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**The Trinity Site:
Was this the greatest event
of the 20th Century?**



Observations by the Editor

The Trinity Site

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The Trinity Site is where the Nuclear Age began at 5:29am on July 16, 1945, when the first atomic bomb was detonated. It is located in the Jornada del Muerto (Day of Death) Desert about 130 miles south of Albuquerque, New Mexico.

Visiting this historic site has been on my bucket list for many years. Because it is located at the north end of the White Sands Missile Range, it is open to the public only two days each year — the first Saturday in April and the first Saturday in October.

Last October I flew to Albuquerque, rented a car and drove south to Socorro, where I spent the night. The Trinity Site was scheduled to open at 8am the next morning, but I decided to arrive around 10:30 so that I would miss the crowd.

I was in for a big surprise. I quickly reached a long line of cars, so long I could not see the end of it! When I came to a stop, I set one of my trip odometers to zero so I could find out how long the line was. When I reached the gate to the missile range 50 minutes later, the odometer read 1.9 miles! And I still had another 17 miles to go to reach the Trinity Site. But that went swiftly. The holdup was going through security to get into the missile range.

When I finally arrived at the site, I was amazed at the thousands of people who were there. I had no idea that so many people were even aware of the site or its significance.

My personal interest in it is rooted in the fact that my doctoral dissertation was in the academic fields of American Diplomatic History and International Law. The dissertation topic was about a specific aspect of World War II. So, it was only natural that I would want to visit the site.

But what about all the other people? Why were they there? It was mystifying to me because it is a well-known fact that most Americans are historically ignorant.

In that regard, I saw a TV show recently in which a reporter visited several college campuses and asked the students,

“Who won the Civil War?” The answers were astounding:

- “Was that a war our nation was involved in?”
- “Are you talking about a war in this century?”
- “Are you talking about Syria?”
- “Sorry, but I’m not a history major.”

In a similar manner, I could ask, “Why is the Trinity Site important from a spiritual viewpoint?” And I doubt I could find many persons who could answer that question.

Well, that’s what the feature article in this issue is all about. We will be considering these questions:

- Why is the Trinity Site historically important, and how important is it compared to other events in the 20th Century? Could it be classified as the most important event of the century?
- Does the event that took place at the Trinity Site have any spiritual significance, and, if so, what?

Incidentally, the site was given its name by J. Robert Oppenheimer who served as the chief supervising physicist during the development of the bomb. He was not a Christian. In fact, he was heavily involved in Hinduism. He later said that he got the idea of the name from a poem by John Donne. ❖

The cover photo was taken by Dr. Reagan. It shows an obelisk that marks the epicenter where the first atomic bomb was detonated in New Mexico in 1945.



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What was the Greatest Event of the 20th Century?

Dr. David R. Reagan

There are a great variety of opinions in response to this question, due mainly to the fact that the 20th Century contained many stupendous events. When I Googled the question, I was presented with many lists. Some of the events that were mentioned on almost every list were the following:

- World Wars I and II (1914-1918 and 1939-1945)
- The Lindburgh transatlantic solo flight (1927)
- The invention of television (1927)
- The first antibiotic — Penicillin (1928)
- The first computer (1936)
- The first heart transplant (1967)
- The first man on the moon (1969)
- The invention of the Internet (1969)
- The first test tube baby (1978)
- The demolition of the Berlin Wall (1991)

I noticed that many, if not most, of the events that were identified as the most significant were dependent upon prior developments that were often more important. Consider, for example:

- The Lindburgh transatlantic flight resulted from the Wright Brother's invention of the airplane in 1903.
- The first man on the moon was dependent on the development of rocket propulsion in 1926, the invention of the computer in 1936, the launching of the first satellite in 1957 and the first man in space in 1961.
- The destruction of the Berlin Wall was due to a more important event — namely, the collapse of the Soviet Union in 1991.
- The many marvelous developments in the health sciences were dependent on biological discoveries that dated back to the 19th Century, like the development of the germ theory of disease in the 1860s.

The Most Important Event From the World's Viewpoint

The event that was named on the Google lists more than any other as the most important event of the 20th Century was the dropping of the atomic bomb on Hiroshima, Japan in August of 1945. But this event was also dependent upon many theories, experiments and tests that preceded it. Here is a list of some of them:¹

- 400 BC — The Greek philosopher, Democritus (460-370

BC) postulated that the fundamental building block of all matter was what he called the “atom.”

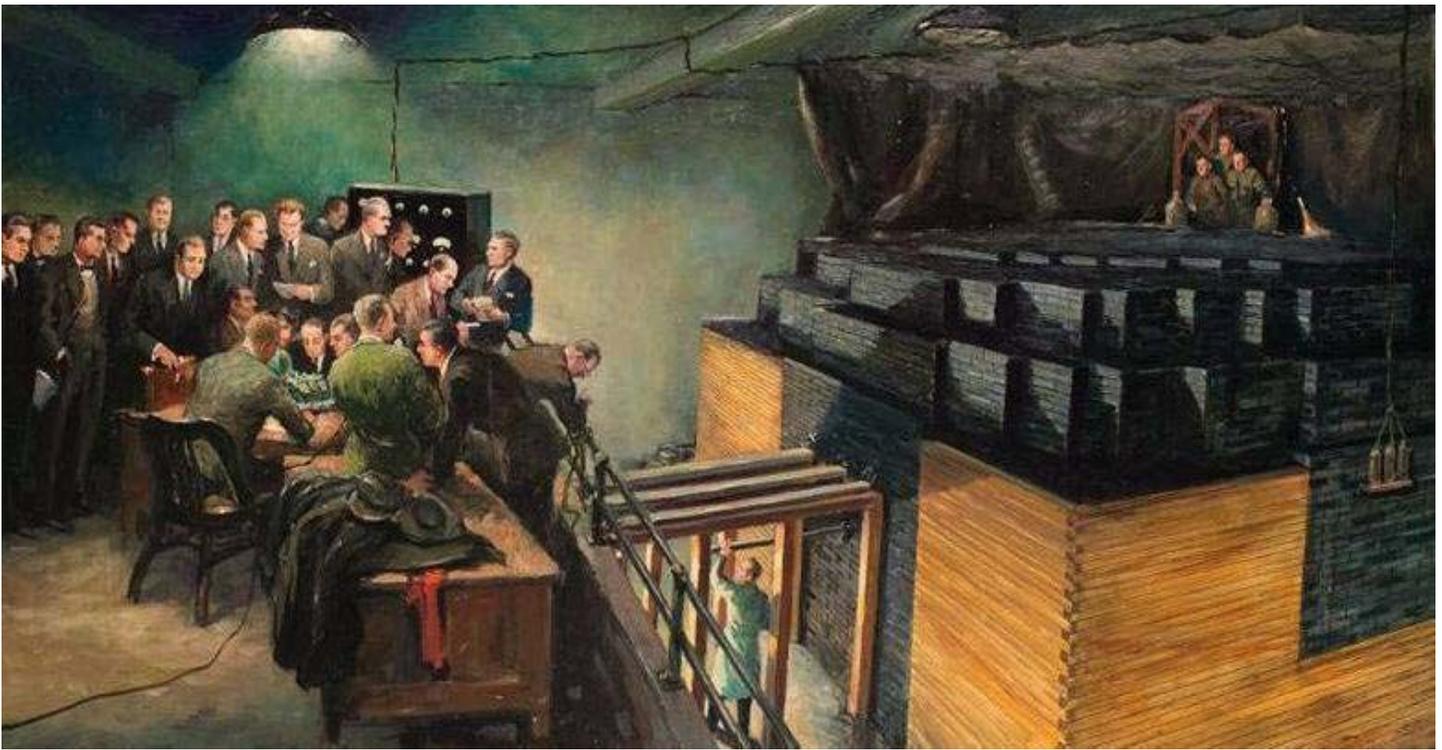
- 1803 — A British chemist, John Dalton (1766-1844), developed a more scientific definition of the atom, describing it as a small, hard sphere that is indivisible.
- 1904 — J. J. Thomson (1856-1940), an English physicist, discovered the electron.
- 1905 — Albert Einstein (1879-1955) proposed the formula, $E=mc^2$, which indicated the power potential of converting a tiny amount of mass into enormous energy, something that could happen with the splitting of the atom if a sustained reaction could be attained.²
- 1911 — Ernest Rutherford (1871-1937) of New Zealand theorized that the atom had a nucleus and that electrons orbit the nucleus. The result was what came to be known as the planetary model of the atom — a nucleus surrounded by orbiting electrons.³
- 1917 — Rutherford split the atom at Manchester University in England and discovered the proton.
- 1921 — Rutherford theorized the existence of neutrons in the nucleus of the atom.
- 1932 — Rutherford's student, James Chadwick, a British physicist, proved the nucleus of the atom contained neutrons clustered with protons.
- 1936 — Erwin Schrodinger (1887-1961), an Austrian scientist, proved that electrons do not orbit the nucleus in set paths, but in waves.⁴
- 1938 — Discovery of nuclear fission by Schrodinger and a German chemist, Otto Hahn (1879-1968).

A Seminal Event

This intriguing historical process of discovery culminated on December 2, 1942, at 3:25pm, when the first artificial nuclear reactor produced the first human-made, self-sustaining nuclear chain reaction. The scientist in charge was an Italian-American, Enrico Fermi (1901- 1954).⁵

This momentous event took place on a squash court located under the bleachers of Stagg Field — the University of Chicago's abandoned football stadium. It was an incredible accomplishment which marked the advent of the Nuclear Age.

One of the persons present, University of Chicago physicist, Samuel K. Allison (1900-1965), wrote at the time: “All of us knew that with the advent of the chain reaction, the world would never be the same again.”⁶ Secretary of War, Henry L. Stimson (1867-1950), called the chain reaction “the greatest achievement of organized science in history.”⁷



This illustration depicts the scene on December 2, 1942, under the west stands of the University of Chicago's abandoned Stagg Field, where scientist Enrico Fermi and his colleagues achieved the first controlled, self-sustaining nuclear chain reaction. (Chicago Historical Society).

A Crucial Letter

Three years before this chain reaction was created, in August of 1939, two Hungarian-born physicists, Leo Szilard (1898-1964) and Eugene Wigner (1902-1995) drafted a letter to send to President Franklin Roosevelt in an attempt to warn him of the potential development of “extremely powerful bombs of a new type.”⁸ They had it signed by Albert Einstein in order to make sure it came to the President's attention. The ploy worked, and on October 9, 1941, President Roosevelt approved the establishment of a crash program to develop an atomic bomb.⁹

This decision led to the creation of what came to be called “The Manhattan Project.” General Leslie Groves (1896-1970) of the Army Corps of Engineers was put in charge of overseeing the project. Dr. Robert Oppenheimer (1904-1967), a theoretical physicist at the University of California, Berkeley, was appointed the scientific director.¹⁰

To maintain a high degree of secrecy, the central headquarters of the project was located in the mountains of a remote region of northwest New Mexico, at a site called Los Alamos. The specific location of the project and its residents was concealed by designating its mailing address as a post office box in Santa Fe. Babies born in Los Alamos were designated on their birth certificates as being born in Santa Fe. Residents were told to call the town “Site Y” or “The Hill.” There were many more locations across the nation — from Washington State to Alabama — where various aspects of the project were housed. But the key core of scientists were at Los Alamos.¹¹

An Amazing Project

The pressure to develop the bomb was intense. There were fears that the Germans might succeed first, and there was the desire to use the weapon to bring a quick end to World War II. But the technical problems were overwhelming. Nonetheless, as

1945 began, the scientists could see the light at the end of the tunnel.

In early May of 1945, it was decided that there needed to be a test explosion of TNT in order to obtain parameters for evaluating the force of the atomic bomb when it was exploded. Accordingly, on May 7, a stack of 108 tons of TNT was placed on top of a 20 foot tower and exploded. This is the reason that the force of atomic explosions since that time have been expressed in tons of TNT.¹²

This TNT test explosion was conducted at the same site that had been selected for the detonation of the first atomic bomb — a very remote location in New Mexico in the midst of the Jornada de Muerto Desert (“Day of Death”). The exact site was about 50 miles southeast of Socorro and 130 miles south of Albuquerque. Today, this site is at the north end of the White Sands Missile Range. The site was given its name, Trinity, by Oppenheimer. He later claimed that the idea for the name came from a poem by John Donne.¹³

As the day neared in July for the atomic bomb test, the scientists set up a betting pool as to how powerful the explosion would be. The bets ranged from the bomb being a dud to speculation by Edward Teller (1908-2003) that it might ignite the atmosphere and destroy the planet. Among those who guessed a specific number, the one who came the closest to the bomb's actual power was an American physicist, I. I. Rabi (1898-1988), who took the number of 18 kilotons because it was the last available wager left in the pool. The team of theoretical physicists guessed a yield of between 5 and 10 kilotons of TNT.¹⁴

The bomb itself was nicknamed “The Gadget.” It was exploded at 05:29:21 on the morning of July 16, 1945. The power was determined to be 22,000 tons of TNT (or 22 kilotons). A total of 425 people were present, most of them housed in

bunkers. All seemed to be more impressed by the brilliant light of the explosion than its sound.

The roar of the shock wave was felt over 100 miles away. The mushroom cloud reached 7.5 miles in height and could be seen 200 miles away.¹⁵

The Army issued a cover story in the form of a press release that said, “A remotely located ammunition magazine containing a considerable amount of high explosives and pyrotechnics exploded.”¹⁶ The true story was not released to the public until after the atomic bombs had been dropped on Hiroshima and Nagasaki in August. The Manhattan Project engineers and scientists did not visit the site until two months later in September.

The results of the test were sent immediately to Secretary of War Stimson who was with President Harry S. Truman at the Potsdam Conference in Germany. The coded message read: “Operated on this morning. Diagnosis not yet complete but results seem satisfactory and already exceed expectations.”¹⁷

Back to the Question

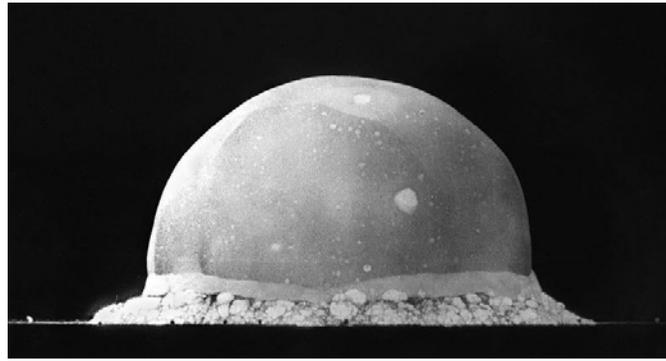
So, what about it? Was this the greatest event of the 20th Century? Well, of course, that is debatable. But from a humanistic viewpoint, I would say that it was.

Why? Because of both its immediate and long term impact. Immediately, it resulted in the swift end to the greatest war in world history. In the long run, it changed international politics forever. And it provided mankind with the power to destroy all life.

Since that time, there have been 528 atmospheric nuclear tests and 1,528 underground tests, for a total of 2,056.¹⁸ There are currently a total of nine nations with nuclear weapons: the United States, England, France, Russia, China, India, Pakistan, North Korea and Israel.¹⁹

As of 1986, there were 70,300 active nuclear weapons in the world. Due to disarmament treaties, that total now stands at 13,890, but many of the decommissioned weapons were simply stored or partially dismantled, not destroyed.²⁰

As of 2020, the world is focused on trying to control the nuclear capabilities of two nations — Iran and North Korea. The effort regarding Iran is to prevent the nation from acquiring nuclear weapons. With regard to North Korea, the purpose is to prevent the nation’s irresponsible use of its weapons.



The first atomic bomb, 16 milliseconds after its detonation.
(<https://www.atomicheritage.org/history/trinity-test-1945>)

The Relationship to Bible Prophecy

The advent of the atomic bomb also has spiritual implications that are related to the prophecies contained in the book of Revelation. Although the Antichrist will rise to power peacefully in Europe, relying on his charisma and supernatural wisdom given to him by Satan, he will have to use military power to conquer the rest of the world.

Keep in mind that Africa, Asia and Latin America have spent the past two hundred years struggling to get out from under European colonial rule. These nations are not going to willingly submit themselves to a European dictator, no matter how charismatic he may be. And this will also be true of the Muslim nations in the South Asian areas of India, Pakistan, Bangladesh and Indonesia.

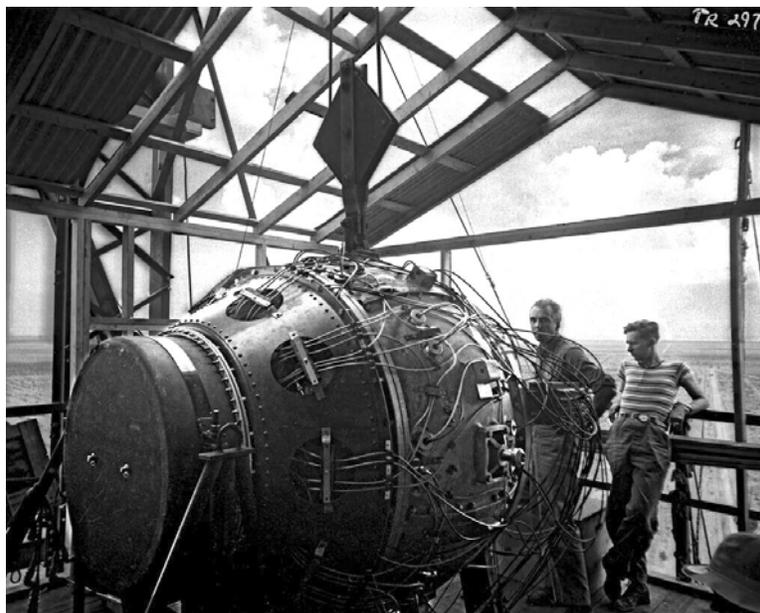
Thus, after the Antichrist establishes his power over Europe, he will launch World War III in order to fulfill the prophecy of Revelation 13:7-8, which says that he will ultimately gain “authority over every tribe and people and tongue and nation.” That war is pictured in the Seal Judgments of Revelation 6. It appears to be a conventional war in which one-fourth of humanity will be killed.

But in chapters 8 and 9 of Revelation, the war seems to morph into a nuclear one, resulting in the deaths of one-third of those left alive. It also results in one-third of the earth being burned and one-third of the sea being polluted.

This is most likely what Jesus had in mind when He said that one of the characteristics of the end times would be “men fainting from fear . . . for the powers of the heavens will be shaken” (Luke 21:26). Also, a nuclear holocaust would explain why we are told that at the end of the Tribulation those still living will be covered with “malignant sores” — most likely from nuclear radiation (Revelation 16:2 & 11).

Before the advent of the Nuclear Age, we had to assume that the horrible judgments of Revelation could only be achieved through supernatural acts of God. Now, we realize that we can do these things to ourselves through an all-out nuclear exchange.

I believe the only reason nuclear weapons have not been used since World War II is because of God’s restraining hand. But during the Tribulation, He is going to step back, remove His restraints and allow evil to run its course. Unrestrained mankind will then proceed to destroy itself.



The first Atomic Bomb, called “The Gadget.”
(<https://www.atomicheritage.org/history/trinity-test-1945>)

The Spiritual Viewpoint

Now, up to this point I have been evaluating the most important event of the 20th Century from a humanistic viewpoint. But if we shift to a much more important spiritual viewpoint, then I would argue that there was an event in the 20th Century that was far more important than the development of nuclear weapons.

That event was the worldwide regathering of the Jewish people back to their homeland — an event that resulted in the re-establishment of the state of Israel.

And like many of the great events of the 20th Century which were preceded by equally great or greater foundational events, the miraculous regathering of the Jewish people was possible only because of a greater miracle God performed — namely, the preservation of the Jewish people for more than 1,800 years despite the fact that they were dispersed worldwide and were severely persecuted almost everywhere they went.

And lest you think I am exaggerating, let me prove it to you.

The Relevant Prophecies

There are many Bible prophecies concerning the regathering of the Jewish people in unbelief. In fact, their regathering in unbelief is the most prolific prophecy in the Old Testament Scriptures.

Let's take a look at three of the most important of those prophecies. The first is found in Jeremiah 16. It is mind-boggling. Read it carefully:

14) "Therefore behold, days are coming," declares the LORD, "when it will no longer be said, 'As the LORD lives, who brought up the sons of Israel out of the land of Egypt,'

15) but, 'As the LORD lives, who brought up the sons of Israel from the land of the north and from all the countries where He had banished them.' For I will restore them to their own land which I gave to their fathers."

This same prophecy is repeated verbatim in Jeremiah 23:7-8.

You cannot fully appreciate what is said in these verses unless you know something about Judaism. The one event that all Jews consider to be the greatest miracle in their history is the deliverance of their ancestors from Egyptian captivity under the leadership of Moses.

But this scripture passage asserts that a time will come when the Jews will look back on their history and proclaim that their regathering from the four corners of the earth — the event that began in the 1890s and continues to this day — was a greater miracle than their deliverance from Egyptian slavery. In other words, the regathering that began in the 20th Century and continues today will eclipse the Exodus!

This means that you and I are privileged to witness one of the greatest miracles of history. And yet, the average Christian has no appreciation for what is happening because he is ignorant of Bible prophecy and he has been taught that God is finished with the Jews. Therefore, the current regathering is simply viewed as an accident of history.



Jewish death camp survivors.

(Source: Israel National Photo Collection)

The second prophecy I want to bring to your attention is found in Isaiah 11:

10) Then in that day the nations will resort to the root of Jesse, who will stand as a signal for the peoples . . .

11) Then it will happen on that day that the Lord will again recover the second time with His hand the remnant of His people, who will remain, from Assyria, Egypt, Pathros, Cush, Elam, Shinar, Hamath, and from the islands of the sea.

12) And He will lift up a standard for the nations and assemble the banished ones of Israel, and will gather the dispersed of Judah from the four corners of the earth.

Some have tried to debunk any modern application of this prophecy by claiming that it was fulfilled about 500 years before the time of Jesus by the return of the Jews from Babylonian captivity. But that cannot be. The passage refers to a "second" regathering (the return from Babylon being the first). Further, it states this will be a regathering "from the islands of the sea," which is a Hebrew colloquialism for the whole world, as is made clear in verse 12 where it states that the regathering will be "from the four corners of the earth." Also, verse 12 says that "the banished ones" of both Israel and Judah will be regathered. The return from Babylon was a regathering of Jews from Judah.

The third prophecy is found in Ezekiel 37. This is the famous prophecy of the Valley of the Dry Bones. The prophet was placed in a valley full of bones and told to preach to them. As he did so, the bones began to come together, flesh grew back upon them and they came to life, becoming "an exceedingly great army" (Ezekiel 37:1-10). At that point, the Lord explained to Ezekiel what he was witnessing:

11) Then He said to me, "Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel; behold, they say,

‘Our bones are dried up and our hope has perished. We are completely cut off.’

12) “Therefore prophesy and say to them, ‘Thus says the Lord God, Behold, I will open your graves and cause you to come up out of your graves, My people; and I will bring you into the land of Israel.’”

This is a symbolic prophecy. The dry bones represent the Jewish people in their end time dispersion, with no hope of ever existing again as a nation. The resurrection from their graves represents their regathering from the nations where they had been dispersed.

We can be assured of this interpretation because it is the one that God Himself provides later in the chapter:

21) “Say to them, ‘Thus says the Lord God, Behold, I will take the sons of Israel from among the nations where they have gone, and I will gather them from every side and bring them into their own land;

22) and I will make them one nation in the land, on the mountains of Israel; and one king will be king for all of them; and they will no longer be two nations and no longer be divided into two kingdoms.’”

Again, those who are determined to argue that God has no purpose left for the Jewish people, attempt to invalidate these verses as an end time prophecy by arguing that they were fulfilled when the Jews returned from Babylonian captivity. But that simply cannot be.

The entire chapter has an end time context. It speaks of a regathering from “the nations,” and not just from Babylon (verse 21). It says this regathering will result in a union of Jews from both Israel and Judah (verse 19). And it says that following this regathering, the Jewish people will turn their hearts to God and will become “My people” (verse 23).

At verse 24, the chapter moves into the Millennial Reign of Jesus as it speaks of David (in his glorified body) once again becoming the king of the Jewish people. Further, it states that at that time, “the nations will know that I am the LORD who sanctifies Israel . . .” (verse 28).

Conclusion

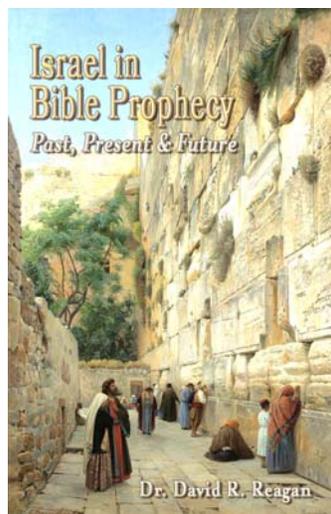
I was talking with a friend recently about the life of Jesus, and he said to me, “Wouldn’t it have been exciting to live in biblical times?” My response: “We are living in biblical times because we are being granted the privilege of seeing the fulfillment of one of God’s greatest biblical promises — that one day He will regather the Jewish people in unbelief back to their homeland from the four corners of the earth.”

Further, we should keep in mind that end time Bible prophecy focuses on the Jewish people and the nation of Israel, and the things that God is doing among the Jewish people today, in fulfillment of many prophecies, is proof positive that we are living in the season of the Lord’s return. That’s the most important reason for considering the regathering of the Jewish people to be the greatest event of the 20th Century. ✦



Survivors of the Buchenwald Death Camp arrive in Haifa in July of 1945.
(Source: Wikimedia Commons)

The reference notes for this article are attached to the copy of the article that can be found on our website. One of the most important references is the book by Richard Rhodes titled, *The Making of the Atomic Bomb* (New York: Simon & Schuster, 1986). This book won The National Book Award, The National Book Critics Circle Award and the Pulitzer Prize. It is very detailed and extremely difficult to read. It runs almost 900 pages, including the reference notes, and the reader really needs a degree in physics to understand most of it.



A Recommended Follow-up Resource

This book by Dr. Reagan presents a comprehensive overview of Israel in Bible prophecy. It highlights four prophecies fulfilled before the beginning of the 20th Century, seven that were fulfilled in whole or in part during the Century, and seven that are yet to be fulfilled.

It runs 255 pages and is available for a price of \$20, including the cost of shipping. ✦

The Impeachment Debacle

Dr. David R. Reagan

I have been appalled by the grossly irresponsible behavior of the Congressional Democrats in their determination to impeach President Trump. It has been their obsession since the moment he was elected — even before he was sworn into office.

They sat back for over a year, anxiously awaiting the report of the Mueller investigation. They were primed to pounce on Trump the moment the report was issued. Then, to their shock, Mueller reported he could not find any evidence of collusion between the Trump campaign and the Russians. So, they went scrambling for something else — anything.

Manufacturing Charges

So now it appears that Adam Schiff arranged for an anonymous whistle blower to report that in a telephone conversation which he heard about, but did not personally listen to, President Trump told the new President of the Ukraine that his nation would not receive any military aid from the United States until he produced some dirt on Joe Biden and his son, Hunter.

Congressman Schiff then made a great show of describing this telephone conversation to the public — a conversation he had heard about third hand, and he demanded the President be impeached for bribery.

But then, to his shock, the President released the transcript of the phone call, and it proved that both Schiff and the whistle blower were dead wrong. But that made no difference to those obsessed with removing Trump from power. His head had to roll. Otherwise, the Democrats would have no possibility of defeating him in the 2020 election because of their weak slate of candidates and the booming economy.

So, the Democrats closed their eyes to the constitutional requirements for impeachment and decided they were going to impeach the President simply because they hated him and wanted to besmirch his record in order to make it more difficult for him to be re-elected.

The Speaker of the House, Nancy Pelosi, announced she would proceed only if there was bipartisan support. But when it became clear there was no such support because all the Republicans in the House were opposed, she decided to go with it anyway. In the end, the only ones who broke party lines were

four Democrats, three of whom voted against impeachment and one who voted “present” — the presidential candidate, Tulsi Gabbard from Hawaii.

The Constitutional Requirements

It was a blatantly political impeachment from start to finish — enough to make any impartial observer want to gag. The Constitution limits the grounds for impeachment to “treason, bribery or other high crimes and misdemeanors.” But from the Democrats’ point of view, who cares what the Constitution says? After all, it was written hundreds of years ago by white, male slave owners. It needs to be jettisoned.

Thus, despite the lack of evidence that President Trump has committed any of the offenses stipulated in the Constitution, the Democrats decided to trample the Constitution and proceeded full steam ahead, lying every step of the way and deeply dividing our nation.

Most Americans are not familiar with the impeachment process, so let me clarify a major misconception. To be impeached means only that the person has been indicted. Impeachment requires a simple majority vote in the House of Representatives. The process then moves to the Senate where a trial occurs that is presided over by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court. It requires a two-thirds vote of the Senate to convict.

This means that although Trump has been impeached, he has not been convicted. He cannot be removed from office until he is convicted, which is not going to happen. Furthermore, being impeached does not mean he is unable to run for re-election.

What the Democrats have done is attempt to overthrow a duly elected president by weaponizing impeachment as a political process. And that is a direct threat to our republic. The proper thing they should have done was focus

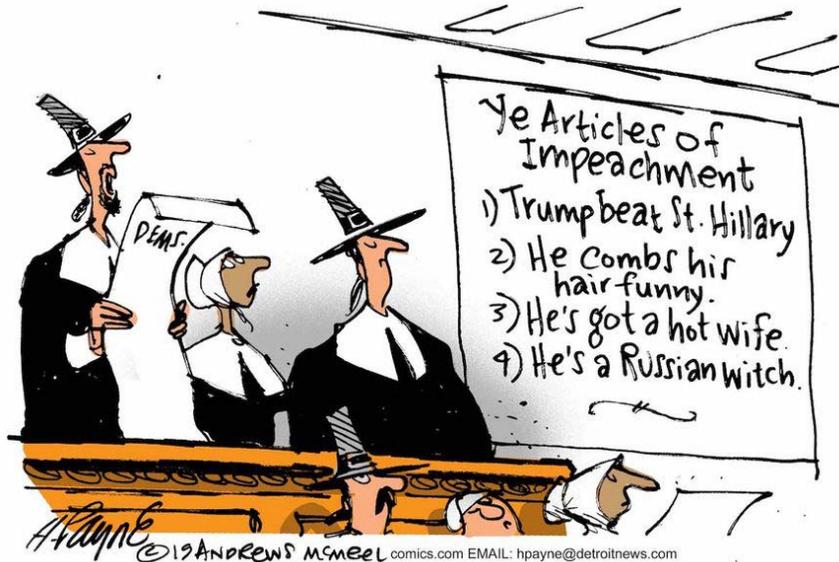
all their energy and efforts on defeating Trump in the 2020 election. Instead, they want to disenfranchise the 63 million people who voted for Trump in 2016. In their twisted minds, this is justified because, after all, didn’t Hillary Clinton characterize Trump’s supporters as a “basket of deplorables”?

Trump’s Accomplishments

What makes this whole farce even more ridiculous is Trump’s outstanding record during his first three years. Below is a brief summary of some of his major accomplishments by categories:¹

1) Courts —

- Appointed two conservative Supreme Court justices.



Cartoon by Henry Payne for the *Detroit News*.
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- Has secured the appointment of 112 conservative federal district court judges and 45 circuit court judges.

2) Immigration —

- Cracked down on illegal immigration.
- Began building a border wall.
- Increased the number of border agents and gave them his full support.
- Authorized ICE to start deporting thousands of illegals with criminal records.

3) Economy —

- Revoked hundreds of onerous regulations placed on businesses by the Obama Administration.
- Achieved some of the greatest ever tax breaks and tax reforms.
- Revised Obama's environmental rules designed to destroy America's coal industry.
- Facilitated the Keystone Pipeline and opened up vast federal lands to oil and gas exploration.
- Instituted programs that prompted a stock market boom, lowered overall unemployment to record levels and brought manufacturing jobs back to our nation.
- Achieved the lowest unemployment rates in history for Blacks, Hispanics and Asians.
- Countered foreign exploitation of the American economy by demanding renegotiation of trade agreements.
- Lifted five million Americans off food stamps.
- Median household income has hit the highest level ever recorded.

4) Foreign Policy —

- Withdrew the U.S. from the Paris Climate Agreement.
- Destroyed ISIS and saw to the assassination of its leader.
- Revoked Obama's deals with Communist Cuba.
- Imposed tough sanctions on Venezuela, Nicaragua, and North Korea.
- Revoked the Iran Nuclear Deal made by Obama.
- Withdrew the U.S. from the United Nations Human Rights Council because of its vehement anti-Semitism.
- Cracked down on UN expenditures and the failure of European nations to pay their fair share of the costs of NATO.
- Intensified efforts to stop the importation of illegal drugs across the Mexican border.
- Recognized Jerusalem as the capital of Israel and provided that nation with the strongest support of any President in history.

5) Freedom —

- Provided strong support of 2nd Amendment firearm rights.
- Defended religious liberties against attacks by the Sexual Perversion Movement.
- Achieved a major overhaul of the federal prison system.
- Provided strong support for law enforcement authorities.

6) Military —

- Began the process of rebuilding our nation's military with the largest funding bill in history.
- Created a new branch of the military — The U.S. Space

Force.

- Opposed the demands of the Sexual Perversion Movement concerning transgenders in the military.
- Executed a complete overhaul of the Veteran's Administration.

7) Healthcare —

- Expanded healthcare freedom by abolishing the individual mandate in Obamacare.
- Provided more healthcare choices to veterans.
- Cracked down on drug prices.
- Launched a war against the peddling of opiate drugs.

A Stellar Record



(www.dailysabah.com)

The amazing thing is that these are only a few of the Trump Administration accomplishments. It is mind-boggling to think the President was able to accomplish this much while being besieged by hostile Democrats and bureaucrats within the Deep State, all of whom were determined to stonewall and undermine all his legislative efforts and executive orders.

Trump's greatest legislative failure came when he attempted to revoke Obamacare. That failure was due to RINOs (Republicans in Name Only) in Congress. This failure revealed that quite a number of Republicans were part of the Washington, D.C. swamp that Trump had promised to drain when he was running for office.

I still have not named what I believe has been the greatest accomplishment of the Trump Administration. That is the fact that his election enabled our nation to “duck a very large bullet — a reboot of the Obama Administration under Hillary Clinton.”²

I think it should also be pointed out that President Trump has donated his salary each quarter to a different federal agency. That's \$400,000 a year he has handed back to the federal government.³

It's incredible to think that a president with such an outstanding record of accomplishments would be subjected to impeachment. Further, he has proved completely faithful to his campaign promises — something Americans gave up hope of witnessing long ago.

The “Evangelical” Attack

And when you consider his strong protection of religious freedoms, it is even more preposterous that the editor of *Christianity Today* magazine would write an editorial demanding Trump's conviction and removal from office.⁴ The editor, Mark

Galli, stated that Trump is a “morally lost and confused” person.

He further claimed that Trump has damaged the institution of the Presidency and the reputation of our nation. He accused Trump of a “habitual string of mischaracterizations, lies and slanders.” He summed it all up by stating that Trump is a leader of “grossly immoral” character. The counterpoint, of course, is that even if these things were true, they would not constitute grounds for impeachment and removal from office, according to our Constitution.

Christianity Today was founded in 1956 by Billy Graham to be a voice for Evangelicals who were opposing the gross apostasy that was sweeping the Church at that time. Over the years, the magazine has been taken over by left-leaning intellectuals who masquerade as Evangelicals.



Mark Galli

Mark Galli is the prime exhibit of this trend. He is both a political and theological liberal. In July of 2010, Galli posted an editorial on the magazine’s website that clearly revealed how far the magazine had veered from its Evangelical roots. It was an article about the nature of God, and believe it or not, it was titled, “The Divine Drama Queen.”⁵ The article was so blasphemous, that I hesitate to quote it, but I feel I

must in order to illustrate how strong the stream of apostasy is that is running through the Evangelical Movement today. So, hold on to your seat!

I like a tranquil, even-keeled, self-controlled God. A God who doesn’t fly off the handle at the least provocation. A God who lives one step above the fray. A God who has that British stiff upper lip even when disaster is looming.

When I read my Bible though, I keep running into a different God, and I’m not pleased. This God says He “hates” sin. Well, He usually yells it. Read the prophets. It’s just one harangue after another, all in loud decibels. And when the shouting is over, then comes the pouting . . .

This God is like the volatile Italian woman who, upon discovering her husband’s unfaithfulness, yells and throws dishes, refuses to sleep in the same bed, and doesn’t speak to him for 40 days and 40 nights . . .

We may think this a crude depiction, except that Jesus — God with us — seems to suffer the same emotional imbalance. He rants about Pharisees and Scribes — or “snakes” and “hypocrites,” as He calls them . . .

This God knows nothing about being a non-anxious presence. This is a very anxious God indeed.

I’d rather have a God who takes sin in stride. Why can’t He relax and recognize that to err is human. I mean, you don’t find us flawed humans freaking out about one another’s sins. You don’t see us wrathful, indignant and pouting. Why can’t God almighty just chill out and realize we’re just human?

Can you believe such nonsense was expressed by a so-called Evangelical? What he is saying is, “Why can’t God be more like us?” It reminds me of the famous line from the musical, *My Fair Lady* — “Why can’t a woman be more like a man?”

Needless to say, Mark Galli and *Christianity Today* do not speak for true Evangelicals. Franklin Graham made this clear in his response to Galli’s editorial. He wrote: “For *Christianity Today* to side with the Democrat Party in a totally partisan attack on the President of the United States is unfathomable.”⁶ He added: “It’s obvious *Christianity Today* has moved to the left.”⁷

Trump’s Weaknesses

Now, having pointed out all of Trump’s impressive accomplishments, and having emphasized that the whole impeachment process is nothing but a cheap political sham, I feel I must add some critical comments that I think Trump well deserves.

Although I greatly admire Trump’s accomplishments, and I strongly support his policies, I can fully understand why his enemies hate him so much. Of course, a good part of their hatred is rooted in their opposition to his policies. The fact of the matter is that the Democrat Party has moved so far left that it is now in opposition to not only our Constitution but to the Judeo-Christian principles that made this nation great to begin with.

It is their personal criticisms of Trump that I can identify with. The fact of the matter is that our President is an insufferable egotist who brags incessantly about how wonderful and great he is. This is not just an annoying trait. It is also a very dangerous one because the Bible makes it clear that God hates pride (Isaiah 2:12, Jeremiah 9:23 and James 4:6). It also teaches that “pride goes before destruction” (Proverbs 16:18).

Another very annoying trait of Trump is his avalanche of tweets which are often crude and rude and even vulgar. Even worse is the fact that most of them are vicious personal attacks full of reckless, juvenile name-calling. This points to one of Trump’s greatest weaknesses — namely, when criticized, he responds to the critic and not to the criticism. These personal attacks serve to intensify the hatred of him. In many ways, Trump is his own worst enemy.

True Evangelicals need to search their hearts regarding these issues. Let me illustrate my point: I have no doubt that if Trump were a Democrat, Evangelicals would be constantly criticizing his egotistical and often irresponsible behavior. The fact is that many Evangelicals have allowed their political partisanship to overshadow their commitment to biblical principles.

Evangelicals need to face up to President Trump’s very serious character flaws. We need to pray for him to develop some humility, some charity toward his critics, and some oral restraint. And the inner circle of Christian advisers who have access to Trump need to have the courage to confront him about his character flaws.

Thus says the LORD, “Let not a wise man boast of his wisdom, and let not the mighty man boast of his might, let not a rich man boast of his riches; but let him who boasts boast of this, that he understands and knows Me, that I am the LORD who exercises lovingkindness, justice and righteousness on earth; for I delight in these things,” declares the LORD (Jeremiah 9:23-24). ❖

“Science Proves the Existence of God!”

Colonel Tim Moore

That’s not a headline you expect to see in your local newspaper or scrolling across your favorite cable news station, is it? No, we’ve come to expect modern science to do everything in its power to disprove the existence of God. Or, more properly stated, modern science has developed such an antipathy toward God that it consciously excludes the idea of a supernatural being who exists apart from the universe and actually created the universe.

That was not always so. The earliest western scientists were committed Christians. Their belief that the Lord God established a fixed set of laws governing the universe led them to expect to find order in their analysis of the world around them. Copernicus, Bacon, Kepler, Galileo, Descartes, Pascal, Newton, Boyle, Faraday, Planck and others, all testified that their faith in Jesus Christ inspired their inquisitiveness into His cosmic design.

The Catholic Church vs. Science

Secular historians will point out that many early scientists ran afoul of Church teachings — suggesting that the Christian religion is opposed to scientific truth. Indeed, the Catholic Church had crafted an unbiblical assumption that the entire universe revolved around the earth. Under a progression of Popes, the church warped a biblical truth (mankind was declared to be the highest in God’s created order) into a man-centric belief system. The Bible does not make such an assertion. Instead, writers ask questions like, “What is man, that You take thought of him?” (Psalm 8:4).

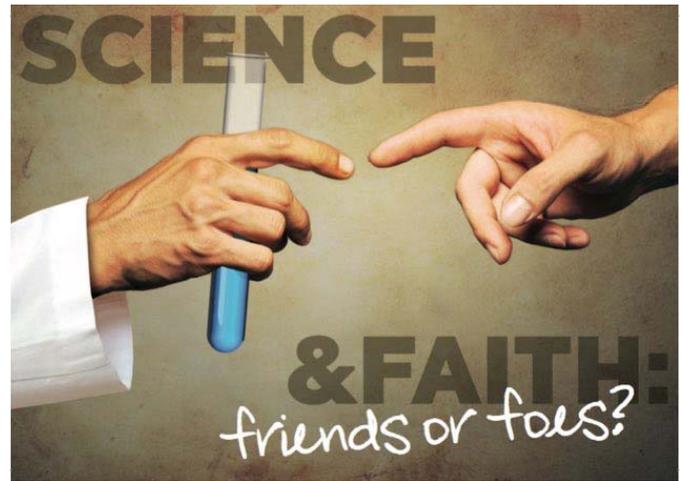
We do acknowledge that for many hundreds of years the Church (once again, the Catholic Church — the only church in the West) banned Bible ownership and reading, propagated hate-filled anti-Semitism under the guise of Replacement Theology, and burned as heretics those who would dare question unbiblical practices like the selling of indulgences. But true faith in the living God of the Bible was never hostile to inquiry and knowledge.

For example, German mathematician and astronomer Johannes Kepler said, “I was merely thinking God’s thoughts after Him. Since we astronomers are priests of the highest God in regard to the book of nature, it benefits us to be thoughtful, not of the glory of our minds, but rather, above all else, of the glory of God.”

The Drift from God

So, how did so much of modern science stray from its origin of “thinking God’s thoughts” after the fact? Why such animosity?

As mankind became more technologically capable, our ability to investigate the natural order grew exponentially. At both the microscopic and the cosmic level, we can gaze into realms unseen and unfathomable to previous generations. Coupled with a growing hubris among many research scientists, there



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was a growing confidence that we could unlock all the mysteries of the universe. In short, the scientific man’s faith in himself grew to the point that faith in God was superfluous — or even distasteful.

Another dynamic hit the world in the late 19th Century and accelerated this Humanist trend. Men such as Charles Darwin claimed that they could explain the origin and complexity of life through merely natural means. Sigmund Freud claimed that he could explain man’s inner psychology in merely naturalistic or therapeutic terms instead of viewing it as a manifestation of sin. Later, cosmologists such as Carl Sagan declared, “the cosmos is all there is, and all there ever was,” and this was repeated often enough that it began to sound like wisdom.

Their assertions were not based on knowledge that could be gained through observation or measurement — in other words, based on science. Rather, they conjured up hypotheses reflecting their own desire to eliminate God — or man’s need for God — from the discussion.

Governments were some of the first to take advantage of this newfound, unscientific “scientific attitude.” So, in formerly Christian Russia, Soviet taskmasters embraced an atheistic worldview as they killed or subjugated millions. In Lutheran Germany, Adolf Hitler and the Nazi party propagandized a citizenry to accept their ideology dehumanizing Jews, gypsies, the feeble, the mentally deficient and any others who were simply labeled “useless eaters.” In France, Christian faith (albeit Catholic) was ingloriously pushed aside for the sake of reason. Infamously, the statue of Mary that was the namesake of Notre Dame — “Our Lady” in French — was replaced with a statue of the Goddess of Reason. Ironically, those same “reasonable leaders” ushered France into a period of insanity and a bloodbath.

The Reality of the Intangible

But now, the same scientific community that cannot countenance the very idea of a God they cannot see, taste, touch, smell, quantify or measure in any way is suggesting that the universe that we can see, quantify and measure cannot be all there is. Respected scientific publications are printing articles from leading scientists of our day who have come to realize that their previous assumptions about our universe just can’t be true.

As an example, one of the basic assumptions of the scientific community for many years has been that if there is enough

matter (mass) in the universe, it will eventually pull everything back together in a cosmic collapse. Many scientists who reject the biblical account of creation believe that a great, uncaused explosion called the “Big Bang” hurled previously nonexistent matter in every direction we call space.

The concept of all matter confined in a single, infinitesimal point strains the imagination, but that is the premise behind the idea. Because that now-existent matter has mass, and gravity acts as a force to pull matter together, the question has been whether the original explosion had enough force to overcome gravity and continue expanding or whether all that mass would eventually collapse back on itself in what is called the “Big Crunch”!

The Unexplainable

Until very recently, we lacked the sophisticated equipment needed to accurately measure cosmic expansion. But, modern technological advances have finally provided an answer. The universe is not only expanding without any hint of deceleration — it is actually expanding faster and faster! This is not what modern science anticipated.

Now, the latest buzzwords have become “dark energy” and “dark matter”— a thinly veiled code to communicate the reality that there must be something out there that we cannot see or measure. There is no other way to explain how the universe would be expanding at an accelerating rate.



Illustration from a PBS video.
(www.pbs.org/video/is-dark-energy-getting-stronger-rgx3zt)

Why is this significant to us as Christians, and what could it possibly have to do with Bible prophecy? Well, for one thing, the same elevated minds that once dismissed the concept of a God who could not be seen or measured have now embraced the idea that there is “dark matter” that cannot be seen or measured.

It reminds me of the evolutionists who finally realized that even eons of time do not make their theory remotely possible, so now they are suggesting that life was planted on earth by aliens from another universe or even another dimension. And they have the audacity to assert that such an idea is much more credible than believing in the God of the Bible!

So, secular astronomers and cosmologists are seriously suggesting that unseeable, unmeasurable energy and matter must make up 95% of the universe. Why are they so willing to take this particular leap of faith? Because their equations tell them it has to be so. Even if they have not yet figured out what to make of this invisible stuff, the undetectable energy and matter has a marked influence on the seeable, measurable stuff in the realm they can observe.

The Christian Worldview

Obviously, for the Christian, God has a marked influence on the seeable, measurable realm in which we live. Through faith in Jesus Christ, lives are changed. Hopeless drunks and drug addicts become inspirational worship leaders. Sinners of every stripe become beacons of virtue and encouragement. Self-absorbed reprobates become selfless lovers of God and fishers of men.

In other words, Christ — who is presently unseen — has a greater impact in individual lives and throughout our world than any host of world leaders and influential elites who preen for the cameras.

Prophetically, Paul told us in Romans that Mankind has long endeavored to “suppress the truth in unrighteousness” (Romans 1:18). His words are wholly fitting to describe the post-Christian scientific community: “For even though they knew God, they did not honor Him as God or give thanks, but they became futile in their speculations, and their foolish heart was darkened. Professing to be wise, they became fools . . .” (Romans 1:21-22).

Speaking of darkened hearts, how ironic it is that the terms “dark energy” and “dark matter” are used to describe the obvious void in secular scientists’ understanding of the cosmos. Paul maintains the contrast with enlightened believers by describing those who reject the gospel as being of night and of darkness. He says that destruction will come upon them suddenly when the Day of the Lord arrives (1 Thessalonians 5:1-6).

For those who have rejected the supernatural, only physical senses remain. This truth is so ingrained in our psyche that we immediately recognize the humor in Chico Marx’ question in the movie, *Duck Soup*, “Well, are you gonna believe me or your own eyes?”

The great prophets like Elisha understood this too. But they were enlightened to see with spiritual eyes. That explains why Elisha’s servant could not see the horses and chariots of fire surrounding the forces besieging Dothan. While his attendant cowered in fear, Elisha was calm and composed. You might even say he had “the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen” (Hebrews 11:1).



Elisha shows his servant the armies of God. (www.ucg.org)

Lest his attendant collapse from his terror, Elisha prayed, “O LORD, open his eyes that he may see” (2 Kings 6:17). Only then did the man see beyond the mere physical realm. We pray for similar vision today when we sing, “Open the eyes of my heart, Lord.” In contrast, by Elisha’s word, the armies opposed to the Lord’s prophet were rendered physically blind as well as spiritually blind.

Prophets throughout the Bible were able to gaze into heaven itself or peer into the future because they had both the assurance and conviction of God that comes only from the Holy Spirit. It is obvious that unless enabled by the Spirit of God, our physical eyes are inadequate for seeing the spiritual realities around us. And yet, once we put our faith in Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord, the Holy Spirit really does open the eyes of our heart. We become aware of a reality beyond our own physical senses.

Walking in Faith



My own son recently asked me to explain Hebrews 11:1: “Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen.” I readily admitted that to the mind unilluminated by the Spirit of God, such a verse reads like jargon. It has the sound of a great and wise saying without actually making much sense to those who do not already have the faith it speaks of. That is precisely because faith cannot be seen or measured. And, as I told him, the key is not merely having faith in faith (as Oprah Winfrey is famous for promoting), but rather, having faith in the living God and in His Son, Jesus Christ.

For the child of God who is walking in faith with God, those things that we hope for — the promises of God, the completion of our joy, the perfection of our remaking into the image of Christ, the appearing of our Blessed Hope Himself — are more assured than the mere stuff we can hold in our hand or perceive with our eyes. The “conviction of things not seen” becomes so strong that we understand why C.S. Lewis called this world “the shadowlands” — a faint shadow of the greater reality to come. As the Holy Spirit has illuminated my heart, I’ve come to the point that I am more sure of Jesus Christ and His promises than

I am of the material world around me.

Do you have that kind of assurance and conviction? When evil is swirling around you, do you exhibit a peace which passes all worldly understanding? When all other ground is sinking sand, do you stand firmly on an unseen Rock, uncut by human hands but real and trustworthy nevertheless?

A Challenge

In Paul’s letter to the Romans, he prophesied that in the end times men’s minds would grow dark. Thinking themselves educated or wise, they would embrace lies and give themselves over to deceptions and darkness. The father of lies has become increasingly adept at misleading the masses. My prayer is that some will recognize that if scientists now confess that the vast majority of the universe is unseeable and unknowable but real, they will come back to the God who — while unseeable — can be known.

As a matter of fact, that same knowable God did indeed break into our own dimension to demonstrate His desire to be known and to manifest His great love — through the person of Jesus Christ.

If you really seek an evidence-based approach to understanding reality, there is no lack of evidence for God. He has proven Himself over and over. Over 100 years ago Louisa Stead penned words that capture that truth beautifully:

Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus,
Just to take Him at His word;
Just to rest upon His promise;
Just to know, Thus saith the Lord.
Jesus, Jesus, how I trust Him,
How I’ve proved Him o’er and o’er.
Jesus, Jesus, Precious Jesus!
O for grace to trust Him more.

With the signs of the times multiplying all around us, this is no time for wavering faith or flagging trust. Christians are in for perilous times ahead — even in America. If you’ve already put your faith in Him, know that you can trust all of His promises — including His promise to come again soon.

If you don’t already know Him as Lord, seize on Jesus’ word to Thomas: “Stop doubting, and believe!” Once you do, you’ll be counted among the multitudes of believers He foretold: “Blessed are they who did not see, and yet believed” (John 20: 27, 29). ✚

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Attorney General Bill Barr Defends Freedom of Religion

Dr. David R. Reagan



U.S. Attorney General Bill Barr (wsj.com)

In October of 2019, Attorney General Barr, who is a Catholic, gave a remarkable address to the University of Notre Dame Law School.

It turned out to be a speech that caused the secular press to go into hysterics. The *Washington Post* called it “terrifying.” Paul Krugman at the *New York Times* denounced it because he said it “smacked of bigotry.” The ‘progressives’ attacked it savagely for several days.

What in the world did the Attorney General say that provoked such a strong reaction? Was it his defense of Trump? No, he didn’t even mention the President in the speech. His horrible trespass was to present a strong defense in behalf of religious liberty!

The ironical thing about these responses is that they proved one of the points that Barr made in his speech. when he said: “Secularists, and their allies among the ‘progressives,’ have marshaled all the force of mass communications, popular culture, the entertainment industry and academia in an unremitting assault on religion and traditional values.”

Barr began his remarks by observing that from the Founding Fathers onward, there has been a strong consensus about the centrality of religious liberty in the American experiment with representative government. As he put it, “The imperative of protecting religious freedom was not just a nod in the direction of piety.” Rather, it reflected “the Framers’ belief that religion was indispensable to sustaining our free system of government.”

He then pointed out that the challenge we face today in our society “is precisely what the Founding Fathers foresaw would be our supreme test as a free society.” Continuing, he observed:

They never thought the main danger to the republic came from external foes. The central question was whether, over the long haul, we could handle freedom. The question was whether the citizens in such a free society could maintain the moral discipline and virtue necessary for the survival of free institutions.

Barr emphasized that our Founding Fathers had a biblical view of mankind, realizing that human nature is basically evil. They recognized that one way of dealing with this inherent problem was to rely on the power and force of government to keep people in line. But this approach was unacceptable to them because they knew it would “inevitably lead to . . . tyranny.”

They were also aware that without some sort of restraint, the unbridled pursuit of personal desires would result in another form of tyranny — the enslavement of people to their appetites at the expense of the common good.

So, as Barr put it, “the Founders decided to take a gamble, which they called ‘the great experiment.’” It consisted of giving the people broad liberty while limiting the power of the government and placing trust in the self-discipline and virtue of the people to maintain law and order with dignity.

And it was at this point in his speech that Barr got into trouble. That’s because he proceeded to assert that the Founders believed that since mankind has an “infinite capacity to rationalize” evil, the moral values essential to the American system of government must not rest on human speculations, but “they must flow from a transcendent Supreme Being.”

This is exactly what our Founding Fathers believed, and Barr proved it with quotes from them. For example, he pointed to a statement by John Adams where he said:

We have no government armed with the power which is capable of contending with human passions unbridled by morality and religion. Our Constitution was made only for a moral and religious people. It is wholly inadequate for the government of any other.

How dare the Attorney General speak out in behalf of religion! The secularists were aghast. But Barr did not stop there. He proceeded to give the most powerful defense of religious liberty that has been spoken by a high government official in modern times.

He affirmed that our Founding Fathers were Christians who based their new form of government “on the Judeo-Christian moral system” that “corresponds to the true nature of man.” He then summarized that system as consisting of “two great commandments — to love God with your whole heart, soul and mind; and to love thy neighbor as thyself.”

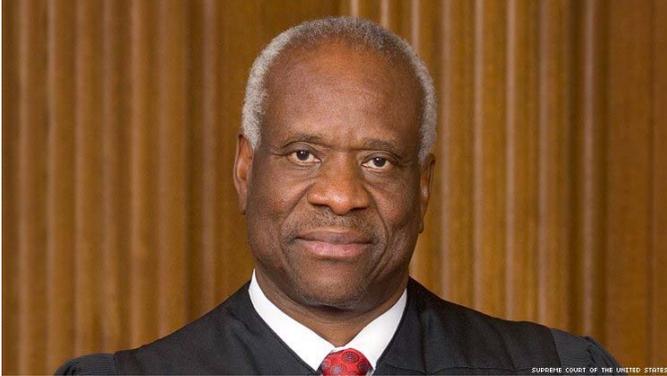
“Modern secularists,” he declared, “dismiss this idea of morality as other-worldly superstition imposed by a kill-joy clergy. In fact, Judeo-Christian moral standards are the ultimate utilitarian rules for human conduct.” He added that those rules “are like God’s instruction manual for the best running of man and human society.”

The rest of his speech was a review of how religious liberty is under attack in America today and how determined he is to protect the religious liberty guaranteed by our Constitution. He summed up the current situation as one where “law is being used as a battering ram to break down traditional moral values and to establish moral relativism as a new orthodoxy.” He asserted that the problem is not that religion is being forced on others; “the problem is that irreligion and secular values are being forced on people of faith.”

Thank God for this man, and pray for him! ❖

Justice Clarence Thomas Endorses Christianity

Dr. David R. Reagan



Associate Justice Clarence Thomas (wjcb.com)

Clarence Thomas, an Associate Justice of the United States Supreme Court, recently delivered some strong remarks in behalf of religious liberty in America. The occasion was the dedication of a new chapel at Hillsdale College in Hillsdale, Michigan.

Hillsdale College was founded in 1844 by Abolitionists who were Free Will Baptists. It is no longer identified with any Christian denomination, but it is strongly committed to Christian values. Its core curriculum focuses on the study of Western Civilization as a product of the Greco-Roman culture and the Judeo-Christian tradition. Hillsdale requires every student, regardless of concentration, to take courses on the Great Books and the U.S. Constitution.

Since 1984, the college has been one of several in the United States which declines governmental financial support. Instead, it depends entirely on private donations to supplement students' payments for tuition.

The school publishes an outstanding monthly commentary on American constitutional liberties called *Imprimis*. The content is mainly drawn from speeches delivered at Hillsdale College events. First published in 1972, *Imprimis* is one of the most widely-circulated opinion publications in the nation, with over 4.8 million subscribers.

Hillsdale College is committed, by its Articles of Association, to provide "sound learning" of the kind needed to maintain "civil and religious liberty," as well as "to teach by precept and example the essentials of the Christian faith."

Hillsdale has always had a chapel, but the last one to be built, in the 1850s, had become too small to accommodate the growing student body. In 2015, a man and his wife approached the school with an offer of \$15 million to build a chapel where all the students could worship together. The school accepted the gift and launched a building campaign to raise a total of \$28 million. The chapel, which seats 1,300, was dedicated on October 3, 2019, and the guest speaker was Justice Thomas.

"This Chapel's enduring beauty highlights the transcendence, the sovereignty and the grace of God. It truly illustrates how architectural design can reflect the character of God and evoke a sense of reverence for His majesty . . .

"Beginning in the early 1900s, many elite private colleges and universities began to face questions about the continuing relevance of religious instruction on campus. These questions would have surprised the founders of those schools, many of which were created in part for the express purpose of providing religious instruction. But as time went on and as schools moved away from their religious roots, the relevance of religion to higher education was increasingly questioned, and campus chapels, in particular, came to be viewed as relics of a bygone era . . .

"By constructing this chapel, Hillsdale College upholds the continued importance of its Christian roots, even as it respects the rights of each person to worship God according to the dictates of his own conscience. Our country was founded on the view that a correct understanding of the nature of God and the human person is critical to preserving the liberty that we so enjoy.

"John Adams wrote, 'Our Constitution was made only for a moral and religious people. It is wholly inadequate to the government of any other.' He recognized that the preservation of liberty is not guaranteed. Without the guardrails supplied by religious conviction, popular sovereignty can devolve into mob rule, unmoored from any conception of objective truth . . .

"Each generation is responsible both to itself and to succeeding generations for preserving and promoting the blessings of liberty. Faith in God, more than anything else, fuels the strength of character and self-discipline needed to discharge ably that responsibility. That is why I am so encouraged by the construction of [Hillsdale's] Christ Chapel . . .

"Let it point to a day when 'the dwelling of God' will be 'with men,' when God Himself will 'wipe away every tear' and mend every wound . . .

"Let this chapel equip and inspire us to honor God in whatever He calls us to do. For, as Saint Paul wrote in his letter to the Romans, 'From Him and through Him and to Him are all things. To Him be glory forever. Amen'" ❖



Hillsdale College's New Chapel

Two New Evangelists Added to the L&L Staff

Dr. David R. Reagan

When I established this ministry nearly 40 years ago, I envisioned recruiting assistant evangelists to represent us all across the nation. The first problem we ran into was finding preachers who knew anything about Bible prophecy. The second problem was finding ones who were willing to work on a volunteer basis. So, I finally gave up the idea, and over the next 20 years, we focused on helping others to establish their own Bible prophecy ministries — people like Don Perkins, Gary Fisher, Bill Salus and Al Gist.

My vision came back alive six years ago when I was contacted by Tim Moore, asking if he could serve as a volunteer evangelist. I had known Tim for a long time, and I knew he was very qualified to serve the ministry in this capacity. I was, to say the least, thrilled by his offer. I forwarded it to our Board of Trustees and they accepted the offer. Tim is now positioned to succeed me as the new leader of the ministry, beginning in September of 2021.

Then, this past year I was suddenly approached by two other very qualified men who expressed a desire to serve as volunteer evangelists in the same manner as Tim has served us. Once again, I was delighted by their offers, and I forwarded those offers to our Board.

Recently at our annual Board of Trustees December retreat, the trustees voted unanimously to add the two men as new volunteer evangelists to the Lamb & Lion staff. They are available immediately to start speaking at churches and conferences on weekends.

Host groups will be responsible for covering their expenses and providing a donation to our ministry. We are a faith ministry, so we do not charge fees for our services. We simply rely on the Lord to move on hearts to donate when a love offering is taken for us. The Lord knows our needs, and He always supplies them.

The two men are introduced below.

Patrick Oliver



Professor Oliver serves as Director of the Criminal Justice Program at Cedarville University in Cedarville, Ohio. Cedarville is a Baptist institution of higher learning.

Prior to coming to Cedarville in 2005, he served for 27 years in law enforcement, including the position of Chief of Police in the cities of Fairborn, Grandview Heights & Cleveland, Ohio. Additionally, he spent 11 years as a trooper with the Ohio State Highway Patrol.

Patrick has been a student of Bible prophecy for many years and has been an enthusiastic supporter of Lamb & Lion Ministries. He has attended our conferences all over the nation as well as our annual conference here in the Dallas area. He has an overwhelming desire to preach and teach Bible prophecy on weekends in behalf of our ministry.

Patrick serves as a Crown Financial Ministries budget coach and seminar instructor, as well as being a consultant and trainer for the International Association of Chiefs of Police and the Ohio Association of Chiefs of Police. He also serves on the Research Advisory Committee for the International Association of Chiefs of Police.

He and his wife, Kim, have been married for 22 years and have three children. They are members of the First Baptist Church of Fairborn, Ohio. The church is affiliated with the Southern Baptist Convention.

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Victoriano Batista



Pastor Vic Batista was born in the Dominican Republic and raised in the Bronx, New York City. Soon after moving to Miami, Florida, Vic gave his life to the Lord and became an ordained minister with Calvary Chapel.

He graduated from DeVry University with a degree in Computer Technology and went to work for General Electric as a Biomedical Field Service Engineer while serving as a pastor/evangelist on weekends. He has pursued that bi-vocational career for 20 years, preaching in both English and Spanish as pastor of Calvary Chapel Aventura located in the Miami, Florida area.

In 2019, he moved to Daytona Beach where he continues to work for GE as a Biomedical Field Service Engineer while preaching and teaching at every opportunity. Over the past 14 years, Pastor Vic has hosted several weekly television and radio programs which focus on Bible Prophecy, as well as other topics. He and Nathan Jones have been co-hosting an Internet radio program for ten years that emphasizes Bible prophecy. He assisted Nathan in the production of his new book about the angels in the book of Revelation.

Vic has been married to his wife, Maureen, for 25 years. They have three grown children, two daughters and a son.

Vic is fluent in both English and Spanish and can teach and preach in both languages.

You can contact him at vbatista@lamblion.com. ❖

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BATTLE FOR ISRAEL HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE

Lamb & Lion Ministries is excited to announce our **Battle for Israel Holy Land Pilgrimage**, scheduled for **September 12-23, 2020**. The tour will be hosted by our Associate Evangelist, Tim Moore. Tim is a retired Colonel in the U.S. Air Force, having over 33 years of military experience. He is also a commercial pilot and has recently completed 13 years in the Kentucky State Legislature. Tim is an expert in Bible prophecy and an experienced host of Israel tours.

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2020 Annual Conference: Featured Speakers

We feel very blessed to have the lineup of speakers that the Lord has provided for our 2020 annual Bible conference. We feel certain that those who attend will be greatly blessed by the biblical insights our speakers have to offer.

The theme for the conference is “20/20 Biblical Vision for the Future.” The theme verse is 2 Peter 1:19 which says:

We have the prophetic message as something completely reliable, and you will do well to pay attention to it, as to a light shining in a dark place . . .

The conference will begin on Friday evening, June 26th, with a musical concert by The Hall Sisters from North Carolina. They will be followed by the keynote speaker, **Dr. Mark Hitchcock**, who will speak on “20/20 Biblical Vision for America.”



Dr. Mark Hitchcock

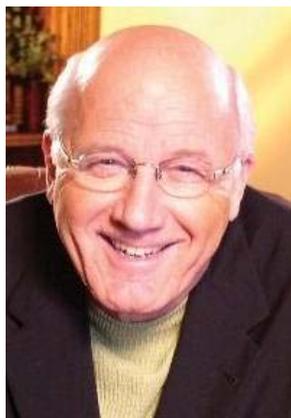
Dr. Hitchcock is the pastor of Faith Bible Church in Edmond, Oklahoma. He also serves as an associate professor of biblical exposition at Dallas Theological Seminary.

He is a prolific writer, having authored over 30 books concerning every aspect of Bible prophecy. And he is a much sought-after conference speaker. Mark is a very effective, down-to-earth communicator who has appeared on the Christ in Prophecy television program several times. He is one of Dr.

Reagan’s favorite prophecy teachers.

Mark will be speaking on one of the hottest topics in Bible prophecy today — namely, what the Bible says, if anything, about the future of our nation in these end times.

The speaker who will resume the conference on Saturday morning is a legendary figure in modern Christianity — **Dr. Gene Getz**. He became a professor at Dallas theological Seminary in 1968, and in 1972 he published a book that brought him worldwide attention. It was titled, *Sharpening the Focus of the Local Church*. The book outlined the principles of church renewal, and it led to his establishing Fellowship Bible Church in Plano, TX, the first of such churches to be established nationwide.



Dr. Gene Getz

He presently serves as Pastor Emeritus of Chase Oaks Church in Plano, Director of the Center for Church Renewal, Host of Renewal Radio (a 15 minute daily program on the Moody Network), and as Adjunct Professor of Pastoral Ministries at Dallas Theological Seminary. He is the author of more

than 50 books, including the *Life Essentials Interactive Study Bible*. Dr. Getz will speak on “20/20 Biblical Vision for the Church.”



Dr. Gary Frazier

Our third featured guest speaker is **Dr. Gary Frazier**, the founder of Discovery Missions International, located in Hurst, Texas. He is an author, conference speaker and renowned evangelist.

He is an expert on the Middle East and has been to Israel more than 150 times. He is also an expert in the field of Bible prophecy and has written several books on the topic. At the height of the popularity of the *Left Behind* series of books, Gary traveled with Tim LaHaye all across America holding Left Behind Conferences at more than 80 of our nation’s largest churches. Dr. Frazier’s topic will be “20/20 Biblical Vision for Israel.”

Our fourth featured guest speaker will be a life-long journalist and newspaper editor from London, England, **Mr. Alan Franklin**. Alan is an expert on the European Union and has been a strong supporter of Brexit — the movement to get England out of the EU.



Alan Franklin

Alan was one of the featured speakers at our 2013 conference, and he is back by popular demand. He and his American wife, Pat, currently serve as the editors of a web newspaper called “The Free Press” (<https://thefreepressonline.co.uk>). His topic will be “20/20 Biblical Vision for Europe.”

The other two speakers at the conference are from Lamb & Lion Ministries: Dr. David Reagan, the Founder and Senior Evangelist, and Nathan Jones, the Internet Evangelist. Dr. Reagan will speak on “20/20 Biblical Vision for the Gentile Nations.” Nathan’s topic will be “20/20 Biblical Vision for the Muslim World.”

The conference is scheduled for June 26 & 27 in Plano, TX. You can register for the conference through the Lamb & Lion website at www.lamblion.com or by calling 877/658-1439. There is a non-refundable registration fee of \$10. Two offerings will be taken at the conference to help cover the costs. ✚

Lamb & Lion Ministries Regional Bible Conference

Living for Christ in the End Times

April 24-25, 2020

Hikes Point Christian Church
2601 Hikes Ln
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David
Reagan



Tim
Moore



Nathan
Jones



James
Walker



Joe
Wright

How are Christians to live amidst a society that is collapsing into anarchy and a church that seems to be drowning in apostasy?



Lamb & Lion Ministries Is Coming To Louisville!

We are excited to announce that this ministry is going to conduct a regional Bible prophecy conference in Louisville, Kentucky in late April. The host church is the Hikes Point Christian Church. The exact dates are April 24 & 25.

The conference will focus on how Christians are to live in the midst of a society that is collapsing into secularism and a Church that is succumbing to apostasy. Accordingly, the theme of the conference is “Living for Christ in the End Times.” The theme verse for the conference is: “The night is almost gone, and the day is near. Therefore let us lay aside the deeds of darkness and put on the armor of light” (Romans 13:12).

Each speaker will give guidelines for how to counter apostasy in the Church and how to live triumphantly in the midst of increasing societal persecution. It will be pointed out that the Bible prophesies that in the end times, right before the return of Jesus, society will become as evil as it was in the days of Noah, and that means increasing immorality and violence — exactly where our society is today. The Bible also prophesies that the Church will be engulfed in apostasy, as pastors tickle the ears of people with what they want to hear and as they compromise with the world, seeking the approval of men rather than God.



Pastor Joe Wright

The keynote speaker will be Joe Wright. Joe is the former pastor of Okolona Christian Church in Louisville. From there he went to a megachurch in Wichita, Kansas called Central Christian Church. While serving there he acquired national notice in 1996 when he presented a prayer before the Kansas Legislature that was denounced by the Democrats. This led to it being featured twice on Paul Harvey’s radio program, resulting in the largest amount of mail ever

received by that program. (You can find the prayer here: www.cltruth.com/2011/joe-wright-kansas-senate-prayer.)

Another of our featured speakers will be James Walker, the founder and president of Watchman Fellowship in Arlington, Texas. James is a former fourth generation Mormon with over twenty years of ministry experience in the field of Christian counter-cult evangelism, apologetics and discernment. He has been interviewed as an expert on new religious movements and cults on a variety of network television programs. He has spoken at hundreds of churches, colleges, universities and seminaries throughout the United States and internationally. He is one of Christendom’s foremost experts on apostasy in the Church.



Evangelist James Walker

Other speakers will include Lamb & Lion’s Internet Evangelist, Nathan Jones; the ministry’s Associate Evangelist, Colonel Tim Moore; and the ministry’s Founder and Senior Evangelist, Dr. David Reagan.

The doors to the conference will open Friday evening, April 24, at 5:30. The conference will kickoff at 6:30 with a 30 minute concert by a group of ladies from Lexington, KY, called “Guarded Heart.” They will also sing before each speaker on Saturday. You will be blessed by their wonderful harmonies.



Guarded Heart

Dr. Reagan will follow them with a 30 minute presentation titled, “Are We Really Living in the End Times?” After a brief break, the conference will resume with Joe Wright’s keynote address. The conference will adjourn that evening at 9:00pm.

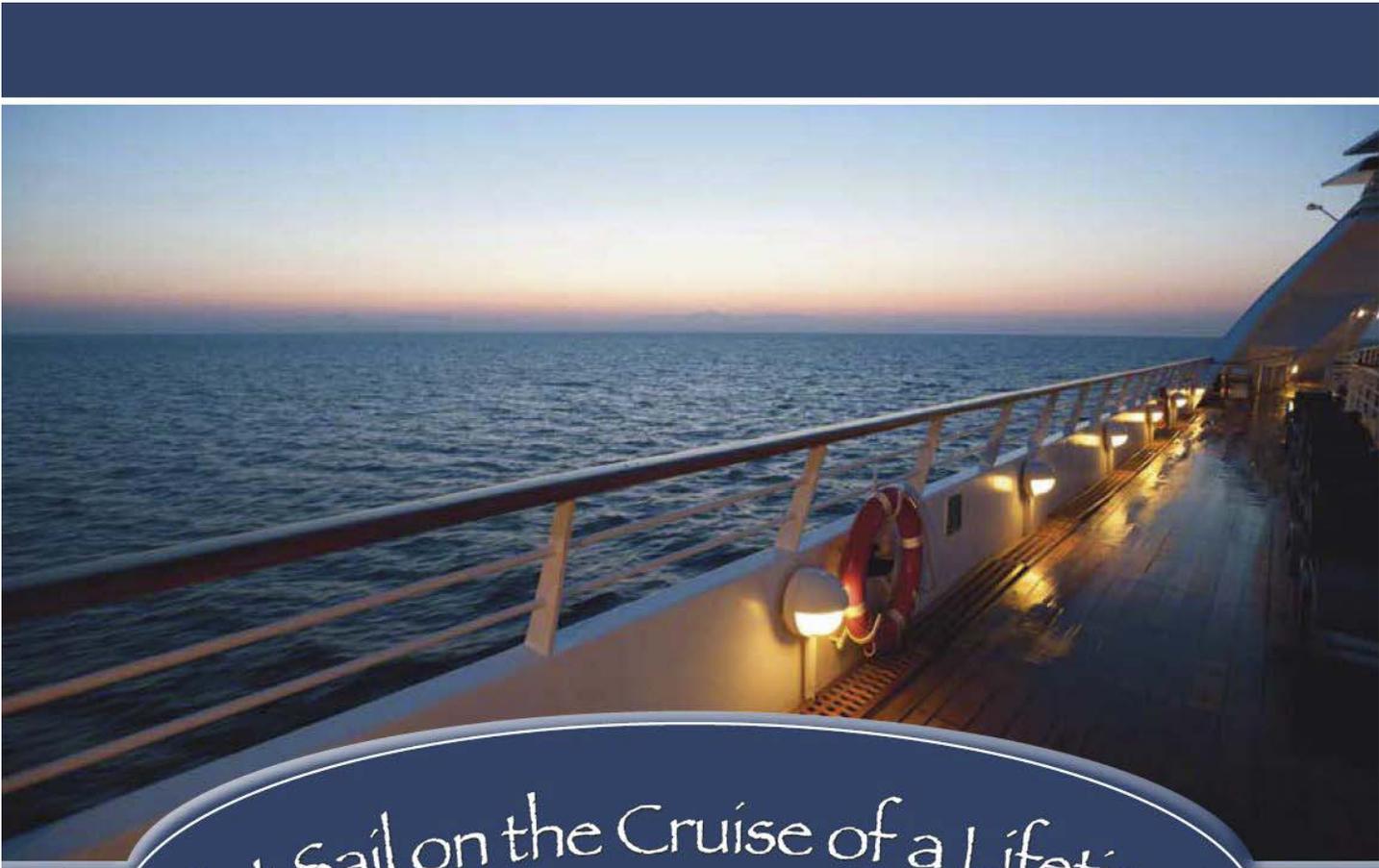
The next day, Saturday, April 25, the doors will open at 8am and the conference will resume at 9am with James Walker speaking on “Dealing with Apostasy in the Church.” He will be followed by Tim Moore whose topic will be “Standing for Righteousness.”

After lunch, Nathan Jones will speak on “Practicing Tough Faith.” Dave Reagan will complete the conference with a presentation titled, “Keeping an Eternal Perspective.”

The Hikes Point Christian Church is located at 2601 Hikes Lane, Louisville, KY. The church’s phone number is (502)473-0403. You can find their website at www.hikespointchristian.com. There is no registration fee for this conference, but registration is required. You can register through the church’s website. The conference is free of charge. Two offerings will be taken to cover the costs of the conference. We very much appreciate Pastor Jeff Wallace and his staff for agreeing to host this conference. ❖



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An Incredible Cruise!

Dr. David R. Reagan

I have had a long and very blessed relationship with Compass International Ministries, founded by Bill Perkins and located in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho. This is the ministry that sponsors the great Stealing the Mind Conferences that I have been honored to speak at many times.

Bill's ministry also sponsors pilgrimages to the Holy Land, just as we do, but in recent years they have put together a Biblelands experience that we do not offer. It is a fabulous cruise that features outstanding speakers and interesting ports of call all across the lands of the Bible.

My Participation

I have been invited a number of times to be one of the speakers on this cruise, and I have reluctantly turned down the invitation each time because I did not want to be away from my very ill wife for over two weeks. Recognizing that concern, Bill recently proposed that I come along on this year's cruise for only a portion of it, and I accepted his very gracious offer. So, instead of being on the cruise for the full 16 days, I will be gone from home only seven days.

I will join the cruise in Athens, lecture at sea two days while paying a visit to Ephesus, and then host a group for three days in Israel – one day in the Galilee and two in Jerusalem. I will then depart the cruise and fly back home. I really appreciate Bill making these special arrangements for me. I have been to Israel 45 times, but not since 2014, when my wife became too ill for me to be away from her for any lengthy period of time. I'm homesick for Jerusalem, and I can hardly wait for the opportunity to stand on the Mount of Olives once again and look out over the Temple Mount.

The Cruise

The cruise company is Celebrity Cruise, which was recently voted "Best Premium Cruise Line" by the readers of *Travel Weekly* newspaper — for the 11th year in a row! The ship, "Reflection," is rated 5-Star.

The group will spend two days and two nights in Rome, with an optional extension to Venice and Florence. The cruise lasts 12 days and covers five countries (Italy, Greece, Turkey, Cyprus and Israel). Each room on the ship includes a balcony.

The Speakers

Featured speakers, in addition to myself, are Andy Woods and Buck Storm, both of whom have been guests on our *Christ in Prophecy* television program.

Andy Woods and I have shared the podium over the years at many Bible conferences all across America. He is an outstanding Bible teacher. He pastors a church in the Houston area and is the President of Chafer Seminary in Albuquerque, NM. And don't let his academic credentials scare you because he knows how to communicate!

It was only recently that I became acquainted with Buck Storm, and what a blessing that has been! He is a very gifted musician, both as a writer of songs and as a performer. But best of all, he is an anointed worship leader.

And if those gifts are not enough, he is also a very gifted writer, both as a novelist and as a non-fiction essayist. His book about Israel, titled, *Finding Jesus in Israel*, is superb. He and Bill Perkins recently combined their talents to produce an historical novel titled, *The List*. It is a fascinating story about how Nicodemus and Joseph of Arimathea likely became believers in Jesus.

For detailed information about the cruise, call the Compass Ministry's office at 208-762-7777, or visit their website at www.compass.org. ❖



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A Pile of Stones

Passing Your Faith to a New Generation

Colonel Tim Moore

When your children ask their fathers in time to come, saying, “What are these stones?” then you shall inform [them] . . . that the hand of the Lord is mighty (Joshua 4:21-24, NKJV).

In a recent *Lamplighter* article, I reflected on my experience as a Kentucky State Representative. I recounted how God commanded that twelve stones of remembrance be gathered on the shore of the Jordan River to bear testimony of His providence for His people. Those stones stood as a lasting witness to the Hebrew children — and to all the peoples of the world.



(<https://theblessedlife.blog>)

With our world spiraling out of control at an accelerating pace, we must bear witness to God’s faithfulness. As darkness descends, we could take comfort in the security of our own salvation and leave the rest to their own fate. But such an attitude would be like jumping off a sinking ship into a lifeboat and ignoring the plight of those destined to sink below the waves. That is not what God calls us to do.

At Lamb & Lion Ministries, we constantly endeavor to expand the impact of our message that Jesus is coming soon. Until He does, He wants all of us to continue to bear much fruit for His kingdom. And, if He delays His coming for a season, we must raise up another generation of fruit-bearers who will point their own contemporaries to Jesus.

One of our goals is to proactively engage young people with the exciting news that they are living in the season of the Lord’s return. For those of you who did not learn the truths of Bible prophecy until late in life, just imagine how much more motivated your faith would have been if you had been exposed to these glorious truths much earlier in your life. Our goal is to spark that fire in young hearts.

Anyone who has been to Israel knows that seeing the Promised Land brings the black-and-white of Scripture to full color and heightens your awareness that the prophetic promises of God are being fulfilled in our world today.

A young man from Kentucky, named Jonathon Moore, was given the opportunity to go to Israel with one of our pilgrimage groups in the summer of 2018, when an older group member had



to back out at the last moment due to illness. That person graciously offered his pilgrimage package to any young person willing to go, and Jonathon accepted the offer. After returning to the States Jonathon wrote:

Thanks to the generosity of one Lamb & Lion supporter . . . I went on a Lamb & Lion Holy Land pilgrimage at almost no cost to myself. This God-ordained experience refocused my Christian faith and reignited my interest in Bible history and prophecy.

As I interacted with much more seasoned believers on the pilgrimage, my faith was strengthened by their testimony and conviction. I pray that many more people in my generation are able to visit the Holy Land and that they are impacted by having their faith in God and His Prophetic Word reinforced.



Tim with Jon Moore at the Lebanese border with Israel.

Recognizing the blessing such an experience represents, we have determined to start taking young believers to Israel as part of our pilgrimage groups. Because young people often lack the financial resources for such an excursion, we have established a “Millennial Kingdom Scholarship” fund to cover most of the cost. To date, almost 100 donors have supported this effort, some on a monthly basis. Our first official MKS Scholar went with us in September, 2019, and we anticipate inviting more to join us in June 2020.

Colby Sims, also from Kentucky, was the first MKS pilgrim whose trip was funded by people who support Lamb & Lion Ministries and who are determined to invest in another generation of believers. He wrote passionately about the impact of his spiritual journey:

It is hard to know where to even begin describing all that I got to see on this pilgrimage. I was amazed to learn and see how Scripture was fulfilled in the places I visited. And, I can imagine the final battle on earth happening there some day in the future. I was blessed and highly favored to experience all this at a young age.



Tim with Colby Sims at the Caesarea Maritime aqueduct.

Both young men had their faith and their passion intensified by the experience and from interaction with seasoned believers on our trips. They were blessed by others who were determined to gather stones to mark God's blessing on their own lives.

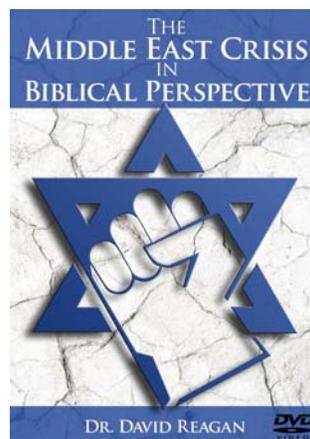
King David once wrote "One generation shall praise Your works to another, and shall declare Your mighty acts" (Psalm 145:4). If you would like to build a pile of stones that will declare His mighty acts in the life of a young believer, please consider contributing to our MKS Scholarship fund. You can help a Christian millennial become your eyes and your feet — experiencing Israel on your behalf. Some of you may be able to completely sponsor an MKS pilgrim. Others will be physically and financially able to pay for and accompany your own grandchildren or a young "Timothy" from your church. We also invite our Prophecy Partners to nominate young people to be considered for this scholarship.

Many of our supporters have committed to "pay it forward" into the lives of these young people — assuring that fruit-bearers are raised up and nurtured until the Lord returns. You can contribute to this effort by designating any gift to our MKS Fund. You can also nominate a young person to be considered for this amazing opportunity. Just contact our ministry by phone or email an inquiry to: mks@lambliion.com. Your willingness to invest in another generation will demonstrate to them that your faith is abundant enough to share. And, it will demonstrate to the world that even as darkness rises, our hope will not fade because "the hand of the LORD is mighty." ❖

Colonel Tim Moore leads Lamb & Lion's pilgrimages to Israel — both our "Footsteps of Jesus" tour and our new "Battle for Israel" tour. He is available to present messages about any aspect of Bible prophecy. Email him to schedule a speaking engagement or to inquire about pilgrimage details at: tmoore@lambliion.com. Expanded testimonies by Jon and Colby as well as pilgrimage videos and photos can be found at www.ChristinProphecy.org/events/israel-tours.

Israel Updates

Do you want to understand Israel and its role in end time Bible Prophecy?



These two videos will give you the Bible's prophetic background on what is happening in the Middle East today.

The Middle East Crisis video presents the spiritual roots of the Arab-Israeli conflict. Dr. Reagan surveys the conflict from biblical times to the present and explains why there will never be peace in the Middle East until the Prince of Peace returns. Dr. Reagan shows from Scripture that the land of Israel has been given to the Jewish people as an eternal possession. Videotaped before a live audience.

In *Myths About Israel*, Nathan Jones joins Dr. Reagan in a discussion of the many myths about Israel that are being circulated today by the fake news press. Some of the accusations against Israel that they dispel are the following:

- "The Jews stole the land of Israel from the Palestinians."
- "The Jewish people have no historical claim over either the land of Israel or the city of Jerusalem."
- "The Palestinians living within Israel are an oppressed and persecuted people."
- "There was never a Jewish Temple in Jerusalem."
- "Israel is an apartheid state."
- "Israel is the greatest threat to peace in the Middle East."

These videos normally sell for \$20 each, including the cost of shipping, but for a limited time (until June 1, 2020) we are making both of them available for \$20, including shipping. Just ask for offer # 892.

You can place your order through our website at www.lambliion.com, or by calling our office at 972-736-3567, Monday thru Friday, 8am to 5pm, Central time. ❖

A Great Prophetic Voice

Dr. David R. Reagan



Jack Van Impe

One of Christendom's most powerful prophetic voices was called home to the Lord on January 18, at the age of 88. He was renowned for his vast memorization of Scripture and his instant recall of verses relevant to what he was talking about. Franklin Graham called him "The Walking Bible."

He was born in 1931, in Freeport, Michigan, two years after his parents had immigrated to the state from Belgium during the Great Depression. His parents worked as farm laborers in sugar beet and vegetable fields. His father later worked in a Plymouth car factory in Detroit. Jack was their only child.

Jack's father taught him how to play the accordion, and the two of them began playing together at beer joints and night clubs. His father was a hard drinker who believed that religion was hogwash. But when Jack was 12 years old, his father was converted to Evangelical Christianity. This led to the conversion of Jack and his mother.

Jack decided he wanted to become an evangelist, so after he graduated from high school, he entered Detroit Bible Institute, where he earned his diploma in 1952. It was then that he began his career as a musician, preacher and evangelist.

He began his evangelistic work with Youth for Christ, serving as a musician for them. This was about the same time that Billy Graham began working for the same ministry. It was at one of this ministry's rallies that he met his future wife, Rexella, who was hired to be an organist with the crusades. The couple were married in 1954, and together started Jack Van Impe Ministries in 1970.

Over the next ten years, they traveled the country together, performing music and preaching in 130 cities. In 1980, they launched their television program, *Jack Van Impe Presents*. By the mid-1990s, the program was being aired weekly in about 25,000 cities in the US and Canada, and in more than 150 other nations around the globe. Viewers seemed to be intrigued by Van Impe's ability to show the relevance of Bible prophecy to current events.

Because he focused on end time events, he was often condemned as a "doomsday prophet." Jack's response in an interview with the *Detroit News* was, "Rexella and I are not dooms-

day people. We believe the greatest time is coming."

I never had the blessing of meeting Jack Van Impe personally. Yet, I felt like I knew him personally because over the years, he called me so often on the telephone. Sometimes, he wanted to compliment me on one of my magazine articles, which he usually quoted on his TV program. At other times, he wanted to tell me how much he had enjoyed one of my books, and he often ordered several hundred copies to offer to his viewers.

He stunned me one time when he wrote an unsolicited review of my book, *God's Plan for the Ages*, saying that the book "offers a sweeping, panoramic view of prophetic events unlike anything I have ever studied, even after having read more than 11,000 books!"

I mention all this because early in the history of this ministry, I discovered a surprising and disappointing fact that the leaders of many ministries are very jealous of other ministries and are therefore reluctant to provide any help or encouragement. That was certainly not true of Jack Van Impe. He was a constant source of encouragement to me, just as was my mentor, Tim LaHaye.

In 2015, when Jack became seriously ill and could not appear on his television program for several months, he invited me to fly up to Michigan to record two programs with Rexella. I accepted the invitation, and was blessed by the opportunity.



Dave Reagan appearing with Rexella Van Impe on the *Jack Van Impe Presents* television program in August of 2015.

Jack, like me, was a person who took God's Prophetic Word to mean what it says. He was, therefore, a Premillennialist who believed in a Pre-Trib Rapture. He was also a person who did not believe in tip-toeing through the tulips when it came to denouncing apostasy in the Church and identifying dangers to American democracy, like Islam. He spoke out courageously against abortion, homosexuality, same-sex marriage and Christian heresies, like the idea that there are many roads to God.

I regret that I never got an opportunity to meet him personally, so I am looking forward to getting acquainted with him in Heaven.

Meanwhile, as we await the glorious return of our Savior, please pray for his wife, Rexella, to whom he was married for 65 years. ❖

Ministry News

Schedule of Speaking Engagements —

March:

- First Baptist Church in Canton, TX [Reagan] (8).
- Men's ministry breakfast at Church of the Savior in Lexington, KY [Moore] (14).
- Mid-America Prophecy Conference in Tulsa, OK, sponsored by Prophecy Watch Ministries [Reagan & other speakers] (19-21).
- Men's Fellowship Retreat at Brookhaven Church in McKinney, TX [Reagan] (27-28).
- Ransom United Methodist Church in Shelbyville, TN [Moore] (29).
- Brookhaven Church in McKinney, TX [Reagan] (29, evening only).

April:

- Conference at Cornerstone Bible Church in Lake Stevens, WA [Reagan & Eric Barger] (4-5).
- Regional Conference at Hikes Point Christian Church in Louisville, KY [Reagan, Jones, Moore and other speakers] (24-25).

May:

- The Free-Man House in Dallas, TX [Reagan] (22).
- Prophecy Conference by "In the Season Ministries" hosted by Brightstar Church in Como, TX [Reagan & other speakers] (24).
- Brookhaven Church in McKinney, TX [Reagan] (31, evening only).

New Podcast Program —

For ten years, Nathan Jones has been participating in a weekly Internet podcast with Vic Batista, a pastor and evangelist in Florida. The program is titled, "The Truth Will Set You Free." Because of our decision to add Vic to our staff as a volunteer evangelist, we have decided to become the official sponsor of this podcast. You can find these outstanding broadcasts at the following link on our website: <https://christinprophecy.org/radio-interviews-podcast>.

Audio Books —

Two of our books are now available in audio editions. They are Dr. Reagan's commentary on the book of Revelation, *Wrath and Glory*, and his newest book, *The Rapture: Fact or Fiction?* These can be purchased at Amazon.com or through the Audible website at www.audible.com.

The Lamb & Lion App —

Do you want to learn Bible prophecy on-the-go? Then download the Lamb & Lion App! Our official ministry app is available FREE for downloading onto all Apple devices via iTunes, Android smart phones and tablets via Google Play, Windows phones via Microsoft Store and Kindle Fire readers via Amazon. Features include episodes of our television program along with accompanying podcasts and transcripts, articles and blog posts on various prophetic topics and an ESV Bible in text and audio format. After you've downloaded and enjoyed the app, share it with your friends using the Twitter and Facebook buttons.

Ministry Goals for 2020 —

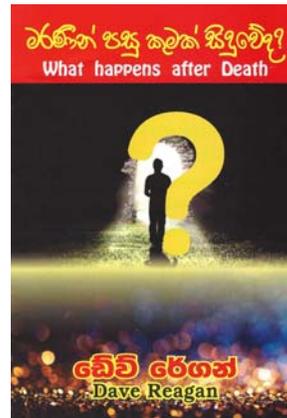
We have set three goals for this year, and we would appreciate it if you would join with us in asking the Lord to enable us to achieve these goals. They are:

- 1) 4,000 Prophecy Partners (we currently have about 3,100).
- 2) 100,000 subscribers to our magazine (88,000 currently).
- 3) 1,800 registrations for our annual Bible conference in June.

Of course, our overall goal has remained the same since the ministry was established in 1980: "To proclaim the soon return of Jesus to as many people as possible, as quickly as possible."

Foreign Outreach —

Our outreach to foreign countries takes many forms. We send regular monthly donations to evangelists in Pakistan, India, Mexico, Israel, Nigeria, Liberia, Northern Ireland, China, the Philippines, Russia, Poland and South Africa. We provide full time support to Donald Dolmus in Nicaragua. He holds Bible prophecy conferences and translates all our materials into Spanish and then posts them on his website at www.endefensa.delafe.org. We reach the entire world through satellites that carry our TV program, and we also have a worldwide outreach through our website at www.lamblion.com.



We recently were surprised to learn that someone in Sri Lanka got hold of Dr. Reagan's article, "What Happens When You Die?" They translated it into Sinhalese, published it and started distributing it among the Christian families and churches where 250 people were killed by terrorists on Easter Sunday 2019.

This article by Dr. Reagan has been translated and published in many different languages. It is probably the most popular article he has ever written. You can find the English

version of it on our website at this link: <https://christinprophecy.org/lamplighter>.

Vital New Software —

The basic software system we have been using for many years that keeps track of our mailing list, email list, inventory and our finances is being phased out in March, and the company is not supplying anything to replace it. When we were informed of this last year, we did an extensive search for a replacement. We found that nearly all the systems available were designed for churches. There is one system that has been designed especially for media ministries like ours. It is called DonorDirect, and it supplies a wide range of services that are amazing. Our Board of Trustees voted in December to purchase the software, and the process has begun of converting all our data to the new system. This is a very complex and time-consuming operation that will not be completed until the end of July. It is also very costly. The software, the conversion, the implementation, the testing and the training of our staff will cost us a total of \$149,100. We have already made two payments of about \$30,000 each. Further payments of \$29,713 will be due in May, September and December. Your help would be appreciated. ❖



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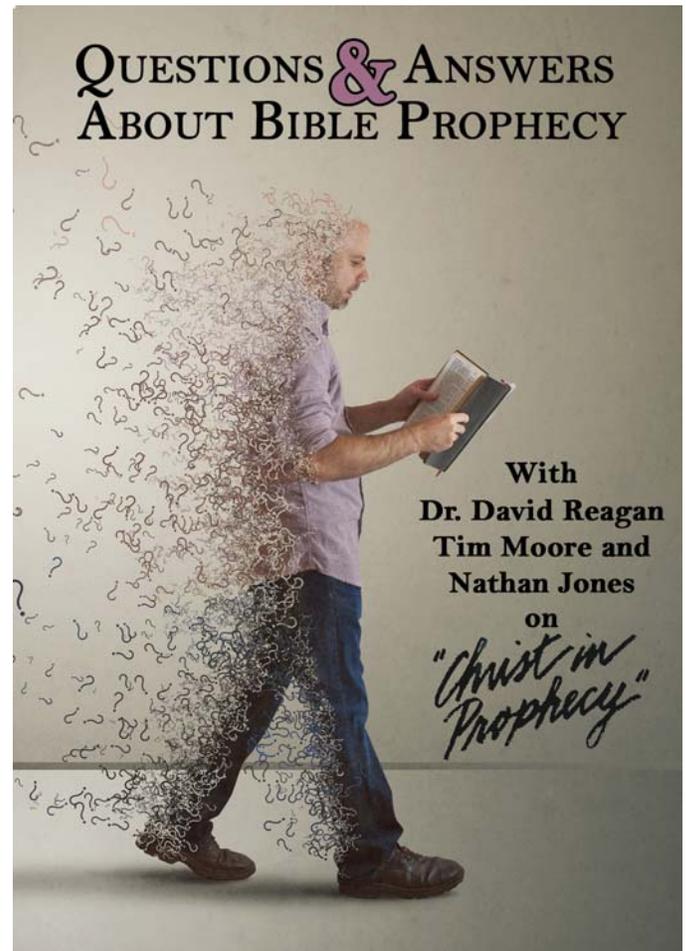
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This new video album consists of two DVD discs that contain a total of seven TV programs in which Dr. Reagan, Tim Moore and Nathan Jones respond to questions submitted by our television viewers about the Bible and Bible prophecy.

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- The Inerrancy of the Bible
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- The Great Tribulation
- The Millennial Reign of Jesus
- The Eternal State

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