



Why Do You Go to "Your" Church?

A personal message from the Editor in Chief, Roderick C. Meredith

Why do you go to a particular church? In fact, why go to church at all? Most importantly, what would the living God have you do?

Most people simply go to church where their parents, friends or relatives have gone. Yet millions today go for other, more *personal*, reasons. I had a talk with my next-door neighbor the other day, and he told me, "We've tried to find a church with the best youth program. Since we have kids, isn't that the most important thing?"

Others try to find churches that are more "up-to-date," modern and exciting, or where there are more activities and better music. We are all familiar with the huge "mega-churches" where as many as 10,000 people may attend—enough to fill a small city. In those churches, people can go for years without getting to know most of the other members, and there may be very *little emphasis* on, or opportunity for, interacting or counseling with the pastor, or being part of an intimate "family" of worshipers who understand and pray for one another.

But think!

Why does God have a Church? What is its purpose? Why did the early Christians go to very "unpopular" places and even risk their lives to meet secretly in homes, in small rented halls or even in caves? We know that tens of thousands of Christians literally met in caves along the Appian Way in Rome and elsewhere, fearing Roman persecution. In those early centuries, many Christians were literally burned to death, or were publicly thrown to wild animals and tortured to death! They must have had a very special reason to "go to church" and be willing to risk ignominy and possibly even death. We all need to think about that!

We need to realize that God wants us—through His *true ministers* and His *true* Church—to learn about His genuine **purpose** for our lives, and *how* to fulfill that purpose. Since God devotes a full *one-fourth* of the Bible to prophecy, He obviously wants us to study and understand His purpose in guiding world events. Remember Jesus' command, "Watch therefore, and pray always that you may be *counted worthy to* escape all these things that will come to pass, and to stand before the Son of Man" (Luke 21:36).

When Jesus Christ came in human flesh, He regularly met with fellow Jews in the synagogue on the Sabbath. The Gospel of Luke tells us: "Then Jesus returned in the power of the Spirit to Galilee, and news of Him went out through all the surrounding region. And He taught in their synagogues, being glorified by all. So He came to Nazareth, where He had been brought up. And as His custom was, He went into the synagogue on the Sabbath day, and stood up to read. And He was handed the book of the prophet Isaiah" (Luke 4:14–17).

So it was Jesus' "custom" to worship on the seventh-day Sabbath with His fellow Jews. When it came His time—as an adult male Jew—to read God's word in the Sabbath services, He was handed the book of Isaiah. After reading a passage that, in fact, predicted *His very ministry*, Jesus "began to say to them, 'Today this **Scripture** is fulfilled in your hearing'" (v. 21).

Jesus called the book of Isaiah "Scripture"—the very word of God! He taught, "Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God" (Matthew 4:4). Here, the Son of God validated what we call the "Old Testament" as Scripture—and He said we should live by that inspired Scripture! So all true Christians—genuine followers of Jesus Christ—must be willing to live by the inspired teachings of Scripture, as Jesus commanded.

The original, *genuine* Church was first and always based on *teaching* and *preaching* the **inspired word** of **God!** At services, the ministers and elders *explained* and **expounded** the Bible—reading *directly* out of the Bible and showing its true explanations of the purpose of life, the laws of God and His plan for all of our lives. Church services seldom if ever emphasized history, philosophy or the "traditions of men."

Although church choirs and activities can certainly be enjoyable, Church services are truly helpful only insofar as they *fully explain*, *exhort* and *inspire* believers to truly believe and **obey** the words of the Bible and to let Christ live *His* life in them through the Holy

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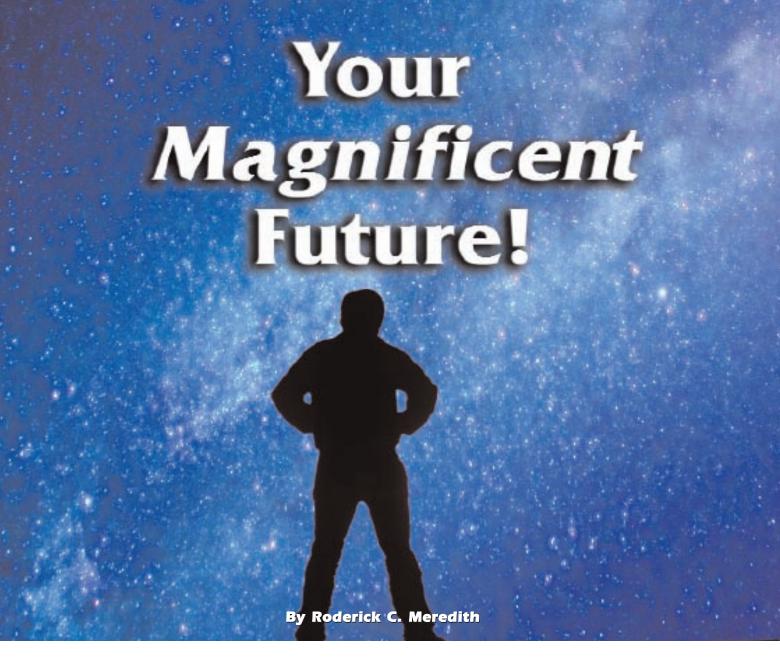
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In spite of the trials and tests we all go through, you and I have the potential for an absolutely magnificent future—a future of incredible joy and accomplishment far beyond what most people even imagine; a future that really answers the fundamental question we all ask: "Why was I born?"

s a young boy growing up in the foothills of the Ozark Mountains in southern Missouri, I often sat on the hills and looked up at the sky. In the long, lazy summer days of that era, I pondered: "Is there a special *reason* why we human beings are put on this earth?" I also wondered, "Why do we have to suffer? Why do human beings go through awful trials, wars, sicknesses, suffering—and death itself?"

Then, when I was 23 years old, the real *answer* began to come! I was taking a graduate class in

theology conducted by Mr. Herbert W. Armstrong—one of the most remarkable teachers of our time. One day, he said: "Fellows, something has been coming strongly to my mind that seems almost heretical. Obviously, I don't want to teach or believe anything that is wrong or heretical. But this new understanding seems to leap right out of the Bible itself. And it is something mainstream religionists and philosophers have never understood."

"Yet," Mr. Armstrong continued, "if any of you graduate students can prove to me out of the Bible

that this remarkable new understanding is wrong, please do so! In fact, I ask you to research this matter over the next several weeks as we must be sure to teach only what the Bible actually says!"

I had been preparing to teach a class on the Epistles of Paul when Mr. Armstrong put forth this challenge. Over the next several weeks-in fact, for several months and years—many of us continued to examine this fundamental topic, to see if we could disprove this startling new idea. However, the more I studied, the more convinced I became that this new understanding was, in fact, a magnificent truth that had been overlooked by most religionists. For it reveals the genuine answer to why we are on this earth and the real purpose for our lives. I have continued to meditate about—and research—this true biblical understanding now for more than 50 years.

The ANSWER

The ultimate *purpose* for human existence was an absolute "mystery" to the great thinkers and philosophers of the past. It is a mystery today to the vast majority of professing Christian ministers. The Apostle Paul wrote of "the mystery which has been hidden from ages and from generations, but now has been revealed to His saints" (Colossians 1:26). What is this profound "mystery?"

Paul continues: "To them God willed to make known what are the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles; which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. Him we preach, warning every man and teaching every man in all wisdom, that we may present every man perfect in Christ Jesus" (vv. 27-28).

The hope of "glory?" The need to present every man "perfect" in Christ Jesus?

Yes! For the exciting, scintillating future Almighty God has planned for His children is almost beyond human imagination! Yet, your Bible tells us, "God is love" (1 John 4:8). In His all-encompassing love, God has truly made all human beings "in His image."

At the very beginning of the Bible, God reveals to us a great deal about our purpose and our potential future. "Then God said, 'Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth.' So God created man in His own image; in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them" (Genesis 1:26-27). God made every human being-both male and female—"in His image."

Notice that God said, "Let us make man in Our image." For God the Father and the Word—the Personality who later emptied Himself and became Jesus Christwere conferring together as they planned to make all human beings in their image. What power would human beings have? They said, "Let them have dominion..." Dominion means rule. From the beginning, human beings were given a limited degree of authority and dominion over all other creatures on the earth. Regarding our environment, God told Adam and Eve to "tend and keep it" (Genesis 2:15). So, although the lions and tigers on land, and the huge whales and ferocious sharks in the sea, are much larger and more powerful than man, we have authority and capacity to capture them and put them in cages or holding tanksnot the other way around! For God has given us mind power and creative imagination far beyond what any other creature remotely possesses. In our bodily form and in our mental capacity and creative imagination and ability, we are certainly made—in vital ways—"in God's image!"

When ancient King David of Israel looked up at the heavens and contemplated the magnificent universe, he exclaimed: "What is man that You are mindful of him. and the son of man that You visit him? For You have made him a little lower than the angels, and You have crowned him with glory and honor. You have made him to have dominion over the works of Your hands; You have put all things under his feet" (Psalm 8:4-6).

In this inspiring passage, David revealed that God put "all things" under our feet. But how far does this extend? Our Creator inspired the writer of Hebrews to quote from the above passage, and then to explain more. "You have put all things in subjection under his feet. For in that He put all in subjection under him, He left **nothing** that is not put under him. But now we do not vet see all things put under him. But we see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels, for the suffering of death crowned with glory and honor, that He, by the grace of God, might taste death for everyone. For it was fitting for Him, for whom are all things and by whom are all things, in bringing many sons to glory, to make the captain of their salvation perfect through sufferings. For both He who sanctifies and those who are being sanctified are all of one, for which reason He is not ashamed to call them brethren" (Hebrews 2:8-11).

Many scholars acknowledge that ta panta—the inspired expression in the original Greek in this passage—refers to the whole cosmos—the entire universe! Yet the writer of Hebrews acknowledges, "We do not yet see all things put under him."

Not yet.

Even so, with our God-given mental powers and creative imagination, mankind is now planning to "conquer" the heavens. For, indeed, human beings are made *like* God Himself more than most people realize! And God does want us to be fully like Him someday—His *genuine* sons in His spirit-born Family forever!

That is why you were born!

God's Ultimate PURPOSE

This is *not* just a sentimental matter. It involves human beings breaking through barriers of time, space and substance into an entirely new dimension of existence. For we were created with the potential and the ultimate purpose of becoming members of God's Family, and joining Him and Christ in ruling the entire universe! When Paul wrote that "all things" are put under man's feet, and that God "left nothing that is not under him"—but "not yet"—he clearly indicated that we are to be spirit beings joining with Christ and the Father in directing cosmic events throughout the universe in ages to come!

Therefore, as even Jesus was made "perfect through sufferings," so we too must go through *trials* and *tests* and absolutely prove to God that we are totally surrendered to Him—totally loyal to His purpose for our lives. Setting us the example, Christ is "bringing many sons to glory!"

I am blessed to have four sons and two daughters. My chil-

dren are of the same level of existence and human stature that I am! My own children, who proceeded from me and from my wife, are **not** on some inferior level! As the Apostle Paul was inspired to write: "For whom He foreknew, He also predestined to be conformed to the image of His Son, that He might be the firstborn among many brethren"



(Romans 8:29). If Christ is the firstborn among *many* brethren, are His brothers of some *lower* species—such as goats, chickens or spiders?

Notice! The Bible makes statements like this again and again. The Bible also reveals that the Church is the affianced "bride" of Jesus Christ! For the Apostle Paul writes: "Wives, submit to your own husbands, as to the Lord. For the husband is head of the wife, as also Christ is head of the church; and He is the Savior of the body" (Ephesians 5:22-23). Is Christ's wife of some lower species of existence? By the time of the "wedding supper" when Christ "marries" His Church—will the resurrected saints of God be on Christ's level of existence, or will He marry some lower being?

Remember what Jesus Himself said about our future: "But those who are counted worthy to attain that age, and the resurrection from the dead, neither marry nor are given in marriage; nor can they die anymore, for they are equal to the angels [immortal] and are sons of God, being sons of the resurrection" (Luke 20:35–36). So the genuine

saints of God become "sons of the resurrection" and they cannot die. And the full sons of God in the resurrection will look like Christ—"we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is" (1 John 3:2).

What *does*Jesus Christ look
like now? The
Bible reveals, "One
like the Son of

Man, clothed with a garment down to the feet and girded about the chest with a golden band. His head and hair were white like wool, as white as snow, and His eyes like a flame of fire; His feet were like fine brass, as if refined in a furnace, and His voice as the sound of many waters; He had in His right hand seven stars, out of His mouth went a sharp twoedged sword, and His countenance was like the sun shining in its strength" (Revelation 1:13–16).

Jesus Christ is *very God*. His face shines *like the* **sun**! Those of us who are willing to truly *surrender* our hearts, minds and wills to God, and come to Him in this way through Jesus Christ in *genuine repentance*, can look forward to this kind of *magnificent* **glory**! For the God of the Bible wants all

of us to become real sons—not just lesser beings God merely *calls* His sons! So, after *genuine* conversion, God puts His very *divine nature* within true Christians. That is why Peter was inspired to reveal that, by God's divine power, there "have been given to us *exceedingly* great and *precious* promises, that through these you may be partakers of the divine nature" (2 Peter 1:3–4).

Of course, it is easy for "learned" theologians to spiritu-

Jesus' Final Prayer

Please think carefully about the *real meaning* of Jesus' final prayer to His Father in John 17. In the *most awesome prayer ever recorded* in the pages of the Bible, the Son of God asked His Father, "And now, O Father, glorify Me together with Yourself, with the glory which I had with You *before the world was*" (John 17:5). Most of you realize that Jesus was with God from the beginning of cre-

made in this prayer? For He was asking that those of us who "believe in Me through their word" share with Him—obviously in the resurrection—the full glory He now shares with the Father. My friends, Jesus really meant what He said in this inspired prayer—preserved for us as God Himself inspired the writing and the preservation of Scripture. He was asking that His true followers eventually become full sons of God!

The Father and Christ are composed of love—total outflowing concern for one another and for their creation! They want to share with their family a love, interaction and warm fellowship that is in one sense similar to, but in reality is far more intimate than, what the happiest human families share today.

alize away these and many other similar statements. But there are so many inspired scriptures like this all through the Bible, indicating the awesome opportunity and glory God has in mind for those who ultimately surrender to His will and to His purpose! The Apostle Paul tells Christians that we should be "able to comprehend with all the saints what is the width and length and depth and height—to know the love of Christ which passes knowledge; that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. Now to Him who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us" (Ephesians 3:18-20). Paul was inspired to write that the overcomers will eventually be filled with "all the fullness of God." Is Paul just being "emotional" in this passage? Or will our Father in heaven actually share His very glory with future "sons"—real sons—who will truly be "like Him" just as you and I are like our human fathers?

ation, that, "All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made" (John 1:3). So it is obvious that Christ asked the Father to restore the full glory He had when—acting for the Father—Christ as the Old Testament "Logos" created the entire universe! For He was totally God in every sense!

Then, after praying for His disciples, Jesus said, "I do not pray for these alone, but also for those who will believe in Me through their word; that they all may be one, as You, Father, are in Me, and I in You; that they also may be one in Us, that the world may believe that You sent Me. And the glory which You gave Me I have given them, that they may be one just as We are one: I in them, and You in Me; that they may be made perfect in one, and that the world may know that You have sent Me, and have loved them as You have loved Me" (John 17:20-23).

Can we fully grasp the awesome request the Son of God For the Father and Christ are composed of *love—total outflowing concern* for one another and for their creation! They want to **share with their family** a love, *interaction* and warm *fellowship* that is in one sense similar to, but in reality is far more intimate than, what the happiest human families share today.

When we become full sons of God in the resurrection, we will be able to interact with Christ and the Father and share fully in Their thoughts, plans and projects. We will, *no doubt*, join with them in various future creative projects and activities throughout the vast universe! For God is not static. He grows. He expands and increases. The entire Bible shows He is that kind of Personality, and that we are to "be like Him" in every way. The prophet Isaiah was inspired to tell us, "Of the increase of His government and peace there will be no end" (Isaiah 9:7).

Even now, the brilliant imagination and creative capacity of humanity has caused many inventors and scientists to speculate about totally "conquering" outer space, and about populating other planets or even universes in the future! On National Public Radio recently, I heard a respected top university professor speculate that it now appears human beings could someday "create" an entire universe!

Is this respected science professor insane?

Not really. But he is way ahead of himself—and of mankind's present capacity! For, sadly,

human beings have not conquered their own human nature—their own selfishness, vanity, lust and greed. As the Apostle James tells us, "Where do wars and fights come from among you? Do they not come from your desires for pleasure that war in your members? You lust and do not have. You murder and covet and cannot obtain. You fight and war. Yet you do not have because you do not ask" (James 4:1–2).

Because of our tendency to yield to our "human" nature—or actually Satan's nature, implanted in most people through his vast influence (Ephesians 2:2) human beings will be sidetracked long before they are able to attain this scientist's dream. However, those who are willing to humble themselves, and genuinely seek the mind and will of their Creator, will eventually rule the entire universe, along with Jesus Christ! But it will have to happen God's way, not the selfish, misguided human way.

When that occurs, however, we human beings will "explode" into an entirely different dimen-

sion of existence. We will then have power as God has power. We will then think like God—with total understanding, wisdom, self-control and genuine outflowing love. We will then be able to function as the "God Family"—always surrendering to

the Father and to Christ interacting with them and with one another



in an exhilarating creative existence of *accomplishment* and **joy** throughout all eternity.

This is your awesome future—if you can believe what the Bible really does indicate again and again! This is why God tells us, in so many ways, that He has made us "in His image." This is why God "tests" us again and again, and puts us

"through the wringer" in so many situations to see if we will truly surrender to His will. Yet, if we are willing to surrender to the *true* God of the Bible through Jesus Christ—the One who is the total revelation of who God is and what He is like—then, along with Jesus, we will become full members of the God Family, and join Christ and the Father in the most awe-inspiring, exhilarating and joyous existence the human mind can even begin to contemplate!

In spite of trials and tests, I hope it is now obvious—if you are willing to understand—that you can look forward to a truly awesome and magnificent future! But God offers you that future only on the condition that you are willing to "come out" of this present world, truly believe the God of the Bible, and literally give your life to Him through the real Jesus Christ. Then, He will give you an opportunity and a magnificent future far beyond what philosophers and scientists have ever remotely envisioned! For God Himself tells us: "For My thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways My ways,' says the LORD. 'For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are My ways higher than your ways, and My thoughts than your thoughts" (Isaiah 55:8–9). ■

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Questions & Answers

Question: Which is more important: the person of Jesus Christ, or the gospel He preached?

Answer: Jesus Christ came preaching the gospel, which is a message about the soon-coming Kingdom of God (Mark 1:14–15). Although Jesus commissioned His disciples to go "into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature" (Mark 16:15), many who call themselves "Christians" are completely unaware of the gospel He preached. That gospel message announced a coming Kingdom, over which He will be King, assisted by those whom He calls in this age—the "firstfruits" (Revelation 14:4). We cannot understand—or be in—that Kingdom without the King.

Today, many go to one of two extremes in misunderstanding Christ's message. Some, denying that the Kingdom of God will be a literal place, say that the prophesied Millennium—a thousand years of Christ's rule on Earth, before the "Great White Throne Judgment" (Revelation 20:11–15)—is allegorical. They teach that the Kingdom of God is set up "in your heart." This may seem like a pleasant sentiment, but it ignores Christ's plain teachings and what He and the Father have planned for all of humanity. Because this misunderstanding is so common, *Tomorrow's World* often emphasizes the truth about the glorious Kingdom of God, over which Christ will soon be ruling.

However, a few today fall into a very different error. Because they correctly see that Jesus consistently emphasized the Kingdom of God, they incorrectly assume that because Jesus was His Father's "Messenger" it is wrong to preach about His name and His sacrifice.

As one illustration of the proper balance, Scripture shows us the example of the deacon Stephen—the first recorded martyr of the Apostolic Church. "And they stoned Stephen as he was calling on God and saying, 'Lord Jesus, receive my spirit'" (Acts 7:59). While he was being murdered for his bold preaching, Stephen called out to Jesus Christ, his Savior. Stephen had

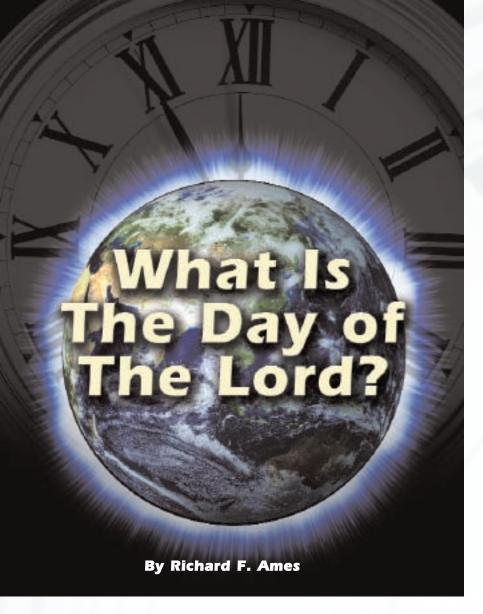
a profound relationship with both God the Father and Jesus Christ.

In the flesh, Jesus accepted worship toward Himself (Luke 5:8; 17:16), and when He appeared to His disciples after His resurrection, "they came and held Him by the feet and worshiped Him" (Matthew 28:9). Indeed Jesus, like His Father, is worthy of our worship—as He is the One who has torn the veil and made it possible for us to worship our Father (2 Corinthians 3:14).

The apostles—whom Christ taught directly—preached the Kingdom of God as Jesus did. After Christ's resurrection, they still preached "the whole counsel of God" (Acts 20:20–27)—which included repentance toward God, faith toward Christ and the gospel of grace—all of which are necessary for those who will enter the Kingdom of God!

The Apostle Paul preached the Kingdom of God and of those things concerning Jesus Christ (Acts 28:30–31). His focus was on "Jesus Christ and Him crucified" (1 Corinthians 2:2)—on our Savior, the One through whose sacrifice we will be able to enter into the Kingdom of God! How did Paul describe the gospel? He acknowledged that the gospel "by which you are saved" includes the message that "Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures" and that "He rose again on the third day" (1 Corinthians 15:1–8).

In summary, we cannot understand and accept Christ's gospel, or truly repent and enter His Kingdom, without accepting His personal sacrifice. Those who assume a mere "belief in Christ" is sufficient for entry into the Kingdom should remember: even the demons "believe" in Christ (James 2:19). *Tomorrow's World* strives to present the plain truth of the matter—that through Jesus Christ's sacrifice, those who obey Him today are preparing to assist Him in ruling during the prophesied Millennium ahead, when He will right the many wrongs that mankind has committed during thousands of years of mis-rule.



Jesus Christ foretold a coming Day of the Lord when God will pour His judgment out on the world. What is that day—and are you ready for it?

bible prophecy reveals that before Jesus Christ returns, the earth will face a time called the "Day of the Lord," when God will judge every nation on earth. Yet few today understand this key prophetic time period—a time that will come very soon.

How do we know it will come soon? The Messiah, Jesus of Nazareth, described dangerous conditions that would prevail in the endtime. He said, "For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. And there will be famines, pestilences, and earthquakes in various places. All these are the beginning of sorrows" (Matthew 24:7–8).

Does that sound like our world today? Terrorism threatens the Western nations. Record-setting natural disasters—cyclones, hurricanes, tsunamis, earthquakes and tornados—have killed hundreds of thousands in recent years. The atomic bombs dropped on Hiroshima and Nagasaki in 1945 ushered in a new age of mass destruction. Nuclear weapons can now destroy all life on planet earth. Will mankind destroy itself, or will God spare us—at least some of us?

What is the Day of the Lord? The Apostle John wrote, "I was in the Spirit on the Lord's Day, and I heard behind me a loud voice, as of a trumpet" (Revelation 1:10). The phrase John used—the Lord's Day—is used nowhere else in the Bible. What was John writing about? John was not describing Sunday—if he were, he would have called it "the first day" of the week as he did in the Gospel of John. In fact, he was not referring to any day of the week. John was describing the period of time the rest of the book calls the prophetic Day of the Lord—the endtime sequence of events that will culminate in Jesus Christ's return as King of kings and Lord of lords!

Serious students of Bible prophecy understand that we are in the biblical end-times. The history of mankind demonstrates that nations will use every available weapon of war to gain territory and conquer other nations. Since 1947, the "Doomsday Clock" of the Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists has symbolized world nuclear danger and the state of international security. On January 17, 2007, citing "the threat of a second nuclear age and the expected consequences of climate change," the Bulletin moved the hands on the Doomsday Clock forward—to five minutes until midnight. Will the coming years see the Doomsday Clock moved all the way to midnight? Bible prophecy reveals the answer.

The Seven Seals

In Revelation 5, we read about a scroll sealed with seven seals. Jesus, the Revelator, opens the seals to the book. We read the description of those seals in Revelation 6. The first four seals are known as the four horsemen of the Apocalypse. The first horse—the white horse—and its rider represent false religions, false Christs. Jesus Himself points out the sequence of these end-time events in Matthew 24, also known as the Olivet prophecy

because Jesus spoke it on the Mount of Olives.

The second seal reveals a horseman riding a red horse, with the power to take peace from the earth. The third seal presents a rider on a black horse, representing the scarcity of food and the resulting famine. The fourth seal shows a rider on a pale horse, with the power over one-fourth of the earth to kill major portions of earth's population.

Cynics say there have always been wars, famines and pestilences. But, as time goes on, we will see the four horsemen of the apocalypse intensify their ride, with increasing global consequences. These four horsemen comprise the first four seals. What happens when the fifth seal is opened? "When He opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of those who had been slain for the word of God and for the testimony which they held" (Revelation 6:9).

This fifth seal describes the martyrdom of the saints, true Christians. In the first century, the Emperor Nero violently persecuted Christians, and put them to death. A major end-time persecution of saints is also predicted by this fifth seal. Then Jesus opens the sixth seal, revealing the heavenly signs that will shock people all over the earth: "I looked when He opened the sixth seal, and behold, there was a great earthquake; and the sun became black as sackcloth of hair, and the moon became like blood. And the stars of heaven fell to the earth, as a fig tree drops its late figs when it is shaken by a mighty wind. Then the sky receded as a scroll

when it is rolled up, and every mountain and island was moved out of its place" (Revelation 6:12–14).

Not only will asteroids and meteorites frighten people, but massive earthquakes will also shake the earth. As the Apostle John saw in vision, "every mountain and island was moved out of its place." These earthquakes and dramatic events in the heavens introduce the Day of the Lord. God will get our attention! Those who reject the Creator and His way of life will be judged. Obviously, it would be better for all of us to repent and humble ourselves before God now, rather than having to be terribly shaken later.

These heavenly signs introduce the Day of the Lord, the time of God's wrath and judgment on an unthankful, rebellious world. It may surprise some of you, but Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God, will be wrathful. He will execute God's righteous judgments. The Day of the Lord is called "the great day of His wrath!" (Revelation 6:17). The seventh seal of Revelation, which follows the heavenly signs, describes the Day of the Lord. And the seventh seal consists of seven major prophetic events introduced by trumpets. Notice: "When He opened the seventh seal, there was silence in heaven for about half an hour. And I saw the seven angels who stand before God, and to them were given seven trumpets" (Revelation 8:1-2).

These are also called the seven trumpet plagues. They comprise the Day of the Lord leading up to the Second Coming. The Apostle John writes about the first four trumpets in Revelation 8:7–13. They describe ecological disaster. One-third of all trees are burned up, and all green grass is burned up. One-third of all living creatures in the sea die; one-third of oceangoing ships are destroyed. One-third of rivers and springs become poisonous. One-third of the sun, moon and stars become darkened.

The whole world will experience the great day of God's wrath! Why? Because the nations have followed false religions. And many nations will follow ungodly dictators who will fight against Christ at His coming.

Judgment, Then Peace

Just what is the Day of the Lord? It is the time of God's judgments on the nations. Yes, all nations on earth will come to judgment. But God's judgment on the nations will ultimately end in world peace. What is the solution to world wars, violence, and conflicts? The solution to the world's problems is the return of Jesus Christ to rule all nations, and to teach all nations the way to peace. Jesus Christ, the King of kings, will "judge between many peoples, and rebuke strong nations afar off" (Micah 4:3). Christ will judge the nations during the Day of the Lord, and beyond.

The Day of the Lord is the seventh seal of Revelation. Remember that during the Day of the Lord, seven trumpets sound and announce God's judgments on the nations. After four of the seven trumpets have sounded, three trumpet plagues remain, and the Apostle John writes what he sees

Correction: Mr. Herbert W. Armstrong's April 1952 comment that the Soviet Union would lose its hold on Eastern Europe was attributed to the wrong source in our January-February 2007 issue ("Lessons of History," p. 10); it was actually published in the April 1952 *Good News* magazine. We apologize for our error.

and hears in vision: "And I looked, and I heard an angel flying through the midst of heaven, saying with a loud voice, 'Woe, woe, woe to the inhabitants of the earth, because of the remaining blasts of the trumpet of the three angels who are about to sound!" (Revelation 8:13).

The last three trumpet plagues are called woes. The word "woe" is an exclamation of grief. The first woe or the fifth trumpet plague is described in Revelation 9. The fifth angel sounds a trumpet that begins a military action that lasts five months. And what power supports that military action? "And they had as king over them the angel of the bottomless pit, whose name in Hebrew is Abaddon, but in Greek

16:2

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he has the name Apollyon" (Revelation 9:11).

Yes, the destroyer, Satan the devil, gives power to this military force. The second woe, or the sixth trumpet plague, is pictured with symbols of horses and horsemen. Here we see an intense military counterattack. "One woe is past. Behold, still two more woes are coming after these things. Then the sixth angel sounded: And I heard a voice from the four horns of the golden altar which is before God, saying to the sixth angel who had the trumpet, 'Release the four angels who are bound at the great river Euphrates" (Revelation 9:12–14). An army of 200 million drives

west across the Euphrates River and destroys one-third of the earth's population! "So the four angels, who had been prepared for the hour and day and month and year, were released to kill a third of mankind. Now the number of the army of the horsemen was two hundred million; I heard the number of them. And thus I saw the horses in the vision: those who sat on them had breastplates of fiery red, hyacinth blue, and sulfur yellow; and the heads of the horses were like the heads of lions: and out of their mouths came fire, smoke, and brimstone. By these three plagues a third of mankind was killed; by the fire and the smoke and the brimstone which

The Seven Seals of Revelation						
First Seal	Second Seal	Third Seal	Fourth Seal	Fifth Seal	Sixth Seal	Seventh Seal
White Horse: Deception	Red Horse: War	Black Horse: Famine	Pale Horse: Pestilence	Martyrdom and Great Tribulation		Seven Trumpet Plagues
Revelation 6:1–2	Revelation 6:3–4	Revelation 6:5–6	Revelation 6:7–8	Revelation 6:9–11		Revelation 8:2
Seven Trumpets: The Day of the Lord ←						
First Trumpet	Second Trumpet	Third Trumpet	Fourth Trumpet	Fifth Trumpet	Sixth Trumpet	Seventh Trumpet
Green grass and one-third of the trees are burned up.	One-third of sea becomes blood; one-third of ships and sea life destroyed.	One-third of waters turn bitter.	One-third of sun, moon and stars do not shine.	"Locusts" wield the Beast's military power.	200 million-man army; a third of mankind killed	The Kingdom is proclaimed. Second Coming
Revelation 8:7	Revelation 8:8–9	Revelation 8:10–11	Revelation 8:12	Revelation 9:1–12	Revelation 9:13–21	Revelation 11:15–19
Seven Last Plagues						
First Plague	Second Plague	Third Plague	Fourth Plague	Fifth Plague	Sixth Plague	Seventh Plague
Sores afflict those who accepted the mark of the Beast.	Sea turns to blood; all sea creatures die.	Rivers turn to blood.	Mankind, scorched by the sun, blasphemes God.	The Beast's seat of government is afflicted.	The Euphrates is dried up; world armies gather to Armageddon.	The earth is utterly shaken.
Revelation	Revelation	Revelation	Revelation	Revelation	Revelation	Revelation

16:8-9

16:10-11

16:12-16

16:17-21

came out of their mouths" (Revelation 9:15–18). This phase of World War III will kill billions of humans! Jesus said in Matthew 24:22 that unless those days were shortened no flesh would be saved—otherwise, all life on earth would be destroyed!

The Final Trumpet

So far, we have briefly discussed six of the seven trumpet events that comprise the Day of the Lord. The sounding of the seventh and final trumpet proclaims the good news genuine Christians long to hear: "Then the seventh angel sounded: and there were loud voices in heaven, saying, 'The kingdoms of this world have become the kingdoms of our Lord and of His Christ, and He shall reign forever and ever!" (Revelation 11:15). This seventh trumpet announces the establishment of the Kingdom of God on earth and the return of Iesus Christ. At this last trumpet. faithful saints, waiting in their graves, will be resurrected as spirit beings (1 Corinthians 15:52). They will then rule with Christ on the earth for a thousand years to produce lasting peace among the nations. Revelation 20 announces that wonderful future called the Millennium. You and I need to be preparing for that time! And we need to study and understand Bible prophecy.

The seventh trumpet announces the good news of Christ's takeover of world governments. But the seventh trumpet is also called the third woe! Why? Because it will also signal the seven last plagues! The sixth of those last plagues includes preparation for what is known as Armageddon. In northern Israel, on the plain of Jezreel near Megiddo, will be gathered massive

military power and might! These armies will actually fight against the Commander of heaven's armies, Jesus Christ. The Apostle John writes: "Now I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse. And He who sat on him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness He judges and makes war. His eyes were like a flame of fire, and on His head were many crowns. He had a name written that no one knew except Himself. He was clothed with a robe dipped in blood, and His name is called The Word of God. And the armies in heaven, clothed in fine linen, white and clean, followed Him on white horses. Now out of His mouth goes a sharp sword, that with it He should strike the nations. And He Himself will rule them with a rod of iron. He Himself treads the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God. And He has on His robe and on His thigh a name written: KING OF KINGS AND LORD OF LORDS" (Revelation 19:11-16).

When Christ returns to this earth, He will conquer all His enemies. He will conquer the nations and their powerful armies that fight against Him at His coming. The Day of the Lord will bring God's judgment on the nations. As

we have seen, in one sense the Day of the Lord is the year preceding the return of Christ. In another sense, it continues on through the Millennium and on out to eternity.

The Apostle Peter describes it this way: "But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night, in which the heavens will pass away with a great noise, and the elements will melt with fervent heat: both the earth and the works that are in it will be burned up. Therefore, since all these things will be dissolved, what manner of persons ought you to be in holy conduct and godliness, looking for and hastening the coming of the day of God, because of which the heavens will be dissolved, being on fire, and the elements will melt with fervent heat? Nevertheless we, according to His promise, look for new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells" (2 Peter 3:10-13).

The Apostle Peter exhorts us to be in a spiritual state of readiness. We must be alert to the Day of the Lord, a sobering period of judgment on the nations. Beyond that lies Tomorrow's World, a wonderful time of beauty, prosperity and restoration under the rulership of Christ. May God speed that day!

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God, Religion and the European Union

Powerful forces are working together in the hope of achieving European political unification within the

decade. Germany

will be spearheading this effort during its six-month term at the helm of the European Union in the first half of 2007. The Vatican is also putting its weight and influence behind the attempt to pull nations of Europe into a closer union. Bible prophecies have long indicated that just before the end of this age, the world will see the revival of a powerful entity in Europe that will rise from the roots of the Roman Empire (Daniel 2:40–45). This revival will be *aided* by a church led by an influential religious figure (Daniel 7:7–8; Revelation 13; 17). These prophecies are *coming alive* in news-making events today!

Germany Takes the Lead

In January of this year, as Germany began its latest term at the E.U. presidency, German chancellor Angela Merkel said she hoped to use the office to promote greater political unity in Europe, and to revive the E.U. constitution that was shelved in 2005 following its rejection by French and Dutch voters. Press reports concur, "Germany will use its presidency of the EU... to push for a full version of the mothballed European constitution" (The Times, December 4, 2006). To date, 18 nations have ratified the constitution; however, the document must receive unanimous approval by all E.U. nations to become official. While Germany and France have previously worked together to build the E.U., Germany now appears reluctant to wait on the French. Merkel has stated, "Germany has other friends besides France" (International Herald Tribune, April 22-23, 2006). Italy's prime minister, Romano Prodi, commented in a speech in Berlin, "Because of the part we have played in the past and are continuing to play today, *Italians and Germans*—together—have the historical and, I would say moral, duty to take on the responsibility to *restart the process of political and institutional integration*" (*www.socialistgroup.eu*). Mr. Prodi urged his audience in Berlin "to be bold" and "do something courageous" as they "relaunch our common project" (*ibid.*). Speaking at a congress in Portugal, Prodi proclaimed, "2007 must be the year for the re-launch of Europe." One German diplomat, noting the weakness of Europe's current leaders, said Germany "can bring this forward faster than anyone realizes" (*The Times*, December 4, 2006).

The Timetable

The next several years could prove to be momentous for Europe and the world. One expert states, "The leaders of France and Germany have agreed [to] a new timetable for trying to revive the EU constitution... Both leaders [Jacques Chirac and Angela Merkel] agreed... that the constitutional treaty will be reviewed during the German presidency... Under the French presidency, in the second half of 2008, the discussion process will be brought to a conclusion and concrete decisions taken" (euobserver.com, June 7, 2006). Chirac said he "trusts the German presidency to steer the ship in the right direction" (ibid.). German foreign minister Frank-Walter Steinmeier has stated, "We need a constitution as soon as possible... so we can benefit from better representation in foreign policy and security issues" (euobserver.com, September 5, 2006). Steinmeier also "indicated that Berlin will present a 'strategic plan' for ratification of the constitution at the end of its presidency, in early summer 2007" (euobserver.com, April 7, 2006). The bottom line of all these negotiations is that "Germany wants to have the EU constitution ratified across the EU by 2009" (ibid.).

The Religion Factor

In the 50 years since the Treaty of Rome was signed in 1957, European leaders have tried to build a united Europe on a *secular* foundation of treaties and economic regulations. These efforts, however, have not been adequate to do the job. Now the efforts will

es Alive

include another factor-religion. Chancellor Merkel "has spoken out in favor of a reference to God in the constitution... It is the first time Berlin has spoken out in favor of a Christian reference in the EU constitution" (euobserver.com, May 26, 2006). Merkel, daughter of a Protestant pastor, reiterated her views after a summer audience with German-born Pope Benedict XVI: "I underlined my opinion that we need a European identity in the form of a constitutional treaty and I think it should be connected to Christianity and God, as

Christianity has forged Europe in a decisive way" (*euobserver*, August 29, 2006). Germany should find support in this endeavor from predominantly Roman Catholic countries like Spain, Italy and Poland, which backed an earlier attempt to

refer to Christianity and God in the constitution.

The appeal to the unifying power of religion is no surprise. Jacques Delors, former president of the European Commission, saw the necessity for Europe's builders "to give a soul to Europe, to give it spirituality and meaning" (cec.kek.org). In order to tap the power of religion to revive the constitution and restart the European integration process, the Conference of European Churches has committed itself "to contribute to the construction of a Europe in which we can feel at home and be proud of. Churches together with their related organizations and agencies are ready to be the partners of the European political institutions" (ibid.). European Union Commissioner Jan Figel told a group of 60 European church leaders, "European Institutions need to be in constant dialogue with churches, communities of faith and civil society" (christiantoday.com). European bishops have set up a high-profile group consisting entirely of Roman Catholics-to urge the inclusion of a reference to Christianity and influence "a political declaration of the EU's values and ambitions" in Berlin on March 25, 2007—the 50th anniversary of the Treaty of Rome which laid the foundation of the present E.U. (euobserver.com, September 11, 2006). The bishops' text states, "the Christian imprint on the European project has been an indisputable fact... the union's founding fathers... were led by values such as human rights, the rule of law, solidarity, subsidiarity... and democracy... these values correspond to Catholic social teaching" (euobserver.com, December 19, 2006). All immigrants coming to Europe will be required to conform to these

values (euobserver.com, May 16, 2006).

The increasingly visible efforts of religious figures— especially Roman Catholic leaders—to revive the European constitution after it was rejected by French and Dutch voters, and was declared "dead in the water" by several political leaders, fits with long-pondered prophecies about the

end of this age. The Apostle John wrote of a leopardlike beast (a political-economic-military entity) who receives a deadly wound that is surprisingly healed, and of a lamb-like beast (a religious entity) who plays a role in healing the wound, gives life to the beast and causes the world to worship the first beast (Revelation 13:1-15). John also reveals that political leaders associated with this beast will have intimate dealings with a large church organization that promotes and influences this end-time beast power (Revelation 17:1-2). If the European constitution is revived, and nations of Europe again proceed toward a political union, it could well be attributed to the power of religion. The Roman Catholic church, which played a unique role in crowning emperors of the Holy Roman Empire, is again in a unique position to aid Europeans in their quest for unity-and make ancient prophecies come alive!

—Douglas S. Winnail



The United States has committed its military might and national prestige to a controversial war in Iraq, but things are not going as planned. What will be the consequences if the U.S. fails in its stated mission to establish a modern democratic state in Iraq?

n April 2003, a military coalition led primarily by United States forces removed Saddam Hussein from power in Iraq. Policymakers hoped to replace his Baathist tyranny with an Iraqi democratic state that would serve as a beacon of modernity in the Middle East, and as a counterweight to the increasing power of radical Islam in the region. At the time, the U.S. government also gave as a reason for the invasion the need to remove weapons of mass destruction. Humanitarian motives included the hope to free the Iraqi people from a murderous dictator and to counter a growing terrorist threat.

Nearly four years later, many are asking: "Was it worth it?"
"Can it still work?" Few are asking the deeper questions, such as, "What is the U.S. doing in Iraq from a strategic and historical perspective?" Fewer still—particularly in the U.S.—understand that it is Europe, not the U.S., that has the most at risk in Iraq.

Earlier this year, in a January 10 speech to the nation, U.S. President George W. Bush outlined some of the consequences of failure in Iraq: "Radical Islamic extremists would grow in strength and gain new recruits. They would be in a better position to topple moderate governments, create chaos in the region, and use oil revenues to fund their ambitions. Iran would be emboldened in its pursuit of nuclear weapons. Our enemies would have a safe haven from which to plan and launch attacks on the American people. On September 11, 2001, we saw what a refuge for extremists on the other side of the world could bring to the streets of our own cities. For the safety of our people, America must succeed in Iraq."

President Bush understands that the stakes are high, and that the U.S. shares an interest in the success of a stable Iraq. But what if, either politically or militarily, he is unable to "finish the job"? Failure in Iraq does not necessarily require a military defeat. When the Israelis invaded Lebanon in 2006 to reduce Hezbollah's growing military capabilities, the Muslim world hailed the campaign as a victory for Hezbollah even though Hezbollah lost many fighters and was pushed out of southern Lebanon. Simply surviving the Israeli onslaught was counted as success.

In Iraq, if a radical Islamist government takes power in Iraq after the U.S. withdraws, the outcome for Iraq and the entire Middle East will be worse than before, even without a "military defeat" on America's record. Is this an unlikely scenario? Muslims have repeatedly chosen Islamists when they have had the opportunity to vote. Or, if Iraq descends into sectarian chaos after a U.S. departure, an autocratic Islamist government would restore order.

Conflict Between Europe and Islam

A U.S. failure in Iraq will also change the European Union's view of itself and its relationship with the Middle East. But to understand the reasons for the coming European epiphany, we must understand Europe's tumultuous relationship with Islam for the last 13 centuries. A brief outline follows:

571-632AD

Life of Muhammad

637AD

Jerusalem and Syria conquered by Muslims,

ending three centuries of Roman rule

7TH-8TH CENTURIES AD

Muhammad and other Muslim rulers spread the Caliphate (Islamic religious rule) across the Middle East and North Africa

711AD

Spain invaded by North African Muslims

732AD

Muslim advance through France stopped near Tours (Poiters), not far from Paris

792AD

Southern France invaded by Muslim forces

LATE 8TH-EARLY 9TH CENTURIES AD

Muslim conquests across Europe, including Sicily and southern Italy. Charlemagne resists Muslim armies in France and parts of Spain, beginning seven centuries of wars to reclaim Western Europe

846_{AD}

St. Peter's Basilica in Rome sacked by Muslim army

1095AD

First Crusade brings Catholic armies to the Middle East to retake lands lost in 637.

1099-1187AD

Jerusalem returns briefly to Catholic control

14TH-16TH CENTURIES AD

Large parts of Eastern Europe fall to Ottoman Turk forces and come under the Caliphate

1492AD

Catholic forces complete the reconquest of Spain; Muslims driven out at Granada

1683AD

Vienna, Austria, resists last Muslim siege; Muslims begin retreat in Eastern Europe

1718AD

Muslim forces defeated in Austria and Hungary

How did Muslims justify their wars with Europe? It is important to remember that Islam considers Judaism and Christianity, though originating from the same Abrahamic roots, as heresies. Princeton University's acclaimed historian Bernard Lewis writes, "In the Muslim perception, the Jews and later the Christians had gone astray and had followed false doctrines. Both religions were therefore superseded, and replaced by Islam, the final and perfect rev-

elation in God's sequence" (*The Crisis of Islam*, p. 44).

Muslims, therefore, saw their thousand-year assault on Europe as "holy war"—jihad. By contrast, in the 1800s, they saw a century of European incursions into the Middle East as "imperialism." Lewis observes, "For

them [Muslims], the word imperialism has a special meaning. The word is never used by Muslims of the great Muslim empires—the first one founded by the Arabs, the later ones by the Turks, who conquered vast territories and populations and incorporated them in the House of Islam. It was perfectly legitimate for Muslims to conquer and rule Europe and Europeans and thus enable them—but not compel them—to embrace the true faith" (*ibid.*, p. 55).

It is no surprise, then, that Western and Muslim perceptions of the Crusades differ widely. After centuries of Muslim victories, the Arab iihad was contained and then finally repelled by Europeans. To the east, Byzantine armies defended Constantinople against Arab attacks, while to the west the "Reconquista" gradually forced Muslims out of the Spanish peninsula. The Italian peninsula returned entirely to Catholic rule. During these wars, Catholic Europeans launched several efforts to reclaim for their faith the birthplace of Christ, which Muslims had conquered in 637AD. Aside from a few brief victories, the Crusades were almost total failures. Historian Lewis comments on how the Crusades have come to be viewed: "Awareness of

the Crusades as a distinctive historical phenomenon dates from the nineteenth century, and the translation of European books on history. Since then, there is a new perception of the Crusades as an early prototype of the expansion of European imperialism into the Islamic world. A more accu-

rate description would present them as a long-delayed, very limited, and finally ineffectual response to the *jihad*" (*ibid.*, pp. 50–51).

Arguably, the West gained a comprehensive victory over the Caliphate only after the Ottoman Empire was defeated after World War I. Today's Muslim radicals want to restore that Caliphate. Daniel Benjamin, a National Security Council member in the Clinton administration, explained to interviewer Kwame Holman: "Osama bin Laden and his followers have a distinctly different view

of the universe than we do.... they believe that their violence is divinely mandated. And so they're also acting on a metaphysical plane—if you will—and for them, this is all there is—this is the great struggle to reestablish a caliphate—a Muslim super state like there was in the 7th century" (*NewsHour*, September 13, 2001).

Radical Muslims believe it is their religious duty to restore Islam to the *Dar-al-Islam* (the "House of Islam"—any lands that have ever been under Muslim rule, including parts of Europe), and then to the *Dar-al-Harb* (literally the "House of War"—those non-Muslim lands that through war must be brought under Islam).

President Bush is under no illusions about the terrorists' goals; he clearly described their ambitions in a September 5 speech to the Military Officers Association of America last year: "This caliphate would be a totalitarian Islamic empire encompassing all current and former Muslim lands, stretching from Europe to North Africa, the Middle East, and Southeast Asia. We know this because al Qaeda has told us. About two months ago, the terrorist Zawahiri—he's al Qaeda's second in command—declared that al Qaeda intends to impose its rule in 'every land that was a home for Islam, from [Spain] to Iraq.' He went on to say, 'The whole world is an open field for us.'... Again, hear the words of Osama bin Laden earlier this year: 'Death is better than living on this Earth with the unbelievers among us."

Strategic Threats

In World War II, German and Japanese fascists were a strategic military threat to the United States, because they had large armies, navies and air forces that



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could invade and occupy territory. During the Cold War, the Soviet Union was a true strategic threat

because of its nuclear missiles, its vast military establishment and its international campaign for military and political hegemony.

Certainly, oilrich Muslim nations can endanger the U.S. economy by disrupting petroleum supplies. But it is

important to recognize that Islam cannot now mount an army sufficient to conquer the United States. Though terrorism can cause serious economic and psychological harm, it cannot pose a strategic threat to American territory.

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By contrast, with a thousand years of military invasions and occupations going back to the eighth century, Islam has a long history as a strategic threat to Europe. Unlike Americans, Europeans have suffered—on European soil—centuries of wars with Muslims. Europeans are slowly starting to realize that, given the history of jihad in Europe, a restored Islamic Caliphate would again pose a strategic threat to Europe.

Indeed, Islamists are openly reminding Europeans of this threat. Iranian President Mahmoud Ahmadinejad shocked the E.U. last year when he publicly announced, "We have advised the Europeans that the Americans are far away, but you are the neighbors of the nations in this region. We inform you that the nations are like an ocean that is welling up, and if a storm begins, the dimensions will not stay limited to Palestine, and

you may get hurt. It is in your own interest to distance yourself from these criminals [Israel]. This is an

ultimatum"
("Ahmadinejad
Does Europe,"
Wall Street
Journal, October
24, 2006, p. A18).

The "far away" Americans would benefit from the success of their policy in Iraq, but whether the Bush administration intended it or



In this environment, European initiatives such as its Rapid Reaction Force take on even greater significance. The E.U. Rapid Reaction Force was established in 1999 and is still in its infancy. The E.U. has theoretical aspirations for an 80,000 strong E.U. army to enforce a common foreign policy, and Poland in

November 2006 proposed a force of 100,000, but this force is not yet operating at the level many Europeans envision for the future. Long reliant on the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, Europe's balance of power would be changed dramatically by the creation of a truly effective E.U. military. NATO has been the primary defense of Europe since the 1950s, and U.S. military might was the backbone of NATO during the Cold War, effectively resisting the Soviet strategic threat. Increasingly, however, E.U. officials see a need to organize and fund their own revived military establishment. With increasing awareness of the threat from militant Islam, and decreasing confidence in U.S. policy or military strength, demand for a powerful European force will only grow.

The European Identity

Germans, French, Italians and Poles may differ widely in language, but they have long shared the cultural unity of a common faith. Ancient cathedrals dominate the landscape in most European cities. Pope Benedict XVI has stressed the role of the Roman Catholic Church as the glue binding Europeans into a common European culture—a theme he inherited from his predecessor John Paul II, who said: "The history of the formation of the European Nations keeps abreast with their evangelization. Consequently, despite the spiritual crises that have marked the life of the Continent in our day, its identity would be incomprehensible without Christianity... Only a Europe that does not eliminate but rediscovers its Christian roots, will be able to take up the challenges of the third millennium: peace, intercultural and interreligious

dialogue, the safeguarding of creation. All believers in Christ of the European West and East are required to make their own contribution through open and sincere ecumenical cooperation" (*Regina Caeli*, May 2, 2004).

Yet there is a growing perception that this common element is being undermined not only by secularism, but also by a rapidly growing Muslim population in Europe. As was made plain by the controversy last year over drawings of Muhammad published in a Danish newspaper, many of Europe's Muslims are quick to demand religious tolerance, but not so quick to give it.

In this environment, many who support the Vatican's view of European history and culture have worked for a "Christian Identity Clause" in the proposed E.U. constitution. Such language was finally omitted from the last drafted version of the constitution, so many Catholic Europeans considered it providential when France and the Netherlands voted to reject the constitution—sending it back to the drawing board where the "Christian Identity Clause" could again be considered.

The winds of Islamic identity are sweeping through the Muslim world, and that wind is now blowing toward Europe. But in the face of a perceived cultural and strategic threat from Islam, might those same winds bring a renewal of Catholic identity to a secular Europe? The Vatican hopes so!

News Before It Happens

The history of Europe can tell us much about our present problems, but world events can be illuminated even further by the "future history" revealed in Bible prophecy. God tells us the news before it hap-

pens. As a result, people of faith can see current events in the context of a completed flow of history.

God told the prophet Isaiah: "For I am God, and there is no other; I am God, and there is none like Me, declaring the end from the beginning, and from ancient times things that are not yet done, saying, 'My counsel shall stand, and I will do all My pleasure'" (Isaiah 46:9–10).

The prophet Daniel accurately foretold the contentions that a series of rulers would engage in to control the area around Jerusalem. Kings of the North would struggle with kings of the South. But beginning in Daniel 11:40, the prophecy skips just ahead of our time to "the time of the end"—the days at the end of this age, immediately before the coming of the Messiah. In these verses, we see a ruler to the south of Jerusalem arise and become powerful. He attacks or "pushes" against a northern power, which Bible prophecy shows to be a successor to the Roman Empire—a European power.

"At the time of the end the king of the South shall attack him; and the king of the North shall come against him like a whirl-wind, with chariots, horsemen, and with many ships; and he shall enter the countries, overwhelm

them, and pass through. He shall also enter the Glorious Land, and many countries shall be overthrown; but these shall escape from his hand: Edom, Moab, and the prominent people of Ammon. He shall stretch out his hand against the countries, and the land of Egypt shall not escape. He shall have power over the treasures of gold and silver, and over all the precious things of Egypt; also the Libyans and Ethiopians shall follow at his heels. But news from the east and the north shall trouble him; therefore he shall go out with great fury to destroy and annihilate many. And he shall plant the tents of his palace between the seas and the glorious holy mountain [Mt. Zion in Jerusalem]; yet he shall come to his end, and no one will help him" (Daniel 11:40-45).

Will a reestablished Caliphate give us the prophesied king of the South, and are we now seeing the steps preliminary to his rise? Will a renewed strategic threat from the Middle East revive Catholic identity and militarism in Europe? Keep studying your Bible to understand these prophecies, keep watching the *Tomorrow's World* telecast, and keep reading the *Tomorrow's World* magazine to stay up to date on these vital world events in the context of Bible prophecy.

The Middle East in Prophecy

Bible prophecy reveals that at the end of the age, the king of the South will come from south of Jerusalem to fight against the king of the North. Can you locate these mysterious figures in prophecy—or in the pages of today's newspapers?

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I would like to thank you so much for the good work that you are doing spreading God's word through your free booklets. You have really helped me a lot in understanding God's word and understanding what He wants and expects from me. I recently read the booklet *Twelve Keys to Answered Prayer*. It revealed a lot to me about how I should pray to the living and true God. When I read this booklet I couldn't help but share everything I had learned with my family and friends. You most truly are doing a wonderful job.

P.M., Bulawayo, Zimbabwe

"God" has no further proof than the existence of the Loch Ness Monster, or any other mythical creature. How is unfailing faith in god different then unfailing faith in Wiccan religion, or paganism, or ghosts? You demand unwavering faith in this unprovable force, yet in any other situation you would deny or ridicule or denounce such faith. Do you have any reason for this? Unless you have some proof, the existence of God is as believable as the existence of aliens.

A.B., Hamilton, ON, Canada

I just wanted everyone to know that I thank the Eternal God and His son, Jesus Christ, for your ministry and the blessing that you have become in my life. I have looked and found no other that teaches the truth the way that you so plainly do. Please, let all those that are a part of this ministry know that your message is not falling on deaf ears. You accomplish far more than you know!

T.S., South Bend, IN

I've been on my spiritual journey for 4.5 years trying to find the truth. I one day was tuned in on television by accident to *Tomorrow's World* and I found your program very spiritually fulfilling for the heart, soul and mind. I'm glad I found you because I had been

very confused but your program and literature are clearing things up for me, as well as me reading my Bible which has all the answers.

S.D., Tomahawk, AB, Canada

Thank you so much for inspiring me to put God first in my life. My life has so much more meaning and purpose. I live each day with a great hunger for God's word. Thank you for the work that you all do. I thoroughly enjoy every form of information you send.

N.T., Auckland, New Zealand

The first time I read your publications a couple years ago, I thought y'all were pretty militant. The second issue, I thought, "Maybe they do care." And by the time I received and read my third issue, I thought, "These people really love me and want me to know the truth." I thank you very much.

F.K., Hardwick, GA

I just finished reading the article "Modern Nations and God's Ancient Plan" (July-August 2006) for the third time. Such exciting and enlightening information. It has given me a much better understanding of last-days prophecy as it relates to our times. I will get out my Bible and read all the scriptures referenced as I go through the article yet another time. Thank you for such wonderful work!

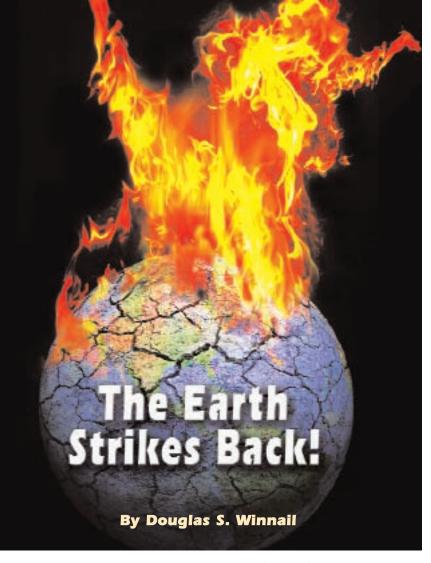
J.D., Spring Hill, FL

Today I read your booklet, *Satan's Counterfeit Christianity*. All I can say is: Wow! I can't believe after all these years I'm finally coming across this vital information. I feel as if I have been kept in the dark all this time. You are a true blessing. I would like to personally thank you for having the courage to spread the Truth in a world full of lies.

J.J., Noico, CO

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Does global warming signal the end of the world? What is the real significance of alarming environmental changes? Do the consequences of climate change relate to Bible prophecy?

ot long ago, a major newspaper in England ran a feature article with this bold headline: "Is this the end of the world? Earthquakes. Hurricanes. Floods. What is happening to our planet?" The article referred to three major hurricanes that devastated New Orleans and much of the Gulf Coast of America in 2005. It cited deadly heat waves and droughts, and the huge tidal wave that swept across the Indian Ocean leaving a trail of death and destruction.

The author reeled off a string of global calamities: "The sea is turning to acid, the air is choking us, the polar ice caps are melting. Famine, pestilence and plague used to be dread words from the Bible; now they are reasons for compassion fatigue... No wonder some people believe we are living in the End Times." The article described how 200 leading scientists had warned British Prime Minister Tony Blair that "global calamity was closer than ever because of climate change." The

writer admitted, "Even those of us who are less convinced that the end is absolutely nigh do watch the news, read the papers or flee the latest natural disaster and wonder what on earth is happening to our planet. Is this the beginning of the end?" (*The Independent on Sunday*, October 16, 2005).

On February 2 of this year, the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, a United Nations body of scientists and members from 113 countries, released its "Climate Change 2007" report, forecasting that temperatures and sea levels will continue to increase "for centuries." The panel predicted sea levels to rise between 7 and 30 inches by the end of the century, and temperatures to rise 2 to 11 degrees Fahrenheit.

Is something ominous and extraordinary really happening on this earth, or are concerns about climate change nothing more than partisan fears unsupported by facts? Have we entered a unique and unprecedented time in the history of our planet, or are we merely witnessing extremes of nature that fall within the normal range? Is the earth, long abused by human development, now striking back?

Today, many sense that big changes are occurring around the globe, yet few realize there is a *unique source* that explains the *real significance* of world events. While scientists can record facts, they can only *speculate* about the future. The Bible, however, contains dozens of prophecies that *reveal* what conditions will be like at the end of this age, just before the return of Jesus Christ. Jesus told His disciples to *watch* for a series of events that would mark this crucial turning point in history. Are global environmental conditions actually beginning to resemble long-pondered Bible prophecies?

Decades of Warnings

Concerns about a perceived link between dramatic environmental events, global climate change and the future of human civilization are *neither new nor surprising*. Dr. Paul Ehrlich, professor of biological sciences at Stanford University, has written: "The dire environmental dangers our civilization faces are certainly no secret... For decades, environmental scientists have warned of interconnected environmental trends, such as loss of plant and animal diversi-

ty, rapid climate change, and the spread of toxic chemicals over the earth, that, unless reversed, could ultimately bring down our civilization" (*One with Nineveh*, p. 7). Ehrlich quotes a 1993 report by 58 academies of science: "The magnitude of the threat... is linked to human population size and resource use per person... As human numbers further increase, the potential for irreversible changes of far-reaching magnitude also increases" (ibid., p. 8).

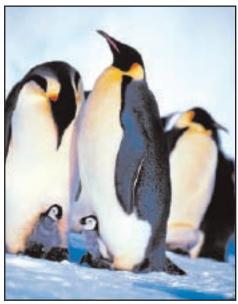
While serving as chairman of the Council on Environmental Quality during the Carter administration, Yale forestry professor Dr. James Speth was among those sounding an alarm regarding threats to the global environment. More than 25 years ago, Speth collected scientists' alarming reports about anticipated global climatic disruptions reports that have proved startlingly accurate. Speth and others began to see "a new agenda of global environmental challenges more threatening and difficult than the predominantly domestic concerns that motivated us... Climate change, devastation of ocean fisheries, deforestation in the tropics, loss of species, land deterioration, and other unwanted processes were occurring on a frightening scale and pace" (Red Sky at Morning, p. xi).

Researcher Clive Ponting of University College, Swansea, in the United Kingdom, warns: "It is now virtually certain... that global temperatures will rise to a level never before experienced in settled societies or even in the last 100,000 years... Global warming is therefore a demonstration, for the first time on a world-wide scale, of the results of ignoring vital ecological constraints. The consequences for life, earth and humanity will be

profound" (*A Green History of the Earth*, p. 405). But what exactly is happening to the earth's environment to generate such serious concern from scientists?

Our Threatened Planet

The most fundamental and farreaching environmental challenges we face today are increasing levels of planet-warming greenhouse gases like carbon dioxide, methane and chlorofluorocarbons that trap heat coming from the sun. Carbon dioxide is released from burning fossil fuels—oil, gasoline, coal and natural gas. Methane is released by the microbial decomposition of



As Antarctic temperatures have risen, the continent's population of Emperor penguins has dropped by 70 percent.

organic matter. Air conditioning systems use chlorofluorocarbons. Atmospheric concentrations of carbon dioxide have risen from preindustrial levels of 280 parts per million (before 1750AD), to more than 380 parts per million in 2005, and ice core samples from Antarctica show that "carbon dioxide is 27 percent higher than at any other time in the last 650,000

years" (*Environment*, Jan/Feb 2006, pp. 6–7). Global emissions of carbon dioxide could increase as much as 60 percent between 2001 and 2025, as populous nations like India and China continue to industrialize and acquire more gasoline-powered automobiles (Speth, p. 18). Between one-third and one-half of the world's forests have been destroyed, which adds to increasing carbon dioxide levels because trees remove carbon dioxide from the atmosphere (*ibid.*, p. 14).

This increase in atmospheric carbon dioxide correlates closely with increasing global temperatures. In the last 30 years, the earth has been warming by about 0.36 degrees Fahrenheit each decade, bringing earth's average temperature to the "highest since the end of the last ice age about 12,000 years ago" (New York Times, September 26, 2006). Al Gore, former Vice President of the United States, points out in his noteworthy book, An Inconvenient Truth, that 20 of the 21 hottest years since the 1860s have occurred in the last quarter century (pp. 72-73). The effects of increased temperature are most dramatic nearer to the North and South Poles, where melting snow and ice reflect less sunlight, and the exposed land and ocean absorb more heat from the sunamplifying the warming effect. Several recent studies show that "melting of the winter sea ice in the Arctic had accelerated enormously in the past two years, with a section the size of Turkey disappearing in just 12 months" (The Independent, September 9, 2006).

Around the world, glaciers are melting at increasingly rapid rates. Studies indicate that thawing permafrost areas in sub-arctic regions will release methane, which has 20 times the warming capacity of

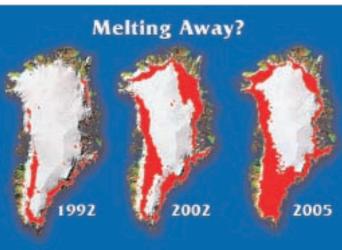
carbon dioxide. Researchers see this unanticipated release of large quantities of methane as a "climate time bomb" waiting to explode, which will dramatically increase global temperatures (Science News, September 9, 2006). Norwegian scientists have discovered that concentrations of chlorofluorocar-

bons-which trap heat a thousand times more than carbon dioxide—have doubled between 2001 and 2004 (New Scientist, September 30, 2006). All this has accelerated temperature increases in the last 20 years.

Since 1992, seasonal melting of Greenland's icepack has accelerated dramatically. becoming Europe's financial center" (The Times, August 23, 2006).

One consequence of global temperatures rising, and sea ice and continental glaciers melting, is sea levels rising. As warming temperatures melt glaciers that release water into the oceans, sea levels rise. In the last century, ocean levels rose about 8 inches while the earth's temperature rose about one degree Fahrenheit (New York Times, June 20, 2006). Scientists estimate that a three-degree rise in temperature would melt much of the float ice in the Arctic and ice shelves in the Antarctic, as well as the Greenland glacier, which could raise ocean levels several feet (The Revenge of Gaia, Lovelock, pp. 51–53). This would inundate much of south Florida, the U.S. Gulf Coast and eastern seaboard, much of southeastern England and many lowlying islands in the Indian Ocean. Millions of people would be displaced and forced to migrate from

Kolkata, Beijing and Shanghai (Gore, pp. 198-209). Rising sea levels make coastal developments and cities along tidal rivers more vulnerable to storm surges. If London were inundated and devastated by a storm surge, it could be ruined as a financial center, "which would lead to Frankfurt



Sir David King, chief science advisor to the British government, has noted that because of rising temperatures and sea levels, "The maps of the world will have to be redrawn" (Gore, pp. 196-197).

As glaciers and sea ice melt, millions of gallons of fresh water will be released into the oceans. This will dilute the salt concentration of ocean water, and could disrupt the flow of the Gulf Stream. This could have catastrophic effects on the agricultural areas of northwestern Europe. Rising temperatures are also associated with record heat waves and increasing droughts, torrential downpours and disastrous floods, as well as recordbreaking storms and hurricanes. The three hurricanes that pounded New Orleans in 2005 were the largest, most intense storms ever

recorded! In 2006, some of the hottest and driest conditions on record devastated farm production in Australia (The Sydney Morning Herald, October 28, 2006). A recent report by a governmental agency in the UK predicts the earth's temperature will increase by 3 degrees centigrade (5.4 degrees Fahrenheit) by 2050, which will "cause drought and famine for 400 million people and devastate wildlife... because of lost arable land and water shortages" (The Times, May 4, 2006). Temperature increases have already reduced the population of Emperor penguins in the Antarctic by 70 percent, as stable sea ice essential for nesting has thinned, broken apart and floated out to sea (Gore, p. 178). Rising global temperatures in recent decades have also contributed to the spread of infectious diseases like malaria and West Nile Fever to new areas (Environment, June 26, 2006, pp. 6–7). Over the last quarter-century, some 30 new diseases have emerged-and old diseases are now surging again (Gore, p. 174).

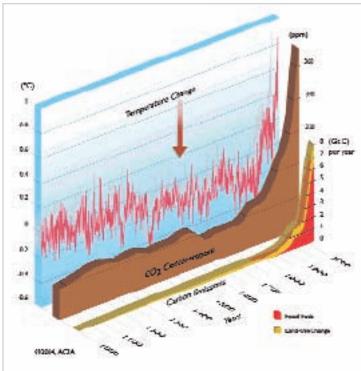
Civilization in Danger

Scientists who project the consequences of global warming describe the future with a sobering perspective—which has remarkable biblical overtones! One scientist observes: "We are modifying physical, chemical and biological systems... [of the earth]... at faster rates, and over larger spatial scales than ever recorded on Earth. Humans have unwittingly embarked on a grand experiment with our planet... [that] has profound implications for all life on Earth... we are fast approaching many of the earth's limits. Current economic practices which damage the environment... cannot be continued without the risk that vital

global systems will be damaged beyond repair" (Speth, p. 17). Cambridge University professor Martin Rees notes that "in the twenty-first century, humanity is more at risk than ever before from the misapplication of science. And the environmental pressures induced by collective human actions could trigger catastrophes more threatening than natural hazards... I think the odds are no better than fiftyfifty that our present civilization on Earth will survive to the end of the present century without a serious setback" (Our Final Century, pp. 8, 186).

Author James Kunstler describes a series of "worldaltering forces [economic, political and environmental]... that will fundamentally alter the terms of everyday life... on a scale no one has ever seen before" (The Long Emergency, pp. 1–2). He writes: "Global warming is no longer a theory being disputed by political interests, but an established scientific consensus... [and that in addition to rising temperatures, flooding, spreading disease and desertification]... global warming will contribute to conditions that will shut down the global economy" (ibid., pp. 8–9). In this context, Kunstler describes what scientists call an "omega point"—the point where "the vast interconnected networks of Earth's ecologies are so weakened that human existence is no longer possible" (ibid.).

Larry Schweiger, president of the National Wildlife Federation, has warned: "Few Americans and few Washington political leaders comprehend how very little time we have left to act before we lose control of global warming. Within our children's lifetime the planet, under current rates of greenhouse gas emissions, will hit a tipping point that can trigger runaway global warming" (National



Over the last thousand years, as population has increased, so has the concentration of carbon dioxide in Earth's atmosphere.

Wildlife, Aug/Sep 2006, p. 9). James Lovelock, a Fellow of the Royal Society, wrote: "Despite all our efforts to retreat sustainably, we may be unable to prevent a global decline into a chaotic world ruled by brutal war lords on a devastated Earth" (Lovelock, p. 154).

Climate Change and Prophecy

It is sobering to see how the warnings of prominent scientists and world leaders are beginning to *resemble Bible prophecies* that describe the end of this age and the time preceding the return of Jesus Christ. When Jesus was asked, "What will be the sign of Your coming, and of the end of the age?", He told His disciples to

watch for a period of "wars and rumors of wars... famines, pestilences, and earthquakes in various

places" (Matthew 24:3-7). The Apostle John pictures these same end-time events as the last three "horsemen" (war. famine and disease) that will kill a quarter of the world's population (Revelation 6:3-8). Today, scientists forecast that millions will die from climateinduced famines, and in wars over resources like water and oil (Kunstler, p. 5; Speth, pp.

18–19). Jesus called these increasingly global calamities "the beginning of sorrows" that would precede His imminent return (Matthew 24:8, 32–35). Scientists say today's climate changes are only the *leading edge* of more catastrophic changes coming in the future.

Jesus also predicted that before His return there would be a "great tribulation, such as has not been since the beginning of the world... and unless those days were shortened, no flesh would be saved" (Matthew 24:21–22). Is it merely a coincidence that leading scientists today are saying *virtually the same thing*—that rising temperatures may alter the earth so dramatically

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Tomorrow's Youth

Pawns of Their Agenda

All we know about her is that she is a psychiatrist who works in the counseling center of a large well-known American university, that she is a voice crying out against the ills of her profession, and that she is afraid of losing her job if she reveals her identity. In her recently released book, *Unprotected*, this "Anonymous, M.D." writes, "I once assumed campus medicine and psychology had one priority: student well-being. I'm no

longer so naive. Radical politics pervades my profession, and common sense has vanished.... in my work at the counseling center, I see the consequences daily" (pp. xiv, xv).

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This concerned doctor "tells the stories of college students who are casualties of the radical activism in my profession. These were students who turned to me for help in the midst of a crisis. They often wept, and some-

times, unknown to them, I wept with them" (*ibid.*, p. xvi). One can see that she truly cares for her patients, but her concern is enough to have her run out of the profession.

"You probably didn't know what some insider psychologists are now revealing: that 'psychology, psychiatry, and social work has been captured by an ultraliberal agenda' and that there are 'special interest mafias' in our national organizations. Likely you didn't hear that certain points of view are 'squelched,' that there are 'horror stories' of 'shunning and intimidation,' and that many will not speak up, fearing ridicule, vicious attack, or loss of tenure or stature. A past president of the APA, in a book about this alarming situation, wrote, 'I lived through the McCarthy era and the Hollywood witchhunts and, as abominable as these were, there was not the insidious sense of intellectual intimidation that currently exist under political correctness....'

Yes, the university, and my department, were committed to the principles of diversity and multiculturalism. This commitment was plastered all

over our policy statements. But somehow, through the years, I got the sense that the diversity that *I* represented wasn't the same type to which they were so profoundly commited [sic]" (*ibid.*, p. xix).

On page after page, this anonymous psychiatrist describes her colleagues' mindset: "Where I work,

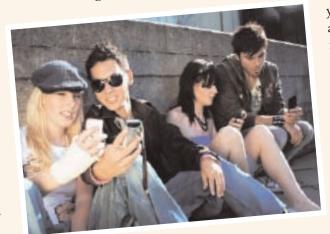
we're stuck on certain issues, yet neglect others. We ask about childhood abuse, but not last week's hookups. We want to know how many cigarettes and coffees she has each day, but not how many abortions are in her past. We consider the stress caused by parental expectations and rising tuition, but neglect the anguish of herpes, the hazards of promiscuity,

and the looming fertility

issues for women who always put career first. We strive to combat suicide, but shun discussion of God and ultimate meaning" (*ibid.*, p. xvii).

Unprotected is not written from a religious point of view, nor is the author condemning the young people she treats and weeps for. "It bears repeating that it is my fellow professionals I fault here, not the young people we all strive to help, and that these are health, not moral, issues. I argue as a scientist, with biological facts, not biblical ones. Forget Leviticus—as you'll see, my data is from *The New England Journal of Medicine* and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention" (*ibid.*, p. xxi). Of course, the issues she deals with *are* moral issues, and Leviticus came before modern science and medicine—but she sticks to her fields of expertise; and in so doing shows the wisdom of our Creator.

Wendy Shalit is another young woman who is crying out in the wilderness of modern immorality, but she comes from a very different point of view—that of a recently graduated university student. She uses reason and logic to expose college and university administrators who seem to have lost all sense of reason regarding modern sexual values. Shalit has written powerfully about the national attention five Orthodox



Jewish men
received when
they asked to
be excused
from Yale
University's coed
dormitory residence requirement—which
included the
requirement that students share common
coed bathrooms:

Yale's official response to these Orthodox students spoke volumes. In a letter to the Times, Richard H. Brodhead, the Dean of Yale College,

enjoined us to remember that

"Yale College has its own rules and requirements, which we insist on because they embody our values and beliefs." Do they ever. At least now they admit as much. Thirty or so years ago... colleges all over the country... claimed that they were just being "neutral," that they were going to let the students decide for themselves what their sexual morality would be. Dean Brodhead's remarks prove otherwise. Yale's requirement that the sexes live together, he wrote, "embodies our belief that... when students enter this community, their daily interaction becomes a continual scene of teaching and learning: a place... to learn to work with others across lines of difference" (A Return to Modesty, p. 61).

Yale officials' statements show the university is *not* neutral about students' personal choices. Yale has deliberately chosen to throw young people together in a kind of learning environment that many young people find degrading. Shalit's coverage of this issue spurred her to write about similar occurrences at other universities. "I had to share a bathroom with four football players my sophomore year," one coed wrote her, "and it was the most horrible year of my life" (*ibid.*, p. 233). Even the *New York Times* admitted as much:

"But buried at the end of *The New York Times*'s 24-paragraph report on the 'open living arrangements that have been the vogue on campuses for years,' we learn that, by the way, there are actually some non-Orthodox students who aren't terribly pleased with today's dormitory arrangements, either. The final paragraph ends with this whispered cavil: 'But some quietly confessed that the permissiveness of residence life sometimes made them uncomfortable.'

Quietly confessed" (*ibid.*, pp. 61–62).

Clearly, there is a culture war—and the cannon fodder is our youth. While academics and social engineers experiment with their brave new world of sexual permissiveness—falsely labeled as "free of consequences"—millions of teen and young adult pawns are being ravaged by STDs, unwanted pregnancies, sterility, broken hearts, abortions, betray-

als, cuttings, suicides, and all the psychological problems that go with these and other real-life consequences of breaking God's laws.

This is a war that parents *and* their children need to understand. Parents need to understand the battle being waged so they can help their teens make right choices and set strategies to counter these influences. Teens and young adults need to know that their teachers are not always looking out for their best interests, and that the world in which they find themselves can be hostile to their long-term well-being.

God tells us through the prophet Hosea: "My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge. Because you have rejected knowledge... [and] have forgotten the law of your God, I also will forget your children" (Hosea 4:6). This verse speaks of the knowledge of God's law—but even those who do not know God's law can be instructed by true science and reason. As Shalit wrote: "Nature exists; if you don't like what biology suggests about your ideology, maybe it's time to take another look at your ideology" (*Unprotected*, p. 147).

—Gerald Weston

Lesson from a Ruined Postcard

The weather we experienced this winter had me harkening back to my family's first Missouri snowfall a year ago. As former Texans, that snowfall was a wonderfully new experience for us, and was the only one we had experienced as a family during that unusually mild winter.

As I gazed out of our living room window, the scene before me seemed like a photograph on a postcard. The yard, the street, the trees, the parked cars—everything was covered with the most beautiful blanket of snow. The view was quiet and serene, and the smooth, featureless landscape wordlessly communicated a feeling of perfection and beauty with every little sparkling ice crystal that caught the light of the sun.

Then, in what seemed a mere eye-blink—maybe two blinks—the postcard was ruined. Instead of a smooth, featureless perfection, the yard had taken on the image of a battleground. Its surface was gutted and "chunked up"—piles here, holes there—and my previous painting of serenity had become a canvas of chaos.

I soon saw why. My four children had found their way to the yard.

As they played and tumbled and threw and kicked, I at first silently lamented what had been lost and would not be regained—that pristine, picturesque perfection, and the blessing of hav-

ing such a beautiful image to gaze upon. Yet, thankfully, I realized moments later that the order and perfection were gone, but a greater blessing was now present in the laughing and joyous faces of the children with



whom Almighty God had blessed my family.

How often does our society—honestly, how often do we ourselves—see children as something that "ruins" the scene outside a window? "They get in the way!" "They slow me down!" "My career is suffering!" "I can't get my work done!"

Yes, children can make a mess of life sometimes. Their cries and fights and bruised knees can disturb the "serenity" of our lives. Children can break our hearts like nobody's business. They can disappoint us and frustrate us to no end. They can be such a "burden" that some would rather see you



abort a child than allow yourself to b e c o m e s o "encumbered."

"Why would you want to ruin your life now, when you're just getting your act together?"

Even the

most natural of affections—that of a parent for a child—is evaporating from our society, as Jesus prophesied when He said "the love of many will grow cold" (Matthew 24:12). God certainly loves children: "Behold, children are a heritage from the LORD, the fruit of the womb is a reward" (Psalm 127:3). A day is soon coming when the Maker of our children, who so lovingly crafted them in the womb (Psalm 139:13), will put a stop to the awful manner in which our society has treated its children!

Thankfully, while "cold" described the weath-

er on that picturesque winter day, it did not describe the condition of my heart, and I quickly warmed to the scene outside. Yes, the beauty of a perfectly ordered world is something to be admired, but "a heritage from the LORD" is a far greater treasure. I give God thanks for the heritage with which He has blessed my wife and me.

And next winter, I will try to do even better. I will endeavor to take my joy in every postcard-perfect, snow-covered

scene that presents itself outside my window. Then, when my children discover it—as they inevitably will—and "reshape" it for me, I will ask God to help me fully appreciate that scene, too, and to take even greater joy in the amazing "landscape artists" He has so graciously given me.

-Wallace Smith

The Earth Strikes Back! (Continued from page 25)

"that it will be unable to sustain life" in the years ahead? Today, as scientific studies document the increasing extinction of species, plankton and coral reefs are dying in warmer and more acidic oceans, while commercial fishing is decimating the world's fish stocks. Strikingly, the prophet Hosea warned that a time would come when "the land will mourn; and everyone who dwells there will waste away with the beasts of the field and the birds of the air: even the fish of the sea will be taken away" (Hosea 4:1-3).

The prophet Joel predicted an unprecedented drought, "the land mourns... the new wine is dried up, the oil fails... the grain is withered... the beasts groan... the water brooks are dried up" in conjunction with the "Day of the Lord"—the period leading up to Christ's return (Joel 1:2-3, 10-20; see "The Day of the Lord" on page 10 of this issue). Long ago Moses warned that disobedience to the laws of God would lead to drought and famine (Leviticus 26:14, 19-20). Is it just a coincidence that scientists now predict that climate change will turn much of the earth's productive agricultural surface into parched desert incapable of producing food?

The biblical reason for the prophesied calamities is that human beings have forgotten the laws of God—including the biochemical and ecological laws God designed to govern the functioning of our environment (Hosea 4:6). As a result, God tells us He will let us experience the consequences of breaking these fundamental laws, and that we will reap what we have sown (see Hosea 4:9; Jeremiah 2:19). Modern scientists have come to the same conclusion

about global climate changes caused by human activities—that "we brought it upon ourselves" (Speth, p. 21). Today, scientists are



writing about "the revenge of Gaia"—yet this is nothing new; thousands of years ago, Moses warned the Israelites that if they defiled the land, it would vomit them out (Leviticus 18:28). Yes, as was foretold, the earth is striking back! But are we doomed? Are we really facing the end of the world?

Tomorrow's World

Forecasters trying to look beyond what they see as the coming collapse of our modern civilization envision the need for a "guidebook"—written in clear and simple terms—that will enable survivors to "rebuild civilization without repeating too many of our mistakes" (Lovelock, pp. 156-158). This book should be "a manual for living well and for survival" that contains vital information about the purpose of life, our proper relationship to the earth, basic laws of health and guidelines for proper behavior (ibid.). Modern intellectuals, who assume that no such book exists, do not realize that this essential information can be found in the Bible. Scripture states that the earth belongs to God (Psalm 24:1), and that human beings were meant to take care of it as stewards (Genesis 1:28; 2:15). When Jesus returns, He will "destroy those who destroy the earth" (Revelation 11:18) and use His saints to bring about "the times of restoration of all things"—including the environment of this earth (Acts 3:19–21). The present dramatic climate changes are not a preview of the end of the world, but rather are a prelude to a much more exciting future you can be part of—if you begin to live by what is actually in the Bible, and learn to recognize the significance of environmental changes taking place around the globe, as we approach Tomorrow's World!

Who Controls the Weather?

Is it an accident that the world's climate is changing? Are we seeing random cycles of normal activity, or is God behind recent events?

Write for our FREE booklet, Who Controls the Weather?, or download it from the Booklets section of our Web site www.tomorrowsworld.org.

Why Do You Go to "Your" Church? (Continued from page 2)

Spirit (Galatians 2:20). Socializing and friendship are wonderful features of the true Church of God, but much of that kind of human interaction can also be found in the Rotary Club or Lions Club or other social forums. Coming before the Creator to worship Him and learn His Truth is on an *entirely different level*!

Jesus told a Gentile woman who worshiped God in a "different" way: "Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when you will neither on this mountain, nor in Jerusalem, worship the Father. You worship what you do not know; we know what we worship, for salvation is of the Jews. But the hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth; for the Father is seeking such to worship Him. God is Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth" (John 4:21–24).

So, to *truly* follow the Christ of the Bible, we must worship God "in *spirit* and **truth**" (v. 24). And what is the "Truth?" Jesus Christ proclaimed, "Sanctify them by Your truth. *Your* word is **truth**" (John 17:17).

If you wish to *genuinely* serve and worship the God of the Bible and His Son Jesus Christ—if you truly want their blessing and protection during perilous times just ahead—you should earnestly, persistently and honestly try to find the Church that Jesus Christ built, of which He is the living Head (Ephesians 1:22), the Church that actually preaches and teaches His full Truth (Acts 28:30–31) and is doing *His Work* on earth today! You must be willing to sincerely and zealously "seek" the true God. You must be willing to serve and worship Him *in the way* He reveals in His inspired word!

Of course, it may be more "convenient" to go to the church of your family or friends, or to the closest neighborhood church. It may be more "fun" to attend a church with a big choir or lots of activities. Yet the Christ of the Bible earnestly warns us, "But why do you call Me 'Lord, Lord,' and not do the things which I say?" (Luke 6:46). So why go to a church where entire passages and books of the Bible are rarely, if ever, thoroughly explained and expounded in the worship services? Where people attending are not really having their lives, thoughts and actions changed by the powerful preaching of God's word? Where

the *one-fourth* of the entire Bible that is *inspired* **prophecy** is rarely explained? Where the members gain virtually **no understanding** that we are now living in the "last days"? Where they are **not** shown the specific events to "watch" for that will precede Christ's return to this earth?

Why, indeed, would anyone want to waste their time in a place like that?

As end-time prophetic events speed up—as the prophesied drought, earthquakes, disease epidemics and acts of terrorism begin to affect us more and more—are the clapping, singing people in some neighborhood church going to "save" you? Who can genuinely protect you and your loved ones if you are unwilling to seek and to worship the God of the Bible "in spirit and in Truth"?

Through *Tomorrow's World* magazine and this Work, *you* have been brought into contact with the true Church of God. *If* God is truly opening your mind, and *if* you have the courage to **act** on the Truth, I encourage you to "follow through." *Check up* on us even more. **Prove** what we are teaching out of the words of *your own Bible*. Our teaching can easily be *validated* and *proved* from the Bible itself—for it is the **Truth**.

I encourage you to *call* or *write* today and ask for more of our *free* literature. As you have probably noticed, *all* of our literature is absolutely *free*. If you really want to understand, there are two vital booklets I especially ask you to request. *Restoring Apostolic Christianity* will open your eyes to what *really* happened to "mainstream" Christianity and what a true Christian should do. *Where Is God's True Church Today?* will clearly spell out—with specific **proofs** from the Bible—the vital *identifying signs* of God's true Church so you can recognize *where* that Church is today.

As the prophetic events *this Work* tells you about continue to occur and intensify, and as God opens your mind to the great **Plan** He is working out, be sure to **act**. For in *many* different passages in His inspired word, God tells us to **act** on the Truth. "But be **doers** of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves" (James 1:22).

May God grant *you* the understanding, the faith and the **courage** to *take action*!

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Briz 31-Ch 31, SUN 9:00 am
SA, Adelaide: Nine Network—Ch 9, SUN 5:00 am
VIC, Melbourne: Nine Network—Ch 9, SUN 5:00 am
MCTC—Ch 31, SUN 11:30 pm
WA, Perth: Access 31—Ch 31, SUN 9:30 am

St. Michael: CBC—Ch 8, SUN 9:30 am

ON, Toronto: Vision—SUN 5:30 pm ET; MON-FRI 3:00 am ET

Reykjavik: Gospel Channel—SUN 7:00 am Satellites: Eurobird—Ch 770, Hotbird 6, Thor II

Kingston: TVJ—Ch 7, 9, 11 & 13, SUN 9:00 am

Nationwide: PRIME TELEVISION—SUN 8:30 am

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Randburg: CSM—SUN 5:30 pm
—TRINIDAD & TOBAGO
Trinidad, Port of Spain: CSM—Ch 6, SAT 3:30 pm
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United Kindom: WORD Network-SKY-TV—Ch 771, FRI 6:30 am UTC
The Gospel Channel: Sky-TV—Ch 770, FRI 4:00 pm
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SUN 10:00 am; MON-FRI 1:30 am UTC

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Anchorage: GCI—Ch 18, SAT 10:00 pm
Birmingham: Bright House—Ch 4, TUE 2:30 pm
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Fayetteville: KWWA—Ch 51, SUN 6:30 am
Fayetteville: Access TV—Ch 8, SUN 8:30 pm
Fort Smitch: KFIA—Ch 24, SUN 6:30 am
Little Rock: KSM—Ch 38, SUN 9:30 am
Lake Havasu City: KIHU—Ch 45, SUN 10:30 am
Phoenix: KAZI-TV—Multi, SUN 11:30 am
Prescott: Cable—Ch 13, SAT 5:30 pm; SUN 6:30 am
Tucson: Access—Ch 73, SAT 11:30 am; SUN 9:30 am
Eureka: Sudden Link—Ch 10, MON 8:00 pm
Garden Grove: Time Warner—Ch 6, SUN 9:30 am 8 6:30 pm
Glendora: Adelphia—Ch 37/99, TUE 7:00 pm
Hollywood: Comcast—Ch 24 & 27, SUN 8:00 am & 11:00 am
Los Angeles: Time Warner—Ch 10, ISUN 8:00 am
Livermore: Comcast—Ch 24, Ku 230 pm
Modesto: Community Media—Ch 8, TUE 5:00 pm; FRI 1:30 pm
Morth Orange County: Adelphia—Ch 95/97/98m SUN 3:30 pm
San Diego: Time Warner—Ch 19, SUN 10:30 pm
San Jose: Community TV—Ch 15, A SAT 11:30 pm
Sonora: TCCCA—Ch 8, SUN 8:00 pm
Turlock: Charter—Ch 2, MON 8:00 pm
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Enfield: Comcast—Ch 15, THUR 6:30 pm
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Brunswick: Cable 7—Ch 7, SIA 8:30 am; SUN 6:30 am

Kalamazoo: CACTV—Ch 9, 20-22, 95, SUN 11:30 am

Portage: Access—Ch 19, 20, FAI 10:30 am; JUN 6:30 am

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Southfield: Comast—Ch 7, SUN 7:30 am

Saginaw: Charter Media—Ch 16, Chek Local Listing

Traverse City: CTV2—Ch 2, SUN 5:30 pm

Bird Island: BICC—Ch 7, MON 6:30 pm; WED 6:30 pm

Duluth: Public Access—Ch 24, SAI 11:00 am; SUN 7:00 pm

Minneapolis: MTN—Ch 75, THUR 6:30 pm; JUE 4:00 pm

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Columbia: KRCG-TV—Ch 13, SUN 6:30 am

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St. Charles: Charter—Ch 47, SUN 9:30 am 8 9:00 pm

St. Louis: Double Helix—Ch 22, SUN 8:00 am

Kansas City: Lime Warner—Ch 4, SUN 10:00 pm; Jackson: Time Warner—Ch 18, SUN 10:00 am; WED 4:00 pm

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Jackson: Time Warner—Ch 5:/10, SUN 9:00 pm

Charlotte: MSP—Ch Multi, SAI 1:00 am

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Gardnerville: Community Access—Ch 16, SAI 4:30 am

Bringhamton: Time Warner—Ch 2, WED 5:30 pm

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Trenton: Comcast—Ch 5:/10, SUN 8

Cincinnati: Media Bridges—Ch 8 & 24, SUN 6:30 pm;
TUE 12:30 pm
Dayton: DSTV—Ch 12, SAT 3:30 AM; TUE 11:00 am
Fairborn: CAC—Ch 23, TUE 12:00 pm
Tulsa: KMYI-TV—Ch 41, SAT 12:30 am
Ashland: RYTV—CH 15/31/95, SUN 10:00 pm
Portland: MCTV—CH 11, SUN 12:30 pm
Willamette Falls: WFTV—CH 23, FRI 4:00 pm; SAT 8:00 am;
SUN 8:00 am; WED 4:00 pm
Johnstown: Atlantic Broadband—Ch 9, MON 10:00 pm
Lehighton: BRCTV—Ch 13, SUN 10:30 am
Philadelphia: Time Warner—Ch 5, THUR 9:00 pm; SUN 5:30 pm
Sayre: Time Warner—Ch 18, MON-FRI 5:00 pm
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Chattanooga: WDEF—Ch 12, SUN 8:30 am
Knoxville: WVLT—Ch 8, SUN 6:30 am
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Mashville: WTV—Ch 44, SAT 6:30 am
Nashville: WTV—Ch 17, SUN 6:30 am
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Austin: Community Access—Ch 11, WED 7:00 pm
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Dallas: KWD-TY—Ch 52, SUN 8:00 am

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Houston: TYMAX—Cable, SUN 9:00 am
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Midland: KMID—Ch 2, SUN 9:00 am
Temple: KPLE—Ch 31/45, SUN 7:30 pm
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Waco: KWKT-TV—Ch 44, SUN 7:30 am
Saft Lake City: Comcast—Ch 95, SUN 8:00 am
Charlottesville: Adelphia—Ch 13, MON 1:00 pm & 6:30 pm
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Chesterfield: Comcast—Ch 6, THUR 6:30 pm
Roanoke: WDRL—Ch 24/54, SUN 7:00 am
Virginia Beach: Cox—Ch 99 & 74, SAT 8:30 am
Bennington: CAT—Ch 15, WED 9:30 am & 12:00 am;
THUR 12:00 am & 9:30 pm; SAT 8:00 am & 4:30 pm
Burlington: Community Access—Ch 15, THUR 11:30 am &
FRI 12:00 PM
Montpelier: Community Access—Ch 15, TUE 8:30 pm;

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Richmond: Community TV—Ch 15, SUN 2:00 am & 9:00 am & 4:00 pm & 7:00 pm; MON 7:00 am & 1:00 pm
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Seattle: TCI—Ch 29, SUN 9:00 am
Seattle: Comcast—Ch 17, THUR 6:30 am
Spokane: AT&T—Ch 14, MON 8:00 pm
Vancouver: FVCT—Ch 11, SUN 11:30 am
Wausau: Charter—Ch 10, THUR 9:00 pm; FRI 7:30 am
Casper: KTWO—Ch 2, SUN 10:00 am
Cheyenne: KLWY—Ch 27, SUN 10:00 am

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SUN 3:30 pm

Philippines, Ozamiz City: DXOC—1494 AM, SUN 5:00 am

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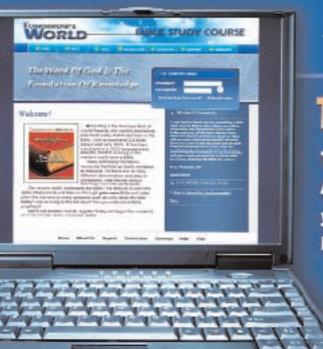
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PA, Allentown: TV2—CH 50, THUR 10:00 am

PA, Altoona: Atlantic Broadband—CH 9, SUN 9:30 am

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