Prophecy Marches On

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A lot has been happening, so I've got quite a bit of material that I'll summarize. Guess what is coming?

Does your church ban gay marriage? Then it should start paying taxes by Felix Salmon, June 29, 2015 (fusion.net/story/158096/does-your-church-ban-gaymarriage-then-it-should-start-paying-taxes/)

However, the organizations that are promoting this are tax-free organizations themselves.

It's difficult to see how the nationwide legalization of gay marriage could have any kind of significant negative repercussions for anybody who's not gay. Difficult—but not impossible. Because now that the US government formally recognizes marriage equality as a fundamental right, it really shouldn't skew the tax code so as to give millions of dollars in tax breaks to groups which remain steadfastly bigoted on the subject.

That's what they think of us. We are bigoted. God is bigoted.

Why were churches given tax exemption in the first place? Tax exemptions were given in the first place because churches were to be a benefit to the society by teaching people how to live their lives in a law-abiding way, which would reduce the tax burden to support police and other things.

Just stop and think. You could almost do away with the police if everyone kept the Ten Commandments in the letter of the Law. If you did that, then you would have blessings, like God has said.

What has happened is that the churches, which will also affect all those who profess Christianity as well, have abandoned teaching morality. So therefore, why should they have the tax exemption? It wouldn't affect us much, because we spend almost of it anyway. That's not to brag, but that's just to say that because they didn't do what they should have done, then the whole society suffers.

Come here to Deut. 28 for just a minute. What I'd like you to do is to read the whole thing through. We're going to cover the first part of it only. This is what everyone wants, even though they want to do it *their* way. They don't want to listen to God. They don't want to be told what to do. As a matter of fact, if they find out that it comes from God or the Bible, they are bound to just break it out of spite and anger. Now here's a promise. Here's what everyone wants. Yet the society is the exact opposite of this today.

Deuteronomy 28:1: "And it shall come to pass, ^[#1]if you shall <u>hearken diligently unto the</u> voice of the LORD your God..." Right there is the fundamental basis for the whole Bible in the Word of God.

"...to observe and to do all His commandments which I command you today, the LORD your God will set you on high above all nations of the earth" (v 1) Isn't that what they want? *Yes!*

Verse 2: "And all these blessings shall come upon you and overtake you ^[#2]<u>if</u> you will obey the voice of the LORD your God. Blessed *shall* you *be* in the city and blessed *shall you be* in the field.... [Are we cursed?] ...Blessed *shall be* the fruit of your body, and the fruit of your ground, and the fruit of your livestock, the increase of your cattle, and the flocks of your sheep. *Blessed shall be* your basket and your store. Blessed *shall* you *be* when you come in, and blessed shall you be when you go out" (vs 2-6). We don't have that today at all, do we? You're afraid to go out.

Verse 7: "The LORD shall cause your enemies that rise up against you to be stricken before your face...." Look at how much we have to spend on security and trying to track down the terrorists. Remember in Lev. 26, God says, 'I will appoint over you terror.' Now we have it, people are afraid to go out of their houses, by just a few.

"...They shall come out against you one way, and flee before you seven ways. The LORD shall command the blessing upon you in your storehouses, and all that you set your hand to. And He shall bless you in the land, which the LORD your God gives you. The LORD shall establish you a Holy people to Himself, as He has sworn to you, ^[#3]if you shall keep the commandments of the LORD your God and walk in His ways. And all the people of the earth shall see that you are called by the name of the LORD, and they shall be afraid of you. And the LORD shall make you abound in goods, in the fruit of your body, and in the fruit of your livestock, and in the fruit of your ground, in the land, which the LORD swore to your fathers to give you. The LORD shall open to you His good treasure, the heaven to give the rain to your land in its season, and to bless all the work of your hand. And you shall loan to many nations, and you shall not borrow. And the LORD shall make you the head, and not the tail. And you shall be always above, and you shall not be

beneath, ^[#4]<u>if</u> you obey the commandments of the LORD your God, which I command you today, to observe and to do them. And you shall not go aside from any of the words which I command you today, to the right hand or to the left, to go after other gods to serve them" (vs 6-14).

Then He says *if* you don't do it, all these curses shall come upon you, which goes from v 15 clear over to v 68; 53 verses loaded with curses. You read those curses and ask yourself:

• Has this happened?

or

- Is it happening?
- Do we anticipate it to happen?

Then understand this, this is important to realize.

Verse 45: "And all these curses shall come on you, and shall pursue you and **overtake you**..." Doesn't that sound like what's happening when you see the news and all of that? Overtake you! *Yes!* One shooting wasn't enough. Two shootings isn't enough. Just today they convicted the one who shot up the theatre in Colorado.

A man went into a theatre in Lafayette, Louisiana, and killed three people and himself. Went in there and started shooting. People say, 'Why does God allow that? Why doesn't God stop that?' I have one suggestion: *Stop all abortion and see what will happen!*

You wouldn't want God to come down here and personally take care of you—would you? *No!* So, He raises up people. You think: How wicked can these people be? *ISIS cutting off their heads!* Planned Parenthood sells the body parts of the most innocent! The most coveted part of it is the head. What do you think God is going to do? *People never connect the two!*

Here is what they are going to do. They want to abolish all religious tax exemptions. Since they can't do that:

> But at the very least it is entirely right and proper for the state to say to a church that if you want to thumb your nose at a fundamental right, which is held by all Americans...

That is the freedom to marry whoever you want.

- What happens if there's going to be one man and two wives?
- What is going to happen if there is going to be two women and one man?
- What is going to happen when you have three men, three women, plus animals?

Freedom is not freedom *from* law. Freedom from all the sins and problems come from being *within* law.

They are all automatic. God doesn't have to come and do anything, because He set these blessings and curses to function automatically.

Just like if you trip and fall down. It's automatic you're going to fall down. If you catch yourself and don't hurt yourself, that's fine. But what if you hit your head and you die? Time and chance happens to all.

...then we are not going to privilege you with tax-free status. We'll let you practice your bigotry...

God is a bigot because He doesn't allow sin.

...at least within the confines of your own church. But we're not about to reward you for doing so.

And we will have more money to pay for more police. Think about it! So, men think that they are all going to come together now. Let's look at some of these things here. Let's shift the scene a little bit. Never thought you would hear this from a Jew:

> One World Religion: Former Israeli <u>President</u> [Shimon Peres] <u>Proposes Pope</u> to <u>Head</u> 'UN for Religions' (thedailysheeple.com/new-world-religious-order-formerisraeli-president-proposed-for-pope-to-run-un-forreligions_052015)

How many sermons have I given on this? We'll look at some of that a little bit later. Now then, and it's coming. Remember what we saw with Bishop Tony Palmer and Kenneth Copeland and the pope. 'What a magnificent thing that that was. And what a wonderful thing and everybody was so happy.'

> Protestant Leaders Declare Reunification of Churches Under the Holy See (realnewsrightnow.com/2015/07/09/protestant-leadersdeclare-reunification-of-churches-under-the-Holy-see/)

Maybe that should be 'holy under the sea.'

Guess two who the leading ones are? Joel 'the smiling' Osteen and Rick Warren. I have said for years: Whenever you see a Protestant on Fox News, which is Catholic, you know he's an agent for the Catholics.

Joel Osteen and Rick Warren, as well as Justin Welby, Archbishop of Canterbury, head of the Church of England. Guess what they have to do? It's not just a handshake and we're all together again. No! No! They have to go to a special confessionary booth and confess the sins of Protestant rebellion. Then participate in the Eucharist.

Have you read Appendix N: *Rome's Challenge to the Protestants* in the *Faithful Version* Bible recently? Didn't Cardinal Gibbon, the cardinal of Baltimore, say that 'unless you come to Rome, we will rise upon you in a time you least expect'? Because if you don't stand on Catholic ground with Sunday, you are in defiance of the mother church. How many more will do it? We'll have to wait and see.

Isn't it interesting that the closer we get to the return of Jesus Christ the more we go to the book of Revelation? Isn't it also interesting that Pope Frances is going to speak to the Congress of the United States, a joint session? He's going to talk about climate change. His climate change advisor is an atheist. Isn't that lovely? You talk about the world upside down! It is!

Now we're going to see come out of all this turmoil, Europe is in turmoil. Europe is right now at about 1933, just before Hitler took power. Remember what happened in Greece? The thing the Greeks should have reminded the Germans, after the end of WWII, 'we forgave you the debt that you owed us. Now what will you do?' We'll have to wait and see.

But nevertheless, there is more and more of having a world government. Who did President Obama seek approval for first for the Iran [deal] treaty? *The United Nations!* He did that so if the United States Congress votes it down, 'you're a bunch of bad boys. Look at those dirty Republicans being against me.' There are a lot of people liking it to Neville Chamberlain.

But out of all of this, we don't know what's yet going to happen in the Middle East. Maybe there will be war. We'll have to wait and see. But I just don't think that the Jews are going to sit back and say, 'Oh, yes, let's play 'patty-cake' and make 'nicey-nice.' In the agreement there was *no promise* to help defend the Jews in Palestine. Should not be called Israel.

What have we said about every prophecy in the Bible? *It will be fulfilled to the maximum*. Again, when we read the Scriptures, ask yourself, is it true? <u>or</u> Not? Whether for good or bad? God is a God of *Truth*.

Zechariah 12:2: "Behold, I will make Jerusalem a cup of trembling unto all people all around, when they shall be in the siege both against Judah and against Jerusalem." They are under siege. Not completely surrounded by armies, yet.

Verse 3: "And in that day I will make Jerusalem a burdensome stone for all people. All who burden themselves with it shall be cut in pieces, though all the nations of the earth be gathered together against it." That's something!

Verse 5: "And the governors of Judah shall say in their heart... ['Let's make peace with Iran.' *No!*] ...'The people of Jerusalem *shall be* my strength in the LORD of hosts their God.' In that day I will make the governors of Judah like a hearth of fire among the wood, and like a torch of fire among the sheaves. And they shall devour all the people all around, on the right hand and on the left hand. And Jerusalem shall be inhabited again in her place, even in Jerusalem''' (vs 5-6). There will be no peace over there. There will come a time of peace.

Revelation 13:1: "And I stood on the sand of the sea; and I saw a beast rising up out of the sea, having seven heads and ten horns... [the symbols of Satan's power] ...and on his horns ten crowns, and upon his heads *the* name of blasphemy. And the beast that I saw was like a leopard, and his feet like *the feet* of a bear, and his mouth like the mouth of a lion; and the dragon gave him his power, and his throne and great authority" (vs 1-2).

There is going to come a time when Satan's going to be let loose and that will take place. That will be rather spectacular. It's all going to come from Satan.

Verse 3: "And I saw one of his heads as *if it* were slain to death, but his deadly wound was healed..." You can apply this two ways:

- 1. to the individual one who will be the leader
- 2. to what was crushed in WWII that comes back to life again

This time it will come back for good. 'We're going to save Europe. We're not going to destroy it. We're the descendants of the one who wanted to get rid of Hitler, but we couldn't do it. We tried to assassinate him ten times.' Valkyrie! Remember the ceremony at the end of the movie *Valkyrie* they still have that ceremony every year in Germany, so it could apply to that, as well.

"...and the whole earth was amazed *and* followed the beast. And they worshiped the dragon, who gave *his* authority to the beast... [even the Jews will become part of Satan worship] ...saying, 'Who is like the beast? Who has the power to make war against him?'" (vs 3-4).

I wonder how all that's going to work out. Let's see how they're already working on it. You would think, 'No one would worship Satan, would they?' Did you see the interview of Megan Kelly on Fox News and the Satanists? I mentioned that here one Sabbath. They put up the goat statue of Satan right next to the Ten Commandments. Here's the attitude in this article:

> Worshiping the Devil? No bigee. It's just <u>a secularist</u> (https://video.search.yahoo.com/yhs/search: vlt=A86J773

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?p=Worshiping+the+Devil%3F+No+Biggee.+It%E2%80 %99s+Just+a+Secularist%27&fr=yhs-mozilla-001&hspart=mozilla&hsimp=yhs-001) Isn't that something?

You've heard us talk about *the mark of the beast*. You've heard us talk about how it's going to come in steps and incrementally. Here we have the civil government, the first part of Rev. 13, then we have the religious on the other, which we just read about, that even the Jews are willing to join under the pope in a U.N. world religion, which will take place.

Revelation 17:1: "And one of the seven angels who had the seven vials came and spoke with me, saying to me, 'Come here; I will show you the judgment of the great whore who sits upon many waters... [Sound a little bit like Rev. 13?] ...with whom the kings of the earth have committed fornication, and those who dwell on the earth were made drunk with the wine of her fornication"" (vs 1-2). They don't know right from wrong, good from evil.

Verse 3: "Then he carried me away in *the* spirit to a wilderness; and I saw a woman sitting upon a scarlet beast that had seven heads and ten horns, full of names of blasphemy. And the woman *was* clothed in purple and scarlet, and *was* adorned with gold and pearls and precious stones; *and* she had a golden cup in her hand, filled with abominations and *the* filthiness of her fornication. And across her forehead a name *was* written: MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF THE HARLOTS AND OF THE ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH" (vs 3-5).

They will all come back home. Then they're going to persecute the Church, and others who believe in Christ.

Revelation 13:11 is talking about the same one: "And I saw another beast rising out of the earth; and he had two horns like a lamb, but spoke like a dragon." Everything is satanic!

I was talking to a man the other day, said he has a relative that is so into Catholicism that everything else is absolutely wrong. How are they going to feel when all of these churches come home to Rome? How are they going to feel when Satan suddenly brings a temporary reformation to Islam? Look how the pope has made peace with them. 'We're on the verge of utopia. Now we've got to get everybody on the same page.'

Verse 12: "And he exercises all the authority of the first beast before him; and he causes the earth and those who dwell therein to worship the first beast, whose deadly wound was healed." A worldwide thing!

Don't you think that will be exciting for people? 'Oh, yes, for once, we're all going to be

together. Isn't it nice? We're going to put down all of our warring and fighting and hatred and bigotry. We're going to accept whatever you want. You can worship any god you want.' *Except the true God!* To convince them:

- fire comes down from heaven (v 13).
- he deceives them by these miracles (v 14).
- he commanded everyone to make an image to the beast and if you don't, you would be killed (v 15)

Here is the kicker, v 16: "And he... [the one to whom the image refers to] ...causes all, the small and the great, and the rich and the poor, and the free and the bond, to receive a mark in their right hands, or in their foreheads; So that no one may have the ability to buy and sell unless he has the mark, or the name of the beast, or the number of his name. Here is wisdom...and his number is 666" (vs 16-18).

Remember what happened in Greece? *The banks said only 60 Euros a day!* That's like about \$55 American. A day. But, you see, that's so old fashioned. Money is old fashioned. Guess where it is going? Remember it started in Sweden; we've covered that. Everybody takes a little chip and in this one building, it's a high-tech building, no keys. Everything is right there.

In Estonia they are the most digitized nation on earth for buying and selling in doing everything. They have virtually no cash. Now the Germans are going to get rid of cash. Think what a wonderful thing that's going to be for the banks. They will know everything that goes on by everybody, everywhere. They're first going to start with a card. What you do, you get everybody used to a card. Then you eventually do it to the whole world.

How many times have I said that *the mark of the beast* is going to be for control? Guess what they're working on?

Neuroscientists Develop Wireless Neural
Implant for Remote Brain Control
(https://hacked.com/neuroscientists-develop-wireless-
neural-implant-remote-brain-control/)

Just like I've said. You give up your free moral agency if you take *the mark of the beast*. 'Well, I've got to take care of my family. What if God doesn't take care of you or your family? What if you're killed?' Because that's what it says here—doesn't it? 'You're a bigot.' So it's getting that.

Many of us thought we would not get to this point and have to face these kinds of things. But, yes, it's coming! They can do that and also now they have a neural dust. You breathe it and they can track you. Did you know that Google already has the means, if you have a cell phone and you have it on, the Google search engines already have the means to track you wherever you go? Isn't that lovely to have the cell phone? All the convenience with it? 'Oh, but we forgot to tell you... Now, then, if there's ever a crime, we know all your movements, where you go.' Isn't that something? That's going to be really terrific—isn't it?

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Let's see how this is going to work with the banks. They will need no reserve of money at all. It will all become digital. When they need more money, they just have a nice committee that says, 'We authorize the head of world digital money to increase the money supply.' They won't have to worry even about printing it. Just put in any number you want. What do you think is going to happen then?

Let's see something very interesting back here. We'll see that this ties in with the book of Revelation, as well. This talks about the big Babylon and the Roman Catholic Church, all combined together here.

How many have read the book, *The Two Babylons*, by Alexander Hislop? If you haven't read that, you don't know anything. Not to put you down, but to say there's so much missing in history that if you don't understand what that is, you have no clue as to what's going to happen in the end-times. Instead of just having Babylon, the one country, now the whole world becomes Babylon. It's all patterned after the city of Babylon.

When people read about the city, which we will a little later on here in Revelation, people think, 'It's just a city.' No, it's the whole world, patterned after the city.

Isaiah 47:1: "'Come down, and sit in the dust, O virgin daughter of Babylon... [That is a cynical remark by God, because she's anything but a virgin.] ...sit on the ground. *There is* no throne *for you*, O daughter of the Chaldeans, for you shall no more be called tender and delicate. Take the millstones and grind meal. Push back your veil, draw up your skirt, uncover your leg, pass over the rivers. Your nakedness shall be uncovered, yea, your shame shall be seen; I will take vengeance and I will not meet *you as* a man.' As for our Redeemer, the LORD of hosts *is* His name, the Holy One of Israel. 'Sit silent and go into darkness, O daughter of the Chaldeans; for you shall no more be called the lady of kingdoms'" (vs 1-5). Interesting!

Now you know why in the long form of the *Tribute to William Tyndale*, I quote the popes. They would sit and marvel about all the power they had.

They could raise up emperors; they could put them down; they could cause wars; they could persecute whomever they want. And, yes, Pope Frances came and asked for forgiveness for killing the Waldensians because they kept the Sabbath. "...lady of kingdoms."

Why does the Vatican have diplomatic relations with all the nations on earth? Even Iran? Amazing—isn't it?

Verse 6: "I was angry with My people, I have polluted My inheritance, and given them into your hand. You showed them no mercy; you have very heavily laid your yoke upon the aged. And you said, 'I shall be a lady forever'; so you did not lay these *things* to your heart, nor did you remember the latter end of it. Now then hear this, O lover of pleasures, who sits securely; who says in her heart, 'I *am*, and none else beside me; I shall not sit *as* a widow, nor shall I know the loss of children'" (vs 6-8). What do you know about that; they're all coming home.

Verse 9: "But these two things shall come to you in a moment in one day, the loss of children, and widowhood. They shall come upon you in their fullness for the multitude of your sorceries, and for the great abundance of your enchantments, for you have trusted in your wickedness; you have said, 'No one sees me.' Your wisdom and your knowledge has perverted you; and you have said in your heart, 'I am, and there is no one else.' But evil shall come upon you; you shall not know how to conjure it away. And calamity shall fall upon you; you shall not be able to put it off. And desolation shall come upon you suddenly, before you know it. Stand now with your enchantments, and with the multitude of your sorceries, in which you have wearied yourself since your youth. Perhaps you will be able to profit; perhaps you may prevail. You are exhausted by the multitude of your counsels; now let the astrologers, the stargazers, the monthly prognosticators, stand up, and save you from these things that shall come upon you. Behold, they shall be as stubble; the fire shall burn them; they shall not deliver themselves from the power of the flame; there shall not be a coal to warm them; nor fire, to sit before it. Thus shall they be to you with whom you have labored, even your merchants from your youth. Each one shall wander to his own quarter; none shall save you" (vs 9-15).

Yes, they're going to get their worldwide system. They're going to have everything the way that they want it. God is going to put it in their hearts to do it.

Revelation 17:17: "For God has put into their hearts to do His will and to act with one accord ..." God's will is either blessing or cursing. What they are going to do will look like a blessing, like everything that Satan does, there's a benefit. But it will be a curse.

"...and to give their kingdom to the beast until the words of God have been fulfilled" (v 17). They are going to destroy the woman.

The fulfillment of Isa. 47:

Revelation 18:1: "And after these things I saw an angel descending from heaven, having great authority; and the earth was illuminated with his glory. And he cried out mightily with a loud voice, saying, 'Babylon the Great is fallen, is fallen, and has become a habitation of demons, and a prison of every unclean spirit, and a prison of every unclean and hated bird; because all nations have drunk of the wine of the fury of her fornication, and the kings of the earth have committed fornication with her, and the merchants of the earth have become rich through the power of her luxury.' And I heard another voice from heaven, saying, 'Come out of her, My people, so that you do not take part in her sins, and that you do not receive of her plagues, for her sins have reached as far as heaven and God has remembered her iniquities. Render to her as she has rendered to you; and give to her double, even according to her works. In the cup that she mixed, give her back double. To the degree that she glorified herself and lived luxuriously, give to her as much torment and sorrow. For she says in her heart, 'I sit a queen enthroned, and am not a widow; and in no way shall I experience sorrow" (vs 1-7). Direct fulfillment of Isa. 47!

Therefore, these things are going to come upon her. Everything is going to come apart! Everything is going to collapse! Let's see how they think about it. This is how Israel looked at it, but let's also apply this to the world. I've covered part of this before, but it's good to repeat it so we understand it. We can apply it to Israel that's happening right now before they go into captivity. We don't know how all that's going to work out, but every prophecy is going to be fulfilled to the maximum.

Here's what's happening today and why we are going to collapse. Who do you think is going to stand in the breach and say, 'We must outlaw all abortion'? That's what it's going to take to try and stop it. Nothing else will do. God will not put up with it.

In the sermon I just gave—*The Judgments of God Are Upon This Nation*—Jeremiah was told, 'Go get the elders of Judah and get the elders of the priests and take this jar and go out to the Valley of Hinnom, to the place of Tophet' (Jer. 19). That's where they offered the children in sacrifice. God says, 'Tell them that what you do here in the burning of your sons and daughters in the fire, this never even came into My mind. You tell them, thus says the Lord, because of this, you take that jar and you strike with the rod and break it into smithereens and tell them, this is what I'm going to do to Jerusalem and Judah because you do this abominable thing.' And He did! He said also because of the sins of Manasseh!

Here's how they look at it. Here's how the people look at it. These are the political people, the religious people, and those who go along with it, all combined here in Israel. But we can also apply it to the world as well after reading the book of Revelation there.

Ezekiel 22:17: "And the Word of the LORD came to me, saying, 'Son of man, the house of Israel has become dross to Me. All of them are bronze, and tin, and iron, and lead, in the middle of the furnace; they are even the dross of silver.' Therefore, thus says the Lord GOD, 'Because you have all become dross, behold, therefore, I will gather you into the middle of Jerusalem'" (vs 17-19). Of course, where is Armageddon going to take place? All the nations of the world gather, right outside of Jerusalem!

Verse 20: "As they gather silver, and bronze, and iron, and lead, and tin, into the middle of the furnace, to blow the fire on it to melt *it*, so I will gather you in My anger and in My fury, and I will cast you in and melt you." Read what God did to Jerusalem.

Verse 21: "And I will gather you and blow on you with the fire of My wrath, and you shall be melted in the midst of it. As silver is melted in the furnace, so you shall be melted in the midst of it; and you shall know that I the LORD have poured out My fury upon you" (vs 21-22).

Kind of seems like we're getting a preadvance of this. It's almost since the day that they declared same-sex marriage something has happened of a major proportion every week. This sounds a lot like it. God will do it. He will use people to do it.

Verse 23: "And the Word of the LORD came to me, saying, 'Son of man, say to her, "You *are* a land that is not cleansed, nor rained upon in the day of indignation." There is a conspiracy of her prophets in her midst, like a roaring lion tearing the prey. They have devoured souls; they have taken the treasure and precious things; they have made many widows in her midst" (vs 23-25).

All the different prophets; those who prophesy peace, those who prophesy prosperity, those who say how good everything is going to be, whether they are religious or secular. Here's the cause, always the cause: Verse 26: "Her priests have done violence to My Law and have profaned My Holy things...." They tell God:

- we don't want Your laws
- we know better, God
- You're only perfect
- You're only righteous
- but we're better than you are

"...They have put no difference between the Holy and the profane, and have not taught the difference between the unclean and the clean, and they have hidden their eyes from My Sabbaths, and I am profaned among them" (v 26)—all the religious leaders.

I've got a report here, very interesting. You know why this same-sex marriage went down so easily? *Because the Episcopalians, the Presbyterians and the Methodists have all previously endorsed it!* Who is there to say no? The Catholics couldn't stand up and say no. They might whimper a little bit, because sodomy is rampant throughout all of their priesthood.

- that's why they hate the Sabbath
- that's why they hate the Holy Days
- that's why they hate the Laws of God

They are in rebellion against God!

Quite an amazing thing happened. Senator Ted Cruz got up in the Senate and called McConnell a liar three or four times in the same speech, because McConnell lied. Because he says he's going to stand for the people, but he's in cahoots with the president.

Notice the rulers, v 27: "Her rulers in her midst *are* like wolves tearing the prey, to shed blood and to destroy souls, to get unjust gain. And her prophets have covered themselves *with* whitewash, seeing false visions and divining lies unto them, saying, 'Thus says the Lord GOD,' when the LORD has not spoken" (vs 27-28). Doesn't stop there! You've got *the religious leaders, the political leaders, and the people*. There it is.

- look at all the crime
- look at all the drugs
- look at all the things where they are going against the laws of God:
 - ✓ destroying themselves
 - \checkmark destroying their families
 - ✓ destroying their children
 - \checkmark destroying the communities

There are areas that people don't even dare go into in the major cities of America.

I don't know if you saw it on the news. One of the supposed-candidates for the Democrat nomination for president—O'Malley—went to a black rally and he said, 'All lives matter—white lives and black lives,' and he got booed. He was such a spineless coward; he apologized! Talk about everything upside down.

Verse 29: "The people of the land have used oppression and committed robbery, and they have troubled the poor and needy. Yea, *they* have oppressed the stranger wrongfully. And I sought for a man among them who should build up a wall for the land, and stand in the breach before Me, so that I should not destroy it. But I did not find one" (vs 29-30). If there is one who could do it, he's going to be run out of town!

Verse 31: "Therefore, I have poured out My fury on them. I have burned them up with the fire of My wrath. I have recompensed their own way upon their heads,' says the Lord GOD." Quite a thing! Amazing, isn't it? *Yes, indeed!* These things are something!

Remember what Jesus said, 'These are the beginning of sorrows.' Yes, then it's going to end in the worst time there has ever been. We can know for sure how many people in the world are going to be able to stand up against any of this, to withstand just in their own minds. That's why we need the Spirit of God and the Word of God, so we know.

Ezekiel 11:1: "And the Spirit lifted me up and brought me to the eastern gate of the LORD'S house, which faces eastward.... [that's how you're to enter in before God] ...And behold twenty-five men were at the opening of the gate..." Then he lists all of them.

Verse 2: "And He said to me, 'Son of man, these *are* the men who plot evil and give wicked advice in this city" That's exactly what's happening. Look at some of the stupid advice that comes along, plotting evil.

Verse 3: "Who say, 'The time is not near to build houses; this *city is* the caldron, and we *are* the flesh." Sound a little bit like Ezek. 22? Yes!

Verse 4: "'Therefore, prophesy against them. Prophesy, O son of man!' And the Spirit of the LORD fell upon me, and said to me, 'Speak, "Thus says the LORD, 'Thus you have said, O house of Israel, for I myself know the things that come into your mind, every one of them""" (vs 4-5).

I wonder what God thinks when He looks down on this earth? Remember what Jesus said, 'As the days of Noah... As in the days of Lot...' It was so bad that God was grieved that He made man for all of their terrible evil. What does He think with everything going on now?

I've got another article, which says, people are nearly possessed by their computers, or their iPhones, or whatever. They can't go a minute without it. You see people walking all the time with their heads down. That can serve a good purpose, but so many of them are hooked on it. Look at all of the sin that goes on: the lying, cheating, fornication, sexting, and all of this that goes on with those devices. Google knows everything about everybody where they are. Amazing!

God says, "...I myself know the things that come into your mind, every one of them." That's why God looks down on the earth and He sees us:

- we have the Spirit of God
- we have the Bible
- we have the things we need to do

-and God wants us to do them.

Verse 6: "'You have multiplied your slain in this city, and you have filled its streets with the slain.' Therefore, thus says the Lord GOD, 'Your slain whom you have laid in her midst, they *are* flesh, and this *city is* the caldron. But I will bring you out of her midst. You have feared the sword, and I will bring a sword upon you,' says the Lord GOD. 'And I will bring you out of her midst, and deliver you into the hands of strangers, and will execute judgments among you'" (vs 6-9).

Look at what we're doing today, bringing in more and more strangers: those who hate us and want to kill us; those who despise us. Why do we do that? *Because of killing nearly 60-million innocent lives, the most defenseless*! Then people get all angry and say, 'Why does God do this?' It says it right here.

Verse 10: "You shall fall by the sword. I will judge you unto the border of Israel, and you shall know that I *am* the LORD. This *city* shall not be your caldron, nor shall you be the flesh in her midst. But I will judge you unto the border of Israel, and you shall know that I *am* the LORD. For you have not walked in My statutes, nor have you executed My ordinances, but have done after the customs of the nations all around you" (vs 10-12).

Here again it comes to the religionists. Do they have the Bible? Do they have the means to teach it? *They have hidden their eyes!*

- they don't want to read the Old Testament
- they don't want to read the prophecies
- they don't want to keep the Sabbath

They come to God and have all of their religious things and say, 'God, we're doing this because we want your blessing on it.' Will God ever bless a cursing?

You want to know what God would say? Here it is right here. I was watching the thing about the Holocaust and what they were doing at Auschwitz and here all these Jews were herded in there, terrible, awful things that went on.

One man, who was a Jew, he cried out to God. 'God, come down and stop all of this!' God didn't do a thing. So what did he say? 'There is no God.' Now you can understand why there are more atheists among the Jews than any other people. Sad thing, but when they had the Word of God, when Christ came:

- How many warnings did Christ give them?
- How many warnings did the apostles give them?
- How many things did God do to warn them what was going to happen?
- Did they turn to God? Yes, some of them did, but not very many!

It's quite a thing that they didn't learn with the destruction of Jerusalem in $586-585_{B,C}$. Then comes $66-70_{A,D}$. repeat performance, only worse. They didn't come to God the way that they should have.

Ezekiel 13:1: "And the Word of the LORD came to me, saying, 'Son of man, prophesy against the prophets of Israel who prophesy. And say to those who prophesy out of their own hearts, "Hear the Word of the LORD; thus says the Lord God, 'Woe to the foolish prophets who follow their own spirit and have seen nothing! O Israel, your prophets are like the foxes in the ruins""" (vs 1-4).

Then he goes on to say, 'You've seen a vain vision. You spoke in vanity and lies against the Lord. You say peace, peace and cover it with whitewash.' You can make something look really good if you cover it with whitewash, but it's still what it is. Then God says it's all coming down.

After all of these terrible things come to the climax and it's over with, then God is going to usher in the Kingdom of God and we are going to be part of that, brethren. So, though we have to face all these things, and it's very depressing—but we have to also realize that God subjected all of this in hope, and that hope is <u>us</u>!

Isaiah 51:1: "'Hearken to Me, you who follow after righteousness... [that's us] ...you who seek the LORD: Look to the Rock *from which* you were cut... [Christ] ...and to the hole of the pit *from which* you were dug. Look to Abraham your father... [we're the spiritual seed of Abraham] ...and to Sarah *who* bore you; for I called him alone, and blessed him, and made him many.' For the LORD shall comfort Zion; He will comfort all her waste places; and He will make her wilderness like Eden, and her desert like the garden of the LORD. Joy and gladness shall be found in it, thanksgiving and the voice of melody" (vs 1-3). God is going to turn it all around. When you see all of these things coming down, and how bad they are, remember the second resurrection. Remember that most of those who will be in the second resurrection will be children and infants. God is not going to give Satan the devil one victory with any abortion.

He's going to raise them all back to life, probably to being a full-term baby. There will be plenty of people there to take care of them and even their own mothers. For they will be raised and we will know where the mother is and we will take the child and say, 'Here is the baby that you cried over after your abortion. Take care of it. God is in charge.'

Verse 4: "Hearken to Me, My people; and give ear to Me, O My nation; for instruction shall proceed from Me, and I will make My justice as a light to the people.... [that will be us] ...My righteousness *is* near; My salvation has gone out, and My arms shall judge the people; the isles shall wait upon Me, and on My arm they shall trust. Lift up your eyes to the heavens, and look upon the earth beneath; for the heavens shall vanish away like smoke, and the earth shall become old like a garment; and its inhabitants shall die in the same way. But My salvation shall be forever, and My righteousness shall not be abolished" (vs 4-6). That's what God is going to do.

Isaiah 52:6: "'Therefore, My people shall know My name, thus *it shall be* in that day, for I *am* He Who speaks; behold, *it is* I.' How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him who brings good tidings... [Aren't we going to be doing that? *Yes*, *indeed!*] ...who publishes peace; who brings good news, who publishes salvation; who says to Zion, 'Your God reigns!'" (vs 6-7).

- no more of these dictators
- no more of these wars, armies and sinfulness
- Satan is gone
 - \checkmark He is removed
 - \checkmark He is put away

Verse 8: "The voice of Your watchmen shall be lifted up! They lift up the voice together; they sing aloud, for they shall see eye to eye, when the LORD returns again to Zion. Break out, sing together, you waste places of Jerusalem; for the LORD has comforted His people; He has redeemed Jerusalem" (vs 8-9).

Psa. 91 is the survival Psalm. I talked to a woman some time ago and she said, 'I read Psa. 91 everyday so that I can have the hope and strength to get through all of the difficulties that come along.'

Psalm 91:1: "He who dwells in the secret place of the Most High..." That's us, we do; we have God's Spirit. The world can't see it and doesn't know it.

"...shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty" (v 1). There will be protection there. No one can see a shadow. You can look out and you can see the effect of the shadow, but you can't see the shadow. Likewise with us, God will watch over us.

Verse 2: "I will say of the LORD, 'He is my refuge and my fortress, my God, in Whom I will trust." That's why it's so important for us to draw closer to God every day. Don't be in despair because these things are happening and going on. That is not to say that we should be joyous with all the calamities going on, but that is to say that we keep our minds on the hope.

Verse 3: "Surely He will deliver you from the fowler's trap and from the destroying pestilence. He shall cover you with His feathers, and under His wings you shall take refuge...." (vs 3-4).

What did Jesus say to Jerusalem, just before He was crucified? 'Jerusalem, Jerusalem, you who kill the prophets. How often have I wanted to take you under my wings as a mother hen takes her chicks under her wings! But you refused.' But not us. We are the Church. We are the people of God.

"...His Truth shall be your shield and **buckler**.... [in which you rely upon] ...You shall not be afraid of the terror by night, nor for the arrow that flies by day, nor for the plague that walks in darkness, nor for the destruction laying waste at noonday. A thousand may fall at your side and ten thousand at your right hand; it shall not come near you. Only with your eyes you shall behold and see the recompense of the wicked" (vs 4-8). And we will! On the Sea of Glass, we're going to see it. We're going to see the seven last plagues poured out.

Notice the difference in what we read why God brought all of these things upon the people because of their sins.

Verse 9: "Because you have made the LORD, Who is my refuge... [this is David speaking] ...even the Most High, your habitation, no evil shall befall you... [even if it does, we're gone] ...nor shall any plague come hear your dwelling, for He shall give His angels charge over you to keep you in all your ways" (vs 9-11). God will bless us and watch over us.

Verse 12: "They shall bear you up in their hands, lest you dash your foot against a stone." Look back and think of the times that God has intervened and saved you. The only thing you can say is that God had to have an angel there to watch over you and protect you from it. I can look back on the times that I have experienced that.

Verse 13: "You shall tread upon the lion and asp; the young lion and the jackal you shall trample underfoot." Those are symbols of all evil. We're going to put it down.

Verse 14: "Because he has set his love upon Me…" That's why we are to love God with all our heart, all our soul and being.

"...therefore, I will deliver him; I will set him on high because he has known My name. He shall call upon Me, and I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble; I will deliver him, and honor him, With long life... [how about eternal life] ...I will satisfy him, and show him My salvation" (vs 14-16).

So, when we look at the things going on, know this: *We're going to be a part of ending it all!* So don't let the things get you down.

- God is there
- He'll help you
- He'll bless you

If whatever time comes that it's going to be otherwise, God has the resurrection to cure everything!

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