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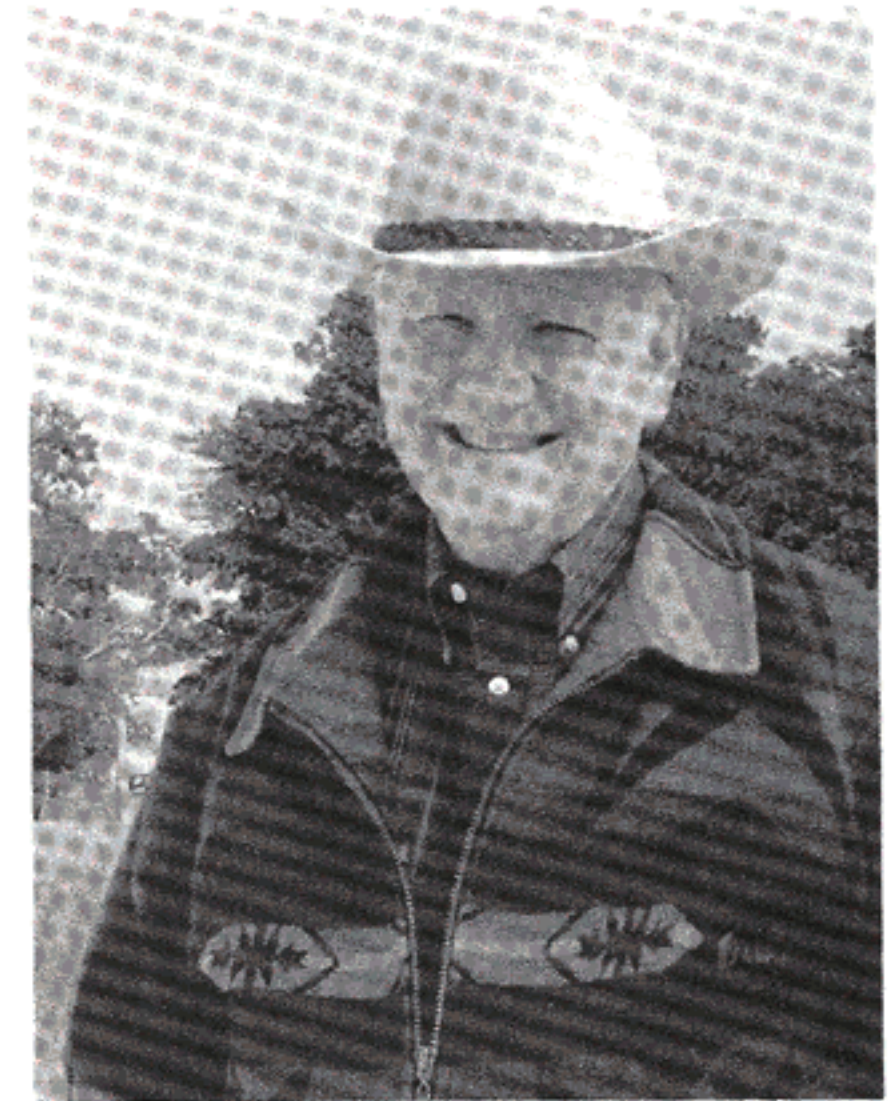


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Praising God

In January of 2004 we started praying weekly for God to enable us to expand our TV program to the Inspiration Network. We also prayed that He would supply us with a donation of \$100,000 or more to cover the cost.

In September I felt led of the Lord for

us to start praying about this matter daily, and we started doing so. In early November, two days after we returned from our video shoot in Israel, I awoke at 3:00am in the morning. I went to my study and began writing prayers in my prayer journal. When I started praying about the television expansion, the Lord spoke to my heart and said, "The time has come to stop praying and take action."

I shared this message with the staff at our devotional that morning. I told them that I had decided to ask our board of trustees for permission to step out in faith and sign a contract with the Inspiration Network, believing God would supply the funds.

One hour later I got a call from a long time supporter who said, "My wife and I have decided to give the ministry a donation of \$150,000 to enable you to expand your TV program to an additional network." I was stunned by the timing of this call. After a day of rejoicing, I called the Inspiration Network and arranged for us to start broadcasting in January (see page 9).

We still have to raise an additional \$150,000 to cover the cost of our continuing broadcast over the DayStar Network. If you would like to help us with this effort, please mark your donation with the words, "TV Outreach."

Have a blessed New Year! ✚

Video Shooting in the Galilee



The Lamb & Lion video crew is shown above shooting a scene at the Nazareth precipice overlooking the Valley of Armageddon and Mt. Tabor.

Dr. David R. Reagan

In mid-October of last year I took a video crew of 13 people to Israel. Five were staff members; one was our guide and translator; the other seven were volunteers who paid their own way, taking advantage of the opportunity as a short term missions outreach.

Our goal was to spend ten days in northern Israel shooting four TV programs about the life of Jesus in the Galilee. We prayed earnestly for safety, good health, fair weather, and effectiveness in shooting. Many other people committed to lift us up in prayer.

I rejoice to report that God heard the prayers and answered every one of them. The team gelled quickly as a very effective and efficient video crew. Everyone remained safe and healthy. And the first rain began to fall about 30 minutes after we had finished shooting our last scene!

The Ordeal of Field Shooting

It was very hard work. Since Israel does not observe Daylight Savings Time, it started getting dark each day at 4:15pm, and by 4:45pm it was too dark to do anymore videotaping. That meant

we had to start out each morning as early as possible and work throughout each day as quickly as possible.

Each of the crew members were assigned specific tasks, and by the end of the first full day of working together, it took only a few minutes for us to start shooting when we arrived on a site. It was a great contrast to our shoot in Jerusalem in June of 2003 when we had only six people in our crew.

During the Jerusalem shoot, my colleague, Dennis Pollock, and I had to setup, take down, and tote equipment. We also had to hold each other's cue cards. And our media director, Don Gordoni, was simply overwhelmed with a great variety of tasks, including the operation of the camera.

This time, Dennis and I were able to focus entirely on our lines. Others looked after the equipment, held the cue cards, and positioned the light reflectors. Don Gordoni was able to serve as the overall videographer since he was freed up from operating the camera. As each scene was shot, Don could watch it on a field monitor and decide instantly whether or not it needed to be reshot.

Two of the most tedious jobs in field shooting relate to record-keeping. One is to record the shot-log. The other is to operate the clap-board. The shot-log provides a record of every scene, with a notation of what video tape the scene was shot on and what the camera's "odometer reading" was when the scene began and ended. The clap-board, which is held up before the

camera at the beginning of each scene, gives a visual record to coordinate with the shot-log. These records are crucial for the editing process that takes place later in the studio.

Field shooting is very tricky because of changing light conditions and extraneous noise. Nothing is really "under control," as is the case with studio shooting. The sun is constantly moving in and out of clouds. Gawkers seem compelled to walk into scenes and wave at the camera. And just as a scene begins, it is not at all unusual for a loud truck to drive by or a person on the street to start yelling. In Jerusalem a year ago one of our biggest problems was the Muslim calls to prayer five times a day. These would usually last at least 15 minutes.



Dennis Pollock prepares to do a scene at the Tiberias hot springs.

The First Program

The first program we videotaped was "An Introduction to the Galilee." We started in Tiberias, the only city located on the shores of the Sea of Galilee today. It was built during the lifetime of Jesus, but it is doubtful that He ever visited it because it was considered unclean from an Orthodox Jewish viewpoint. That's because it was built over an ancient cemetery. The Romans were attracted to the site because of hot springs which still attract tourists today.

From Tiberias we headed north with the intention of circling the entire Sea of Galilee in one program's time. Our first stop was at Magdala, the hometown of Mary Magdalene, a lady who



Dr. Reagan prepares for a scene amid the ruins of Magdala.

was delivered of seven demons by Jesus. She became a committed supporter of the Lord. She was present at the crucifixion and was the first person Jesus appeared to after His resurrection.



A full scale model of the Jesus boat.

Magdala was a small fishing village in the time of Jesus. The town got a lot of publicity in 1986 when the famous "Jesus boat" was found buried in mud near its shore. The boat was transferred to Kibbutz Ginnosar on the northwestern shore of the Sea where it is on display today in a specially constructed museum. The boat is a typical fishing boat that was in use during the time of Jesus.

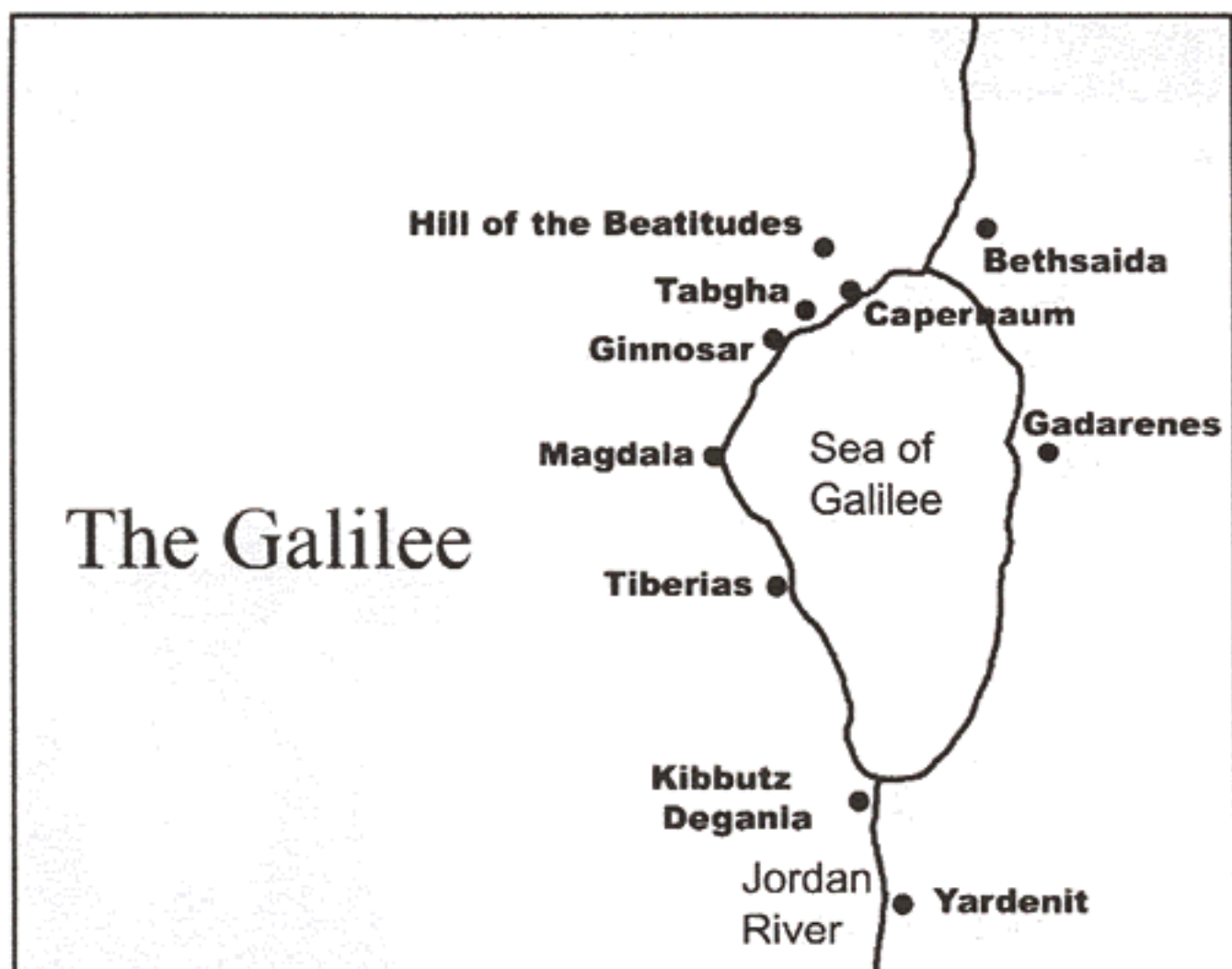
After a brief stop at Kibbutz Ginnosar to videotape the boat, we proceeded along the north shore of the Sea to a place called Tabgha. It is the location of two churches. One is called The Church of the Multiplication. It marks the traditional site of the feeding of the 4,000 (Matthew 15:32-39). The second is called The Church of St. Peter's Primacy. It marks the site where Peter met the Lord after His resurrection and was told by Jesus three times, "Tend My sheep" (John 21:15-17).



Preparing a scene along the shore of the Sea of Galilee, next to the Church of St. Peter's Primacy.

The most important biblical site on the shores of the Sea of Galilee is Capernaum because it served as the headquarters of Jesus' ministry. In our first program, we simply showed it from a distance because we planned to visit it in detail in one of our subsequent programs about the miracles of Jesus.

We got a distant shot of Capernaum from a steep hill located above the ruins of the town. This hill is called the Mount of the Beatitudes. It marks the traditional site where Jesus delivered His "Sermon on the Mount" (Matthew 5-7). We did a lot of shooting



at this site where a lovely chapel is located that was built with funds donated by Mussolini in the 1930's. From this site you can get a breathtaking panoramic view of the Sea of Galilee.

Our next stop was the point where the Jordan River enters the Sea of Galilee. We wanted to demonstrate that the world's most famous river is really a very small and insignificant looking stream — what we would classify as a creek in Texas.

On the east side of the Jordan we stopped at Bethsaida, one of three towns in which Jesus focused His ministry. It marks the site of the feeding of the 5,000, the only miracle of Jesus that is mentioned in all four of the gospels.



Lining up a shot at the Chapel of the Beatitudes.

From Bethsaida we started heading south toward the Gadarenes. This is a place where the mountains of the Golan Heights go right down to the shore of the Sea. The ruins of an ancient Byzantine church are located there in a place called Kursi. We stopped there to talk about the story of the demons who were cast out of two mad men into a herd of swine which then ran down the mountain into the waters of the Sea. Dennis told the story on camera, and I took advantage of the opportunity to point out that this incident was probably the origin of "deviled ham." (Sorry about that!)

Next we proceeded to the south end of the Sea to visit two

sites. The first was Kibbutz Degania, the first kibbutz (collective farm) to be established in Israel (1910). It was the birth place of one of Israel's most famous generals, Moshe Dayan.

Around the corner from the kibbutz was our last stop of the day — a place called Yardenit. It is a beautiful baptismal facility located where the Jordan River exits the Sea of Galilee. I baptized several of our crew members as a manifestation of their faith, and then we headed back to our base in Tiberias where I ended the program by reading a famous poem by Carl Sandburg entitled, "Epistle."

Jesus loved the sunsets on Galilee.
 Jesus loved the fishing boats forming silhouettes
 against the sunsets on Galilee.
 Jesus loved the fishermen on the fishing boats
 forming silhouettes against the sunsets on
 Galilee.
 When Jesus said, "Goodby, goodby, I will come
 again . . ."
 Jesus meant that goodby for the sunsets, the
 fishing boats, the fishermen, the sunsets all
 and any against the sunsets of Galilee.
 And that goodby and promise meant all or
 nothing at all.

It took us nearly two days to shoot the introductory program. It was during that time that we learned how to work together as a crew. From that point on, our efficiency in shooting increased tremendously.

The Second Program

The second program we shot was entitled, "The Nazareth of Jesus." We used a mini-bus (19 seats) to travel, and our bus driver was a wonderful Christian Arab from Nazareth named Hani Kalil Saba, known affectionately as "Honey." During our first day of shooting in Nazareth, we took a rest break at Honey's home and met his six sons and his new granddaughter.

Shooting in an urban setting like Nazareth is very challenging, but we were greatly blessed in all our efforts. We shot scenes at Mary's Well and at two sites that pay tribute to the Annunciation, the event where the Angel Gabriel appeared to Mary to tell her she would be the mother of the Messiah. One was the



Shooting a scene at Mary's Well in Nazareth.



The painting of Jesus in his father's carpentry shop at the Church of St. Joseph in Nazareth.

Catholic Basilica of the Annunciation, which is the largest and most beautiful church in all of Israel. The other was a very plain and simple Greek Orthodox church.

We also visited the Church of St. Joseph which is located adjacent to the Basilica. Outside that church we videotaped a teaching about Mary and the promises made to her by Gabriel. This church is built over the traditional site of the home of Mary and Joseph — where Joseph's carpentry shop would have been located. Near the entrance to this church there is a great painting of Jesus in his father's shop. Unfortunately, the painting is located in a very dimly lighted area, and most people fail to notice it.

From the Church of St. Joseph, we walked through the Nazareth marketplace to the traditional site of the synagogue in the time of Jesus. This site is owned by the Greek Orthodox Church, and the priest assigned to care for it proved to be very friendly and helpful, unlike most of the priests we encountered along our way.

We videotaped an extensive scene in the synagogue, telling the story of how Jesus revealed Himself there as the Messiah and how the people of His hometown responded by rejecting Him.

Our next stop was a very dramatic one. We went to the precipice on the edge of Nazareth where the synagogue mob dragged Jesus to kill Him by pushing Him off a cliff. The drop from the edge of the precipice is 1200 feet straight down to the floor of the Valley of Armageddon. It was a nail-biting experience to stand on the edge of that precipice and shoot footage of the drop-off.

The Third Program

Our third program focused on the miracles of Jesus in the Galilee. We started, of course, in the village of Cana (located a few miles northeast of Nazareth) because that is where

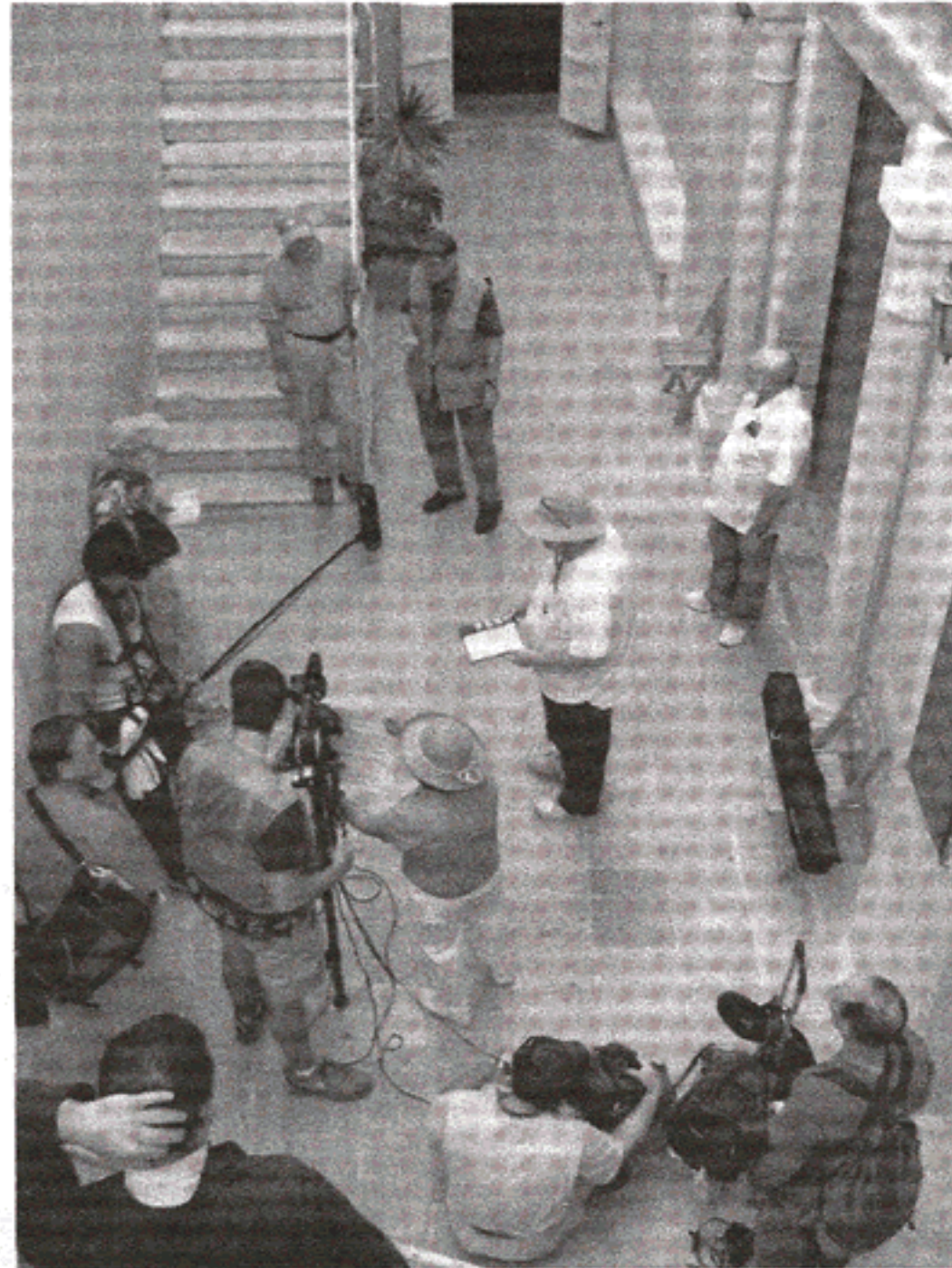
Jesus performed His first miracle when He turned water into wine at a wedding feast. Through this miracle, He demonstrated that He was lord over time and matter.

Two churches mark the traditional site of Jesus' miracle — one is Catholic, the other is Greek Orthodox. We arrived just as they were closing for the afternoon siesta (noon to 2:30pm). We didn't want to wait around for 2½ hours, so we started walking around looking for a vantage point from which we could videotape the churches. The problem was that both churches were surrounded by very high walls.



Dr. Reagan with our "Cana angel."

As we wandered through the streets and alleys, we suddenly heard a woman's voice cry out, "What are you looking for?" We looked up and saw a lady standing on the balcony of her house. When we explained what we were up to, she very graciously invited us to come to the roof of her home where we were able to get great views of both churches. We dubbed her our "Cana angel."



In the courtyard of the synagogue in Nazareth.

Our next stop was Capernaum on the north shore of the Sea of Galilee. We spent nearly an entire day shooting at this important site. This is where Jesus moved the headquarters of His ministry after He was kicked out of Nazareth, and it is where He lived in the home of Peter for about three years. Many of Jesus' greatest miracles were performed in this town. Our script focused upon four miracles that He performed in one day's time (Matthew 9:18-34).

Our last stop for this program was in the village of Korazin — the third town in which Jesus focused His ministry (in addition to Capernaum and Bethsaida). Like the other two, it lies in ruins. The most interesting thing about this site to me is its synagogue. The synagogue at Bethsaida has not yet been found. The one at Capernaum dates from the Fourth Century, being built over the one that existed at the time of Jesus. The synagogue at Korazin is most likely the one where Jesus actually taught and healed.

There are some beautiful groves of shade trees at Korazin, and when I take a pilgrimage group to Israel, we always gather in one of those groves and conduct a healing service. In the summer of 2000, during his first trip to Israel, our media director, Don Gordoni, experienced a very dramatic healing at this spot. So, we concluded our program about the miracles of Jesus by having Don step out from behind the camera and share the testimony of his healing.



The video crew on the steps of the synagogue at Korazin.

The Fourth Program

Our fourth program was especially fascinating to me. It concerned the Transfiguration of Jesus, focusing on three questions: Where did it occur? What was it all about? What is its meaning for us today?

We began in the lower Galilee at Mount Tabor, the traditional Catholic site. Mount Tabor is a perfectly symmetrical hill that juts up from the middle of the Valley of Armageddon like a giant pimple. I had observed it from a distance many times, but I had never been to the top of it.

Although Mount Tabor is only 1,900 feet tall, the view from its summit is thrilling. And the Catholic Basilica located on the summit is absolutely gorgeous inside. It was designed by the same Italian architect (Antonio Barluzzi) who designed the Basilica of the Annunciation in Nazareth.



Setting up a scene at Mount Tabor.

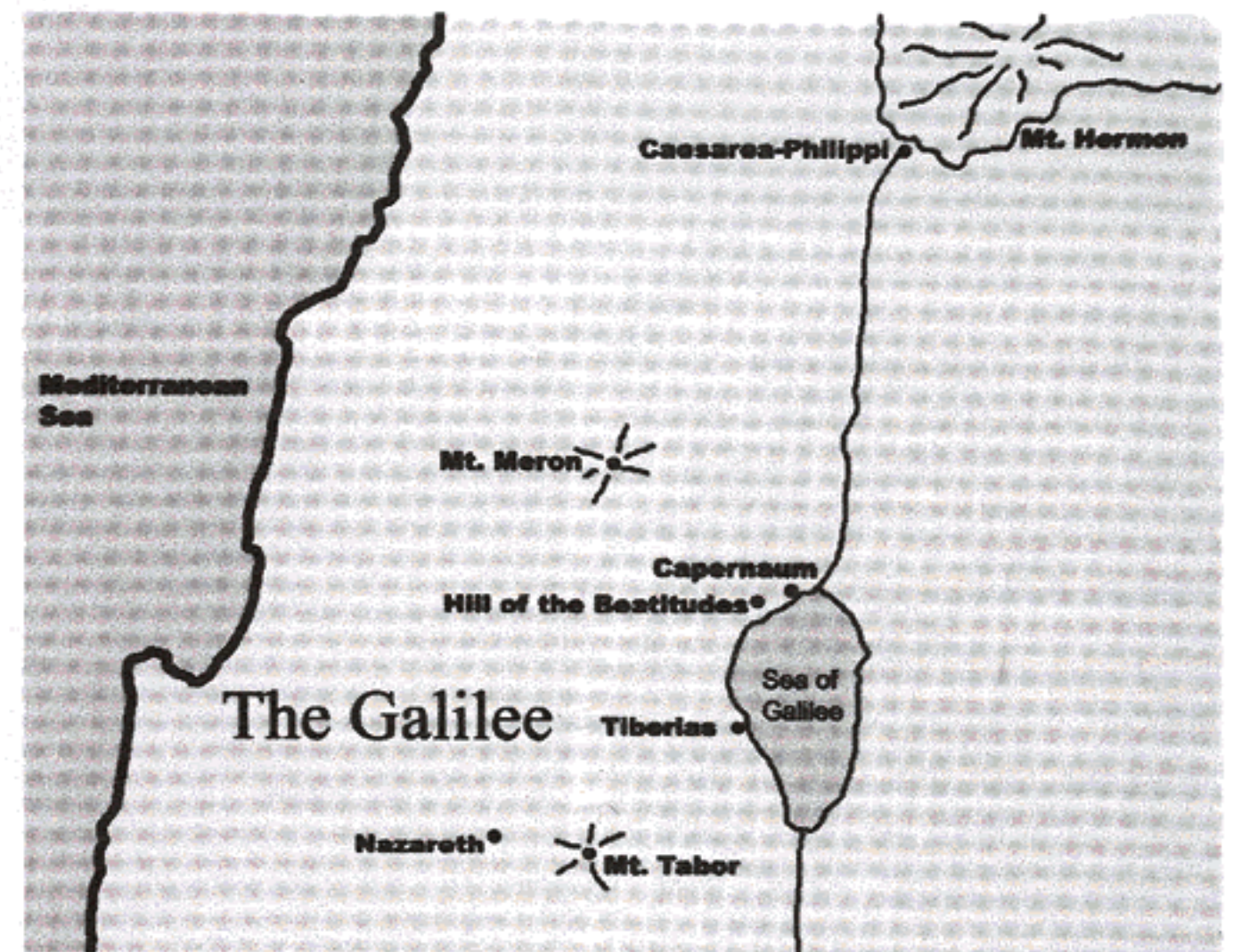
Despite the breathtaking beauty of this site, we pointed out a great number of reasons why it is very unlikely that the Transfiguration occurred there.

Our next stop was a very isolated site in the mid-Galilee, about 12 miles northwest of the Sea of Galilee. It was Mount Meron, the highest mountain located within the boundaries of Israel (4,000 feet). Unlike Mount Tabor, it is a very lonely and desolate area. Its summit is off limits because it contains an Israeli Army listening station aimed at Lebanon, only five miles to the north. We went as high up as we could go, and all we

found were the remains of an abandoned military camp. The scene we shot there explained all the reasons why I believe this is the most likely site of the Transfiguration.

At the base of Mount Meron, we paused to shoot a scene about the demon-possessed boy that Jesus healed immediately after the Transfiguration. He was the one whose father said to Jesus, "I believe, help my unbelief!" (Mark 9:24).

Our third and final stop in videotaping the Transfiguration program was in the upper Galilee at a place which today is called Banias. It is located at the foot of Mount Hermon, another possible site of the Transfiguration. Mount Hermon rises to a height of 9,200 feet, but most of that is within the nation of Syria. Banias is about three miles from Lebanon and five miles from Syria.



When the Greeks conquered this area about 300 years before Jesus, they were awe-struck by the large cave entrance they found there. They were also fascinated by the fact that right in front of the cave a large spring of water literally pops out of the ground, forming the headwater of the Jordan River. They decided this must have been the birthplace of one of their gods — Pan, the god of nature. So, they gave the site the name of Panias. Arabs cannot pronounce the "p" sound, so they called it Banias, and that is the name of the site today.



Part of the video crew standing in front of the cave that was considered in Roman times to be the gate to Hades.

In Jesus' time it was called Caesarea-Philippi. It was a very pagan Roman city. Probably because it was the center of the worship of a panoply of pagan gods, Jesus took His disciples there, and in the midst of all the idols, He asked, "Who do men say that I am?" After they gave a variety of answers, Jesus then asked, "Who do you say that I am?" Peter replied, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God" (Matthew 16:13-16).



Steve Robinson rejoices over his baptism in the Jordan River.

Jesus responded by saying, "Upon this rock [Peter's confession] I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it" (Matthew 16:18).

Jesus' response takes on a special meaning when you consider the fact that one of the legends attached to the cave at Caesarea-Philippi was that it served as the entrance to Hades!

Our Projects

Our hope is to edit all our Galilean footage into four television programs which we hope to broadcast in March. We are also in the process of editing the footage to produce a 90 minute video program called "The Galilee of Jesus."

Each program is very evangelistic in nature and ends with a strong appeal for people to accept Jesus as their Lord and Savior. Please pray that these programs will impact many souls for eternity, drawing unbelievers to Jesus and enlightening believers to a better understanding of the Scriptures and of the ministry of Jesus.

Special Thanks

As I close this article, I want to express my sincere thanks to the seven volunteers who served on our video crew. These people gave unselfishly of their time and money to assist us mightily in this video shoot. Each volunteer paid their own way. Each worked tirelessly from sunup to sundown.

They were motivated by their love of the Lord and their desire to use their gifts and talents and financial resources to expand the Lord's kingdom here on earth.

They asked for no recognition, but I want to give it to them because I am so grateful to them for their help. The volunteers were:

- 1) Harry & Diana Evert of Excelsior, Minnesota.
- 2) Chris Thornton of Temple, Texas.
- 3) Dave Pauli of Barberton, Ohio.
- 4) Steve Robinson of Lexington, Kentucky.
- 5) Sam McCullough of Owasso, Oklahoma.
- 6) Larry Neichter of Louisville, Kentucky.

In addition to assisting us with all aspects of video production, each of these people served as prayer partners and encouragers. My prayer is that God will multiply the blessings back to them many times over. ✚

Next Holy Land Pilgrimage

The ministry's next Holy Land pilgrimage is scheduled for early June of 2005. The exact dates are June 4-15. Dr. Reagan will personally lead the tour.

The group will depart from Dallas on Lufthansa Airlines. The first night will be spent in Tel Aviv. The next two nights will be at Tiberias, on the Sea of Galilee. The final five nights will be spent in Jerusalem. En route back to the States, the group will spend one night in Frankfurt, Germany.

The exact price of the tour has not yet been determined, but it will run somewhere about \$2,800. That is an all-inclusive price (travel, lodging, taxes, tips, and three meals a day).

To receive a detailed brochure as soon as they are printed, please call 1-800-705-8316.

To get an idea of what a pilgrimage is like, order a copy of the ministry's video program, *A Pilgrimage to the Holy Land*.



Larry Neichter checks out a mine field.



Diana Evert holds a cue card while her husband, Harry, keeps the shot-log.

"Christ in Prophecy" to be expanded to the Inspiration Network.

Effective January 2005 the ministry's television program, "Christ in Prophecy," will start broadcasting on the Inspiration Network.

This major expansion of the ministry's program is an answer to earnest prayer. It was made possible through the largest donation the ministry has ever received, a donation specifically designated for television expansion.

The Inspiration Network, which is headquartered in Charlotte, North Carolina, is carried on 2,100 cable systems in the United States, reaching into over 21 million homes. It is also carried on the SkyAngel satellite system.

The program has been given a prime time slot. It will be broadcast on Tuesday evenings at 8:30pm Eastern time. It will be guaranteed a large audience by the programs that precede it and follow it. The lead-in program is "Breakthrough" with Rod Parsley. The follow-up program is "This is Your Day" with Benny Hinn.

The ministry will continue to broadcast its television program over the DayStar Network which provides its programs primarily through satellite systems like SkyAngel, DirecTV, and the Dish Network (in selected markets).

The good news about expansion to the Inspiration Network came right after the ministry had received the bad news that a law suit had resulted in DayStar programming being removed from the Dish Network, except in a few selected cities.

Since the Inspiration Network is carried on over 2,100 cable systems, it is not practical for us to provide a detailed listing. Either check the listings of your local cable system, or go to the Inspiration Network's website at www.insp.com. They have a page where you can type in your zip code to find out if a cable system in your area is carrying their programming.

Please keep in mind that the 8:30pm broadcast in the Eastern time zone translates into the following times in other zones: 7:30pm Central, 6:30pm Mountain, and 5:30pm Pacific.

The program will continue to be broadcast on DayStar at 6:00pm on Wednesdays (Central time) and 12:30am on Mondays. The latter time translates into 10:30pm Sunday night on the West coast.

Please join with us in praying for the Lord to richly bless this new outreach on the Inspiration Network. And please consider making a special donation to help us cover our TV costs.



We are going to begin the new year with the broadcast of three special New Year programs.

The first will be entitled, "Looking for Jesus." It will feature the participation of Don McGee, founder and director of Crown and Sickle Ministries in Amite, Louisiana. The second, which will also feature Don, is titled, "Looking Forward with Hope." The third will be called, "Yearning for Jesus," and it will feature Don Perkins, the evangelist for According to Prophecy Ministries in San Diego, California.

These programs will be followed by a re-broadcast of four programs drawn from our "Jerusalem through Spiritual Eyes" video. Then, in late February, we will start broadcasting our four new programs which we recently shot in the Galilee of Israel:

- February 22 & 23 — An Introduction to the Galilee of Jesus
- March 1 & 2 — The Nazareth of Jesus
- March 8 & 9 — The Miracles of Jesus in the Galilee
- March 15 & 16 — The Transfiguration

In late March, we will start broadcasting a series of programs drawn from Dr. Reagan's newest video program, "The Exponential Curve."

Later in the spring we hope to air a series of interviews with a variety of people, including cult expert, Ron Carlson, Christian defense attorney, Kelly Shackelford, and one of the many experts on Creationism. We also hope to put together a series of interviews with some outstanding Evangelical pastors who are known for their social activism.

God has graciously provided us with a marvelous opportunity to reach literally millions of people all over the world through television with the message that Jesus is coming soon. We need your prayer and financial support to take full advantage of this opportunity. The best way you can help us is to become one of our Prophecy Partners. That program is described in detail on page 19. Please prayerfully consider becoming a member of this important support program.

Incidentally, when we say that we have an opportunity to reach people all over the world, we are not exaggerating. DayStar broadcasts our programs on international satellites that literally cover the world, and we are receiving responses from all over the globe. We recently received a request from a viewer in the United Arab Emirates, located in the Persian Gulf. And we recently heard from a lady in England who watches our program each morning at 1:00am. All we can say is **Praise the Lord!** ✝



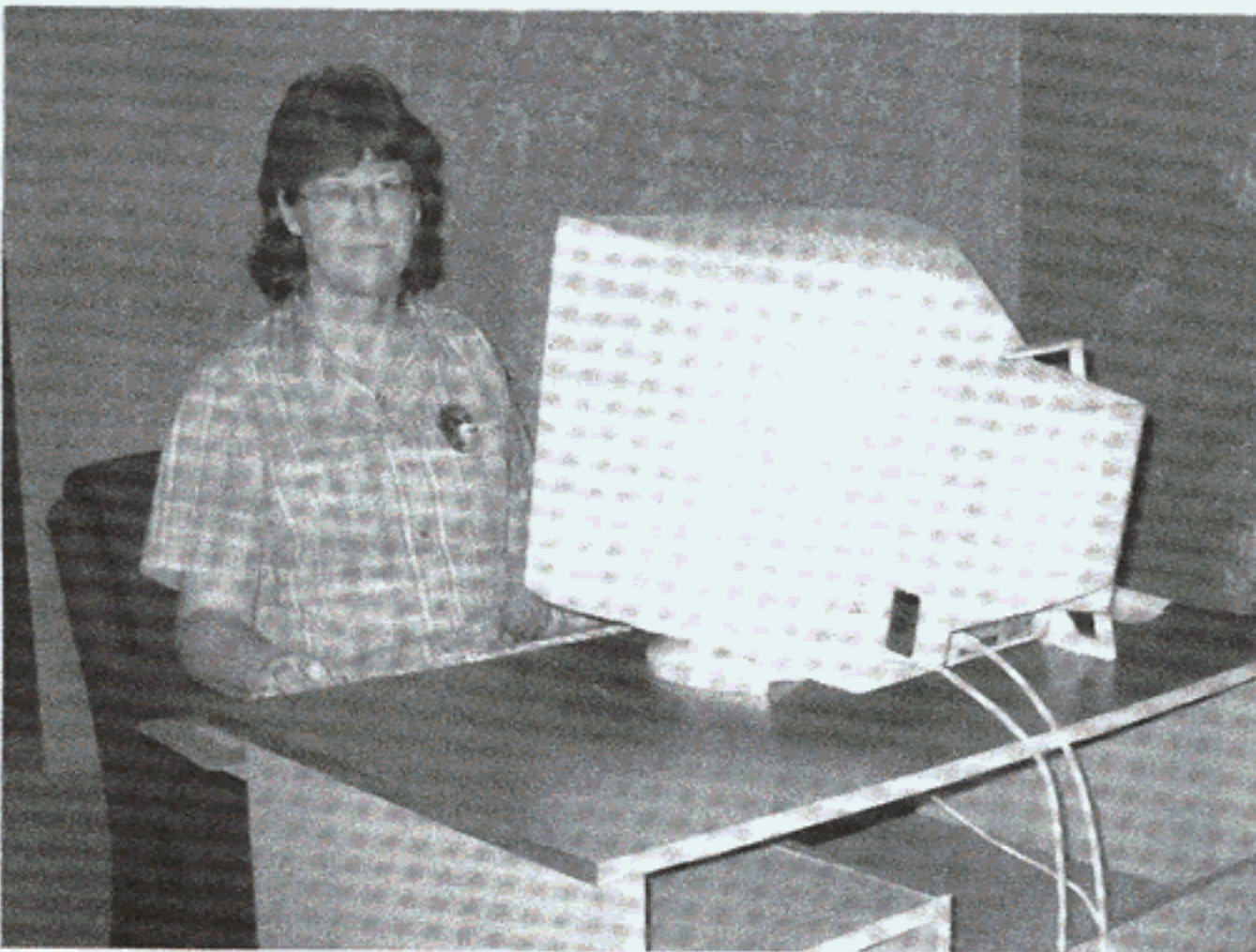
The Steps in Producing a Television Program



Dr. David Reagan

1 Script — Dr. Reagan spends anywhere from two days to a week preparing the script. Teaching programs require the most work, since everything presented must be written out in detail. Discussion programs require less work. Only the opening and close must be written. But a lot of planning still has to go into the questions that will be asked, as well as the order in which they will be presented.

The script must also be timed.



Cathie Grubb at the computer that controls the teleprompters.

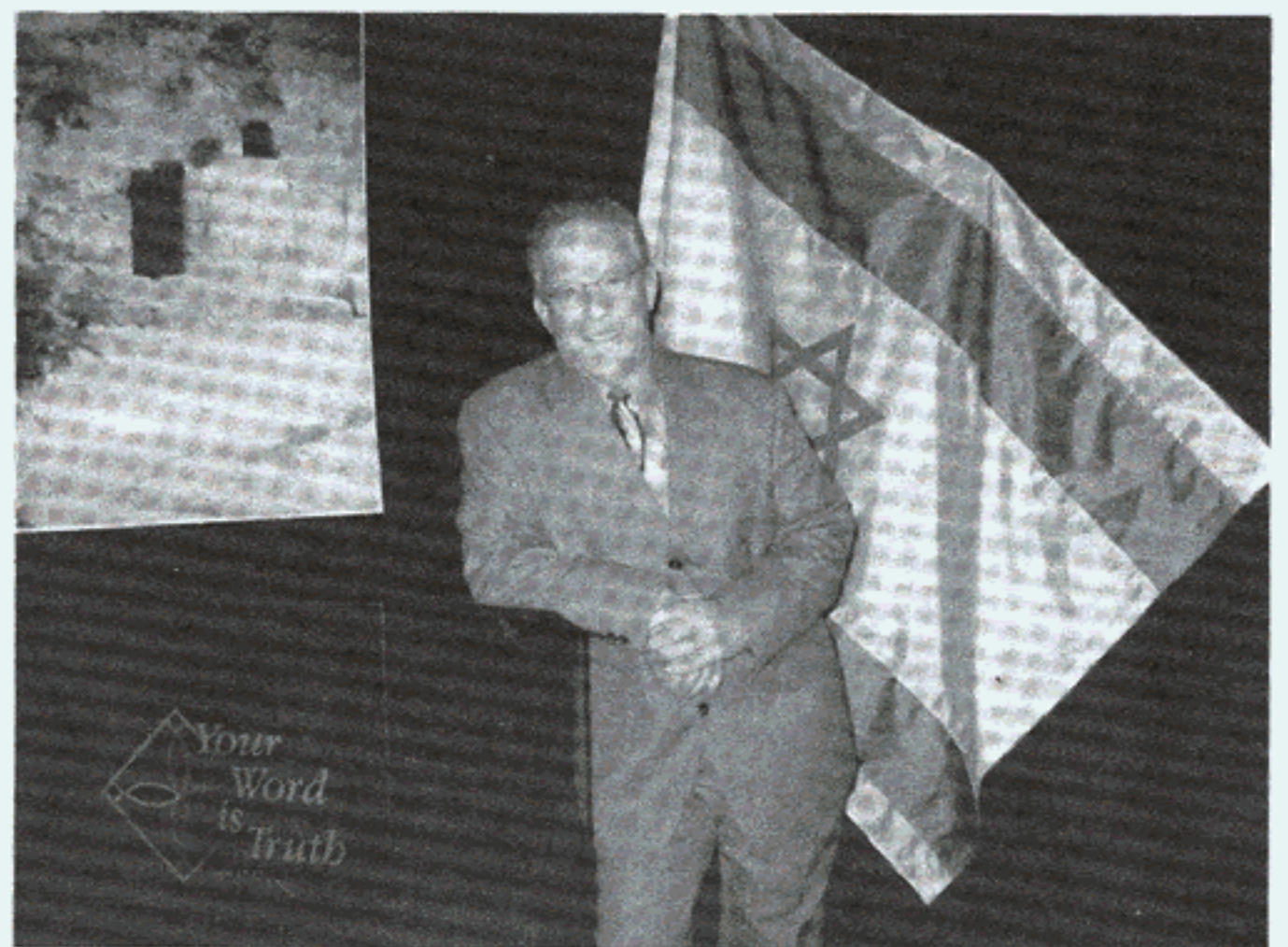
2 Teleprompter — Dr. Reagan's scripts must be typed and loaded onto the teleprompter equipment. Our teleprompter operator is Cathie Grubb, the lady who runs our mail room. Like Cathie, each staff member has been trained to serve as a member of our video production crew. Operating the teleprompter is not easy. Each person talks at a different rate of speed, and Cathie must adjust the teleprompter to the pace of each speaker. When a program includes three or four participants, this task can be very challenging.

3 Clothing and Make-up — When Dr. Reagan and Dennis Pollock were recording radio programs, they never had to be concerned about how they looked. That is not the case with video. Clothing must be carefully selected. For example, white shirts are taboo because they cause video "white-out." Jazzy ties with strong patterns can cause a "zebra effect" that is distracting. And then there are all the aging spots and blemishes that must be camouflaged with make-up so that they, too, will not be distracting. Rachel Houck, one of our mail room clerks, serves as our clothing coordinator and make-up artist. She also serves as one of our camera operators.



Rachel Houck applies make-up to Dr. Reagan.

4 Set Preparation — Another task that must be taken care of before shooting begins is set preparation. Our studio contains four sets — one for teaching, one for discussion, one for preaching, and one for singing. The set to be used must be prepared, including any special decorations. This is usually done by Rachel Houck. Then, our media staff will prepare the lighting for the set. This is a very challenging and tricky process. One of our most interesting sets is the one we use for videotaping songs by our featured singer, Jack Hollingsworth of Acts 29 Ministries. He sings in front of a large green screen. This enables us to later add any background we please.



Our featured singer, "Jumping Jack" Hollingsworth.

5 The Shoot/Studio — Shooting the program requires four crew members in the studio: three camera operators in addition to the teleprompter operator. Our camera operators are George Collich, Trey Collich, and Rachel Houck. (Trey is George's son, and Rachel is Dr. Reagan's youngest daughter.) It is important that all the cameras be color-balanced before the shoot begins. George Collich is our financial director in charge of expenditures. Trey Collich is a full-time member of our media team.



**Our camera operators:
Rachel Houck, Trey Collich, and George Collich.**

6 The Shoot/Control Room — When the shoot begins, there

are three crew members who perform their tasks in the control room. One is the switcher. This is the person responsible for the important job of switching from one camera to another. Leo Houck, our ministry's Operations Director, is in charge of the switcher. Larry Watts serves as our audio technician, making certain that we get the highest quality sound. Supervising both of these men, as well as the overall production, is our Media Director, Don Gordoni.



Don Gordoni lining up a shot in the field on location in Israel.



Leo Houck working at the switcher.

7 Editing — Post-production editing is a major job and a very creative one. All three members of our media staff (Don Gordoni, Larry Watts, and Trey Collich) are involved in this

process. On average, it takes one hour of editing for each minute of shooting time! Thus, a 30 minute program (which actually runs 28 minutes and 30 seconds) will take about 28 hours to edit. During the editing process, maps, diagrams, charts, pictures, animations, and stock video clips are inserted to illustrate the points being made in the program. Advertisements must also be created during the editing process.



Larry Watts operating the audio control board.

8 Closed Captioning — While the editing is in process, two of our staff members work on transcribing the programs for closed captioning. This is a very tedious and highly technical process. George Collich and Gary Byers perform the transcriptions. (Gary is our financial director in charge of donations.) Trey Collich takes their work and encodes it into one of the video tracks. Closed captioning is an expensive and time consuming process that is mandated by federal law.



Gary Byers transcribing a TV program.

9 Proof Reading — Once the program has been completed, our eagle-eyed executive secretary, Kay Bien, watches the program to check it for spelling errors. She has to check both the on-screen words (in Scripture quotes, charts, diagrams, etc.) and the words included in the closed captioning.

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Kay Bien proofreads a script. She also proofreads all the on-screen words and closed captioning that appear on the final program.

10 Broadcast — When Kay gives the program her okay, copies are prepared on Beta tape and are sent to our networks — DayStar and Inspiration. DayStar feeds the program to satellite systems (SkyAngel, DirecTV, Dish, and several international ones). Inspiration feeds the program to its cable outlets.



INSPIRATION NETWORK

DAYSTAR TELEVISION NETWORK

DIRECTV

11 Feedback — The final step in producing a television program is to handle the feedback from viewers. Since the program is broadcast at a variety of times and mostly during times when our offices are not open, we have to contract with a professional answering service to deal with the telephone calls we receive in response to the programs. Additionally, we receive many direct messages via email and the postal service. All of these responses must be dealt with in as prompt a manner as possible. Most people who send in Bible prophecy questions are directed to our website where we have over a hundred articles posted regarding every aspect of prophecy. ✚



Videos and Books in Chinese!



Chinese sub-titles are shown above in a segment from Dr. Reagan's video survey of the book of Revelation.

In the Fall of 2004, we were contacted by an engineer based in the Dallas / Ft. Worth area who had discovered our materials on the Internet. His name was John Wen.

John was very enthusiastic about our teaching materials regarding the book of Revelation. He asked if he could come out to the ministry and get personally acquainted with the staff. The meeting was arranged, and he came with his wife and some friends.

During that meeting we discovered that Mr. Wen was born and raised in Taiwan and had immigrated to this country some 20 years ago. He informed us of his desire to convert our Bible prophecy resources into the Mandarin Chinese language, with the purpose of distributing them among churches in the United States, Taiwan, and mainland China.



John and Amy Wen

Since that time he has devoted a great amount of time, energy, and money to translate Dr. Reagan's video, *Revelation Revealed*, and his book *Wrath and Glory*. The video has been completed and is ready for distribution. The book should be published this year.

Mr. Wen has other projects in mind. He hopes also to provide Dr. Reagan's children's book, *Jesus is Coming Again!* in the Mandarin language. And he is working on the translation of a great variety of articles by both Dr. Reagan and Dennis Pollock which he hopes to publish in book form.

Several of Dr. Reagan's books have already been published in Spanish, Polish, Russian, Hungarian, Hindi, Telugu, and Urdu. We rejoice over the way God is making the ministry's materials available in so many different languages. ✚

Television Network Coverage for "Christ in Prophecy"



Broadcast Times

Regular Broadcast:

Wednesday at 6:00pm (Central time), 7:00pm (Eastern), 5:00pm (Mountain), and 4:00pm (Pacific).

Replay: Monday at 12:30am (Central time) and 1:30am (Eastern). Also on Sunday at 10:30pm (Pacific) and 11:30pm (Mountain).

Television Stations

Birmingham	AL	WBUN	27
Little Rock	AR	KKAP	36
Phoenix	AZ	KDTP	39
Tucson	AZ	KPCE	29
Modesto	CA	KACA	61
Sacramento	CA	KRJR	47
San Francisco*	CA	KDTS	22
Stockton	CA	KDTS	52
Denver	CO	KRMT	41
Tampa	FL	WSVT	18
Atlanta	GA	WDTA	53
Gainesville	GA	W28CD	28
Macon	GA	WDMA	31
Honolulu	HI	KWBN	44
Maui*	HI	KAUI	51
Indianapolis	IN	WDTI	69
Boston	MA	WYDN	48
Portland	ME	WLLB	15
Minneapolis	MN	WDMI	62
St. Louis	MO	KDTL	64
Kansas City	MO	KCDN	35
Jackson*	MS	WJKO	43
Las Vegas	NV	KLVD	67
Buffalo	NY	WDTB	39
Apex	NC	WACN	34
Charlotte	NC	WDYC	25
Raleigh	NC	WWIW	66
Cleveland	OH	WCDN	53
Oklahoma City	OK	KOCM	46
Philadelphia	PA	WELL	8
Knoxville	TN	WDTT	38
Memphis	TN	WJRJ	59
Nashville	TN	WIIW	14
Dallas	TX	KDTN	2
Houston	TX	KLTJ	22
San Antonio	TX	KQVE	46

Richmond	VA	WRID	48
Seattle	WA	KWDK	56
Charleston	WV	WTSF	61

Note: Station numbers will be different on cable. So, if you are on cable, consult your TV guide for the proper channel number. Stations marked with an asterisk (*) are not yet broadcasting.

Cable Systems

Note: DayStar is carried on cable systems in all the areas listed above where it owns broadcast stations. Additionally, DayStar is carried on cable in the following areas:

Colorado Springs	CO	Adelphia
Northern Georgia	GA	Alltel
Kansas City	KS	Time Warner
Wichita	KS	Cox
Shreveport	LA	Time Warner
Greenville	NC	Cox
Syracuse	NY	Time Warner
Columbus	OH	Time Warner

DayStar is available throughout the nation of India on various cable systems. It is also available on cable in Adana, Turkey, and in the United Arab Emirates.

Satellite Systems

DirecTV	National	Ch. 369
Dish Network	National	Ch. 9408*
Sky Angel	National	Ch. 9713
World TV	National	
G10R	National	
AMC-4	National	
Olympusat	National	
AMC-3	Canada	
Hotbird 6	Europe	
Thaicom-3	World	
NSS 806	South America/Europe	
Vivid	South Africa	
Optus B3	Australia/New Zealand	

*DayStar is available over the Dish satellite system only in the areas where it has broadcast stations.



Family Vision Network

Our program is also available over the Family Vision Network in Southern Louisiana. It is broadcast on Wednesday evenings at 7:00pm and on Monday mornings at 8:30am over three stations:

KAJN-TV (Ch. 40)	in Lafayette
KAGN-TV (Ch. 65)	in Crowley
KFAM-TV (Ch. 58)	in Lake Charles



KAZQ TV 32 in Albuquerque, NM

Tuesdays at 9:30pm
Fridays at 12:30pm

KAZQ is also available on the Dish Network on channel 8817 and on the following cable channels: Com-

cast Cable (22), Comcast Cablevision (32), Cable One (9), USA Media (22), GST Home (78), and Chamesa Future Vision (22).



The Internet

To access the program live over the Internet, go to the DayStar website (www.daystar.com) and click on "Watch LIVE!" It is broadcast live on Wednesdays at 6:00pm Central time.



The Inspiration Network

The programming of the Inspiration Network is carried into more than 20 million homes in the United States by over 2,100 cable systems.

Broadcast Times: Tuesday evening at 8:30pm Eastern; 7:30pm Central; 6:30pm Mountain; and 5:30pm Pacific.

For availability in your area, check your local cable listings or go to www.insp.com and scroll down the page to a box on the right hand side that says: "Is INSP available in your area?" Click on that box, and when the next page comes up, type in your zip code and click on the INSP logo.

Programs on the Cults

We have arranged to interview Dr. Ron Carlson, one of Christendom's greatest experts on the cults. We plan to record four television programs with him that we



hope to air in the spring of this year. The first will be about cults in general. The subsequent programs will focus on the Mormons, Jehovah's Witnesses, and Masons.

Problems within Christendom

Wolves in the Church

Dave Wilkerson

Show me a preacher who never exposes sin — who doesn't show people the difference between the holy and the profane, who doesn't mention repentance or judgment, but instead says God wants to make you rich and prosperous — and I'll call such a man what he is. He is a wolf. And he has substituted the Cross for cash.



Let me describe such a modern-day wolf. The man I'm thinking of is one of the better-known prosperity preachers in America. A few weeks ago, this was his message: "You have heard about the coming of Jesus. You've heard he can return at any time. I tell you, that's impossible. He can't come until you're prospering — until you get your nice car, until you have your dream house. He simply can't come until then."

I recently watched a video sent to me of a prosperity conference. Here was the theology stated at that conference: "Find the most prosperous preacher you know of, and give him money. The blessings on him will flow in to you."

One prosperous pastor stood on the platform and described his cars, his plane, his house, his diamonds, and a dog he bought for \$15,000. He declared, "I'm going to build a house that Solomon would be proud of. Then, when the people in my city see my mansion and my Rolls Royce, they'll know there's a God in heaven."

As he spoke, people walked up and stuffed money in his pocket. Others filed forward and laid money on the stage. Still others threw money toward him. Then a song started, titled, "Run for the Money." Some fell prostrate while others ran about the auditorium singing, "Run for the Money."

Beloved, it shocks and amazes me how Bible-believing pastors and Christians can be so deceived. Even at our church, some parishioners pass out taped messages by the wolf who teaches, "Jesus can't come until you prosper." What awful blasphemy! Jesus Himself said we're to look for His appearing, that He'll come in the twinkling of an eye, when we least expect Him.

Oh, how blind the church has become! And how blind so many shepherds are now. Churches that once believed in sacrifice, self-denial and cross-bearing have become corrupted by flesh. Their focus is now totally on self, on material things, on the good life, not the holy life. ✚

Dave Wilkerson is the pastor of Times Square Church in New York City. This article is an excerpt from a sermon he preached in November of 2004. You can subscribe to his sermons free of charge by writing to World Challenge, P.O. Box 260, Lindale, TX 75771.

The Enemy is Us

Don Wildmon

The comic strip character Pogo once had a saying something like this: "We have met the enemy and he is us."



Truly, the same could be said for the Christian community. We are our worst enemy. There is a war going on, unlike any war we have ever fought in our society. It is a spiritual war for the hearts and minds of mankind.

[Our biggest failure in fighting this war is that] we have neglected the Cross, the Christian symbol of suffering and redemption. We have attempted to make Christianity compatible with any and all other religions . . . We have attempted to make Christianity something it is not — a vehicle to worldly success, worldly contentment, worldly happiness.

"If any man would come after Me, let him deny himself, take up his cross daily, and follow Me." It is as valid today as it was two thousand years ago.

There is a move, a massive move, afoot in our society to eliminate the influence of Christianity. It is fueled not only by people who are apathetic to the Christian faith, but by many who are hostile to the Christian faith.

Even so, our worst enemy is us. We have been negligent in our thinking. We have, too much, bought the old clichés.

You can't legislate morality. Yet every law on the books is a legislation of morality.

You should not mix politics and religion. And we haven't. Keeping our Christian faith private, we have allowed a situation where one-and-one-half million unborn babies have their lives snuffed out each year.

You should keep religion out of the schools. And we have. But those who would eliminate the influence of Christianity have not. They have pushed their religion of secularism, materialism, and humanism into the schools . . .

Again, our own worst enemy is us. There is no glory in fighting a war, even a spiritual war. There is only suffering and pain. Does the Christian community have enough of what it takes to turn this tide, to stop the decay of Western Civilization? . . .

The answer to that question remains to be seen. And in the balance hangs the future of Western Civilization. ✚

Don Wildmon is the founder of the American Family Association, a ministry that fights for Christian liberties and for the preservation of the Christian family. This article was originally printed in the AFA Journal in April of 1986. It was reprinted in the issue of November/December 2004.

Strength within Christendom

My Love Affair with Evangelical Christians

Rabbi Shmuley Boteach

[Editor's Note: This article was published in November 2004 on the eve of the Presidential election.]

Nearly the whole world is arrayed against President George W. Bush. The long list includes Europe, the United Nations, the Arab countries, the world's media, Hollywood, the universities, and half the United States. The question becomes: How can this man possibly survive as President?

The answer to this question lies in the biggest American development since women's suffrage, namely, the rise of the Christian right. The United States has 70 million born-again Christians, comprising the single largest voting block in the country. They are guided by faith, and they vote with their values. They are the moral force behind America's resurgent spirituality. And they constitute the constituency that keeps George Bush in power, even as the entire world gangs up to defeat him.

The impact the American evangelical voting block has had on world affairs is incalculable and explains why there has been a revolution in the way the world does business. The staunch support of evangelical Christians has enabled George W. Bush to pursue a foreign policy based not on expediency or realpolitik, but on a deep-seated morality wherein tyrants are punished and the oppressed liberated. These policies would have been unthinkable without the steadfast support of Bush's die-hard constituency of evangelical Christians who comprise one-quarter of the American electorate.

I have long recognized and commented on this remarkable fact, that a great moral leader is kept in power principally by a great moral constituency. On the eve of the election, therefore, it is time that I put in writing what I have long felt in my heart.

I am a Jew who is deeply in love with evangelical Christians. Although I am at odds with them on various issues, they today constitute the most potent force for good in all America, and the most influential constituency who consistently demands that America be a nation of justice, standing up for the persecuted and living up to its founding ideals of . . . freedom.

To be sure, I am devoted to my Judaism. Wild horses and iron combs could never pry me away from my Jewish identity, and I have devoted my life to the dissemination of Jewish ideas in the mainstream culture and to bringing wayward Jews back to their heritage.



“Evangelical Christians constitute the most potent force for good in all America . . . more than any other group today, they are responsible for America being a godly country.”

But I must give credit where credit is due. And evangelical Christians, more than any other group today, are responsible for America being a godly country.

The Rise of the Moral Voter

[Editor's Note: This is an excerpt from his column written after the election.]

Hollywood, Osama, and practically the entire world ganged up on us to dump a moral president; but Americans wouldn't cave. The American people have once again demonstrated that they are the most glorious on earth.

The entire world ganged up on them to dump a president whose signature issue was a belief that people have a right to be free. Europe mobilized millions in the streets to show their hatred of this man and his ideals. The UN frowned at his speeches and treated him with contempt. Hollywood and the recording industry unleashed its superstars to prevail upon the American people that they dare not re-elect a monster. And Osama bin Laden released a videotape informing individual states that if they voted against

Bush they would be free from terrorist attack. In the end, even American Jews abandoned this steadfast friend of the Israeli people and voted 80 percent for Kerry.

Never in the history of the United States has more pressure been brought to bear on the American electorate to dump a leader whose values the world so loathed.

But in the end, not the glamour of Hollywood, nor the threats of terrorists, nor the alienation of Europe, nor the condescension of the UN, could break the American people's commitment to a moral presidency. With all the pressure in the world to become like the rest of the world — overlooking genocide and making deals with tyrants — the American people voted to retain a faith-based presidency, even if it meant going it alone. Exit polls showed that morality, even more than security, was the single biggest issue animating American voters in the 2004 Presidential contest.

The rise of the moral voter is an earthquake that has forever changed the American political landscape. Who would ever have seriously believed that morality would be the single biggest consideration for politicians? But there it is. Gone are the days when politicians can seek office merely by pandering to voters by promising them jobs, health care, and pork. Now, politicians who want to connect with the electorate will be forced to articulate a powerful moral vision of something worth fighting for. Bush did this with his constant focus on the fight for human freedom and his pledge to protect the family . . . ✪

Rabbi Boteach hosts a nationally syndicated radio talk show and is the author of 14 books. He is the father of seven children. His website can be found at www.shmuley.com.

Arafat

Observations by Dr. David R. Reagan

The death of Yasser Arafat at age 75 on November 11, 2004 prompted an outpouring of adulation from Western leaders.

The British *Guardian* compared him to Moses, and one of its journalists, Jonathan Steele, wrote that he was “a respected and approachable human being.” On CNN he was described as a “revolutionary romantic figure comparable to Ho Chi Minh and Nelson Mandela.” For *USA Today*, he “embraced sorrow and hope.” South Africa’s *City Press* described him as a leader who “marshaled freedom fighters.”

The United Nations Secretary General, Kofi Anan, ordered the flags at the UN headquarters to be flown at half mast to mark “a grave day for the world.” The Vatican’s chief spokesman, Joaquin Navarro-Valls spoke of the Pope’s “pain” over the passing of the “illustrious deceased.” He added, “May God grant eternal rest to his soul.”

Former president Jimmy Carter called Arafat “a powerful human symbol and forceful advocate.” French President Jacques Chirac lauded Arafat as “a man of courage and conviction.” In one of the few discordant notes amid the chorus of praise, the British paper, *The Sun*, responded to the French president’s statement with this observation: “There have been few more nauseating sights than the French fawning over the coffin of Yasser Arafat. What will France do when Osama bin Laden dies — declare a national holiday?”

Why all this adulation for a mass murderer like Arafat? The answer is really very simple. It’s because he specialized in killing Jews.

The Nature of Anti-Semitism

The world hates the Jewish people with a passion. Why else would the Nobel Peace Prize be given to the father of modern terrorism?

The hatred of the Jews is supernatural in nature. It is prompted by the greatest of all Jew haters — Satan himself. He hates the Jews because God loves them. He hates them because they gave the world the Bible and the Messiah and because God chose them to be His witnesses to the world. Another reason he hates them is because God has promised in His Word that He is going to save a great remnant of the Jews in the end times (Zechariah 12:10; 13:1; and Romans 9-11).

Israel in End Time Prophecy

Satan is determined to destroy the Jewish people. That’s what the Holocaust was all about. Right now, in fulfillment of Bible prophecy (Zechariah 12:2-3), Satan is orchestrating Jewish hatred to bring all the nations of the world against Israel over the issue of the control of Jerusalem.

The Bible says that Israel will come under ruthless attack by



the Antichrist during the last half of the Tribulation (Daniel 11:40-45; Zechariah 14:1-15; and Revelation 12:13-17). During that terrible time, two-thirds of the Jews will be killed (Zechariah 13:8). But one-third will live to the end of the Tribulation, and having been brought to the end of themselves, this remnant will turn to God and accept His Son as their Messiah.

Arafat’s True Nature

Yasser Arafat left behind a dreadful heritage of hatred and violence that will help bring about the fulfillment of the end time prophecies concerning the Jewish people.

Here is a listing of some of his more nefarious acts:

- February 1970 — Blew up SwissAir flight 330 in mid-air, killing 47.
- May 1970 — Attacked a school bus in Nahariya, Israel killing 12 children and 3 adults and crippling many others.
- May 1972 — The Lod Airport Massacre near Tel Aviv resulting in the killing of 26 and the wounding of 78.
- September 1972 — Eleven Israeli athletes killed at the Munich Olympics.

- March 1973 — Took over the Saudi embassy in Khartoum, Sudan and murdered three U.S. diplomats, including the American Ambassador. Arafat was recorded giving the executions orders personally by phone.
- April 1974 — Eighteen residents of Kiryat Shmona in northern Israel killed in their apartment building, including 9 children.
- May 1974 — School in Ma'alot in northern Israel attacked. Twenty-six people killed, including 22 children.
- March 1978 — Coastal road hijacking of a bus in central Israel. Thirty-five people massacred, 100 injured.
- October 1985 — Italian cruise ship, Achille Lauro, hijacked. Elderly Jew in wheel chair shot and thrown overboard.

This is a listing of only the more spectacular acts of terror that Arafat was associated with. He was also responsible for two civil wars. The first was in Jordan in 1970 when he attempted to overthrow King Hussein. Over 20,000 people were killed in this conflict. When he was driven out of Jordan, he took his troops to Lebanon where he triggered another bloody war that raged for twelve years, resulting in the deaths of over 40,000 people.

Arafat's True Intentions

In July of 2000 Arafat's decades of relentless terror finally paid off at the Camp David summit arranged by President Bill Clinton. At that conference the war weary and deceived Prime Minister of Israel, Ehud Barak, offered Arafat all that he had ever publicly demanded:

- 1) The creation of a Palestinian state.
- 2) 96% of the West Bank and Gaza.
- 3) 4% of Israel adjacent to Gaza.
- 4) 3/4 of the Old City of Jerusalem and sovereignty over the Temple Mount.
- 5) Five neighborhoods in east Jerusalem.
- 6) Right of return for 50,000 Palestinians.

Arafat responded to this amazing offer by walking out of the room and never returning! The reason, of course, was that he never had any intention of making peace with Israel. Rather, his "peace" overtures were always designed to seduce Israel into giving him more territory from which he could launch a final assault to destroy the Jewish state.



Arafat returned to the Middle East and launched an *intifada* (armed uprising) in September 2000. Since that time (through September 2004), 1,012 Israelis have died in terrorist attacks, and nearly 3,000 Palestinians have been killed.



True Assessments of the Man

For a truthful and realistic assessment of Arafat, consider the following observations:

Arafat's biographers, Barry Rubin and Judith Colp Rubin: "This was the ultimate irony of his life: Arafat, the man who did more than anyone else to champion and advance the Palestinian cause, also inflicted years of unnecessary suffering on his people, delaying any beneficial redress of their grievance or solutions to their problems."

Daniel Pipes, syndicated columnist: "Arafat was a moral monster . . . an irascible, unpredictable, domineering leader."

Rabbi Chaim Richman of the Temple Institute: "The godfather of terrorism is dead . . . He is the man who created the modern day institutions of airplane hijacking, car bombs, and hostage-taking; the man who ordered the massacre of school children and Olympic athletes; the man who turned the wide-scale murder of Jews into a legitimate form of political expression."

Knesset Member Arych Eldal: "The only difference between Yasser Arafat and Adolf Hitler was in the technology and numbers involved."

Beh Shapiro, syndicated columnist: "Arafat was a scum bucket. Good riddance. The only down side to his death is that it came from natural causes. No terrorist of Arafat's magnitude, with so much blood on his hands, should be allowed to fade away in a French hospital bed. Arafat deserved years of pain and suffering."

Clarence Wagner, director of Bridges for Peace: "Yasser Arafat, a man comparable to Haman in the book of Esther, had the heart and attitude of Adolf Hitler toward Israel and the Jewish people, the terrorist persona of an Osama bin Laden, and the despotic style of a Saddam Hussein . . .

He should be scorned and exposed for the morally bankrupt man that he was and made an example to the world of the kind of corrupt leader no people on earth would ever want or deserve."

Professor Alan Dershowitz of Harvard University: "Yasser Arafat was the godfather of international terrorism who dashed

his people's hope for statehood, stole billions of dollars intended for the relief of their suffering, and indoctrinated their children with so much hatred that they willingly turned themselves into human bombs . . .

The Nobel Peace Prize was cheapened by being awarded to this hater of peace. The Vatican was tarnished by its frequent welcoming of a man who violated every teaching of the Church. The United Nations was trivialized by its lionization of this coward. And terrorism was encouraged by the rewards Arafat received for his murders."

Andrew C. McCarthy of the Foundation for the Defense of Democracies: "Arafat was a thug. One of the most cunning of all time for sure, but quite simply a ruthless, corrupt, will-to-power thug."

Cal Thomas, syndicated columnist: "The legacy of Yasser Arafat . . . is one of murder, deceit, and corruption. As part of its obituary, *The New York Times* said, "Arafat led a long and failed effort for statehood for the Palestinians." He did no such thing. Arafat led a long reign of terror, the purpose of which was to kill Jews and eliminate the state of Israel.

"Arafat never cared about a Palestinian state contiguous to Israel. The only Palestinian state he cared about was one that encompassed all of Israel . . .

"In a statement on Arafat's death, the Vatican sounded as if it were speaking of Mother Teresa. The Vatican chief spokesman referred to Arafat as 'the illustrious deceased' and asked God 'to grant eternal rest to his soul.' The only 'resting' place Arafat will enjoy is a place in Hell alongside his ideological and anti-Semitic idol, Adolf Hitler."

The Tekumah Party of the Israeli Knesset: The party issued a statement admonishing all Israeli Jews to view Arafat's demise through the viewpoint of Proverbs 11:10 which says: "When the wicked perish, there is jubilation."

Arafat's Successor

Following Arafat's death, Mahmoud Abbas, also known as Abu Mazen, was elected the new leader of the PLO. He is the favored candidate to win the election in January 2005 for the position of Chairman of the Palestinian Authority.

Abbas was born in 1935 in Safed, Palestine. He became a refugee in the 1948 war that the Arabs launched against Israel when the nation declared its independence in accordance with United Nations resolutions. He fled to Syria where he worked as a carpenter and a primary school teacher. He earned a degree in law from Damascus University and then went to Moscow where he studied for his doctorate.

His thesis, completed in 1982, carried the incredible title, "The Truth about the Secret Nazi-Zionist Relations." Quoting Holocaust deniers, he asserted that the Zionist Movement

collaborated with the Nazi Party not only to confiscate the assets off European Jews, but also to annihilate them! He also concluded that the Zionists inflated the number of victims of the Holocaust from one million to six million in order to win international sympathy for a Jewish state.

Abbas was one of the founders of Arafat's Fatah Movement. In 1968 he was selected to head up the Executive Committee of the PLO, and many inside observers considered him to be the brains of the organization.

The Refugee Issue

In his first speech to the Palestinian Parliament after he was selected to lead the PLO, Abbas sounded no more conciliatory than Arafat. He said he would demand the right of absolute return to Israel of all Palestinian refugees. This is a demand that Israel will never agree to for several reasons, the most important being that it would flood Israel with Arabs who would quickly become the majority group, causing the state to lose its Jewish identity.

The issue is really an artificial one. For every Palestinian refugee there is a Jewish refugee who was forced to flee from the Arab country of his birth. As Joan Peters, a former White House consultant on the Middle East, has written: "An exchange of populations has in actuality taken place and been consummated . . . There has been a completed exchange of minorities between the Arabs and the Jews, and more-than-even tradeoff of property for the Arabs. The Jews who fled Arab countries left assets behind in the Arab world greater than those the Arabs left in Israel."

Another point that is constantly emphasized by the Israelis is that the majority of Arab refugees who left Israel were not expelled. In fact, the Arab-sponsored Institute for Palestine Studies in Beirut has concluded that 69% left without ever seeing an Israeli soldier.

The Prospect for Peace

The legacy of intense hatred left behind by Arafat will make it impossible for any Palestinian leader to seek true peace with Israel. The latest Middle East public opinion poll taken among 113,000 Arabs in November 2004 revealed that they continue to seek the annihilation of Israel and would like to see the terrorist organization, Hamas, take over control of the Palestinian Authority.

There is not going to be any true peace in the Middle East until the Prince of Peace returns. The Arabs will continue their efforts to annihilate Israel. The West will continue to pressure Israel to surrender. And God will continue to guard His Chosen People: "Behold, He who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep" (Psalm 121:4). ✚



New Year's Greetings from the Lamb & Lion Staff

We need your support as a Prophecy Partner!



Front row, left to right: Dennis Pollock, Rachel Houck, Kay Bien, Cathie Grubb, and Gary Byers. Second row: Don Gordoni, Leo Houck, Trey Collich, George Collich, Larry Watts, and Dave Reagan.

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We ask our Prophecy Partners to aim at giving \$1 a day for a year — or \$30 per month. Many do this, and some give even more. The minimum contribution is \$20 per month.

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Program Purposes

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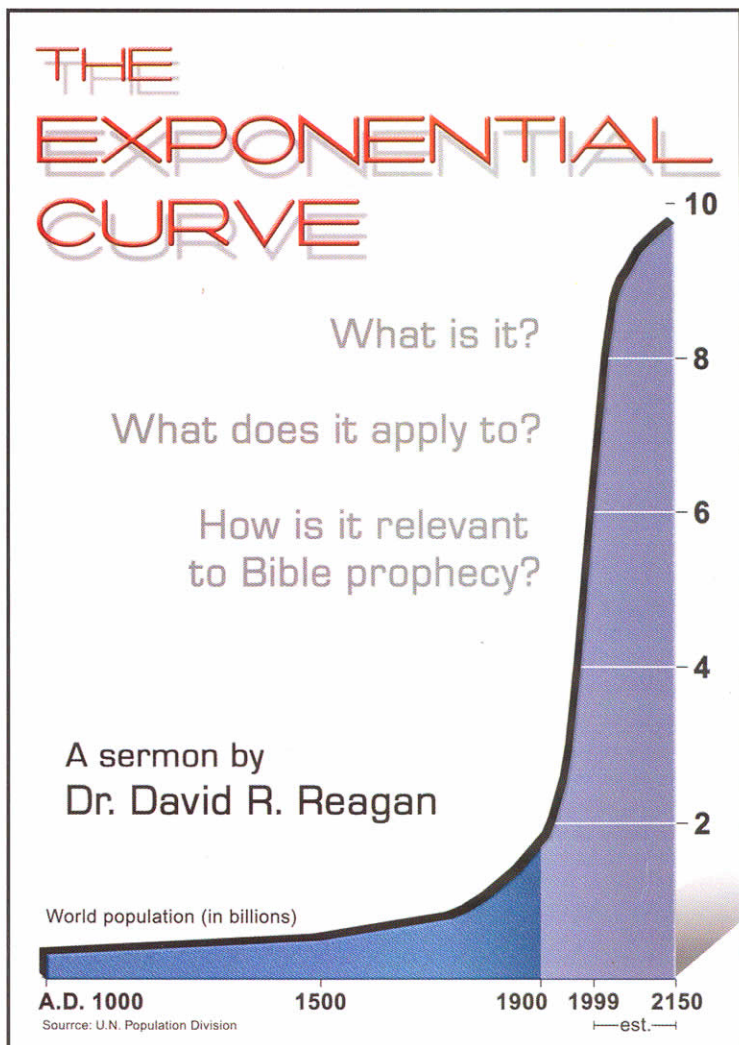
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