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Observations by the Editor

What's It All About?

In 1966 Burt Bacharach and Hal David wrote a popular song called, "What's It All About, Alfie?" It was written for a movie by the name of "Alfie."

Every time I hear that song, it reminds me that I need to pause from time to time and ask myself, "What's it all about?" In fact, all of us need to do that.

What's life all about? The achievement of personal goals or dedication to God's purpose for us?

What's your marriage all about? How about your job? Is your life devoted to the pursuit of power or fame or wealth?

The question of what's it all about is really a question about priorities. And when I think of priorities, I am always reminded of the message on a plaque I saw many years ago hanging on a wall in the administrative offices of Eastside Christian Church in Fullerton, California. It read: "The main thing is to keep the main thing the main thing."

What does all this have to do with Lamb & Lion Ministries? Well, it's really very simple. God called this ministry into existence in 1980 for a very definite and specific purpose: To proclaim the soon return of Jesus to as many people as possible, as quickly as possible.

Over the years, Satan has done everything possible to divert us from focusing on that mission. At times he has partially succeeded.

Take our radio ministry for example. In the early years, I focused on teaching about the Signs of the Times that point to the Lord's soon return, and the radio outreach was greatly blessed. But over the years, I allowed the focus to slip. I began presenting biblical commentaries on national and international events.

It all made so much sense to me. After all, I was a former professor of political science, and I had a lot of personal experience in politics. The commentaries were appreciated by many people, but that was not what the Lord had called me to do, and the radio ministry stopped expanding.

In 2002 when we decided to shift from radio to television, the Lord strongly



Dr. David Reagan teaching at the Roman theater at Caesarea Maritime in Israel.

convicted me that we were to focus on proclaiming the soon return of Jesus. We have done that, with the sole exception of programs that are apologetic in nature, in which we present a defense of the fundamentals of the faith.

The result of returning to the focus God assigned us has been astounding to all of us, for we now have access to 80 million homes in America, and our programs are broadcast around the world via the Internet and satellites.

I have to stop and remind myself of our purpose when I am challenged to debate Premillennialism or the Pre-Trib Rapture concept. I always refuse these debate challenges for two reasons. First, I consider debating to be a waste of time. But more important, the purpose of this ministry is not to convert people to the Premillennial viewpoint or the Pre-Trib Rapture concept. Our purpose is to convict people that we are living in the season of the Lord's return — regardless of their prophetic viewpoint.

That message is like a two-edged sword. For unbelievers, it is a call to surrender to Jesus now before it is too late. To believers, the message is a challenge to commit their lives to holiness and evangelism.

So, what's it all about as far as Lamb & Lion Ministries is concerned? It can be summed up in one phrase: Jesus is coming soon! That was the theme of our annual Bible conference this year, and it is the theme of my most recent book, *Living on Borrowed Time*.

I urge you to take some time to seriously reflect about your life by asking, "What's it all about?" ❖

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Israel in Bible Prophecy:

The Resurgence of the Military

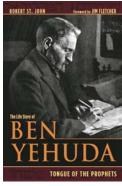
Dr. David R. Reagan

Israel is the focus of end time Bible prophecy. That's the reason that the re-establishment of the nation on May 14, 1948 is so important. That event signaled the fact that we are now living in the end of the end times.

Prophecies Concerning Israel

During the 20th Century, we were privileged to witness God beginning to fulfill in whole or in part seven prophecies regarding the Jewish people:

- 1) The regathering of the Jews from the four corners of the earth (Isaiah 11:10-12). This was prompted by Theodor Herzl's book, *The Jewish State*, which was published in 1896. There were 40,000 Jews in Palestine in 1900. Today, there are slightly more than 6 million in the land of Israel.
- **2)** The re-establishment of the state of Israel (Ezekiel 37:21-22). This prophecy was fulfilled on May 14, 1948 when the Israeli declaration of independence was proclaimed in Tel Aviv.
- **3)** The reclamation of the land (Ezekiel 36:34-35). When the Jews started returning to the land in the early 20th Century, it was a malaria-infested swampland that had been denuded of all its forests. Today, it is the bread basket of the Middle East, and the forests have been replanted.
- 4) The revival of the Hebrew language (Zephaniah 3:9 and Jeremiah 31:23). When the Jews were scattered worldwide, they stopped speaking Hebrew. But in the 19th Century, God raised up a man in Lithuania named Eliezer Ben-Yehuda who devoted his life to resurrecting the language from the dead. In 1922, the British declared biblical Hebrew to be one of the three official languages of Palestine, together with English and Arabic. Ben-Yehuda died one month later.



- **5)** The re-occupation of the city of Jerusalem (Zechariah 8:4-8). When the Israeli War of Independence ended in 1949, the Old City of Jerusalem was under Jordanian occupation. The Israelis conquered the city on June 7, 1967 during the Six Day War.
- **6)** The resurgence of the Israeli military (Zechariah 12:6). Despite the fact that Israel is one of the smallest nations in the world, its military is regularly ranked among the top ten to fifteen in the world.
- 7) The re-focusing of world politics on the nation of Israel and its city of Jerusalem (Zechariah 12:2-3). Today the whole world is focused on trying to force Israel to surrender all or part of Jerusalem.



Time cover for June 21, 1982

Military Power in Prophecy

Let's take an in-depth look at how one of these prophecies was fulfilled in the 20th Century and continues to be fulfilled to this day — the resurgence of the Israeli military.

The prophet Ezekiel referred to the revival of Israel in the last days as producing "an exceedingly great army" (Ezekiel 37:10). Zechariah was more specific. He prophesied that God would make "the clans of Judah like a firepot among pieces of wood and a flaming torch among sheaves," enabling them to "consume on the right hand and on the left" all their enemies (Zechariah 12:6).



He proceeded to state that in the end times, the nation will be so strong that the "feeble among them in that day will be like David, and the house of David will be like God, like the angel of the Lord before them" (Zechariah 12:8).

Let's look now at the evidence of the fulfillment of these prophecies.

The War of Independence (November 1947 - March 1949)

On November 29, 1947 the United Nations adopted a resolution providing for the ending of the League of Nations Mandate for Palestine, replacing British rule with a partition of the land that would result in the creation of two states, one for the Jews and the other for the Arabs.

The Jews worldwide were elated, even though the piece of territory they were provided was minuscule compared to what they had been promised by the British in the Balfour Declaration in November of 1917. But the Arabs were outraged because they wanted all the land of Palestine. The result was the immediate launching of a civil war as the Arabs began to attack Jewish communities. This bloody conflict continued right up to the day that the Jews issued their declaration of independence on May 14, 1948.

As that epic day approached, the Arabs issued repeated warnings that they would launch an all-out war if the Jews proceeded to establish a nation. For example, the Secretary General of the Arab League, Azzam Pasha, declared, "It will be a war of annihilation. It will be a momentous massacre in history that will be talked about like the massacres of the Mongols or the Crusades."1

On the Jewish side, there was considerable concern that such boasting could become a reality. Thus, on the eve of the war, Yigael Yadin, the Chief of Staff of the Israeli forces, told David Ben-Gurion, the Jewish leader, "The best we can tell you is that we have a 50-50 chance."2



Yigael Yadin

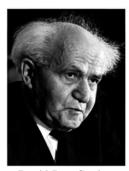
The trepidation on the part of the Jews was more than justified. Within hours of the declaration of independence on the afternoon of May 14, 1948, five Arab armies began invading the new nation (Egypt, Syria, Transjordan, Lebanon and Iraq). The Israeli forces consisted at most of 30,000 rag-tag underground fighters who were ill-trained and poorly equipped. (The Israeli Defense Force, known as the IDF, was not organized until after the invasion.)



Some members of the Israeli Givati Brigade in 1948.

The Arab armies, particularly the Jordanians, were well equipped and trained. Egypt, Iraq and Syria had air forces. Egypt and Syria also had tank forces. All had modern artillery.³ The troops of Transjordan were led by a British officer, General John Glubb.

Although the United States recognized the new state of Israel immediately, the Truman Administration did not provide any aid. Instead, Truman declared an arms embargo under the naive assumption that it would help avert bloodshed. Meanwhile, the British gladly supplied arms openly to the Arabs, while Israel had to smuggle weapons purchased in Czechoslovakia.



David Ben-Gurion

against them, the infant Jewish state prevailed. The cost was enormous. A total of 6,377 Israelis were killed, representing nearly one percent of the population (equivalent to an American loss today of three million!). But the Israelis ended up not only with the territory that had been allotted to them by the UN, but also with control of 60% of the area that had been proposed for an Arab state. Arab casualties totaled between 8,000 and 15,000, and they ended up with only 22% of the total

But despite the overwhelming odds

territory of Palestine.4

The only key area that the Israelis were unable to conquer was the Old City of Jerusalem. Overall, the war resulted in an incredible victory for Israel.

During the war there were many miraculous events. One occurred at a kibbutz (collective farm) called Yad Mordecai, located 36 miles south of Tel Aviv near the northern border of the Gaza Strip. The kibbutz was located on the coastal road from Egypt to Tel Aviv.

The Egyptian army, composed of 5,000 troops, divided as it moved north. Half the troops headed for Jerusalem, the other 2,500 continued north toward Tel Aviv. The latter unit arrived at Yad Mordecai on May 19. They were heavily armed, and they were backed up with tanks, artillery and air support.5

The kibbutz evacuated all its children and most of its women as they prepared for the Egyptian attack. They were left with 130 defenders (110 kibbutzniks and 20 fighters from Tel Aviv). They



Defenders of Yad Mordecai.

dug trenches and reinforced them with sand bags. Their armament consisted of 37 rifles, one anti-tank gun, two light mortars and two machine guns.6

There was no hope for the kibbutz, and its defenders were well aware of that fact. But they bravely dug in and prepared to take what appeared to be a suicidal stand.

The Egyptians attacked furiously with ground troops, tank assaults, artillery barrages, and air sorties. Incredibly, the Yad Mordecai defenders held out for five days! The Egyptians were not able to overrun the kibbutz until the defenders decided to retreat under the cover of darkness due to the fact that half of them had either been killed or incapacitated.⁷

Over 300 Egyptian soldiers died in the battle, and the five days gave the defender of Tel Aviv time to prepare their defenses. Also, during that time, four Messerschmitt airplanes had arrived from Czechoslovakia and had been hastily assembled. They were used on May 29 to stop the Egyptian army before it could reach Tel Aviv.8

How could 130 untrained civilians with only rudimentary armament hold off the Egyptian army for five days? No one has ever been able to explain it.

The Six Day War (June 1967)

In the early 1960s, Gamal Abdel Nasser, the President of Egypt, decided to try to establish his nation as the leader of the Arab world. Part of that strategy was the demonization of Israel in his public speeches. He also encouraged terrorist attacks against Israel.



Nasser on the cover of Time. March 29, 1963.

In 1965 Nasser asserted, "We shall not enter Palestine with its soil covered in sand; we shall enter it with its soil saturated in blood."9A few months later, Nasser declared that he had two aims. "The immediate aim: perfection of Arab military might. The national aim: the eradication of Israel."10

On May 15, 1967, Nasser started moving Egyptian troops into the Sinai desert, massing them near the Israeli border. He then ordered the UN troops in the buffer zone between Israel and Egypt to leave.

When the UN readily complied, he announced:11

As of today, there no longer exists an international emergency force to protect Israel. We shall exercise patience no more. We shall not complain any more to the UN about Israel. The sole method we shall apply against Israel is total war, which will result in the extermination of Zionist existence.

The Syrian Defense Minister, Hafez Assad, replied enthusiastically: "The Syrian army, with its finger on the trigger, is united . . . [and] I, as a military man, believe that the time has come to enter into a battle of annihilation."12

On May 22, Egypt blockaded the Straits of Tiran to all Israel shipping — an action considered to be an act of war under international law. At that point, Nasser began to challenge Israel daily to fight. On May 28, he declared, "We will not accept any . . . coexistence with Israel."13

King Hussein of Jordan signed a defense pact with Egypt on May 30, and Nasser announced:14

> The armies of Egypt, Jordan, Syria and Lebanon are poised on the borders of Israel . . . while standing behind us are the armies of Iraq, Algeria, Kuwait, Sudan and the whole Arab nation . . . the critical hour has arrived. We have reached the stage of serious action and not declarations.

President Abdur Rahman Aref of Iraq joined in the war of words, declaring, "Our goal is clear — to wipe Israel off the map."15 The Arab rhetoric was matched by the mobilization of forces. Approximately 465,000 troops, together with 2,800 tanks and 800 aircraft were assembled for the attack on Israel. 16



Levi Eshkol on the cover of Time, June 9, 1967.

The Israeli leaders decided it would be suicidal to wait for the attack, and so, on June 5. Prime Minister Levi Eshkol gave the order to launch a preemptive attack on Egypt. The entire Israeli Air Force, with the exception of 12 planes assigned to defend Israel's air space, took off in the early morning, and in less than two hours they destroyed over 300 Egyptian aircraft sitting on the ground. A few hours later, they destroyed all the Jordanian air force and half of Syria's on the ground.¹⁷

These overwhelmingly successful surprise attacks guaranteed an Israeli victory before the ground war could get started.

After just six days of fighting, the Israeli forces on the ground had captured the Sinai, the Gaza Strip, the West Bank and the Golan Heights. Most important, they were able to conquer the Old City of Jerusalem and regain control of the sacred Temple Mount.

After breaking into the Old City, the Israeli troops rushed to the Western Wall of the Temple Mount to pray. No Jew had been allowed access to that area for 18 years, ever since the Jordanians had taken the city in the War of Independence. Rabbi Shlomo Goren, the chief rabbi of the Israel army (and later the chief rabbi of Israel) rushed to the wall. He had a torah scroll under one arm and a shofar in the other hand. He blew the shofar and Rabbi Shlomo Goren at the announced: "We have taken the City of God. We are entering the



Western Wall.

Messianic era for the Jewish people." ¹⁸ He said that because he knew from prophecies in the Hebrew scriptures that when the Jews are back in the land and back in their capital city, the Messiah will come.

Once again, the tiny nation of Israel had prevailed against unbeatable odds, just as prophesied in the ancient Hebrew scriptures. The victory had been achieved with lightning swiftness, in only six days, proving to be one of the most miraculous wars in history.

The Yom Kippur War (October 1973)

The situation proved to be quite different in 1973 when the Arabs enjoyed the element of surprise. Egypt and Syria launched an all-out surprise attack against Israel on October 6, which happened to be Yom Kippur, the holiest day in Judaism.

The Egyptians suddenly crossed the Suez Canal, quickly overran the Israeli outposts along the canal, and then drove deep into the Sinai before the Israelis could mobilize their forces, deploy them, and launch a counter-attack. Meanwhile, the Syrians had simultaneously attacked the Golan Heights.

The war was prompted by a desire on the part of the Egyptian President, Anwar Sadat, to avenge the humiliation the Arab world had suffered in the 1967 Six Day War. Although Sadat warned repeatedly in 1971, 1972 and 1973 that he was going to renew the war with Israel, most observers remained skeptical.



Golda Meir. Time, September 19, 1969.

It was not until a few hours before the attack began that the Israeli Chief of Staff, David Elazar, recommended a full, immediate mobilization and a preemptive air strike. But he was overruled by Prime Minister Golda Meir who feared that striking first would anger the United States and motivate President Nixon to refuse to support Israel.¹⁹

The news of the attack also caught the U.S. by surprise because the very day before, the CIA had reported to President Nixon "that

war in the Middle East is unlikely."20

Once again, as in all its previous wars, Israel faced overwhelming odds:²¹

On the Golan Heights, approximately 180 Israeli tanks faced an onslaught of 1,400 Syrian tanks. Along the Suez Canal, fewer than 500 Israeli defenders with only 3 tanks were attacked by 600,000 Egyptian soldiers, backed by 2,000 tanks and 550 aircraft.

Furthermore, at least nine Arab states provided aid to the Egyptian-Syrian war effort, including Saudi Arabia and Kuwait who served as the financial underwriters. Most important, the Soviet Union was heavily involved, providing military supplies, intelligence and diplomatic support.

Israel prevailed because of massive aid from the Nixon Administration and because of brilliant generalship in the marshalling of its armies.

The U.S. supplied \$2.2 billion in emergency aid that totaled 22,000 tons of equipment that was transported to Israel in 566 flights.²²

The Israeli military leaders utilized this aid to stop the Syrians dead in their tracks on the Golan Heights, while General Ariel Sharon led the Israeli tank forces in the Sinai in a counter-

attack that resulted in the greatest tank battle in history.

By October 15, the Egyptian tank force had been destroyed, and Sharon had crossed the Suez Canal. He quickly surrounded the Egyptian Third Army, immobilized it, and started marching toward Cairo.



Israeli troops in the Sinai during the Yom Kippur War. Standing in the middle with the head bandage is General Ariel Sharon. Next to him, with the eye patch, is Moshe Dayan who was serving as Minister of Defense at the time.

Meanwhile, in the north, the Israeli forces had cleared the Golan Heights, recaptured Mount Hermon and started driving toward Damascus.

Israeli forces were 25 miles from Damascus and 63 miles from Cairo when the Soviets decided to pressure the United Nations into calling for a cease fire.

Once again, Israel had prevailed when there seemed to be no hope.

Operation Thunderbolt (July 1976)

On June 27, 1976, an Air France flight from Tel Aviv to Paris made a stopover in Athens where it unloaded some passengers and picked up others. Among those who got on the flight were four terrorists, two Palestinians and two Germans. They hijacked the flight as soon as it took off, and they then diverted it to Benghazi, Libya where it was refueled. From there they headed to Entebbe, Uganda, where the President of the country, Idi Amin, was waiting to welcome them.²³

Upon landing, four more terrorists joined the group, and they proceeded to separate the hostages. All the Jews were herded into a recently abandoned terminal building. The rest of the passengers were released and flown to Paris. The Air France crew decided to stay behind with the Jewish hostages. The number of hostages, including the crew, totaled 106.

The hijackers immediately issued an ultimatum: Either release 53 terrorists held in Israel and four in other countries, or all the hostages would be killed on July1. The Israeli government launched negotiations with the terrorists while considering a military alternative. As a result of the negotiations, the hijackers agreed to extend the deadline to July 4.

A military alternative was considered by most to be unthinkable, mainly because of the great distance involved — 2,500 miles from Tel Aviv to Entebbe. Nonetheless, the Israeli Cabinet ordered the preparation of a rescue mission while they used the negotiations to stall for time.

As it turned out, the Israelis had two advantages working for them. They were able to interview all the passengers who had been released, and from them they got detailed information about the captors and the hostages. They also discovered that the abandoned terminal building had been built by an Israeli company, so they were able to get the blueprints of the building!

Lieutenant Colonel Jonathan (Yoni) Netanyahu was selected to lead the commando assault team. He was the older brother of the man who would later become the prime minister of Israel — Benjamin Netanyahu.

Although Yoni was only 30 years old, he had accumulated an outstanding record of military leadership and daring. To prepare his team for the attack, he came up with the idea of using hay bales to lay out the exact floor plan of the terminal building, and his commando team began practicing mock assaults.



Yoni Netanyahu

ISRAEL

Nairobi

KENYA

SUDAN

UGANDA

ETHIOPIA

Four Lockheed C-130 Hercules aircraft, plus two Boeing 747s were used in the raid. More than 100 personnel were recruited and divided into teams. Yoni's assault group consisted of 29 elite commandos. A second group was assigned the job of encircling the new terminal building and immobilizing the Ugandan soldiers attached to it. A further group was given the task of destroying all the MiG fighter planes on the ground at the airport. A fourth group was given the task of refueling the airplanes, and a fifth squad was put in charge of evacuating the hostages.

The mission was launched on the afternoon of July 3. The planes flew most of the way at an altitude of only 100 feet in order to avoid radar detection. The flight took 7 hours and 40 minutes. They arrived one minute behind schedule at 11:01pm Israeli time — but just after midnight in Uganda, the beginning of July 4, 1976.

The surprise blitz attack proved successful beyond any expectations. It took a total of only 53 minutes. During that time, all seven of the

During that time, all seven of the hijackers who were present were killed, together with 33 to 45 Ugandan soldiers, and all 8 MiG fighter planes on the ground were destroyed.²⁴

Three hostages died in the crossfire, and ten were wounded. One was left behind because she had been taken to a hospital in Entebbe. A total of 102 hostages were taken back to Israel alive.²⁵

Five Israeli commandos were wounded. Only one was killed — the leader of the raid, Yoni Netanyahu.



The grave of Yoni Netanyahu at the Mount Herzl Cemetery in Jerusalem.

The entire raid, including the refueling of the planes and the evacuation of the hostages, took a total of only one hour and 39 minutes. ²⁶ To this day, this amazing raid is considered to be one of the most outstanding examples of military planning, coordination and execution in the annals of military history.

Operation Opera (June 1981)

In 1976 Iraq purchase an "Osiris-class" nuclear reactor from France. The site chosen for the reactor was about 10 miles southeast of Baghdad. It was given the name of Osirak.

While both France and Iraq claimed that the Osirak reactor was for peaceful scientific research, the Israelis viewed the whole project with great suspicion. When both American and Israeli intelligence sources confirmed Iraq's intention to use the reactor to develop nuclear weapons, the Israelis launched an intensive diplomatic effort to try to halt the French financial and scientific support for the project, but all diplomatic efforts failed.²⁷

In early 1981 when the Israeli Cabinet received word that a shipment of 90 kilograms of enriched uranium fuel rods was expected to be supplied by France any moment, they decided to prepare for an immediate attack.²⁸ This decision was, of course, prompted by a desire to prevent the reactor from being activated. But it was also motivated by a concern that if the attack occurred after activation, it would pose a radiation threat to the inhabitants of Baghdad.²⁹

The mission to destroy the Osirak reactor was launched on June 7, 1981. The attack squadron consisted of eight F-16s, each with two 2,000 pound bombs, and six F-15s, which were assigned the task of providing fighter support.³⁰

SYRIA

SYRIA

IRAQ

JORDAN

SAUDI ARABIA

The planes flew low over Saudi Arabia to avoid radar detection. They caught the Iraqis

by complete surprise and completely destroyed the reactor in an

attack that took less than two minutes. All the Israeli planes returned home safely.



King Hussein of Jordan.

In a weird coincidence, King Hussein of Jordan was vacationing on his yacht in the Gulf of Aqaba at the time. Since the Israeli jets took off from the Etzion airbase in the southern Negev desert, they flew directly over the King's yacht, and when he saw them, he immediately jumped to the conclusion that they were headed to Iraq to bomb the

Osirak reactor. He called his office in Amman and asked them to send an urgent warning to Iraq, but for some unknown reason, the warning was never received by the Iraqis.³¹

Also, it was learned after the attack that half an hour before the Israeli planes arrived, the group of Iraqi soldiers manning the anti-aircraft defenses for the reactor had left their posts for an afternoon meal, and they had turned off their radar detectors.³²



Ze'ev Raz, leader of the Operation Opera attack force.

The leader of the attack force, Ze'ev Raz, was interviewed in 2007 by the *Jewish Press*. As he was recounting the events, the interviewer said, "The way you are describing it, it sounds like an outright miracle." Raz responded, "Absolutely. Of course it was a miracle. How is it possible that even after we bombed the reactor not one plane tried to down us?" He then continued with an amazing observation:³³

I'll tell you something else: It takes an hour and a half to get back from Iraq to Israel and we were flying 40,000 feet above the ground.

The General Staff originally wanted us to carry out the bombing after sunset so it would be harder for the Iraqis to attack us on the way back. But I was opposed to that. I thought if we did the bombing after sunset there wouldn't be enough light and our planes would miss their target — so I insisted that the bombing take place before sunset.

As a result, we flew back as the sun was setting. But since the planes were traveling [so high and] at such a fast speed, the sun was out all the time and never set. It was as though it remained standing in the middle of the horizon.

At that time we pilots all radioed each other reciting the same exact biblical verse — Joshua 10:12: "Sun, stand still over Gibeon, and moon, over the Valley of Ayalon."

Conclusion

I am convinced that the examples cited above prove beyond a doubt that God has His hand on Israel, protecting the Jewish people from assault after assault, and enabling them to achieve miraculous victories — all in fulfillment of Bible prophecies about Israel in the end times.



"Behold, He who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep" (Psalm 121:4).

Nor can there be any doubt that God's supernatural protection will continue for the immediate future.

Currently, a major war looms over the Middle East as Arab secular leaders are being replaced by Muslim fundamentalists who are determined to "liberate" Jerusalem and annihilate Israel. It could well prove to be the worst of all the wars Israel has experienced because missiles are going to rain down on the nation from all directions.

But if Psalm 83 is a prophecy about this war, as I think it could well be, then Israel will once again be overwhelmingly victorious, defeating all the Arab nations with whom it shares a common border. This will pave the way for the subsequent war of Gog and Magog, described in Ezekiel 38 and 39, when Russia, accompanied by certain Muslim nations, will come down against Israel and will suffer supernatural destruction at the hands of the Lord.



Israel has some very difficult days ahead, but God has made some wonderful promises to them that they can rely on. In Psalm 121:4 He says, "Behold, He who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep." In Isaiah 54:17 He promises, "No weapon formed against you shall prosper." And in Joel 3:2 He states that He will severely judge all nations in the end times who get involved in trying to divide up "My land."

Another of God's powerful promises to Israel is found in Isaiah 41:8-16 which reads as follows:

- 8) "But you, Israel, My servant, Jacob whom I have chosen, Descendant of Abraham My friend,
- You whom I have taken from the ends of the earth,
 And called from its remotest parts
 And said to you, 'You are My servant,

I have chosen you and not rejected you.

10) 'Do not fear, for I am with you;

Do not anxiously look about you, for I am your God.

I will strengthen you, surely I will help you,

Surely I will uphold you with My righteous right hand.'

11) "Behold, all those who are angered at you will be shamed and dishonored;

Those who contend with you will be as nothing and will perish.

12) "You will seek those who quarrel with you, but will not find them,

Those who war with you will be as nothing and non-existent.

13) "For I am the LORD your God, who upholds your right hand,

Who says to you, 'Do not fear, I will help you.'

14) "Do not fear, you worm Jacob, you men of Israel;

I will help you," declares the LORD, "and your Redeemer is the Holy One of Israel.

15) "Behold, I have made you a new, sharp threshing sledge with double edges;

You will thresh the mountains and pulverize them,

And will make the hills like chaff.

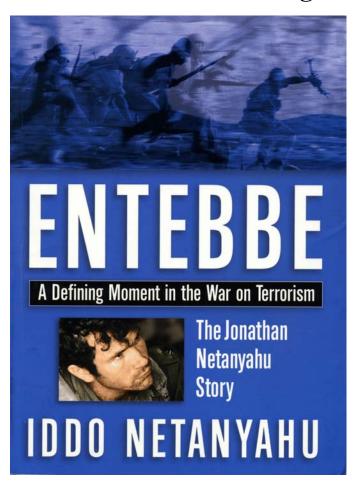
16) "You will winnow them, and the wind will carry them away,

And the storm will scatter them; But you will rejoice in the LORD, You will glory in the Holy One of Israel."

Our nation needs to pay attention to these promises of God. In recent years, we have put enormous pressure on Israel to follow a path of appeasement by "trading land for peace." In the process we have increasingly given encouragement to Israel's sworn enemies. If we continue to manhandle Israel, we will end up guaranteeing our own destruction. \$\phi\$

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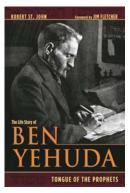
Recommended Reading



An absolutely fascinating story!" that's how Dr. Reagan characterized this book when he finished reading it. And ever since he read it, he has been taking his tour groups to the grave of Yoni Netanyahu at the Mount Herzl Cemetery in Jerusalem and telling them the story of the miraculous raid on Entebbe.

The book's author is the younger brother of Yoni and of the current Prime Minister of Israel, Benjamin Netanyahu. It is the definitive account of the Entebbe raid. It is a fast-paced adventure story that will keep you enthralled. And through it all, you will see the hand of God working.

The book is soft bound and runs 223 pages in length. It is illustrated throughout with photos and diagrams. It sells for \$15 plus the cost of shipping. To order, call 972-736-3567.



Another book highly recommended by Dr. Reagan is the biography of Eliezer Ben Yehuda, the man who resurrected biblical Hebrew from the dead to make it the spoken language of Israel today—all in fulfillment of Bible prophecy. The book has just been re-issued in a new edition. It runs 386 pages in length and is soft bound. It normally sells for \$20, but we are offering it for \$17 plus the cost of shipping thru the end of August. To order, call 972-736-3567. ♣

Today's Technology Foretold in the Bible

Nathan E. Jones

I'm pretty jazzed by our latest "Bible Prophecy Insights" video — "Episode 4: Technology Foretold." Its message so clearly reveals that the technological signs of the times, like a bright flashing neon sign, point out how very soon Jesus Christ is returning.

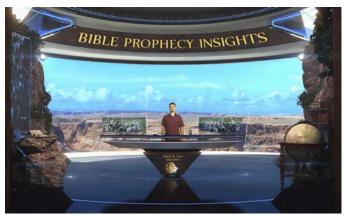
What's a "Bible Prophecy Insights" video? It is a video illustration where you get an awesome insight into Bible prophecy—in just one minute! These specially produced, computer animated videos are designed to be shared all over the Internet, drawing people to the outright amazing promises God has for all of us who are believers. I think of them as fancy fishing lures sent out to attract people who have never considered Bible prophecy, with the hope that they will be drawn into a deeper study of God's Word on our website at lamblion.com.

To watch "Bible Prophecy Insights," visit lamblion.com, YouTube and other social networks. If you'd like an HD copy for your sermon or study, visit sermonspice.com.

Eight Signs of Technology

People are always surprised when I tell them that as Bible prophecy foretells future events, it also reveals some interesting circumstances that would require modern technology for these events to occur. Here are some examples:

- 1) Increase in Knowledge Daniel 12:4 reads, "But you, Daniel, shut up the words, and seal the book until the time of the end; many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall increase." These words were spoken to Daniel when he asked for an explanation of some of the end time prophecies that had been given to him. In short, he was told that the prophecies would not be understood until the time came for them to be fulfilled. We must be living in that time because the rapid pace of modern scientific discovery is enabling us to understand Daniel's prophecies for the first time.
- 2) Transportation Again, the context is from Daniel 12:4 concerning the "time of the end." The closer we get to the return of Jesus, the more people will travel faster and farther. Stop and think of how we traveled just a single century ago. We've traded our horses in for automobiles, speedboats, jets, and rockets.
- 3) Mark of the Beast Revelation 13:16-17 reveals that the Antichrist will control all buying and selling in the Tribulation economy. How does he achieve this? He does so by requiring his name or number to be put physically on each person's forehead or right hand. What kind of technology could enable such a mark? Likely tattoos with magnetic ink and readers, or possibly an RFID chip. And most certainly computer networks, e-commerce and the Internet will play a part.
- **4) World Evangelism** Jesus in Matthew 24:14 declared, "And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in the whole world as a testimony to all nations, and then the end will come." Technology is playing a big part in evangelism today and will continue to do so during the Tribulation. The whole world will



The virtual set for the Bible Prophecy Insights videos.

even witness the death and resurrection of the Two Witnesses at the mid-point of the Tribulation. That means mass communications devices such as satellites, cell systems, cameras, television and the Internet.

- 5) Image of the Antichrist Revelation 13:13-15 reveals that an image made in the likeness of the Antichrist will be given the appearance of life and be able to cause "fire to come down from heaven." We live in the only time when this could be done with modern technology, utilizing pyrotechnics or lasers for the fire and robotics or holograms for the "living" image.
- **6) Population Explosion** Revelation 9:16 and 14:20 contain prophecies that at the end of the Tribulation the decimated world population will still be able to produce a two hundred million man army that originates from the East and marches to their slaughter at Armageddon. That is possible only because of the exponential population growth of today. And what has produced that? Medical technology.
- 7) Nuclear Weapons Nuclear weapons are strongly suggested in horrific descriptions of future calamity such as "their flesh will rot while they are still standing on their feet" (Zechariah 14:12), "the sky receded like a scroll" (Revelation 6:14-15), and "men will faint from terror . . . for the heavenly bodies will be shaken" (Luke 21:26). With tens of thousands of nuclear bombs sitting unused, their time is short until launching. Complex technologies such as heavy metal refinement, nuclear plants, and inter-continental ballistic missiles for deployment are involved.
- 8) Limits on Technology The events of the Tribulation also give us an indication of just how far technology can be allowed to go, and it's not that much farther. Take for example the fact that rare earth metals vital to the construction of today's technologies are quickly running out. Or consider the fact that future events prophesied in the Bible involve all people, but only people on this earth. That pretty well makes it clear that we will not be colonizing any moons or planets in the near future. Plus, the destruction of infrastructure and power grids along with solar disruption by the end of the Tribulation may reveal why the soldiers at Armageddon are pictured as using horses and primitive weapons. Man's technology, along with most of the earth, will have been decimated.

We live in a time like no other, where dizzying strides in technology make end times scenarios finally a reality. Jesus is coming soon! •

The Importance of Memory, Tradition and Friendship

Dr. Ken Starr

(Editor's note: On May 18, I attended the graduation of my grandson from Baylor University in Waco, Texas. The commencement address was given by the university's president, Dr. Ken Starr. Dr. Starr is a native Texan who was trained in the law at Duke University. He served as a law clerk for Chief Justice Warren Burger before joining a Washington, D.C. law firm. President Reagan appointed him to a federal appeals judgeship, and President George H. W. Bush selected him to serve as Solicitor



Ken Starr & Bill Clinton, *Time*, December 28, 1998.

General (1989-1993). He came to fame when he was appointed as an independent counsel to investigate scandals in the Clinton Administration. His report on the President's affair with Monica Lewinsky resulted in the President being impeached. In 1998, Starr and Clinton were selected as *Time* magazine's Men of the Year. In 2004 Dr. Starr became dean of the Pepperdine University School of Law. In 2010, he accepted an invitation to become president of Baylor University.)

You've doubtless heard expressions to this effect: "Gone, but not forgotten." "We will never forget." "I'm so sorry. I totally forgot." "I can forgive, but I can't forget."

These familiar expressions from everyday life remind us of the power of memory. Estimates vary, but a rough approximation of the memory storage capacity of the human brain is 2.5 petabytes. You may well ask: what's a petabyte? It's equal to 1 million gigabytes. And 2.5 petabytes is the equivalent of 600,000 DVDs, or 700 million MP3s, or 3 million hours of TV. (That's over 340 years of television.)

Even more impressive, our brains operate on a mere 20 watts of power — scarcely enough to run even the most energy-efficient light bulb. To state the obvious — the human memory is a God-fashioned miracle.

The power of memory is captured whimsically in the lyrics of a country song from yesteryear: "I forgot to remember to forget." In the hymnals of bygone days, a song was lifted up at memorial services: "Precious memories, how they linger, how they ever fill my soul."

We are in a time and place of remembrance. We chose to be adorned in the centuries-old custom of cap and gown. Efficiency and cost-cutting experts might well advise: "Just send the diploma via email. Why all this pomp and circumstance? It's a lot of trouble to be here."

But we do so because of one word: tradition — traditions grounded in memory of those who have gone before and done exactly what we do here today. For it has been done this way in university life literally for centuries . . .

Traditions — such as the symbolically rich mace — connect us to a community — "a cloud of witnesses" — that transcends us in both time and space. Traditions connect us to a story — a grand narrative — encompassing more than our own lifetimes and experiences.

The late political philosopher Russell Kirk once said:

Tradition, by its very nature is opposed to moral and social isolation. Tradition, by definition, is the common possession of a people, what Gabriel Marcel calls "diffuse gratitude," closely joined to piety, and linking together the generations that are dead with the generation . . . now living and with the generations . . . yet to be born.



Tradition! In the beloved musical, *Fiddler on the Roof*, Tevye sings proudly of his faith community's hallowed traditions. At the end of the prologue, Tevye proclaims: "Without our traditions, our lives would be as shaky as . . . as a fiddler on the roof!"

Traditions abound here at Baylor. Think of your own favorite tradition . . . And perhaps above all and for all: Homecoming — the oldest university homecoming in the nation. That in itself tells us something important about Baylor. Each year, Baylor calls the extended family to come home — heeding the clarion call first issued by President Samuel Palmer Brooks in 1909 (114 years ago).

Think in spiritual terms: The Lord's Supper. "Do this in remembrance of me" (Luke 22:19). Traditions are not only special; some traditions are sacred.

Traditions call on us to remember. We remember particular times together. For families, memories of the Thanksgiving table. Four weeks later, gathering around the Christmas tree. This past Sunday, we remembered Mother's Day. (Remember, Father's Day is just around the corner!)

Traditions are all the more important now in the 21st Century. So many of our contemporaries are unmoored from anchors of time, place and heritage. University of



"Thanksgiving" by Norman Rockwall.

Virginia sociologist Allison Pugh calls ours the "Tumbleweed Society." More than ever, we need ways to remember. We need institutions to bring us together in a community of shared memory.

In the Old Testament, Samuel erected a stone to remind future generations that God had given His chosen people victory over their enemies and sheltered them in the Promised Land. This is the raising of the Ebenezer, the "stone of help."

By walking across this stage, you affirm your connectedness to a vibrant tradition — and you create a never-to-be-forgotten memory . . . And you remember by gathering here with those

who encouraged and supported you on your Baylor journey. Your dear family and loved ones. But even more than family and loved ones, you made this journey — which we celebrate today — with friends.

Friends — C.S. Lewis once wrote: "Friendship is the greatest of worldly goods." I love the story of that group of C.S. Lewis friends, the Inklings as they were called, those brilliant minds gathered together over a warm fire at an Oxford pub. There, these friends laughed together and encouraged one another.

One of the friends in C.S. Lewis's circle of Inklings was J.R.R. Tolkien. He will forever be cherished in the Christian world because Tolkien helped Lewis become a believer. Around that glowing fire in that ancient city, they shared — as you do this day — hopes and dreams with friends.

For his part, Tolkien was a towering academic figure at Oxford, where he taught for 39 years. He not only taught brilliantly, he had an intriguing hobby. In his spare time, Tolkien wrote about a mythical land, and mysterious characters. He called some of them Hobbits. He was blessed with a soaring imagination. But Tolkien, a deeply private person, wrote those mighty tales for a small, private audience. It was his friend C.S. Lewis who said, in effect, "My dear Tolkien, the world



J.R.R. Tolkien

needs to read about your hobbits." And thus *Lord of the Rings* came to public life by virtue of a friend's warm encouragement.

After C.S. Lewis passed from this life on the same day that John Kennedy was tragically felled by an assassin's cruel bullet — 50 years ago this November — Tolkien wrote this: "The unpayable debt that I owe to Lewis was not influence, as it is ordinarily understood, but sheer encouragement."

That's what friends do. They encourage one another. They lift us up when we're down. That's what your Baylor friends, including these dear faculty members, have done in the years of your own Baylor journey. To draw from Tolkien, these are "unpayable debts."

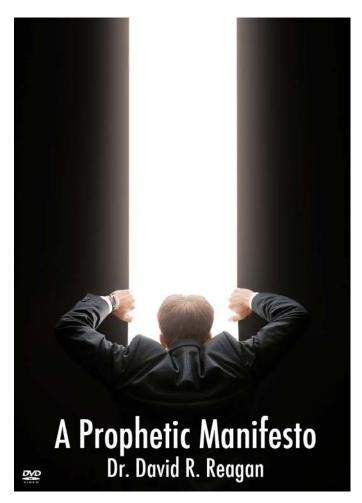
Our musical friend Tevye was on to something with his imaginary fiddler on the roof. Tevye sensed that tradition, in human experience, was compellingly important. And at Baylor, we are deeply honored today to carry on that tradition with you and for you.

And may, by God's grace, this gathering together — in keeping with this ancient tradition of academic life — tie us irrevocably to one another, in unity, in shared love for the institution that called you here and now honors you this day.

Daughters and sons of Baylor. You have accomplished much, and given us great cause for joyous celebration. Memory — as we in community gather to remember and honor the living tradition of your time in this good place.

Congratulations. God bless each of you. And God bless Baylor University. \ddot

New Video



Dr. Reagan has made a video recording of his *Prophetic Manifesto* booklet. This is the 40 page prophetic booklet that was published last year and has gone through four printings since that time. Over 17,000 copies have been mailed to pastors at churches all across America.

The video runs 50 minutes in length and is illustrated from start to finish. Like the booklet, it is divided into four parts. The first section focuses on "The Death of America." The second section deals with "The End of the Age." The concluding sections contain applications of the messages to our lives.

This would be an outstanding teaching resource for a Bible study group or Sunday School class. It is fast-moving, hard-hitting and very thought-provoking.

The video album sells for \$12 plus the cost of shipping. As a bonus, we will include a free copy of the message in printed form.

This is a very urgent message that your church leaders need to hear. Consider purchasing copies for them. And consider sharing your copy with your circle of friends.

To order, call 972-736-3567 between 8am and 5pm, Central time, Monday thru Friday. Or place your order through our website at www.lamblion.com. ❖

Blasphemy —

A motion picture titled "Rapture-Palooza" was released on June 7. It is a horribly blasphemous film that makes fun of the Rapture and the Second Coming. The story is a totally brainless one about a young couple that is



CRAIG ROBINS ON ANNA KENDRICK

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left behind in Seattle when the Rapture occurs. As they attempt to deal with the ensuing chaos, they are assaulted by foul-mouth talking locusts, blood rain showers, and pot-smoking ghosts. The plot thickens when the Antichrist shows up and starts chasing the young woman (played by Anna Kendrick). With the help of her family, friends, and a lawn-mowing zombie neighbor, the young couple set off to stop the Antichrist from taking her as his bride. In the process, believe it or not, they use some sort of missile

launcher to shoot Jesus out of the sky when He returns on a white horse! The whole film is totally disgusting.

Romans 1:28 says that when a society rebels against God, the last stage of His response will take the form of their being delivered over "to a depraved mind."

News Bias —

Graphic evidence of the bias in news reporting in America can be found in the coverage of two recent news events: the announcement by Washington Wizards basketball player Jason Collins that he is a homosexual and the trial of Dr. Kermit Gosnell who was accused of five counts of murder and 263 other criminal offenses. Collins' revelation was covered by the news media in 2,381 places during the first eight days after the announcement. In comparison, the Gosnell trial was covered in only 115 places during its first eight days. Understandable when you consider the fact that our pagan society celebrates both sexual perversion and the "right" of women to murder their babies in their wombs.

The True Palestinian Attitude —



Jibril Rajoub

In a recent interview on Lebanese television, a well-known Palestinian leader by the name of Jibril Rajoub, expressed his desire to destroy Israel with nuclear weapons. "I swear that if we had a nuke, we'd have used it this very morning," he said. He went on to explain that the Palestinian Authority continues to "play the negotiating game" with Israel because it currently lacks the military strength to defeat the Jewish state. This man is the former head of the Palestinian police and served as an adviser to Yasser

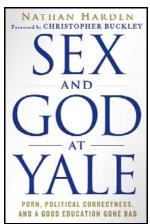
Arafat. He is currently Deputy Secretary of the Fatah Central Committee and Chairman of the Palestinian Authority Olympic Committee. He has been praised by Western leaders as a "moderate."

Immorality —

In 1951 William F. Buckley, Jr., who had graduated from Yale the year before, published an exposé about his alma mater in which he presented evidence that the Yale faculty members were opposed to both Chris-

tianity and Capitalism. The book, which became a bestseller, was

titled God & Man at Yale. A new book by a 2009 graduate named Nathan Harden picks up where Buckley left off, pointing out that Yale's liberals are still at work trying to undermine American culture. His book is titled, Sex and God at Yale. The book reveals that Yale has been hosting a campus event each year called "Sex Week." It is described as a "festival of sleaze, porn and debauchery, dressed up as sex education." The activities include the screening of hard-core porn films in the classrooms and the granting of permission to sex toy



manufacturers and porn production companies to market their products to students. Harden makes this insightful observation:

The fact that Yale as an institution no longer understands the substantive meaning of academic freedom—which requires the ability to distinguish art from pornography, not to mention right from wrong—is a sign of its enslavement to the ideology of moral relativism, which denies any objective truth (except, of course, for the "truth" that there is no truth.)

Keep in mind that Yale was founded in 1701 by Congregationalist ministers who were unhappy with the growing liberalism at Harvard. Students were required to "live religious, godly and blameless lives according to the rules of God's Word, diligently reading the Holy Scriptures, the fountain of light and truth . . ." Prayer was a requirement. Furthermore, every student was instructed to ". . . consider the main end of his study, to wit, to know God in Jesus Christ" and "to lead a Godly, sober life."



Nathan Harden

Contempt for the Bible —

Rob Bell, one of the leaders of the apostate Emergent Church Movement, announced in March that he sees nothing wrong with same-sex marriage. "I think the church needs . . . to affirm people wherever they are," he said. (Does that include adulterers, fornicators, pedophiles and prostitutes?) He went on to observe that "the ship has sailed" on the issue, and the church might as well get on board. (So, surrender God's Word to the pagan culture?) Meanwhile nationally syndicated columnists Cokie Roberts and Steven Roberts published a column attacking those who believe in the biblical view of marriage, concluding their article with this observation: "Theology cannot compete with reality." (May God have mercy on us!) •

Legalism —

Some of Christendom's discernment ministries have become increasingly legalistic, judgmental and condemnatory in recent years. Their attitude is reminiscent of the story below:

Walking across a bridge, I saw a man on the edge, about to jump. I ran over to him and said, "Stop, don't do it!"

"Why not?" he asked.

"Well, there's so much to live for!" I replied.

"Like what?" he sneered.

"Are you religious?" I asked.

"Yes," he said.

"I am too. Are you a Christian?"

"Yes I am."

"So am I. Are you Catholic or Protestant?"

"Protestant."

"Me too. Are you Episcopalian or Baptist?"

"Baptist."

"Me, too. Are you Baptist Church of God, Independent Baptist, Southern Baptist or Missionary Baptist?"

"Baptist Church of God."

"Me too. Are you original Baptist Church of God or Reformed Baptist Church of God?"

"Reformed Baptist Church of God."

"Me too! Are you Reformed Baptist Church of God of the Reformation 1879, or do you belong to the Reformed Baptist Church of God of the Reformation of 1915?"

"Reformation of 1915"

I replied, "Die, you heretic scum!" And I pushed him off the bridge.

Decision Making —



Dennis Pollock

"To make good decisions we must take this attitude: the Bible is the final authority on all matters of which it plainly speaks. It supersedes culture, it supersedes family, it supersedes tradition, it supersedes profit, it supersedes our own feelings, it supersedes our insecurities, it supersedes our dreams, it supersedes comfort, it rises higher and takes precedence over all that is within or that is without. To love Jesus and follow Jesus is to love and obey His Word. This is

Christianity 101; this is what it means to say, 'Where He leads me, I will follow.'" — Dennis Pollock of Spirit of Grace Ministries in McKinney, Texas.



Our Self-Destruction —

Malcolm Muggeridge (1903 - 1990) was an English journalist, author, media personality, and satirist. In his early years, he was a left-wing sympathizer, but after World War II he became an out-spoken anti-Communist. He was also an agnostic until the 1960s when he converted to Christianity and published a best-selling book titled Jesus Rediscovered (1969). Before his death, he became very concerned and out-spoken about the decay of Western society. He pointed out that some of the factors that contributed to the fall of the Roman Empire were a focus on eroticism which led to widespread immorality, an excessive need for excitement which produced violent sports and games, and an obsession with materialism which generated a sense of emptiness and meaninglessness. And all these factors combined led to a breakdown of law and order.

Muggeridge believed these factors were being replicated in the Western World today, and that we were thus paving the road to our own destruction.



Malcolm Muggeridge

In a speech to Stanford's Hoover Institute, he spoke of the impending collapse of our civilization with the following observation:

It has become abundantly clear in the second half of the twentieth century that Western Man has decided to abolish himself. Having wearied of the struggle to be himself, he has created

his own boredom out of his own affluence, his own impotence out of his own erotomania, his own vulnerability out of his own strength;

himself blowing the trumpet that brings the walls of his own city tumbling down, and, in a process of autogenocide, convincing himself that he is too numerous, and laboring accordingly with pill and scalpel and syringe to make himself fewer in order to be an easier prey for his enemies; until at last, having educated himself into imbecility, and polluted and drugged himself into stupefaction, he keels over a weary, battered old brontosaurus and becomes extinct.

The Essence of Atheism —

Jean-Paul Satre (1905-1980) was a French existentialist philosopher, playwright, novelist, screenwriter, political activist, biographer, and literary critic. He wrote: "Everything is indeed permitted if God does not exist." ♣

Television Update

Praying for Expanded Outreach

Dr. David R. Reagan

We continue to pray earnestly for a continuing expansion of our television outreach. We are currently broadcasting our TV program over four national networks that have access to 80 million homes in the United States (Daystar, The Church Channel, The National Religious Broadcasters, and Golden Eagle Broadcasting). We have been specifically praying that the Lord would open a time slot for us on the Trinity Broadcasting Network. It is very expensive, but it has the greatest outreach of all the Christian networks.

Meanwhile we are considering other possibilities. And we are delighted to announce that The Church Channel has started broadcasting over the Dish satellite system. That will double our outreach via that particular network. Please join us in praying for the continued expansion of our television outreach. Thanks!

New Programs

We recently broadcast two programs that featured my Prophetic Manifesto. We have combined those two programs into a video album that is described on page 12. In early July we will be presenting a new program in honor of our nation's anniversary. It is titled, "The Christian Heritage of America." It will be broadcast throughout the week of July 4. In September we will begin broadcasting a series of programs about the book of Daniel. These programs will feature 16 Bible prophecy experts who will be responding to questions about Daniel. We hope to package this series into a video album. Below are photos of some of the people we interviewed. •



Ed Hindson



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"Christ in Prophecy" Broadcast Schedule

National Networks

Daystar Network DirecTV Channel 369 DISH Channel 263 On cable networks throughout the nation.				
Zone	Pacific	Mountain	Central	Eastern
Day Time	Wed. 4:00pm	Wed. 5:00pm	Wed. 6:00pm	Wed. 7:00pm

The Church Channel DirecTV Channel 371 DISH Channel 258				
Zone	Pacific	Mountain	Central	Eastern
Day Time	Sat. 6:30pm	Sat. 7:30pm	Sat. 8:30pm	Sat. 9:30pm

National Religious Broadcasters Network DirecTV Channel 378				
Zone	Pacific	Mountain	Central	Eastern
Day Time	Sun. 2:00pm	Sun. 3:00pm	Sun. 4:00pm	Sun. 5:00pm

Golden Eagle Broadcasting Network DirecTV Channel 363				
Zone	Pacific	Mountain	Central	Eastern
Day Time	Tues. 4:00pm	Tues. 5:00pm	Tues. 6:00pm	Tues. 7:00pm

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Regional Networks

"Christ in Prophecy" is broadcast throughout southern Louisiana on the **Family Vision Network** at various times. See: www.kajn. com/familyvision.



New Mexico Family Stations is a network consisting of two stations in Albuquerque. Our program is broadcast on Thursday at 11:00pm and on Saturday at 3:00pm.



KSCE Life! is located in El Paso, Texas and broadcasts our program on Sundays at 10:30am Mountain time. Also carried on DirecTV Channel 38.

Missions Report

The Slaughter of Christians in Nigeria

In 1999 a pro-democracy movement in Nigeria successfully ended the nation's 33 years of military dictatorships, and a Christian was elected president. Prior to that time Nigeria had been ruled primarily by dictators from prominent northern Muslim families. When the Christian was elected, 12 Muslim-controlled states in northern Nigeria responded by imposing Islamic sharia law in open violation of the Nigerian constitution.

In April of 2011 another Christian from southern Nigeria by the name of Goodluck Jonathan was elected President in what Western observers declared were the "freest and fairest" elections in the nation's history. The Muslims in the north responded to the outcome of this election with an explosion of violence.



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hours, 764 Christian churches were torched, 204 Christians were murdered, more than 3,100 Christian-operated businesses were set ablaze, and over 3,400 Christian homes were reduced to rubble.

Since that time a jihadist terror group known as Boko Haram has been attacking Christians relentlessly, burning their villages and churches to the ground and killing as many people as possible. Thus far, the national government has done nothing to stop the violence, nor has it provided relief aid to the Christian



Mass burial of Nigerian Christians killed by Muslim jihadists.

communities. The government's inaction is most likely due to a fear that any intervention would ignite a religious war that would lead to the secession of the northern states.

The situation has become so bad that Nigeria now leads the world in Christian persecution! During 2012, 70% of all the Christians killed globally for their faith were murdered in Nigeria.

The President of Nigeria recently offered to give the members of Boko Haram complete amnesty if they would stop their murderous rampage. This offer outraged Christian leaders. The leaders of Boko Haram mocked the offer, saying they had done nothing wrong. They continue to present themselves as "freedom fighters" who are trying to liberate Nigeria from Christian dominance.

In the midst of all this chaos, there is a wonderful man of God by the name of Standfast Oyinna who is attempting to minister to the thousands of Christian refugees who have been burned out of their homes. His life has been threatened repeatedly, but in fulfillment of his name, he has decided to stand fast



Standfast Oyinna

and do everything he can to assist his brothers and sisters in Christ.

We have had an ongoing relationship with Standfast for over 30 years. We know him well. He is a dedicated and trustworthy servant of the Lord. What makes his situation particularly interesting is that his particular tribe considers themselves to be of Jewish descent.

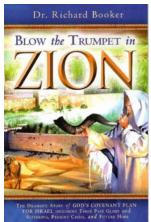
In one recent Muslim attack, a young Christian minister by the name of Chidi Abuwa had to flee with his wife and baby, leaving behind two of his older children whom they could not find. When they were able to return to the village, they discovered it had been burned to the ground, and many of the children had been thrown alive into wells. Chidi and his wife were heartbroken. We joined with Standfast and his people in praying that Chidi's children would ultimately be found alive. Two weeks later, a family returned to the village with Chidi's children. The Abuwa children had been playing with theirs when the attack occurred, and all of them had fled together into the jungle. They lived on herbs and crickets for two weeks, until they felt it would be safe to return.



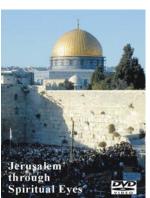
Chidi Abuwa

Due to generous donations from our supporters, we have thus far been able to send a total of over \$40,000 to Standfast to use for relief aid. Each time, he sends us a detailed record of how he spends every penny. Please pray for God to surround him with protecting angels, and pray for the effectiveness of his relief efforts. Also pray for the national government to take decisive action to protect Christians. And please consider a special donation for the relief efforts. Just designate it for Nigeria. •

Resources for the Study of the Jews and Israel IN BIBLE PROPHECY

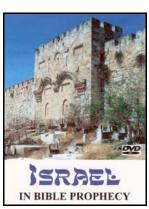


Blow the Trumpet in Zion — This is the best book in print today that provides an overview of the Jews in Bible prophecy. It surveys in detail the prophecies concerning the Jews that have already been fulfilled, that are in the process of being fulfilled, and which are yet to be fulfilled. The author, Dr. Richard Booker, writes in an easy-to-understand way that makes the book highly readable. This is the third edition of this book. 206 pages. \$15.

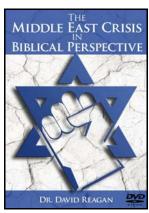


Jerusalem Thru Spiritual Eyes —

Shot on location in Jerusalem. Begins with a focus on the crucifixion of Jesus by providing a walk down the Via Dolorosa. Proceeds to emphasize the resurrection of Jesus by presenting a survey of the tombs of Jerusalem, ending with the Garden Tomb. Concludes with a tour of the gates of the Old City, ending with the Eastern Gate and a reminder that Jesus will one day return to that gate. 65 minutes. DVD, \$15.

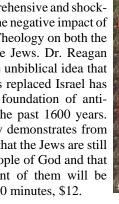


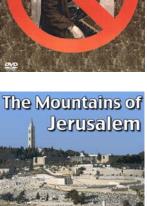
Israel in Bible Prophecy — This video, filmed entirely in Israel, focuses on seven prophecies being fulfilled in Israel today that point to the soon return of Jesus. These include amazing miracles like the regathering of the Jewish people from the four corners of the earth and the revival of their language. In addition to contemporary scenes of Tel Aviv, Jerusalem and the Wilderness of Judea, it also contains clips of historic footage. DVD, 65 minutes, \$15.



The Middle East Crisis — A powerful presentation by Dr. Reagan before a live audience about the spiritual roots of the Arab-Israeli conflict. He surveys the conflict from biblical times to the present and shows why there will never be peace in the Middle East until the Prince of Peace returns. It contains material that is essential to an understanding of what is going on in the Middle East today. DVD, 50 minutes, \$12.



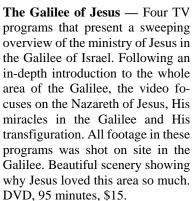


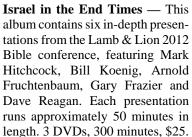


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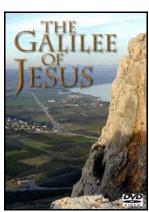
The Mountains of Jerusalem —

Contains four programs that focus on the mountains of Jerusalem the Mount of Olives. Mount Zion. the Temple Mount, and Mount Herzl. Dr. Reagan conducts a tour of each mountain, pointing out sites related to Jesus and to His Second Coming. Each program contains teaching about Bible prophecy. These are some of the most popular TV programs ever produced by the ministry. DVD, 100 minutes, \$15.





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New Videos

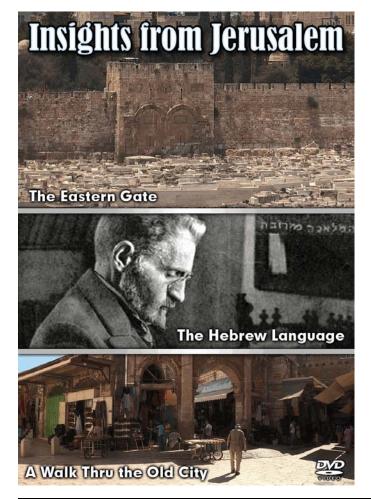
Our newest video about Israel contains three fascinating programs which were videotaped in Jerusalem.

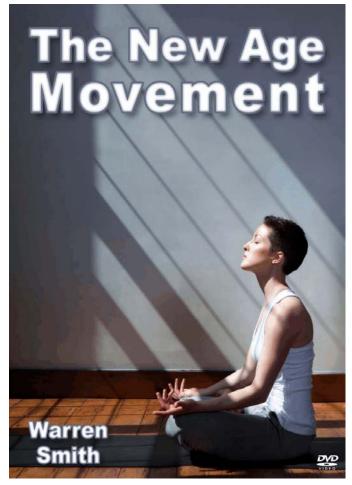
The first program focuses on the Eastern Gate of the Old City. It is the only gate of the city that is sealed, and Dr. Reagan presents the fascinating story of why it was sealed and how its sealing was a fulfillment of Bible prophecy. He also uses the prophetic scriptures to explain when the gate will be opened.

The second program features the amazing story of Eliezer Ben Yehuda, the man who revived the Hebrew language from the dead. Born in Lithuania in 1858, he felt led to move to Jerusalem and devote his life to reviving the Hebrew language as the spoken language of the Jewish people. He achieved this incredible goal in 1922 when the British proclaimed biblical Hebrew to be one of the three official languages of Palestine, together with English and Arabic. Ben Yehuda died shortly after that announcement. Again, Dr. Reagan demonstrates how this accomplishment was a fulfillment of end time Bible prophecy.

The third program is one of the most popular TV programs ever produced by the ministry. The camera follows Dr. Reagan as he walks from one side of the Old City to the other, describing the sites and relating them to the life of Jesus and Bible prophecy. You will see the Arab, Christian, Armenian and Jewish Quarters of the Old City.

The running time of this DVD video is 75 minutes. It is available for \$15 plus the cost of shipping. ❖





This video album contains two fascinating and informative interviews of Warren Smith, a former New Age advocate who now heads up a ministry located in California.

Warren was deep into the Movement and was even serving as a teacher of its principles when a person confronted him with a verse from the Bible that motivated him to start studying God's Word. As a result of that study and his use of the name of Jesus to combat a demonic influence that was tormenting his wife, he came to know Jesus as his Lord and Savior. Today, Warren spends full time writing and speaking about the dangers of the New Age Movement.

In the interviews contained in this album, he responds to the following questions:

- What is the New Age Movement?
- What are some of its most distinguishing characteristics?
- In what ways has the Movement impacted the Church today?
- How can a Christian guard against deception by the Movement?

This DVD video is available for \$12, plus the cost of shipping. The running time is 50 minutes.

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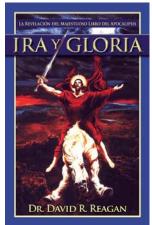


Warren Smith

Ministry News

Schedule — In August Dr. Reagan is scheduled to speak at another prophecy conference sponsored by David Hocking's ministry. It will be held at Calvary Chapel in Chino Hills, CA (2-4). Later that month he will speak at the annual Louisiana prophecy conference sponsored by Al Gist's ministry. It will be held this year at Trinity Baptist Church in Lake Charles, LA (23-24). In September Dr. Reagan will conduct a prophecy conference at Ninevah Christian Church in Lawrenceburg, KY (7-8). In October Dr. Reagan will begin the month speaking at Northside Christian Church in Clovis, CA (5-6). In mid-month he will travel to Myrtle Beach, SC to speak at a prophecy conference sponsored by Midnight Call Ministries (19-21). Late in the month Dr. Reagan is tentatively scheduled to lead a pilgrimage group to Israel.

Israel Pilgrimage — Dr. Reagan hopes to lead a pilgrimage group to the Holy Land in the Fall, but it is proving difficult to obtain the necessary number of airplane seats. The trip had originally been planned for early November. We are now trying to get seats for a late October trip. Those interested in going should call our office and ask to have their names put on a notification list.



Foreign Publications — Dr.

Reagan's commentary on the book of Revelation continues to be translated and published in a variety of foreign languages. Thus far it has been published in Urdu, Telugu, Nepali, Chinese and Spanish. It will soon be published in Polish and Persian, and translations into Hindi and Bengali are in process. Also, a second edition in Telugu will soon be ready. We need help in distributing the Spanish version. We are willing to send as many copies as needed, free of charge, to any Span-

ish ministry, if the ministry or one of its supporters will pay the shipping charges.

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Tributes

The small world of full-time Bible prophecy preachers and teachers has recently lost three of its stalwarts.

Grant Jeffrey (1948-2012) —

The first to be called home to His Lord was Grant Jeffrey, a Canadian who passed from this life in May of 2012. Grant was a prolific writer on Bible prophecy themes. In 2000, his novel titled *By Dawn's Early Light*, which he co-wrote with Angela Hunt, won the Christy Award for futuristic Christian fiction. Grant also served as the host of a weekly television broadcast called "Bible Prophecy Revealed." Grant was working on a new book called, *One Nation Under Attack* at the time of



his death. The book was completed by his colleague and fellow Canadian. Jack Kinsella.

Jack Kinsella (1952-2013) —

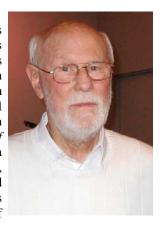
Jack was born in Fort Erie, Ontario, Canada. At age 16 he joined the U.S. Marines and served 6 years. He then completed a 20 year career as a law enforcement officer in North Texas, after which he headed back home to Canada. He devoted the rest of his life to the study of Bible prophecy and became a highly skilled writer. For several years he served as the head writer for the television program "This Week In Bible Prophecy," and also edited the magazine with the same name.



He later became a researcher and writer for his friend and mentor, Hal Lindsey. In 2001 Jack founded "The Omega Letter," an online daily Christian intelligence digest analyzing current events in light of Bible Prophecy. Jack's insights will be featured in Dr. Reagan's new book about the signs of the times and in the ministry's new series of television interviews about the book of Daniel. Jack died in March of this year.

Dave Hunt (1926-2013) —

Dave was an expert in apologetics as well as Bible prophecy. He was a graduate of UCLA and worked as a CPA before starting to write in 1973 about the impact of secularism on the Church. He became well known in 1985 with the publication of his book, *The Seduction of Christianity*. In 1992 he formed a ministry named The Berean Call, located in Bend, Oregon. Dave died in April of this year. His ministry is continuing under the directorship of his long time friend and colleague, T.A. McMahon. ♣





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- What is the most important Sign of the Times?
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- Is the Lord's return really imminent?

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