue is so great that whole societies and even some national governments are dominated by cartels that produce, distribute, and sell deadly, addictive products.

An Age-Old Problem

This seemingly modern problem has ancient roots. The Bible says that in the time of Noah, “the LORD saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every intent of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually” (Genesis 6:5). Solomon was inspired to write, “That which has been is what will be, that which is done is what will be done, and there is nothing new under the sun” (Ecclesiastes 1:9).

Law enforcement has a necessary role in solving this problem. “Because the sentence against an evil work is not executed speedily, therefore the heart of the sons of men is fully set in them to do evil” (Ecclesiastes 8:11). Prompt action by police,

prosecutors, and courts can reduce the flow and sale of illicit drugs. However, this malignant problem will continue until the demand is greatly reduced or eliminated. To accomplish this, a change of attitude on the part of those who use illicit drugs is required. Obviously, education is a powerful tool, but something more is needed.

The demand for narcotics seems to have increased as the basic family structure has crumbled in the Western world. The Apostle Paul instructed, “You, fathers, do not provoke your children to wrath, but bring them up in the training and admonition of the Lord” (Ephesians 6:4). Proverbs 22:6 gives a broad principle on this point: “Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it.” Wholesome family values instilled from infancy and practiced in the home will effectively eliminate the demand and thus the market for illicit drugs.

In striking language, Scripture describes the pitfalls and hopelessness resulting from intoxication: “Who has woe? Who has sorrow? Who has contentions? Who has complaints? Who has wounds without cause? Who has redness of eyes?... Your eyes will see strange things, and your heart will utter perverse things” (Proverbs 23:29–35).

This applies to those enslaved by addiction to illicit drugs. While the physical toll is devastating, the spiritual consequences are even more dire. God describes the sobering final execution that will be carried out on unrepentant sinners. “But the cowardly, unbelieving, abominable, murderers, sexually immoral, *sorcerers*, idolaters, and all liars shall have their part in the lake which burns with fire and brimstone, which is the second death” (Revelation 21:8). Note that the word *sorcerers* is translated from a Greek word *pharmakos*, from which the word *pharmacy* is derived, implying that this scripture is referring to people who misuse drugs.

While you may not be able to change the drug culture in society, you can make changes in your life and family. Your example in rejecting the drug culture will positively influence others.

—J. Davy Crockett III

Oh Canada!

Broken Brotherhood



“Ladies and Gentlemen, Canada and Israel are the greatest of friends, and the most natural of allies.... Through fire and water, Canada will stand with you” (“Harper Tells Israel: ‘Through Fire and Water, Canada Will Stand With You,’” *Times of Israel*, January 20,

2014). Those words, spoken just a little over a decade ago to the Knesset (Israeli legislature) by Prime Minister Stephen Harper, highlighted the strong commitment between these two nations.

We live in an age when allegiances shift quickly. When Harper spoke those words, few would have imagined that just a little more than a decade later we would see the Palestinian flag fly at the city hall of Canada’s largest city after a statement from the nation’s Prime Minister in which the Dominion of Canada officially recognized Palestine as a state.

Canada’s official stance had long been to seek a “two-state” solution in attempts to stabilize relations between Israelis and Palestinians. Even Prime Minister Harper’s speech to the Knesset identified this solution as Canada’s hope for the region. However, the push for a two-state solution was always dependent on a written settlement that would include concessions by both sides. So, what caused Canada to stop waiting for such concessions and simply jump ahead to recognizing a second state?

A Shocking Statement

Prime Minister Mark Carney’s September 21, 2025 statement listed the following four reasons why his government believes a negotiated settlement became unlikely:

- The pervasive threat of Hamas terrorism to Israel and its people, culminating in the heinous terrorist attack of October 7, 2023, and Hamas’ longstanding violent rejection of Israel’s right to exist and a two-state solution.
- The accelerated settlement building across the West Bank and East Jerusalem, while settler violence against Palestinians has soared.
- Actions such as the E1 Settlement Plan and this year’s vote by the Knesset calling for the annexation of the West Bank.
- The Israeli government’s contribution to the humanitarian disaster in Gaza, including by impeding access to food and other essential humanitarian supplies.

Notice that the statement breaks Israel’s perceived overreaction to the October 7 attacks into three separate points, while all the actions taken by Hamas are concentrated into one. One must ask: If Canada’s government is recognizing Palestine because it believes that a negotiated settlement on a two-state solution is now beyond reach, and if one of the reasons such a settlement is beyond reach is the terrorist attacks of October 7, does this mean that the attacks were successful, causing Canada to bypass any need for concessions and agreements and to fast-forward to recognition of the new state?

It seems that such a question was considered in the crafting of Prime Minister Carney’s statement, as such concerns are addressed and brushed aside by its assurance that “this in no way legitimises terrorism, nor

is it any reward for it." Carney's statement goes on to elaborate the Canadian position that there is no place for Hamas in the newly recognized state of Palestine. On the surface, this sounds wise.

However, Canada's recognition of Palestine was not tied to the elimination or isolation of Hamas. In fact, Hamas was one of the first organizations to react: "Although Prime Minister Mark Carney insisted that his recognition of Palestinian statehood on Sunday was a move to isolate Hamas, the Gazan terror group ended up being one of the first to praise the decision" ("The Terrorists Praising Mark Carney," *National Post*, September 23, 2025). This marked the third time since the October 7 attacks that Hamas has specifically and publicly thanked Canada for United Nations votes or public statements that were critical of Israel's operations in Gaza. If a terrorist organization is publicly praising your decisions, that should be cause for concern.

Following Carney's statement, pro-Palestinian protests have occurred across Canada, and Toronto even raised the Palestinian flag over its city hall on November 17 to honour the 37th anniversary of Palestine's Declaration of Independence. Such actions illustrate the significant shift in relations between these nations.

In response, Iddo Moed, Israel's ambassador to Canada, issued a strongly worded statement: "Let us be clear: Israel will not bow to the campaign of international pressure against it.... We will not sacrifice our very existence by permitting the imposition of a jihadist state on our ancestral homeland that seeks our annihilation." His thoughts on Carney's statement recognizing Palestine? "It's just horrific" ("Canada Intends to Recognize a Palestinian State Predicated on Key Reforms Led by the Palestinian Authority," *Canadian Jewish News*, July 31, 2025).

Shared Values Tested

The recent conflict has caused many Canadians to ask why Canada has had such a strong bond with Israel in the first place. Historically, the two nations have held many shared values. Indeed, longtime readers of *Tomorrow's World* will know that the two nations have a shared history dating much further into the past than most realize.

When the patriarch Jacob, having been renamed Israel, was near death, he gathered his sons together to tell them what God had in store for their descendants.

We understand that those descendants would go on to form many nations, including the modern state of Israel. However, while the modern state bears Israel's name, it is predominantly made up of descendants of Jacob's son Judah. Jacob prophesied in Genesis 49:8-9, "Judah, you are he whom your brothers shall praise.... Your hand shall be on the neck of your enemies.... Judah is a lion's whelp.... He bows down, he lies down as a lion; and as a lion, who shall rouse him?"

Israel has become a great military power and certainly has its hand on the neck of its enemies. Interestingly, the name Israel chose for its military campaign into Gaza was *Operation Roaring Lion*. You may have noticed in the above Genesis 49 passage that Judah was prophesied to receive the praise of his brothers. For much of the history of the modern state of Israel, Judah has indeed had the praise, respect, and allegiance of many of the other nations descended from Jacob and his twelve sons.

However, the prophet Isaiah was inspired to record a prophecy that this would not always be the case. As the Israelite-descended nations cast off the shared values that once bound them together, cracks will arise in their relationships. Canada, along with other English-descended nations and England itself, finds its roots in the Israelite tribe of Ephraim. Judah and Ephraim in particular, along with Manasseh (the United States), are foretold to see their relationships sour: "Manasseh shall devour Ephraim, and Ephraim Manasseh; together they shall be against Judah. For all this His anger is not turned away, but His hand is stretched out still" (Isaiah 9:21).

But this sour turn in relations will not be permanent. After the Messiah returns as King of kings and Lord of lords, the broken brotherhood of Ephraim and Judah will be healed: "Also the envy of Ephraim shall depart, and the adversaries of Judah shall be cut off; Ephraim shall not envy Judah, and Judah shall not harass Ephraim" (Isaiah 11:13).

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— Michael Heykoop

consciousness would be restored through a resurrection. This he made plain many times, but nowhere more clearly than in his first letter to the Corinthian brethren:

Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; nor does corruption inherit incorruption. Behold, I tell you a mystery: We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed—in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed. For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality (1 Corinthians 15:50–53).

Paul makes several points here—first, that a person composed of flesh and blood cannot enter the Kingdom of God. He also says that at the time of the seventh trumpet of Revelation 11:15, the dead who have submitted to God will be raised to eternal life, and those at that time who are living and obedient will be changed to immortal spirit life. Immortality is something we do not have—God, through Jesus Christ, must give it to us.

But what about the billions of human beings through the ages who lived and died without ever hearing of Jesus Christ and who spent their lives in ignorance of God’s law and way of life? Are they lost? Those billions were mortal—they died, ceasing to have existence. Yet they, too, still have a hope of life.

A Beautiful Hope

Jesus said something to His disciples that many people today find hard to accept: “No one can come to Me unless the Father who sent Me draws him; and I will raise him up at the last day” (John 6:44).

This is a remarkable truth, showing that no human being can convert another. Conversion is impossible unless God the Father causes a person’s mind to be open to accepting God’s ways. God is not calling everyone at the same time, but all will have their opportunity, “for this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, who desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth” (1 Timothy 2:3–4).

To come to the truth, those who died without truth will have to come to life. Note the remarkable statement given to the Apostle John: “And they lived and reigned with Christ for a thousand years. But the rest of the dead did not live again until the thousand years were finished. This is the first resurrection” (Revelation 20:4–5).

Scripture promises a resurrection of the dead after Jesus returns to establish His kingdom on the earth, where He will rule with the resurrected faithful whom God had called during their human lifetimes. And a thousand years later there is promised another resurrection to physical life—this to give the rest of humanity their first opportunity to learn and build the character needed to be granted eternal life in the Kingdom of God.

What happens when people die? They die. They cease to have any awareness or ability. They have no consciousness until God the Father and Jesus Christ raise them from the dead to an indescribably great opportunity.

Long ago, a rebellious spirit being, seeking to lead humanity astray, started a false doctrine at the beginning of man’s sojourn on this planet. Satan, the adversary, spoke a false doctrine to Eve while she was still in the garden: “The woman said to the serpent, ‘We may eat the fruit of the trees of the garden; but of the fruit of the tree which is in the midst of the garden, God has said, ‘You shall not eat it, nor shall you touch it, lest you die.’” Then the serpent said to the woman, ‘You will not surely die’” (Genesis 3:2–4).

Satan lied. He told Eve she was not going to die, no matter what—in fact, that she was immortal, possessing an immortal spirit. That deception has continued since he spoke those words to her.

But you do not have to be deceived. You can have a great future—if you accept it.

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QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Does the Bible give financial advice?

Question: I'm starting to feel overwhelmed by stress over money. Does the Bible give any advice on what to do about financial uncertainty?

Answer: Believe it or not, the Bible actually gives proven financial keys that bring blessings and financial peace of mind. One of these is the practice of tithing.

The word *tithe* is simply an old English word meaning *tenth*. So, tithing refers to the practice of giving one-tenth of one's increase. The Bible explains that this tenth belongs to God, who told the Israelites that they were to take a "tithe" of their increase and set it aside as His portion (Leviticus 27:30–32).

This was not for an agrarian society only—as we profit from our labors, God expects a tithe of that profit that He grants us as His children. Long before the law of tithing was ever given to the nation of Israel under the Old Covenant, Abraham returned from battle and gave one-tenth of the spoils to Melchizedek, who was "the priest of God Most High" (Genesis 14:18–20). And Jacob made a vow, saying to God, "Of all that you give me I will surely give a tenth to you" (Genesis 28:22).

Tithing was also practiced in Jesus' day, and it was continued by the New Testament Church. Jesus rebuked the Pharisees for their pretentious pedantry and self-righteous display, saying, "You pay tithe of mint and anise and cummin, and have neglected the weightier matters of the law: justice and mercy and faith. These you ought to have done, without leaving the others undone" (Matthew 23:23). Jesus said that spiritual qualities such as mercy and faith ought to be put ahead of scrupulously paying tithes on every little plant that might grow in your garden, especially if that strictness leads to self-righteousness. But He said not to leave "the others undone"—not to fail to pay your full tithes as God has commanded.

You might be wondering *how* to give a tenth to God. It simply goes to God's representatives who are doing His Work. Melchizedek was God's representative on earth when Abraham gave a tithe to Him. Later, when God was working with the nation of Israel, He appointed Aaron and his descendants as priests. He also assigned the Levites to be workers in the tabernacle. Therefore, during that time period, the people

would bring their tithes to them (Numbers 18:21). In the New Testament, God inspired the Apostle Paul to show that the tithes are now again to be paid to God's spiritual priesthood, as that of Melchizedek, to whom Abraham paid tithes (Hebrews 7:1–13). Paul also explained that it is appropriate for Christ's ministry to receive their livelihood from the work of preaching the Gospel (1 Corinthians 9:13–14). Somewhere, God's true ministers are still carrying on His Work (Matthew 16:18). Searching out where the Work of God is being done is something we all need to do ourselves.

Blessings for Obedience

God blesses those who tithe. It is important to remember that everything belongs to God (Exodus 19:5; Job 41:11; Deuteronomy 10:14; Psalm 24:1). Whatever a person acquires in this life, it is only because God has given it (Deuteronomy 8:18). Therefore, it is God's right to take a portion of whatever we gain. But when we give Him His tenth, He blesses us for doing so (Proverbs 3:9–10).

When the ancient Israelites neglected to tithe, God rebuked them for their disobedience, saying, "You have robbed me... in tithes and offerings" (Malachi 3:8). Failing to give to God what belongs to Him is, in fact, stealing from Him. But then God challenges, "Bring all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house, and try me now in this... if I will not open for you the windows of heaven and pour out for you such blessing that there will not be room enough to receive it" (v. 10). These verses are nothing less than a solemn promise from our Creator to bless those who faithfully tithe. But they do not say that those who pay tithes will never experience financial trials. God most definitely wants His people to prosper, but He also realizes that excessive wealth can be a stumbling block to salvation (see Proverbs 30:7–9). And, to be sure, the greatest blessings of all are spiritual.

If we faithfully tithe, God promises to bless us. He may not always do so immediately—we may have to obey Him and exercise faith for a while. But as we serve Him, obey Him, and trust Him, God will keep His part of the bargain. Our free resource *God's People Tithe!* has more information. See page 4 for the mailing address nearest you. 



The Norman “Apocalypse”

Nearly a thousand years ago, a ferocious and brutal invasion changed the course of British history. It led to years of barbarous subjugation and colonization that some have likened to an “apocalypse.” William, Duke of Normandy, believed he had a right to the English throne, and in trying to secure that throne he caused “the opening of a massive fault-line in the continuity of our history,” writes historian Simon Schama (*A History of Britain: At the Edge of the World?: 3000 BC-AD 1603*, 2003, p. 63).

Schama also states, “English history in particular seems the work of a temperate community, seldom shaken by convulsions. But there are moments when history is unsubtle; when change arrives in a violent rush, decisive, bloody, and traumatic; as a truck-load of trouble, wiping out everything that gives a culture its bearings—custom, language, law, loyalty. 1066 was one of those moments” (p. 66).

If we look at the background of the Battle of Hastings, can we recognise just how significant this fault line was—and just who, ultimately, was responsible for it?

A Disputed Kingdom

Approaching the end of the first millennium AD, Britain’s peoples were an admixture of various bloodlines—the inevitable result of foreign invasions. To the ancient Celtic stock had been added Anglo-Saxon blood and culture. Danish Vikings dwelt in a large region of eastern England known as the Danelaw. Norwegian Vikings were in the Orkneys, Shetlands, Hebrides, and in north-west England. The Anglo-Saxons were in central and southern England, while the Celts were in southwest England, Wales, and Scotland.

By the time we come to the imminent death of Edward the Confessor with no heir in place, there are several contenders for the English throne, including Harold Hardrada, King of Norway; William, Duke of Normandy; and Harold Godwinson, Earl of Wessex.

Edward died on January 5, 1066, and Harold Godwinson—as “the man on the spot”—was rapidly crowned as his successor. However, William of Normandy believed that the new King Harold had previously promised the English throne to him by oath, so after Harold’s coronation he wasted no time in assembling an invasion fleet of more than 400 ships and convinced the feudal barons in his Normandy territories to support his attempt to gain the throne. He cleverly sought a blessing from Pope Alexander II, head of the Roman church, who approved of William’s effort, possibly seeing Harold as ruler over a country of barbarians and quasi-pagans. The fleet was ready to sail by August 10.

Weather Helps Craft History

On the other side of the English Channel, King Harold had amassed 3,000 trained soldiers, along with 10,000 part-time troops known as *fyrð* who were obliged to serve the king for 40 days each year. However, the southerly wind that would let William traverse the Channel never came, so on September 8 Harold dismissed the *fyrð*. Four days later, William set sail from Normandy, but a sudden gale pushed the fleet eastward, preventing their crossing.

Events soon took *another* twist. Harold’s banished brother Tostig invaded England with an ally, Harald Hardrada, also known as Harald III—the King of Nor-

way. On September 19, a fleet of 300 ships and 10,000 men in northeast England defeated the locals near York. So, the English king headed north in response, mustering his forces *en route*, marching 190 miles over the course of five days. On September 25, at the Battle of Stamford Bridge, King Harold successfully defeated his brother and Hardrada.

But only days later, Harold got word that William had sailed from France, landing on the south coast at Pevensey. As there was no organized English army waiting to oppose them, the king marched back south again. He could have stopped in or near London and perhaps maintained the advantage, suppressing William's advances northward from the coast—but he did not.

The Battle of Hastings took place on Saturday, October 14, 1066, between evenly matched Norman and Anglo-Saxon forces, lasting most of the day. At a key point in the battle, the Normans appeared to retreat, allowing the Saxon "shield wall" to be broken when they pursued them, opening weak points in the Saxon defensive line. Harold's brothers were both killed, along with Harold himself, who may have been fatally struck by an arrow in his eye.

Britain Permanently Changed

William the Conqueror, as he became known, was crowned in Westminster Abbey on December 25, 1066. The Anglo-Saxon ruling class was replaced by French-speaking Norman conquerors, a change that left a lasting impact on Britain. In 1085, William commissioned a complete inventory of the kingdom, shire by shire. This inventory—the infamous Domesday Book—provided information to help him coerce, fine, and confiscate as he pleased. Such knowledge was truly powerful. Norman rule meant that all the land belonged to William, who controlled it and gave it as gifts to whom he chose. The ruling classes were required to pay homage to William with an oath of allegiance and loyalty. William died shortly afterward whilst fighting the French on the continent, but the English nation was changed forever.

Regular readers of *Tomorrow's World* will remember that the *birthright promises* of national greatness were given to the descendants of Joseph (1 Chronicles 5:1-2; Genesis 49:22-26). His younger son, Ephraim, was to become a great company of nations (Genesis 35:10-11;

48:17-19), and the modern nation of Britain fulfills this promise. Britain—corresponding to the ancient Israelite tribe of Ephraim—came to greatness as a national power, together with her empire nations, starting in about 1800.

Of crucial importance is that these promises were not given to other modern nations such as Denmark, Norway, or France, which are descended from other

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tribes of ancient Israel. The historical events of the Battle of Hastings would prove an essential step in reconfiguring the nation, its culture, and its laws in preparation for its eventual prophetic role, centuries later, as a unified power in world affairs. You can glean more details about Britain's place in biblical prophecy by requesting our free booklet *The United States and Great Britain in Prophecy* from the Regional Office nearest you, listed on

page 4 of this magazine. You can also read or listen to it online at TomorrowsWorld.org.

Critical to the outcome of the Battle of Hastings was the timing of events. If we recognize that God controls history (Daniel 4:17), we can appreciate His hand in the timing as He directed the outcome through elements beyond human control. God, as the creator of Planet Earth, controls its weather, for example (Isaiah 29:6; 2 Chronicles 6:26-27). And the weather played a key part in delaying King William's invasion fleet until Harold's forces had been exhausted by the rapid march north to Stamford Bridge and then south again to fight William. The outcome would have been vastly different if William had arrived in England two months earlier. Another of our free booklets, *Acts of God: Why Natural Disasters?*, explains in more detail how and why God uses natural weather events for His great purpose.

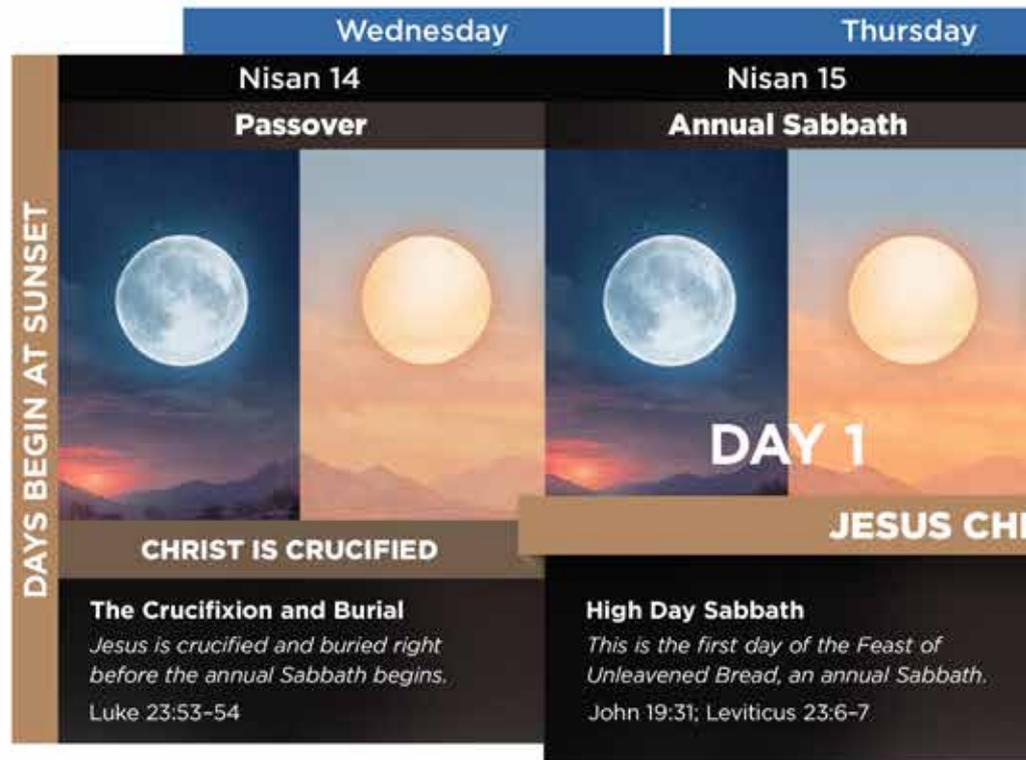
The Norman "apocalypse" resulting from the Battle of Hastings was an important moment directing history toward God's purpose, the fulfilment of prophecy, and His national promises to Abraham. Truly, "the Most High God rules in the kingdom of men, and appoints over it whomever He chooses" (Daniel 5:21).

—Simon R.D. Roberts

Three Days and Three Nights

Understanding the True Timeline of Jesus' Death, Burial, and Resurrection

Jesus Christ was, indeed, crucified, buried, and resurrected. But the Bible's record of the timing of those events is nothing like the Good Friday/Easter Sunday story. You need to understand the truth!



By **Gerald E. Weston**

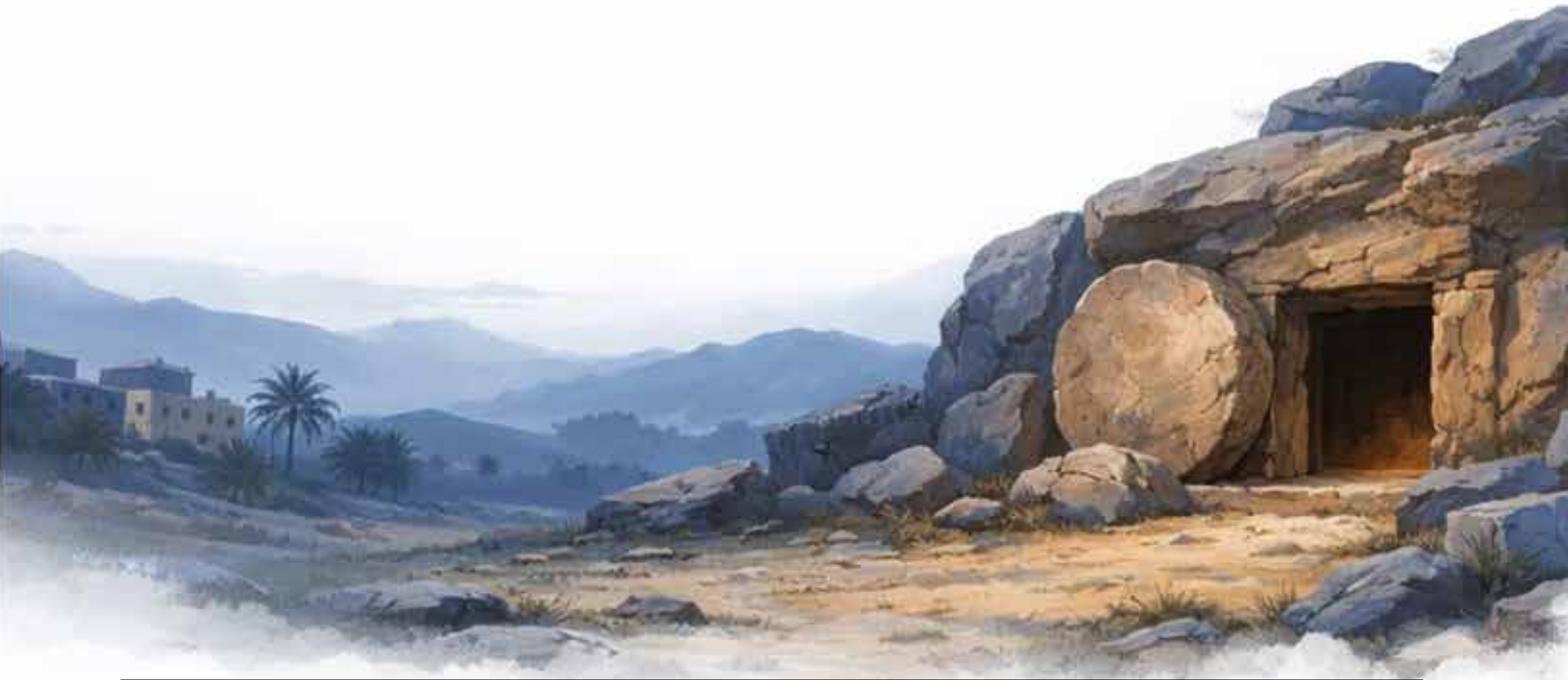
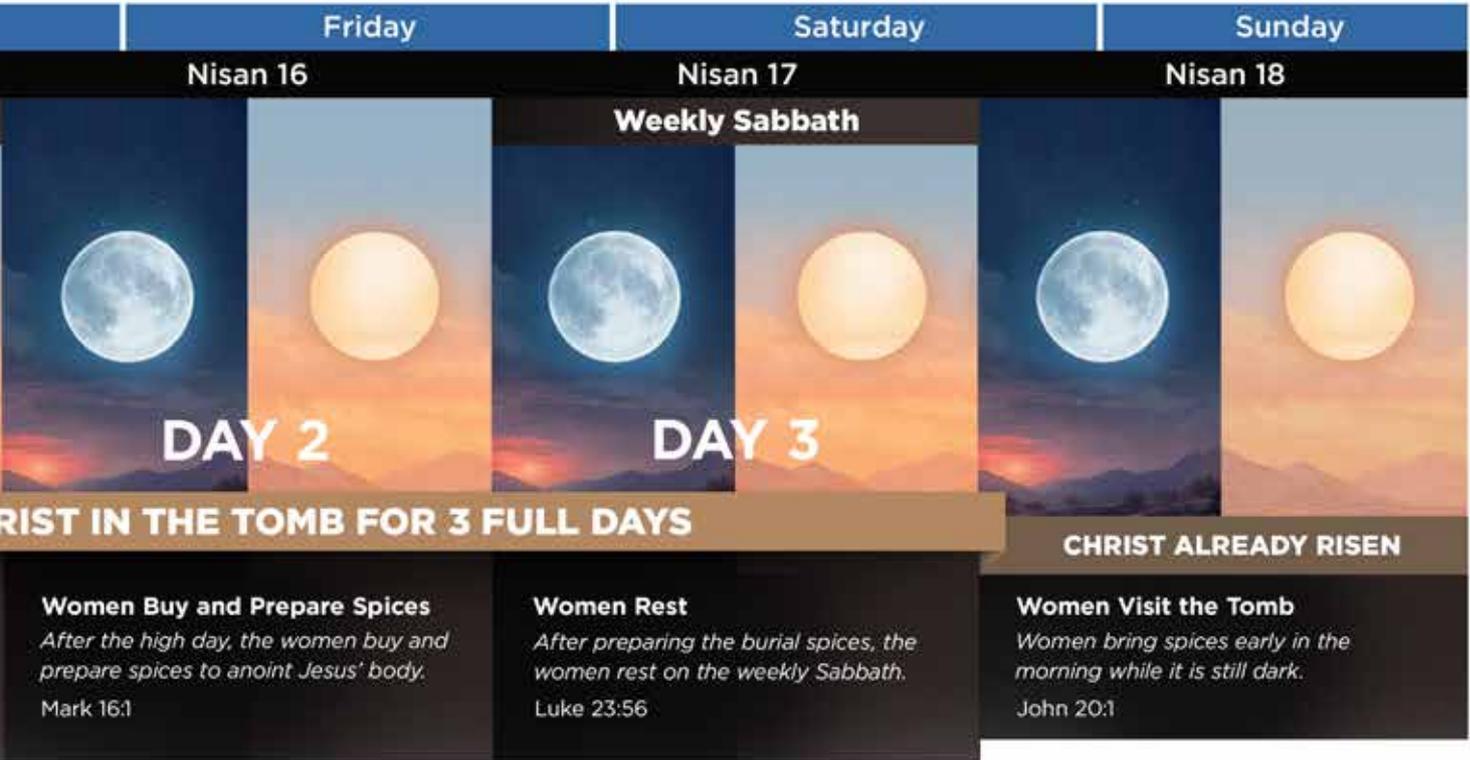
The vast majority of professing Christians believe Jesus Christ was crucified on “Good Friday” and resurrected Sunday morning. Why? Have they proved this from the Bible? Do they even need to? After all, everybody believes this, and we know the majority is always right—right? How about you? Do you believe in the Good Friday and Easter Sunday tradition? If so, why? Is it because that is what you have always been taught? And surely your minister knows best—right?

What if I were to tell you that this tradition is totally in error—that Jesus was not crucified on Friday and that He did not rise on Sunday morning? What if I said I could prove it from the pages of the Bible? “What difference does it make,” you might ask, “when He died and when He was resurrected as long as we believe in Him? Does it really matter?”

Yes, it does matter—and for a reason far greater than you might imagine. This article is for those who believe the Bible takes precedence over tradition. Does that apply to you? If so, do you really want to know the truth? And what will you do about it? Are you as one who stumbles over truth, picks himself up, dusts himself off, and goes on his merry way, unchanged?

As we often tell you here at *Tomorrow's World*, don't believe us just because we say it; believe us because you can prove it from the pages of the Bible! So, crack open your Bible, read on, and discover the truth that has always been there—and discover *why* this subject is vitally important.

The timeline below illustrates the biblical sequence of events that is revealed when all the inspired biblical accounts are put together, as explained in this article. Remember—in the Bible, days begin and end at sundown, unlike modern weekdays, which begin and end at midnight.



Why It Matters

It can be easy to shrug off uncomfortable truth with the dismissive question, “What difference does it make?” With some inconsequential things, maybe the truth does not make much difference, but when it comes to the Bible—and your eternal life—truth is *all important*. It makes a huge difference, and the reason why will become abundantly clear.

The Pharisees of Jesus’ day constantly battled Him due to their jealousy and because He did not follow their man-made traditions. They criticized and even ridiculed His doctrines. They disapproved of the company He kept. They condemned His disciples for eating a little snack on the Sabbath as they walked through grain fields. They found fault when He healed on the Sabbath.

It is remarkable how so many today side with the Pharisees against Jesus. People do not realize it, but isn’t that what they do when they mistakenly believe that Jesus violated the Sabbath—thereby justifying the dismissal of the Sabbath and of the need to keep it? But consider: If Christ broke even one of the Ten Commandments, could He be our Savior? Scripture tells us that “whosoever committeth sin transgresseth also the law: for sin is the transgression of the law” (1 John 3:4, *King James Version*). Jesus was not a sinner!

The Pharisees criticized Jesus’ disciples when they failed to wash their hands in the ritualistic manner prescribed by a tradition of their elders. Notice His response: “Why do you also transgress the commandment of God because of your tradition?” (Matthew 15:3). After showing how they openly violated the command to honor their parents, He went on to say, “Thus you have made the commandment of God of no effect by your tradition. Hypocrites! Well did Isaiah prophesy about you, saying: ‘... *In vain they worship Me, teaching as doctrines the commandments of men*’” (vv. 6–7, 9). Do professing Christians do the same today—substitute traditions over the law of God? Yes, *they do*, as we shall see regarding Jesus’ crucifixion and resurrection! On one contentious occasion, the Pharisees demanded,

“Teacher, we want to see a sign from You.” But He answered and said to them, “An evil and adulterous generation seeks after a sign, and *no sign will be given to it except the sign of the prophet Jonah*. For as Jonah was three days and

three nights in the belly of the great fish, so will the Son of Man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth” (Matthew 12:38–40).

According to Jesus, *the only sign* He would give to prove beyond any doubt that He was the Messiah would be that He would be in the grave for the same length of time that Jonah spent in the belly of the fish—three days and three nights. Now, try as you might, you cannot find three days and three nights between Friday afternoon and Sunday morning. But please—go ahead and try!

How to Get Around the Problem

The Abingdon Bible Commentary bluntly tells us that Jesus was mistaken: “The statement made is inaccurate, for Jesus was in the grave only from Friday evening to Sunday dawn” (1957, p. 976). Now, if this was the only sign Jesus would give that He was the Messiah and He was *mistaken* about it, what conclusion are we left with? That is a serious problem!

Others allege that the Greek expression used in this verse simply means a “day/night,” or a single 24-hour day, and the first and third days need only to be a *portion* of a “day/night.” However, this is controversial at best—and the truth is that the expression “three days and three nights” does not depend on Greek alone. Notice that the Hebrew tells us, “Jonah was in the belly of the fish three days and three nights” (Jonah 1:17).

What is at stake here is the validity of Jesus as our Savior! He did not proclaim a vague length of time that He would be in the grave. No, He insisted upon a very specific time—confirmed in both Greek and Hebrew. Was He wrong about that length of time?

He was not. He knew what He was saying, and the Bible reveals that what He foretold took place precisely as He said it would. Rather, the error is with man-made traditions that have been handed down from generation to generation.

The Bible reveals that Jesus was put in the tomb right around sunset on a preparation day for a Sabbath. “Now when evening had come, because it was the Preparation Day, that is, the day before the Sabbath, Joseph of Arimathea... went in to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus” (Mark 15:42–43). Most who even think about this assume that it is referring

to the weekly Sabbath, but that assumption is erroneous—as we shall see.

The misunderstanding exists because traditional Christianity has substituted heathen practices and rejected the days God established in His word. This has led to ignorance of some of the most basic New Testament practices. The Passover is often dismissively referred to as the “Jewish Passover,” but Jesus and His followers kept it (Acts 20:6; 1 Corinthians 5:7–8). And what many refer to as “the Lord’s Supper” was actually the Passover.

Then came the Day of Unleavened Bread, when the Passover must be killed. And He sent Peter and John, saying, “Go and prepare the Passover for us, that we may eat.... Then you shall say to the master of the house, ‘The Teacher says to you, “Where is the guest room where I may eat the Passover with My disciples?’”... So they went and found it just as He had said to them, and they prepared the Passover. When the hour had come, He sat down, and the twelve apostles with Him. Then He said to them, “With fervent desire I have desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer” (Luke 22:7–8, 11, 13–15).

While most people are somewhat familiar with the Passover, few seem to know anything about the feast that follows—and that feast is the key to unlocking our understanding of the time Jesus was in the tomb. Scripture reveals the following:

These are the feasts of the LORD, holy convocations which you shall proclaim at their appointed times. On the fourteenth day of the first month at twilight is the LORD’s Passover. And on the fifteenth day of the same month is the Feast of Unleavened Bread to the LORD; seven days you must eat unleavened bread. On the first day you shall have a holy convocation; you shall do no customary work on it (Leviticus 23:4–7).

Two Sabbaths That Week

We see that the day after the Passover is a high day, an annual Sabbath on which to refrain from “customary

work.” When Jesus kept the Passover with His disciples, He did so shortly after sunset at the beginning of the 14th day of the month on the Hebrew calendar. When the sun set the next evening, beginning the 15th day, it started an annual Sabbath, not the weekly Sabbath. Therefore, the 14th was what was called a preparation day. Notice what John tells us: “Therefore, because it was the Preparation Day, that the bodies should not remain on the cross on the Sabbath (*for that Sabbath was a high day*), the Jews asked Pilate that their legs might be broken, and that they might be taken away” (John 19:31).

Most commentators, following tradition rather than the Bible, tell us that the weekly Sabbath and the annual Sabbath fell on the same day that year—Saturday—but fail to point out what would be a serious biblical contradiction if that were so. If we are to believe the Bible, there were two Sabbaths that week: the first day of the Feast of Unleavened Bread (an annual Sabbath, a “high day”) and the weekly seventh-day Sabbath. Not only is this the only explanation that makes sense—it is the only explanation that proves Jesus was who He claimed to be!

Following Jesus’ death around 3:00 p.m., Joseph of Arimathea went to Pilate and requested Jesus’ body. John tells us that Joseph was assisted by Nicodemus and that together, after Pilate had confirmed that Jesus truly was dead, they took the body, along with about 100 pounds of spices, to the grave where they prepared the body and closed the tomb (John 19:38–42). All of this took time, and the result was that the high-day Sabbath—the annual Sabbath of the first day of the Feast—was nearly upon them. “That day was the Preparation, and the Sabbath drew near. And the women who had come with Him from Galilee followed after, and they observed the tomb and how His body was laid. Then they returned and *prepared spices and fragrant oils. And they rested on the Sabbath according to the commandment*” (Luke 23:54–56).

It would have been impossible for the women to return home and prepare spices prior to the Sabbath, as its time was quickly approaching. Furthermore, they could not prepare the spices before they bought them, and Mark 16:1 tells us, “Now *when the Sabbath was past*, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome *bought spices*, that they might come and anoint Him.” Comparing these two passages, it is evident

that there were two Sabbaths with an ordinary day between them. The women saw where the body was laid, returned home to keep the annual high-day Sabbath, then *after* that Sabbath went out and bought and prepared spices before resting on the *weekly* Sabbath. When they came to the tomb early on the first day of the week, Jesus' body was already gone.

If Jesus was in the tomb for exactly three days and three nights, as He said He would be, He would have been resurrected at the same time of day that He was put in the grave. We know that His body was put in the tomb as the sun was setting and that when the women came to anoint the body very early on the first day of the week—what we call Sunday morning—it was already gone. So, when we count three days and three nights back from sunset on Saturday, we come to Wednesday. Now, let us spell it out by harmonizing the two Sabbaths.

Jesus kept the Passover with His disciples on Tuesday evening. He was taken into custody later that night, tried illegally, and taken to be crucified around 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday morning. He died around 3:00 p.m. and was put in the grave very late on Wednesday afternoon. When the sun set on Wednesday, that began the Sabbath of the First Day of Unleavened Bread—the high-day Sabbath. Wednesday night and the daylight portion of Thursday were the first day. Thursday night and Friday's daylight (a common workday) were the second night and day. Friday night and Saturday's daylight (the weekly Sabbath) were the third night and day. This is the only way you can harmonize Luke 23:54–56 and Mark 16:1. There *had to be* two Sabbaths. And this is the only way to fulfill the sign Jesus gave of who He was—the Messiah, the Savior of the world!

Some point to Mark 16:9 to claim that Jesus rose Sunday morning: “Now when He rose early on the first day of the week, He appeared first to Mary Magdalene, out of whom He had cast seven demons.” But a Sunday-morning resurrection contradicts other scriptures, so what are we to think of this? Do the scriptures contradict one another (cf. John 10:35)?

Many people do not realize that the original New Testament writings had no punctuation. There was not even space between words—they were all run together. This creates a problem for translators, and while most of the time the added punctuation is helpful, sometimes the translators' bias creates a problem, as in this case. Based on their preconceptions, they place

a comma after “first day of the week,” but it is every bit as correct to place it after “rose”—thus reading: “Now when He rose, early on the first day of the week He appeared first to Mary Magdalene....” Thus, the emphasis is on not when He rose but when He appeared to Mary.

Does It Matter to God?

Few people stop to ask why they do what they do, especially when it comes to religious observances. Therefore, let us ask a few questions about the traditions that surround the whole Easter season. Where do we find something termed Lent in the Bible? Where do we find avoiding all meat (except fish) on Fridays during Lent (1 Timothy 4:1–3)? What connection is there between the resurrection and Easter—the name of a pagan fertility goddess? Where do we find fertility symbols, such as rabbits and eggs, contained in the Scriptures? *What have all these things to do with Jesus Christ?*

The Bible admonishes us to “test all things; hold fast what is good” (1 Thessalonians 5:21). On the verge of entering the Promised Land, the nation of Israel was given the following instructions:

Take heed to yourself that you are not ensnared to follow them, after they are destroyed from before you, and that you do not inquire after their gods, saying, “How did these nations serve their gods? I also will do likewise.” You shall not worship the LORD your God in that way; for every abomination to the LORD which He hates they have done to their gods; for they burn even their sons and daughters in the fire to their gods. Whatever I command you, be careful to observe it; you shall not add to it nor take away from it (Deuteronomy 12:30–32).

Is that admonition outdated? Not if we are to believe that “Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever” (Hebrews 13:8). If you are interested in learning more about this vitally important subject, order a free copy of our resource *Easter: The Untold Story*. And if you are interested in observing the Christian Passover with others who choose the Bible over human tradition, let us know, as we have congregations and ministers in many cities of North America and around the world. Contact information for our Regional Office nearest you can be found on page 4 of this magazine. 

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The Untold Story

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Jesus told His enemies, “An evil and adulterous generation seeks after a sign, and no sign will be given to it except the sign of the prophet Jonah. For as Jonah was three days and three nights in the belly of the great fish, so will the Son of Man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth” (Matthew 12:39–40).

Three days and three nights—this is the sign Jesus gave to establish His Messiahship. Our Savior staked His very identity on what some might brush off as a seemingly trivial detail. Yet the Pharisees did not consider it so trivial. Notice how they responded to Christ’s death: “On the next day, which followed the Day of Preparation, the chief priests and Pharisees gathered together to Pilate, saying, ‘Sir, we remember, while He was still alive, how that deceiver said, “After three days I will rise”” (Matthew 27:62–63).

The chief priests and Pharisees feared that Christ’s disciples might try to fake His resurrection, following the exact timetable He gave, thus continuing His influence even after His death. In response, Pilate authorized additional security to make sure no one would tamper with the grave (vv. 65–66).

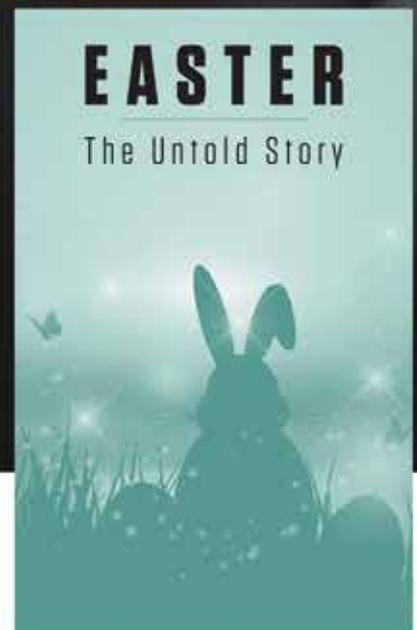
Significantly, when Scripture is describing Jonah’s ordeal in the belly of the fish, the book of Jonah uses the exact same words for day and night that are used in Genesis 1:5. “Now the LORD had prepared a great fish to swallow Jonah. And Jonah was in the belly of the fish three days [yowm] and three nights [layil]” (Jonah 1:17).

Our Creator is a God of perfect timing. He gave exact instructions for keeping the Passover on time (Exodus 12:12, 22). He gave human beings exact instructions for keeping a specific day of rest and worship (Exodus 20:8). He instructs us to observe specific annual Holy Days throughout the year (Leviticus 23). When it comes to prophecy, He has perfect timing, knowing “the end from the beginning” (Isaiah 46:10).

Indeed, the prophet Daniel foretold the timing of Christ’s first coming, hundreds of years in advance (Daniel 9:24–26). So we can understand that the death and resurrection of the Savior of the world would occur with perfect timing, as confirmed by the sign of Jonah.



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THE Works OF HIS HANDS

The Miracle of Life in the Womb

When a mother gently places her hands upon her growing belly, contemplating the new child developing within, she is truly touching one of the great wonders of life. The creation of new human life is, indeed, a miracle. And more than a miracle, it is a miracle meant to point us *further*—to the purpose of human life, itself! Consider briefly just how much occurs in our first nine months of life.

A Human Beginning

All human life begins at *conception*—begettal—when an egg cell from a woman unites with a man’s sperm cell. Each minuscule component—an egg cell is roughly the diameter of a human hair, and the microscopic sperm cell is, by volume, the smallest in the human body—carries just half of each parent’s genetic material, or DNA. But these two cells *unite* and become *one single* cell; the two genetic halves come together to complete a *full* set of DNA and create a brand-new human being! Bearing a mix of the genetic programming of both mother and father, the child now conceived will grow to resemble them both. Everything that is needed to guarantee years of hearing, “You have your father’s eyes!” or “You have your mother’s nose!” is already fixed and in place from your very first cell!

At that moment, new life has come into being: new *human* life. Every human being who has ever lived, from the famous to the infamous—Leonardo da Vinci, Mohandas Gandhi, Joan of Arc, William Shakespeare, Eleanor Roosevelt, Napoleon Bonaparte—began life in this humblest of circumstances as one lone, almost microscopic cell growing in his or her mother’s body.

While a humble start, life as a single cell is only the beginning, as this brand-new human life is about to undergo an amazing transformation in nine short months!

Even before the fertilized human egg has implanted in its mother’s uterus, the cell begins dividing furiously, multiplying itself over and over, crafting the machinery that will become its complete human body. The development of that body proceeds at a breathless pace.

Around three weeks after conception, the child is only about the size of the tip of a pen—and yet so much is already happening! The baby’s organs and nervous system—brain and spinal cord—are developing. Before the month is over, the child’s heart will begin beating, carrying blood throughout a rapidly growing body with a closed circulatory system.

Four to five weeks in, facial features are beginning to develop—including eyes and jaws. Future arms and legs begin to bud from the main body. By five weeks, while the child is merely the size of a shirt button, its brain begins to form the creased and crevassed look that is characteristic of the human cerebral cortex, so crucial to the advanced thinking of human beings. Brain waves have been detected in children after only one more week of this development!

Over the next couple of months, though still only reaching three or four inches in size, the child’s face develops lips and ears—and eyes protected by closed eyelids. Taste buds form, allowing the child to taste the surrounding environment that reflects the mother’s diet. The unborn baby begins yawning, feeling, and even smelling—taking in more and more information from a rapidly expanding “world” around it.

The rest of its time before birth is devoted to non-stop, continuous development, passing one milestone after another—organs mature, muscles strengthen as the baby begins moving and stretching, and lungs continually “breathe” in fluid, anticipating their first breath of air.

By the time the child is finally *born* into our world, he or she has already experienced approximately nine dramatic months of life in the “world” of the womb! The child who began life as a simple, single cell has grown within a wondrous life-support system designed specifically to empower rapid development and provide nurturing, until—a mere 40 weeks later—a beautiful baby is born and ready to be embraced by its loving parents, whose muffled voices the newborn has been hearing and bonding with for months.

It is a beautiful process to consider, a process contemplated by virtually every married couple during the days of pregnancy. God’s wonders are truly demonstrated in each step of the process.

What’s more, God also uses the physical things He has designed to illustrate spiritual realities. And the picture of human reproduction depicts one of the greatest spiritual realities of all—God’s reproduction of *Himself*—His very purpose for mankind!

A Divine Purpose

The picture in Scripture is crystal clear. Just as a human father at conception imparts part of his nature to his offspring through his sperm, God imparts to us His *own* nature when we repent and are baptized—giving us His very own Spirit at baptism (Acts 2:38). The Apostle



Peter makes this plain, explaining that we become “partakers of the *divine nature*” (2 Peter 1:4).

And yet, this is only the beginning. Christians are only *begotten* with God’s Spirit at baptism—their actual *birth* into the fullness of the Family of God will not take place until their resurrection at the return of Jesus Christ, when they will become “sons of the resurrection” (Luke 20:36). Just as a human child has much developing and growth to do between conception and birth, so too does a child of God!

A human child in the womb does not truly resemble its parents at first—it grows in that resemblance day by day while in the womb. So, too, does a child of God grow and develop in the womb of God’s Church, growing in grace and in knowledge (2 Peter 3:18), developing the mind of Christ through God’s Spirit (Philippians 2:5). Christians learn to grow toward the perfection that is exemplified for them by their Father in Heaven (Matthew 5:48).

And just as babies in the womb cannot see their parents—cannot observe in their faces, form, or features the life destined for them—until they have been born into the world, so also do Spirit-begotten Christians not see the fullness of their destiny until *their* birth! As the Apostle John described, “Beloved, now we are children of God; and it has not yet been revealed what we shall be, but we know that when He is revealed, we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is” (1 John 3:2).

At the revealing of Jesus Christ, the children of God enter the fullness of their destiny, transformed into the full likeness of God, with Spirit bodies of power and glory forever (1 Corinthians 15:42-45)—an event so wonderful and glorious that *all creation* cries out for it like a woman in labor crying out for her child (Romans 8:19-23)!

God’s creation is not wondrous only for its amazing features of design and engineering, but also for the manner in which He uses it to paint such beautiful pictures of His marvelous plan. Our Almighty Designer is also the Almighty Artist! Using the process of human reproduction, He does, indeed, make a glorious image. In that process, He depicts the very purpose of mankind and allows us to see in the eyes of every newborn child a reflection of our eternal destiny in the very Family of God.

—Wallace G. Smith

PROFANITY ON THE RISE

Are we becoming comfortable in the gutter?

You may have noticed that the use of profanity and other vulgar language seems to have increased in recent years. A *Saturday Evening Post* article from November 2024 reported, “If you think American speech has slid from a ‘PG’ to an ‘R’ rating, you’re not alone. It appears that profane speech is becoming more common in America.” In March of 2025, the *New York Times* ran an article asking, “Is There Too Much Cursing These Days?” Is this the natural progression of a decades-long trend of coarsening language? What might this mean for the overall moral condition of the United States and other countries?

On May 5, the *Wall Street Journal* ran an opinion piece titled “Guess Who’s Cussing at Dinner,” in which pediatrician Robert Hamilton described his recent dinner at a friend’s house. He happened to sit next to a young woman who had just graduated from an Ivy League university. He had never met her, and during the dinner conversation she employed a wide range of vulgar language. Later, she asked him if he was offended by her cussing. He said he was not, but that he strives to avoid such foul language, then concluded by saying, “Gutter talk debases us into the gutter, while intelligent and proper language elevates.”

I appreciated and related to what this pediatrician shared. It reminded me of a recent visit to the grocery store, during which I encountered two women, perhaps in their 30s, being helped by a store employee. I happened to hear one of them use a common cuss word while talking about her shopping. She wasn’t upset or angry—she was just using the word as a part of regular communication to an employee she didn’t appear to know.

Such occurrences are sadly common. Perhaps you have thought, as I have, *Was that necessary?* Do people who use such language, even a scatological term for grocery items, consider while they do so that there is such a word as *dignity*? Is there any decorum or virtue left, or even just a few good manners?

Again, sadly, such foul language isn’t just used by “regular people.” This unpleasant trend is led by celebrities, athletes, politicians, and other influencers. Dr. Hamilton’s article noted that both Donald

Trump and Kamala Harris used the “f-word” while campaigning in 2024.

Virtue and Dignity

Many biblical passages address the sin of vulgar language. Let’s consider two verses in Proverbs 31, describing an excellent and godly wife. In verse 10, she is described as *virtuous*. What a pleasant word, and one that even sounds old-fashioned in a good way, telling us that she has high moral standards. In the *World English Bible* (and some other translations) verse 25 describes her as clothed with *dignity*, another nice and old-sounding word indicating that she is worthy of honor or respect.

In using profanity, the Ivy League graduate, the grocery store customer, and the two presidential candidates certainly did not reflect virtue or dignity.

Compared to many other horrendous behaviors and societal trends, vulgar language may seem to land on the not-so-bad side of the spectrum. However, small things often reflect big things—“he who is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much” (Luke 16:10). God surely stands against profane language, because He is the opposite of profane—He is holy, the epitome of virtue and dignity. He inspired the Apostle Paul to write, “Let no corrupt word proceed out of your mouth, but what is good for necessary edification, that it may impart grace to the hearers” (Ephesians 4:29). Beautifully said.

Christians should strive to live contrary to many current trends, including the use of foul language. The use of filthy and profane “gutter talk” pulls the speaker and the hearer to a lower state of mind. Godly language is pure and clean—it builds up, imparts grace, and gives a small reflection of a person, like the Proverbs 31 woman, striving to live according to virtue and dignity.

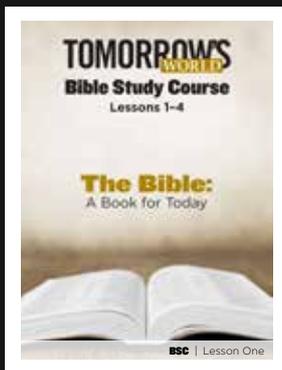
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—Josh Lyons

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Being Relevant

Have you ever shown up for dinner at an acquaintance's home, only to realize that you were out of place? The invitation said, "Come Casual," but something was obviously lost in translation. Their definition of "casual" meant a spiffy sport coat and loafers. Your definition? A T-shirt with a smiley face on the front, shorts, and sandals. Talk about feeling out of place!

Sometimes our whole world can feel this way to us, especially when it comes to dealing with young people. It's not just the latest smartphone that can make us feel "less than smart." The styles in clothing, the trends in music, the ever-changing pop culture can make anyone older than 21 feel, well... irrelevant.

We older people may not know who the most popular Instagram influencers are. We may not even know how to find their videos if we wanted to. But does that mean that we are not "relevant?" In this context, to be "relevant" is to be "in the know"—in tune and maybe even in harmony with the latest social trends.

Ironically, this pattern of thinking is not new. Just ask your grandparents. It's likely that they thought that their parents and grandparents were "out of touch" and not tuned in to the latest styles, fashions, music, and trends as well. Every generation feels that the older generations don't understand *their* generation and are not "relevant"—not worth hearing from or following.

But if being "relevant" requires being in tune with the latest cultural cues, how can anyone remain relevant for more than a week or so? Our society is changing at a breakneck pace. What is popular today will be passé tomorrow.

Our world is so divided, with so many subcultures based on political ideology, religious beliefs, age, ethnic background, and ideas about sexuality that it raises a question: Just who is relevant anyway? Who is truly in touch with reality? Whose thoughts and words carry weight that never changes? Who really knows what's important and what is meaningful? Who should your son or daughter or their friends look to as being important, knowledgeable, "with it," and relevant?

The One Who Stays Relevant

In Job 38, God settled the matter:

Then the LORD answered Job out of the whirlwind, and said: "Who is this who darkens counsel by words without knowledge? Now prepare yourself like a man; I will question you, and you shall answer Me. Where were you when I laid the foundations of the earth? Tell Me, if you have understanding. Who determined its measurements? Surely you know! Or who stretched the line upon it? To what were its foundations fastened? Or who laid its cornerstone, when the morning stars sang together, and all the sons of God shouted for joy?" (vv. 1-7).

God reminded Job that He is not only the One who knows about everything that exists or has ever existed, but also the One who created all of it. If we're asking who to look to for true relevance, the answer is clear: God, our Father and Creator.

But what about us? Can we reflect the relevance of God in our own lives, so that our children have an

alternative to the empty icons of confusion and chaos in modern culture? The answer is yes—but how?

As adults, we know what it was like to be young.

What kind of life are sports heroes, music stars, and social media influencers living? And how many different versions of each of them exist? They promote a public version of themselves to cultivate a following, to create a fan base. But what are they really like?

We know the excitement and uncertainty of facing the world as an adult. We know the anxious frustration of wanting to meet the right young man or young woman but not knowing who that person might be. We know the challenge of trying to decide which direction to go with our education or training. We may not have had exactly the same experiences—but we've had the same *kinds* of experiences.

Similarly, Christ understands us—He is relevant and important

to us, partly because He has been where we are. In the book of Hebrews, we read,

Inasmuch then as the children have partaken of flesh and blood, He Himself likewise shared in the same, that through death He might destroy him who had the power of death, that is, the devil.... Therefore, in all things He had to be made like His brethren, that He might be a merciful and faithful High Priest in things pertaining to God, to make propitiation for the sins of the people. For in that He Himself has suffered, being tempted, He is able to aid those who are tempted (Hebrews 2:14, 17-18).

And we read, "For to this you were called, because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that you should follow His steps" (1 Peter 2:21).

Just as Christ is relevant to us, having shared our experience, we as parents are relevant, important, and meaningful to our children, as we do our best to live a life dedicated to God.

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As Christians, we are driven by a true reality that is timeless. Our daily battle is to live this way, to run this race, to live on a stage that is more real than any A.I.-enhanced, media-manipulated, virtual reality that is presented by our cultural icons. We live so that we might echo the words that Paul wrote to Timothy, his protégé: "I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. Finally, there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will give to me on that Day, and not to me only but also to all who have loved His appearing" (2 Timothy 4:7-8).

Our life, our efforts, and our commitment to God's plan for the world place us in a far more relevant place than any of the so-called "influencers" today.

Be a Real Influencer

You and I *are* relevant. Our words, opinions, and ideas matter. And our influence can help our children be more successful. But we need to match and surpass the impact of the influence of our culture. And, in fact, we're commanded to make this our business.

In the book of Deuteronomy, Moses exhorted the Israelites, "You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your strength. And these words which I command you today shall be in your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, when you walk by the way, when you lie down, and when you rise up" (Deuteronomy 6:5-7).

Instead of trying to mimic the younger generation—its mannerisms, its clothing styles, its jargon—in order to be socially relevant, we need to redefine relevance. In the cultural fog in which our children live, our voice is more relevant than ever. As we teach and exemplify the mind of God, we point them to more than a show—we point them to an eternal reality.

—Jonathan McNair

Will the Lines of War Ever Be Erased?

In Europe, as yet another peace deal between Russia and Ukraine is weighed, details suggest that the most recent proposal “paves the way for the legal framework under which British, French, and partner forces could operate on Ukrainian soil, securing Ukraine’s skies and seas, and regenerating Ukraine’s armed forces for the future” (*BBC.com*, January 6, 2026). Some even suggest that such protocols will make it possible for direct American military intervention to defend Kiev in the future, coming close to a NATO-style Article 5 agreement without requiring Ukraine to actually join NATO (*Axios.com*, November 20, 2025). But would this technicality really matter to Russia’s current leaders, who have relentlessly proclaimed that they will not allow Ukraine to become a perceived threat to their territories?

Meanwhile, current tensions between China and Taiwan have intensified, and a U.S. think tank recently released a report detailing the potential costliness of a Chinese attack on Taiwanese territory (*Taipei Times*, January 7, 2026). The report speculated that any such conflict would very likely end in a massive loss of Chinese troops and an embarrassing stalemate, forcing China to withdraw unsatisfied. However, it emphasized that “deterrence rests on perceptions, rather than

reality.” In other words, all the practical realities in the world will not prevent conflict if aggressors perceive their losses as minor compared to what they hope to gain. And what will this lead to? In the years ahead, the major world powers will set aside any realities about potential losses and will conclude that offensive action is their best option—eventually resulting in a military exchange so destructive that a third of mankind will be destroyed, as foretold by Bible prophecy, before Christ returns to set up His Kingdom here on Earth!

The Biggest Threat to the West

A sobering essay was published in the *Telegraph* on December 18, 2025, titled “The single biggest threat to our national security is not Russia, China or Iran.” In the article, former British politician Liam Fox observed how nations of the West are spending more each year on the interest on their national debts than they are spending on defense—in a world full of growing threats and a continually aggressive antagonist on Europe’s border. As Mr. Fox observed, “The toxic combination of short-term political obsession, failure of vision and lack of courage among Western political leaders is currently leaving us dangerously exposed to increasingly emboldened enemies.”

According to the article, the United Kingdom spent 60 percent more on paying its debt than it spent on defense

in 2024. The United States has the world’s largest defense budget at almost \$900 billion and spends roughly the same amount on its debt interest. And G7 nations—with the exception of Germany—“have government debt to GDP ratios approaching or greater than 100 per cent.” Mr. Fox concluded that “balancing budgets to keep us safe must become the clear battlefield in our politics if we are to remain secure and free peoples.”

God inspired Moses to prophesy about the many nations descended from ancient Israel at the end of the age, including many Western nations. In this warning, God observed that as these Israelite-descended nations increasingly reject Him, they will become debtor nations that will lose control to others (Deuteronomy 28:43–44). Ultimately, this debt will contribute to their destruction (v. 45). God also warned that covetousness and greed—uncontrolled desire for excess—leads to conflict

(James 4:1–3). The modern nations that descended from Israel have been richly blessed in recent centuries, but sadly these blessings are rapidly coming to an end.

Is Social Media Making Us More Violent?

Violence permeates television shows and movies, and viewers are often able to “disconnect” themselves to some degree from the acts they see, knowing that the violence they watch is *not real*. However, with video captured easily on mobile devices, people can now watch *actual* violence, even as it is happening. Does this affect one’s mind differently than the simulated violence of cinema and television? New research suggests that it does.

According to a Youth Endowment Fund (YEF) survey of teens in England and Wales, “Most teenagers have seen real-world acts of violence on social media in the past year—70 percent of 13 to

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17-year-olds reported seeing such content” (November 24, 2025). TikTok and X users reported the greatest viewing of actual violence, and Facebook, Snapchat, and Instagram “also have significant numbers of teenage users exposed to violent content” (November 25, 2024). While an average person in most developed nations does not every day experience real-life violence firsthand, it is possible to be exposed to scenes of real violence every single day if one spends enough time on social media. Thanks to the way algorithms personalize media content, someone who has watched such violent footage can be lured into watching more—and for hours on end. According to the YEF, “16 percent of children aged between 13 and 17 years old reported perpetrating a violent incident in the past 12 months. Of these, nearly two-thirds (64 percent) said that social media played a role, including online arguments leading to in-person violence.”

God pays special attention to the person “who stops his ears from hearing of bloodshed, and shuts his eyes from seeing evil” (Isaiah 33:15). And when His Kingdom on Earth is established, “Violence shall no longer be heard in your land” (Isaiah 60:18). In a world where it is increasingly difficult to avoid scenes of violence and bloodshed, one must put forth effort to seek that which is good and right (Philippians 4:8). And when we *do* seek what is good and avoid

exposure to evil and violent things, our minds and lives have much more peace.

The Crisis of the Will to Work

Mike Rowe, CEO of the *mikeroW*orks Foundation, is sounding an alarm that a fundamental shift has occurred in America’s relationship with work (*MSN*, November 30, 2025). According to Rowe, part of the crisis facing the United States is about the *will to work*, and data seems to back up his conclusion. In a recent report, 10.5 percent of American men ages 25–54—roughly 6.8 million individuals—“were neither working nor looking for employment” (*CNBC*, September 19, 2025). This withdrawal from the workforce represents an increasingly common decision to simply *opt out* of productive labor.

The figures are dismal. From 1948–2024, men’s labor force participation dropped from 86.6 percent to just 68 percent. For men in their prime working years (ages 25 to 54), participation has dropped from 98 percent in 1954 to 89 percent. More than a quarter of these men report *voluntarily* not working—all while the U.S. lacks skilled laborers.

What does a nation lose when its able-bodied men abandon work? Work provides more than economic productivity—it provides purpose, dignity, and structure to human life. The Bible speaks clearly of the value of work. The Apostle Paul wrote, “If

anyone will not work, neither shall he eat” (2 Thessalonians 3:10). Before sin entered the world, Adam was given the garden of Eden “to tend and keep”—to work in it (Genesis 2:15). Today’s generations face a choice: Will we value honest work or continue on a path where constant idleness is normal? When the will to work disappears, we risk a crisis not just of economics but of character and purpose.

U.S. Pushes Germany to Take Over NATO

Germany recently hosted the 24th Berlin Security Conference. This conference included attendees from nations inside and outside of Europe, including many NATO nations. During the conference, Matthew Whitaker, the United States’ ambassador to NATO, spoke on behalf of President Donald Trump and mused, “I look forward to the day when Germany comes to the United States and says that we’re ready to take over the Supreme Allied Commander position. I think we’re a long way away from that, but I look forward to those discussions” (*The Telegraph*, November 19,

2025). In additional comments Mr. Whitaker shared his wish that Germany’s military capabilities would one day be equal to those of the U.S.

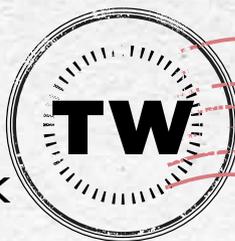
Ever since NATO’s inception in 1949, the Supreme Allied Commander Europe role has been filled by an American general. Dwight D. Eisenhower was the first to hold the post, and he later became a U.S. president. In the last two years, Germany’s military growth has been a top priority in Berlin, and Germany is far outpacing the rest of Europe in its rearmament efforts.

While many nations are not yet ready for the United States to relinquish the leading role in NATO, could Germany take on this role in the future? Many students of history and of Bible prophecy are keenly aware that Germany is prophesied to take a global role in the years ahead, both politically and militarily. And Germany’s future impact on the U.S. and other nations descended from ancient Israel will not be as kind as one might think—Ambassador Whitaker and the U.S. should be careful what they ask for. 



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Dear *Tomorrow's World*, words cannot express my gratitude for your books, Bible lessons, and magazines. Thank you for your hard work and for the truth.

—Subscriber in Rio Claro, Trinidad and Tobago

Greetings! Your videos were a big help in my sharing the word of God online. I was thinking if you could make an exhaustive video on the Marriage Supper of the Lamb. I have so many questions regarding it. Where does that take place—in heaven or earth? As we all know Jesus will return here on Earth and will rule with the saints for 1,000 years, so before that are we going to heaven first for the Marriage Supper of the Lamb and then after a while back again to Earth to rule with Christ? Thank you so much again and may God bless the Living Church of God and *Tomorrow's World*.

—Viewer in Metro Manila, Philippines

Editor's Note: *We're glad to be of help! One of the many free resources we offer is a booklet entitled What Happens When You Die?, chapter 5 of which addresses the Marriage of the Lamb—including when*

and where it will take place. You can read it online at TomorrowsWorld.org or order a free printed copy from the Regional Office nearest you, listed on page 4 of this magazine.

Dear Living Church of God and *Tomorrow's World* Staff, I want to take a minute of my time to thank you for all your fine literature and information you produce through your videos, booklets and DVDs. More severe birth pains are beginning to unfold globally right before our very eyes. Nation fighting against nations; wretched immorality; and divorce running rampant; illegal drug abuse; and a level of disrespect towards the elderly from children to grandchildren was unheard of when I was a young child in the mid-60s. I have begun to take notice that the information you share with your audience on *Tomorrow's World* has become more bold, more powerful, more straightforward. I applaud you for your powerful messages going forth. Thank you very much.

—Subscriber in Minnesota

It is with great happiness that I am writing you this letter. Thank you for your words and understanding to help us with Bible prophecy in this wicked system. I watch *Tomorrow's World* at 7 o'clock on Sundays on TVJ.

—Viewer in St. Elizabeth, Jamaica

I wish to thank you very much for the blessed work you do. The truth about the Kingdom of God that you share through television, magazines and study guides has blessed me and my house. You are so much appreciated. Thank you and may God continue to use you mightily for His Kingdom purposes.

—Subscriber in Queensland, Australia

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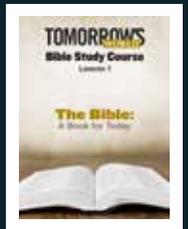
Many today are deciding not to have children, prioritizing careers, lifestyles, and even material possessions. But what vital perspective are we losing as a result of this widespread trend?

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