

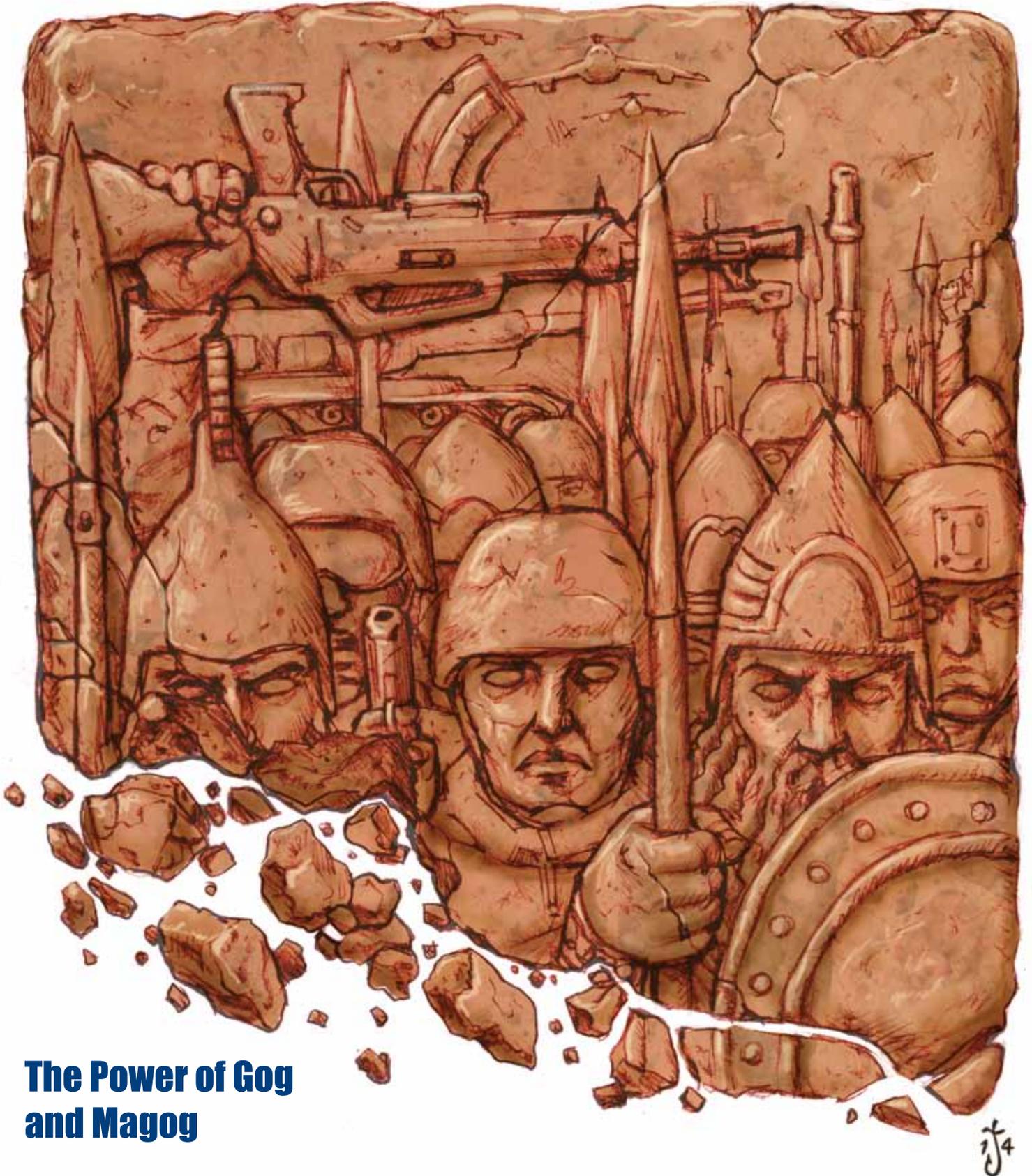


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*"Let Israel hope in the LORD" Psalm 130:7*

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"If religion is the cause, then atheism is the answer...!"

The above quote was found attached to a 'breaking news' story posted to one of many social networking sites. It announced the murder of a Swedish news correspondent in Kabul, Afghanistan in mid-March 2014. What immediately came to mind was Psalm 14:1a:

"The fool hath said in his heart, there is no God." KJV

Our world is on a collision course with God at an accelerating pace. Whereas we once marvelled at the internet and World Wide Web, what has become more amazing are the quick interactions that occur with people around the globe in a matter of minutes. Within the hour of this article being posted online, different people from all corners of the planet were weighing in on this posting, with the atheist comment coming from India.

How are we to respond to such sad empty commentary? Wringing our hands and proclaiming the sad state of the world is not the answer. The question arises: do we need to reply? Should we? Consider what Jesus spoke to His disciples and others as recorded in Matthew 7:6;

"Do not give what is holy to dogs, and do not throw your pearls before swine, or they will trample them under their feet, and turn and tear you pieces."

As Charles Ryrie wrote of this verse, "The disciples were expected to make moral distinctions and not allow those who reject the invitation to Christ to treat precious things as 'cheap.' "Dogs, swine," Both animals were despised (within Israel), and represent unholy people."<sup>1</sup>

Antagonism to 'things Christian' is growing exponentially. This parallels what we have reported herein in the past about 'things Jewish.' What is even more alarming is the antagonism growing within the Bible teaching church to not only things

Jewish, but anything that does not line up with the current rave, which is either Reform or Replacement theology or in most cases, a combination of the two. People we have known for years have abandoned the 'literalist position' to take up residence in the two aforementioned groups. There is such a 'need' to highly intellectualize The Bible, that to use the simpler literalist approach to understanding The Word is considered to be 'small minded.' To quote one of our board members,

"I cannot believe how reform and replacement theology has taken over in (North) America today."<sup>2</sup>

It has 'taken over' because people like to have their ears tickled. 2 Timothy 4:3.

Within the church we see the 'reason why' happening to Jewish missions when it comes to the reaction to the literalist manner of Bible teaching. It is not uncommon to be 'set upon' by those who call themselves Christian in the church for holding to a pre-millennialist/dispensational position. Dare to say out loud that Israel has a right to her land and should hold out for realistic peace negotiations and 'fellow believers' call you an "apartheidist." The growing anti-Semitism in the church is real and growing. No wonder many Jewish believers are abandoning "Sunday morning churches" for messianic assemblies.<sup>3</sup>

We need to get back to sound, literal contextual teaching of The Bible. Regardless of how others may see us for continuing on this way, we need to draw upon Jesus' words as for how we should respond to others. In all things we should show grace, even when it is not being shown to us. But beyond that we need to step back when coming under attack for holding to the literalist position. Atheists will continue to disparage God and His Word. It may just be that we should recognize that what we have been given is more valuable than getting into debates. In other words, do not allow for those who would call themselves a fellow Christian take what we hold to

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# What Red Line and for Whom?

by REV. RON GROSSMAN

In August 2012 President Obama told the world that all Syria had to do was cross 'that red line' where it became certain they were indeed using chemical weapons on their own people in their Civil War. When to everyone's horror those chemicals had been used the USA did nothing.

During the winter of 2014 while the Winter Olympics were ongoing the events in Kyiv, Ukraine intensified. Protesters died, as many as 22 on one Saturday night. While the entire world focussed on the Olympics, President Putin of Russia had troops move into position close to the Crimean region of Ukraine. Obviously this was to protect Russian interests which are the Russian Black Sea Fleet, moored at Sebastopol. At the same time Russia had dock in Cuba one of their Atlantic Fleet destroyers. Nothing of these military deployments was reported to the media. There seemed to be more obvious interest in a Gold medal hockey game in Canada, than watching Russian military deployment on the world stage.

With the 'invasion' of the Crimean region of Ukraine during the week of March 3, more mincing of words was heard at the United Nations Security Council. The USA chastised Russian aggression and spoke forcefully of consequences if Russia persisted on this course. President Putin shot back March 4, 2014 that the west had no moral finger to wag at him after invading Afghanistan and Iraq without any UN backing. Russian was merely acting in defense of "Russian speaking citizens" who were being targeted in the Crimean Peninsula.

But what of Putin's finger wagging?

Whether the Russian interests were known as the USSR, or the current Russian 'empire' this nation has in its various forms held a tight grip on the eastern portion of Europe from 1945-90. The City of Berlin was divided by a wall that only came down in 1990. That wall painted the picture of what was known for 45 years after the Second World War as "The Iron Curtain." A quick perusal of mid to late 20<sup>th</sup> century history will show us the clear brutal force used to contain citizens behind that Iron Curtain. Anyone seen trying to escape over the Berlin Wall was shot and killed. The 1955 Hungarian Revolution met a bloody end with Soviet troops marching in. The 1968 Czechoslovakian Spring was met with troops and the arrest of President Alexander Dubcek who dared to try and introduce democracy principles in that Soviet satellite. The 1979 invasion of Afghanistan by

the Soviet Union was for one purpose only; to solidify the Russian communist agenda. Strange bedfellows were made when it was well known that the CIA helped arm the Mujahadeen and a particular leader by the name of Osama Bin Laden in their war to rid Afghanistan of the Russian invaders. That same man would turn on the USA with bombings of USA embassies in Africa in 1998. The telling turn was 9/11. Bin Laden was the man behind those attacks.

In all of this there is a repeating and telling point. It is the 'namby-pamby' approach to dealing with aggressive nations or terrorists taken by those who call



themselves the new centrist politicians. They call themselves 'progressives.' Progressives vow to find 'newer and better' approaches to dealing with the schoolyard bully, which Putin can be described as in simple terms. If you stand up to the bully they eventually back down. Vladimir Putin is a scheming and conniving former KGB higher operative. He can and does sense that Obama has much 'bloviation' and little if any substance to his approach to dealing with international issues. He calls out the 'red line' then does nothing. Except in one very specific case: Israel.

On March 3, 2014 Obama gave an interview where he basically stated that unless Israel was prepared to go along with the 'peace initiatives' being championed by John Kerry, then Israel may find themselves outside of the care of the USA. This is put here in simple terms because as above, the 'bloviating rhetoric' used by President Obama is used to make the point in a manner that reads and sounds like obfuscation. When the words are listened to with a discerning ear one hears clearly what Obama is up to, which is no different than how he has dealt with opponents in The Senate and Congress.<sup>1</sup> He vilifies and singles out those who oppose him in very backhanded ways. Obama did the same to Prime Minister Harper in Mexico in early February when he made clear that he was not going to allow any movement on the Keystone Pipeline even after a report released earlier in the same month, (a report Obama commissioned to study environmental impact on the proposed pipeline), stated that there was minimal impact to be found on the environment from the pipeline project. This was just within two weeks of Harper's visit to Israel, where our prime minister stated clearly Canada was Israel's friend, something Mr. Obama we believe takes exception to. Just as Obama has vilified Netanyahu of Israel for his refusal to move on a peace plan put together by John Kerry and company, so has Obama treated Prime Minister Harper with equal disdain. This the politics of a small schoolyard bully. Obama is seen for who he is by Putin: all talk and no action...just look at the 'red line.' So a bully who gets bullied turns against those who in this instance are supposed to be the USA's best friends; Canada and Israel.

Ezekiel 38 and 39 describe in depth the coming invasion of Israel by those who come from 'the far north.' Ezekiel 38:15. These nations are named for us in Ezekiel 38:1-6. Gog of Magog, Gomer, Meschech and Tubal are all descendants of the Japhephites of Noah's son Japheph. They are of nations who have historically had a venomous hatred for God's people of Israel. Is Putin setting the stage for the Ezekiel 38-39 invasion? He might be. If you are a follower of Jesus as Messiah then you know that you will not be here on planet earth to witness this event. As Dr. David Jeremiah states clearly that the invasion will happen shortly after the rapture, and just as the tribulation period is to begin.<sup>2</sup>

We have contended for many years that at Israel's Hope this timeline is one we teach as well. This invasion of Israel will cause the world to follow after an influential many who will find the very solution to the Middle East problem. He will be part of the false trinity that will come forward in the last days. These events will all culminate in the return of Jesus who will in the end bring a real peace that only will happen when God intervenes.

God clearly states to us in Genesis 12:1-3 that He has chosen Israel through the descendants of Abraham, Isaac & Jacob. He also says that those who bless Israel will be blessed and those who curse Israel will be cursed. The contrast in leadership shown by Presidents' Putin and Obama and Prime Minister Harper declare clearly how God works. He indeed still is watching over Israel, and is the sovereign Who places Kings and kingdoms in their place. Daniel 2:19-22. Maranatha Messiah.

(Ron Grossman is President of Ministries for Israel's Hope Ministries).

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1 Reading The Obama Interview; Alexander H. Joffe, The Times of Israel, March 3, 2014; as published online in Middle East Forum.

2 Jeremiah Study Bible, edited by Dr. David Jeremiah, Worthy Publishing, 2013. Page 1,102

## Exposing Error: Is It Worthwhile?

By Dr. Harry Ironside

Objection is often raised even by some sound in the faith-regarding the exposure of error as being entirely negative and of no real edification. Of late, the hue and cry has been against any and all negative teaching. But the brethren who assume this attitude forget that a large part of the New Testament, both of the teaching of our blessed Lord Himself and the writings of the apostles, is made up of this very character of ministry-namely, showing the Satanic origin and, therefore, the unsettling results of the propagation of erroneous systems which Peter, in his second epistle, so definitely refers to as "damnable heresies."

Our Lord prophesied, "Many false prophets shall rise, and shall deceive many." Within our own day, how many false prophets have risen; and oh, how many are the deceived! Paul predicted, "I know this, that after my departing shall grievous wolves enter in among you, not sparing the flock. Also of your own selves shall men arise, speaking perverse things, to draw away disciples after them. Therefore watch." My own observation is that these "grievous wolves," alone and in packs, are not sparing even the most favoured flocks. Undershepherds in these "perilous times" will do well to note the apostle's warning: "Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock, over the which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers." It is as important in these days as in Paul's-in fact, it is increasingly important-to expose the many types of false teaching that, on every hand, abound more and more.

We are called upon to "contend earnestly for the faith once for all delivered to the saints," while we hold the truth in love. The faith means the whole body of

revealed truth, and to contend for all of God's truth necessitates some negative teaching. The choice is not left with us. Jude said he preferred a different, a pleasanter theme-"Beloved, when I gave all diligence to write unto you of the common salvation, it was needful for me to write unto you, and exhort you that ye should earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints. For there are certain

men crept in unawares, who were before of old ordained to this condemnation, ungodly men, turning the grace of our God into lasciviousness, and denying the only Lord God, and our Lord Jesus Christ" (Jude 3, 4). Paul likewise admonishes us to "have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather reprove them" (Eph. 5:11).

This does not imply harsh treatment of those entrapped by error-quite the opposite. If it be objected that exposure to error necessitates unkind reflection upon others who do not see as we do, our answer is: it has always been the duty of every loyal servant of Christ to warn against

any teaching that would make Him less precious or cast reflection upon His finished redemptive work and the all-sufficiency of His present service as our great High Priest and Advocate.

Every system of teaching can be judged by what it sets forth as to these fundamental truths of the faith. "What think ye of Christ?" is still the true test of every creed. The Christ of the Bible is certainly not the Christ of any false "-ism." Each of the cults has its hideous caricature of our lovely Lord.

Let us who have been redeemed at the cost of His precious blood be "good soldiers of Jesus Christ." As

***"I know this, that after my departing shall grievous wolves enter in among you, not sparing the flock. Also of your own selves shall men arise, speaking perverse things, to draw away disciples after them. Therefore watch."***

***Acts 20:29-31***

the battle against the forces of evil waxes ever more hot, we have need for God-given valour.

There is constant temptation to compromise. "Let us go forth therefore unto Him without the camp, bearing His reproach." It is always right to stand firmly for what God has revealed concerning His blessed Son's person and work. The "father of lies" deals in half-truths and specializes in most subtle fallacies concerning the Lord Jesus, our sole and sufficient Savior.

Error is like leaven of which we read, "A little leaven leaveneth the whole lump." Truth mixed with error is equivalent to all error, except that it is more innocent looking and, therefore, more dangerous. God hates such a mixture! Any error, or any truth-and-error mixture, calls for definite exposure and repudiation. To condone such is to be unfaithful to God and His Word and treacherous to imperiled souls for whom Christ died.

Exposing error is most unpopular work. But from every true standpoint it is worthwhile work. To our Savior, it means that He receives from us, His blood-bought ones, the loyalty that is His due. To ourselves, if we consider "the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures of Egypt," it ensures future reward, a thousand-fold. And to souls "caught in the snare of the fowler"-how many of them God only knows-it may mean light and life, abundant and everlasting.

[Dr. Harry Ironside (1876-1951), a godly Fundamentalist author and teacher for many years, served as pastor of Chicago's Moody Memorial Church from 1930-1948]

## **I-Hope Fall Schedule**

*As of August 22, 2014*

**Sept. 15-30:** Annual Atlantic Canada Ministry/Conference Trip

**Sept. 17-20:** New Brunswick Bible Institute

**Sept. 17:** Devon Park Baptist Church

**Sept. 21:** Belleisle & Hatfield Point Baptist Church

**Oct. 3-5:** North Broadway Baptist Church Missions Conference, Tilsonburg, ON

**Sept. 9:** Montreal Bible Study begins

**Nov. 8-16:** Northeast USA Ministry Trip

**Nov. 13:** Cairn Univ. Israel-Archaeology Program, Philadelphia, PA

**Nov. 16:** Berean Baptist Church, Magnolia, NJ

**Nov. 30:** Central Baptist Church, Massena, NY

## **I-Hope Canada Autumn Prophecy Update Meetings**

**Montreal: Thursday, Oct. 30, 2014; 7:00-9:00 PM**  
@ Peoples Church, corner of Union and Sherbrooke Streets, Montreal

**Ottawa: Saturday, Nov. 1, 1:00-4:30 PM** @ Macies Best Western Hotel, Carling Avenue

(Opposite Westgate Shopping Centre)

Carling/Kirkwood exit-Hwy 417, Ottawa

Speakers @ both meetings:

**Rev. Art Sadlier:** Sound The Trumpet Ministries

**Rev. Ron Grossman:** Israel's Hope Ministries

Free admission at both meetings, freewill offering taken to assist with ministry needs

Pastor Sadlier will speak at Israel's Hope Bible Church, Sunday Nov. 2 in the AM

Information: ron@ihopecanada.org or 613-830-3831-during normal business hours

## **Ministry Update**

September, 2014

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### ***Dear Praying Friends:***

We praise God for each of you who pray and sacrifice to this ministry. We have wrapped up summer activities. On Aug. 26, 20 men who had played softball with us this summer heard The Gospel. One man who was with us last year was not present that night, but has continued to attend at Israel's Hope Bible Church with us. Pray for all those men but especially remember 'JR' who comes to church with us. He has secured a new job and now works on some Sundays.

Pray for Amanda. This was one lady who was a lifeguard at our condo this summer. She accepted a Bible from me after hearing The Gospel. Another young man, Ray also a lifeguard received a Bible as well. Pray for the seed of The Word to take root within them.

Autumn travels and conferences are now upon us. I will be travelling from Sept. 11 returning to Ottawa Sept. 26.

Our annual Bible conferences are scheduled for both Montreal on Sept. 30 and Ottawa on Nov. 1. Consult the second page of this letter. Art Sadlier of Sound The Trumpet Ministries will be my co-speaker.

Israel's Hope Magazine has gone digital. This autumn we have published a 4 page hard copy with some articles that are printed in part. You can get the whole issue on our web-site at [www.ihopecanada.org](http://www.ihopecanada.org) The first issue will be available by mid- October.

The summer was challenging, financially for I-Hope. Please pray that The Lord would provide what is needed. We fully trust Him for all. With autumn travels starting we will be facing increased expenses. Recently we had to 're-register' with the Charities Directorate of the Canada Revenue Agency. With new updated legislation passed, all organizations like ours had to refile to retain our charitable status. This of course required hiring legal counsel which has been costly. We have to comply. Please pray for provision to deal with this outstanding charge.

Prayer is the key and we thank you for all you do. Remember us in the days ahead as you come before The Lord. Do not forget to join us for our annual conference either in Montreal & Ottawa. Consider bringing an unsaved friend to those meetings.

***Shalom in Christ,***

*Ron and Hilary*

Ron & Hilary Grossman

# A CRITICAL LOOK AT THE HARBINGER

## TOM'S PERSPECTIVES

by Thomas Ice

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"The bricks have fallen down, But we will rebuild with smooth stones; The sycamores have been cut down, But we will replace them with cedars." —Isaiah 9:10

The Harbinger<sup>1</sup> is a fictional account of what its author, Messianic Rabbi Jonathan Cahn believes is a scenario that is on the verge of happening to America, unless there is national repentance. This New York Times bestseller, though written as a work of fiction, it is clear that Cahn believes his nine harbingers are truly a pronouncement of impending judgment against the United States. At the beginning of the book it says, "What you are about to read is presented in the form of a story, but what is contained within the story is real." If this was not clear from the book, it is made very clear when one views any number of the one-hour presentations of this material by Cahn on the internet's YouTube. There is even a two-hour DVD movie entitled: The Isaiah 9:10 Judgment<sup>2</sup> with Cahn. The question that any Bible-believing Christian should ask about The Harbinger is as follows: "Is this really a true message or revelation from God?"

### IS AMERICA A COVENANT NATION?

Rabbi Cahn begins his presentation by saying that there are only two nations in the history of the world who are in covenant relation with God. They are Israel and America. Israel is clearly in a direct covenant relationship with God . . . but America? "But there was one other—a civilization also conceived and dedicated to the will of God from its conception . . . America." Cahn continues, "Those who laid America's foundations saw it as a new Israel, an Israel of the New World. And as with ancient Israel, they saw it as

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1 Jonathan Cahn, *The Harbinger: The Ancient Mystery That Holds The Secret of America's Future* (Lake Mary, FL: FrontLine, 2011), 262 pages.

2 Jonathan Cahn, *The Isaiah 9:10 Judgment: Is There an Ancient Mystery that Foretells America's Future?* DVD. Directed by George Escobar, 2012. 120 minutes.

in covenant with God."<sup>3</sup>

Amazingly, the Jewish Christian Rabbi, Jonathan Cahn is advocating a form of replacement theology by presenting America as "a new Israel." Israel and Israel alone is the Lord's only covenant nation. While there are a number of biblical passages that make it clear that the twelve tribes of Israel are God's lone covenant nation (Ex. 20:2; 34:27; Deut. 4:1, 6–8, 13, 20, 34, 37, 44; 7:6–8; 1 Kings 8:9), Psalm 147:19–20 says, "He declares His words to Jacob, His statutes and His ordinances to Israel. He has not dealt thus with any nation; and as for His ordinances, they have not known them. Praise the LORD!" Only once in history did God choose to make a covenant with a nation and it was Israel.

If Cahn somehow thinks that America is a covenant nation with God because our founders primarily during the Colonial Period were devout Christians, which they were, that does not mean that God recognizes such nations as being in a covenantal relationship like Israel. Things like the Mayflower Compact were not made with God but horizontally between the Pilgrims to honor God and do other things. No doubt, the 167 years of Colonial America provided perhaps the greatest Christian basis for any nation in history, but somehow making our country a "covenant nation" like Israel simply could not and did not happen.

Cahn compounds his error by citing 2 Chronicles 7:14 (one of the most abused verses in the Bible) as God's message to America for today in one of the closing chapters. "And My people who are called by My name humble themselves and pray, and seek My face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, will forgive their sin, and will heal their land." Cahn applies this passage to America, not Israel as in the biblical context when he says: "It's the call of God to a nation once dedicated to His purposes but now falling away from His will. It's the call of God to

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3 Cahn, *The Harbinger*, p. 19.

return.”<sup>4</sup>

Only Israel is called by the Lord’s name. In the surrounding context of this passage the phrase “Thy people Israel” is used seven times in chapters six and seven in 2 Chronicles. The Lord declares, “but I have chosen Jerusalem that My name might be there and I have chosen David to be over My people Israel” (6:6). You don’t volunteer to be God’s chosen people, He must choose you and He has only chosen the nation of Israel!

## THE HARBINGERS

What bothers me the most about this book is that Cahn, who appears to be a strongly committed Christian and zealous in his work for the Lord, is not zealous to protect and rightly handle the Scriptures. How can anyone take a passage that is clearly addressed to Israel (Isa. 9:10) and one that has already been fulfilled in history for Israel and say that it also applies in some way to America? There is only a single meaning to any passage in the entire canon of Scripture. Yet, Rabbi Cahn claims that Isaiah 9:10 also is a prophecy about contemporary America. He admits that it was fulfilled in the past in relation to the Northern Kingdom by the invasion of the Assyrians.<sup>5</sup> But it is also a prophecy relating to contemporary America as a mystery that needs to be uncovered. Cahn claims that when the mystery is unraveled, the same pattern of judgment that happened two and a half thousand years ago will be repeated upon America. “The Nine Harbingers that manifested in ancient Israel in the nation’s last days,” explains Cahn, “Each one was a sign. Each one was a warning of judgment . . . of their end . . . the Nine Harbingers of judgment.”<sup>6</sup>

For Cahn, these nine harbingers are something he says is revealed to be for America.<sup>7</sup> Thus, he is under the delusion that some kind of revelation from God to him has taken place via the warnings of American judgment. Yet, it is somehow linked with Isaiah 9:10 and a series of interesting events that have taken

4 Cahn, *The Harbinger*, p. 222.

5 Cahn, *The Harbinger*, pp. 16–18.

6 Cahn, *The Harbinger*, p. 23.

7 Cahn, *The Harbinger*, p. 23.

place in conjunction with the attack on the Twin Towers in New York City during 9/11 and various events and statements by important people since that event.. Since America was called to be “a vessel of redemption, an instrument of God’s purposes, a light to the world,”<sup>8</sup> and was no longer performing that role, God is giving her a warning of impending judgment upon our nation in the form of the nine harbingers of Isaiah 9:10.

The first is a breach in the wall, which means that at 9/11 America’s divine protection no longer was in place.<sup>9</sup> Second, the terrorist represents America invading Iraq that was in ancient times the location of Assyria that invaded Israel in the eight century B.C.<sup>10</sup> Third, the fallen bricks speak of the nation not repenting, but becoming arrogant and saying they will build the ruins back stronger and better than at the first.<sup>11</sup> Fourth, the tower represents the leaders not repenting and desiring to rebuild the towers even higher than before.<sup>12</sup> Fifth, the Gazit Stone tells of the foundations and the huge “Freedom Stone” at Ground Zero.<sup>13</sup> Sixth, the sycamore tree is symbolic of the uprooting of the nation through judgment.<sup>14</sup> Seventh, the Erez tree is a tree of hope and pictures a stubborn nation’s failure to repent and turn to God.<sup>15</sup> Eight, the utterance of actual judgment upon America.<sup>16</sup> Ninth, the prophecy of judgment reiterated upon America, but she can repent if she heeds the warning of 2 Chronicles 7:14.<sup>17</sup>

## CONCLUSION

Many American Christians are falling for the message found in *The Harbinger* as if Isaiah himself had been resurrected and came to America and spoke it himself. Many might say, “What could be wrong with a message from any source telling America to repent?” Surely a majority of Americans do need to repent,

8 Cahn, *The Harbinger*, p. 19.

9 Cahn, *The Harbinger*, pp. 25–33.

10 Cahn, *The Harbinger*, pp. 34–42.

11 Cahn, *The Harbinger*, pp. 51–56.

12 Cahn, *The Harbinger*, pp. 57–67.

13 Cahn, *The Harbinger*, pp. 68–77.

14 Cahn, *The Harbinger*, pp. 78–86.

15 Cahn, *The Harbinger*, pp. 87–98.

16 Cahn, *The Harbinger*, pp. 99–113

17 Cahn, *The Harbinger*, pp. 114–144.

but if we believe it on the basis of someone claiming to speak on an authority equal with the Bible, then we have fallen for a false authority. Besides, Paul has already told America and every human on the planet to repent in Acts 17:30–31. “Therefore having overlooked the times of ignorance, God is now declaring to men that all everywhere should repent, because He has fixed a day in which He will judge the world in righteousness through a Man whom He has appointed, having furnished proof to all men by raising Him from the dead.” If we start giving heed to those who claim to speak for the Lord, especially those who twist Scripture in the process, more and more people will come out with wacko books and mislead even more people.

Many are talking today about God judging America and He surely could do that in a dramatic way, but the focus of Paul, even two thousand years ago was on the fact that God has already fixed a day on His calendar when He will judge the world for unbelief. Yes, America is deserving of judgment but so is the entire world. Could anyone name a nation in the world today that does not deserve God’s judgment? I cannot and I doubt that you can name one either. Bible prophecy appears to indicate that this world is moving toward global judgment where America and all the Christ-rejecting nations will join the Antichrist’s team in revolt against our Lord God Almighty, whom Christ will destroy with the breath of His mouth at the second coming when He will set up a righteous rule through His redeemed people Israel. Maranatha!

Biblically and treat it as refuse. Let those who deny God and His Word to their own devices. This is when it is better to step back and not allow the true beauty of what is in The Word to be treated as if it belonged to unclean animals.

Remain available if a door opens. But be wise and ready to respond if the opportunity presents itself. Maranatha!...as Tommy Ice always writes.

#### ENDNOTES

- 1 Ryrie Study Bible, Expanded Edition, Moody Press, Chicago, USA, page 1524. 1995
- 2 Rev. Richard Vaughn, Mt. Calvary Church, Lancaster, PA. November, 2012.
- 3 As a ministry we do NOT believe messianic Judaism to be Biblically correct. For more on this request from us our published brochure, “The Question of Messianic Judaism.”

## **MUSINGS FROM JERUSALEM**

**By Goldie**

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I promised that I would write as soon as I got settled in Jerusalem. Well, I have been here 3 days and am far from really settled but it is Rosh Hashana, the New Year, 5774, and as it is several holy days in a row because it runs into Shabbat, it is a compulsory stop and reflect time which I have been using to straighten closets and drawers, putting away what came with me in 2 suitcases and so on. I presume things will hot up by Sunday, which is the first working day of the week here, so I am getting my words in early before the distractions set in.

There are 2 flights to get here from Barbados. The first leg was lovely and quiet and uneventful. Then I had 2 special days in Oxford with Garth and Vibeke Gilmour who incredibly delivered me to Heathrow on time in spite of the usual highway hold up. All seemed well until about 10 minutes before the time that we should have begun loading onto the plane. There was a wheel problem/ a replacement wheel was found/the damaged wheel refused to come off/ another plane was found and towed to the terminal/all passengers moved from lounge 20 to lounge 74 very far away/we left almost 4 hours late and arrived 4 hours late. But once begun the flight was lovely. Next day I did the hike to the wonderful open market, which was like a zoo with everyone shopping for the New Year approaching. But I got through and my fridge is now full of fresh vegetables and fruit and more.

I have made the journey successfully, praise the Lord, and am feeling so comfortable. It is wonderful. Yes, I already miss my Bajan family and friends and feel alone, sort of, but it is OK because I know why I am here and shall just get on with it :>)

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