

Pope's Call for Interfaith Prayer



The Pope called for believers of ALL religions, and even those who don't believe, to be united "spiritually" to pray to their divinity or ideal, all pleading for the end of the pandemic. Is this biblical? See Page 6



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Made in the Image of God




WHAT DOES IT MEAN THAT HUMANITY IS MADE IN THE IMAGE OF GOD (IMAGO DEI)?

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EDITORIAL

"And God said, Behold, I have given you every herb bearing seed, which is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree, in the which is the fruit of a tree yielding seed: to you it shall be for meat." -

Give Your Immunity a Boost with Ganoderma



The immune system. It's one of your body's critical lines of defense. So it's logical that if it's down-and-out due to stress, toxic exposure, or diet, your body isn't armed to fight infections. Have you ever asked yourself why that one person in your office, classroom or friend group gets sick all the time while others don't? All signs point to immune compromise. But you don't need to suffer with illness ... not if you treat your body right, follow some commonsense defense, and boost your immune system with organic goodies like Ganoderma lucidum!

Here are some good tips for avoiding the aches, pains, upset bellies, and high fevers this season:

1. BE CLEAN! The Center for Disease Control recommends "good health habits" as the #1 way to prevent the illness this season. Disinfect doorknobs, switches, handles, computers, telephones, toys and other surfaces that are commonly touched around the home or workplace. Avoiding close contact with the sick, covering your mouth and nose when you sneeze, regularly washing your hands, using hand sanitizer, and not touching your eyes, nose, or mouth can all help keep you well.

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The Greatest Sins a Nation Can Commit

Certain sins cry out to God more than others, and God's Word is clear that if these sins are not turned away from with national repentance, they will inevitably bring that nation to destruction.

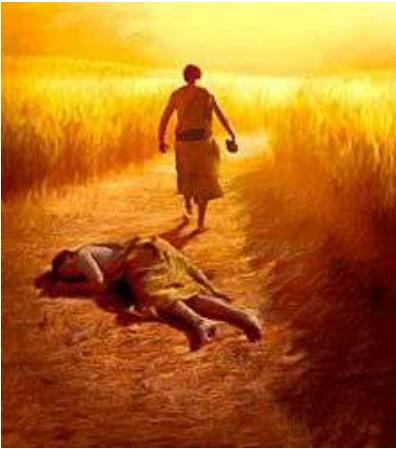
There is no sin that brings us closer to NATIONAL judgment than the SIN of the **unrequited blood of the murdered multitudes**. If you listen carefully, you can hear their voices crying out to God.

Many voices have cried out to God throughout Scripture for God to avenge them. The killing of the innocent has literally created a RED HOT LINE TO THE THRONE OF GOD IN HEAVEN to requite their innocent blood. Our nation, along with many other nations of the world, has abandoned itself to sin.

When a nation, a city, a state abandons themselves to the unrestrained murder of innocent blood, they are calling down upon themselves the frightening judgment of Almighty God.

The first time we read of this is in **Genesis 4:9-11**, "*And the Lord said unto Cain, Where is Abel thy brother? And he said, I know not: Am I my brother's keeper? And he said, What hast thou done? The voice of thy brother's blood crieth unto me from the ground. And now art thou cursed from the earth, which hath opened her mouth to receive thy brother's blood from thy hand;*"

Then we read about the cries of God's people who were in bondage for 430 years in Egypt, asking the Lord to



deliver them. We read in **Exodus 3:7-9**, "*And the LORD said, I have surely seen the affliction of my people which are in Egypt, and have heard their cry by reason of their taskmasters; for I know their sorrows; And I am come down to deliver them out of the hand*

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“For the word of God and the testimony of Jesus Christ” — Revelation 1:9



Dr. John Barela

“And the times of **this ignorance** God winked at; but now commands **all men everywhere to repent**: Because **he hath appointed a day** in which he will judge the world in righteousness **by that man whom he hath ordained**; whereof he hath given assurance unto all men, in that **he hath raised him from the dead**”.

Acts 17:30-31

August 2020

Beloved Co-Heir in Christ Jesus,

What an awesome privilege it is for me to once again write to you -- especially in exciting times like these! When the world and things around us are getting darker, the light of our Lord Jesus and his immense promises become ever brighter. Truly, it is because of whose we are and in whose image we are created that makes his precious promises so amazing!

As we witness the turmoil in the world and our beloved nation – we must remember who is in charge. All that has emerged upon the world scene in the past few years would cause anyone to be concerned – but to our Creator – He merely winks at the times of this ignorance (Acts 17:30-31 above). Why? Because He is in **total control** and has already appointed a day in which He will judge the world in righteousness by that man whom He has ordained. Who is that man? None other than our Lord Jesus.

This ignorance was played out during an episode of “CNN Tonight” in July when host Don Lemon claimed that Jesus Christ was not perfect when He walked the Earth. “Jesus Christ — if that’s who you believe in — Jesus Christ admittedly was not perfect when He was here on this earth,” Lemon asserted to colleague Chris Cuomo.

Chris Cuomo had claimed on CNN a few days earlier: ‘You don’t need help from above’ to make our country better; it’s within us’. This is the kind of ignorance our Lord Jesus is winking at – He is overlooking it for the time being, and is now commanding all men everywhere to repent – because our days are short and He has appointed a day when he will judge the world in righteousness. Don Lemon and Chris Cuomo will discover many things on that day. They will be shocked that Jesus Christ, the perfect Son of God, will be the One judging them at that time.

John 5:22, “*For the Father judges no man, but has committed all judgment unto the son*”. Don Lemon and Chris Cuomo will be judged by none other our Lord Jesus Christ.

They will learn the truth in these Scriptures regarding our Lord Jesus:

1 John 3:5 states plainly, “*And ye know that He [Jesus] was manifested to take away our sins, and in Him is no sin.*”

2 Corinthians 5:21, “*For He hath made Him to be sin for us, who knew no sin, that we might be made the righteousness of God in Him.*”

Our families and our nation can never have peace without the Prince of Peace Isaiah 9:6, “*For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.*”

That is exactly who Christ is – our Ruler and source of Peace. He is called our peace, (Micah 5:5; Ephesians 2:14) and is the only purchaser and procurer of peace between God and men, (Isaiah 53:5); between men and men, between Jews and Gentiles, (Ephesians 2:15); and of the peace of our own consciences; and who provides peace as a fruit of his Spirit to his disciples (John 14:27; John 16:33).

The saddest thing for our Lord Jesus to view is that so many people are ignorant and deceived. This is why our Lord Jesus warned his disciples over and over again throughout Scripture, “*Be not deceived . . .*”

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THE GOOD NEWS:

GOD LOVES YOU! The Bible says, “*God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but shall have eternal life*”

1. The problem is ... All of us have done, said or thought things that are wrong. This is called sin, and our sins have separated us from God. The Bible says “*All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.*” God is perfect and holy, and our sins separate us from God forever. The Bible says “*The wages of sin is death...*” (Romans 6:23)

2. The good news is ... about 2,000 years ago, God sent His only Son Jesus Christ to die as payment for our sins. Jesus rose from the dead and now lives in heaven with God His Father. He offers us the gift of eternal life -- of living forever with Him in heaven if we accept Him as our Lord and Savior. Jesus said “*I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except by Me.*” (John 14:6)

3. If you want to ask Christ to forgive your sins and be your Savior, and know for sure that you will go to Heaven, you can pray this prayer right now.

“Lord Jesus, I believe you are the Son of God. Thank you for dying on the cross for my sins. Please forgive my sins and give me the gift of eternal life. I ask you into my life and heart to be my Lord and Savior. Help me to TRUST you and make you Lord of my life! In Jesus name I pray, Amen.”

If you prayed this prayer, the Bible (God's Word), tells us that when you pass away or when Jesus returns again, you will be saved and spend eternity with Jesus Christ! If you prayed this prayer today, call and let us know.

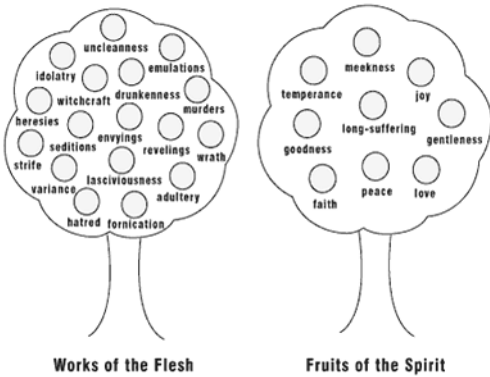
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Pastor’s Letter

God created us IN HIS IMAGE, and it is vitally important that we – as humans – understand that fact. Regrettably, people today live with broken lives of all kinds. One of the biggest cries today, in an attempt to alleviate shootings, is gun control. It is not guns that kill people, it is people. Have you ever thought about what kind of ammunition they put in guns? An even better question is *what kind of ammunition have the shooters put into their minds?* It is the old adage coming to life: *Garbage in – Garbage out.*

What fruit are you producing?

People want love, joy, peace, and kindness. A married couple came in for counseling. Both had prior marriages and the husband said the girl was incorrigible. I asked if either of them had been born of the Spirit. They looked confused by the question. Then I illustrated two trees on a piece of paper and titled them the Tree of the Flesh and the Tree of the Spirit. I asked how many good fruits were growing on the Tree of the Flesh – they said, “None.” I then asked how many good fruits were growing on the Tree of the Spirit – they said, “All were good.”



I told them that they were expecting good fruit to grow on a bad tree. It’s impossible! That is like wanting peaches to grow on a blackberry bush. They are two completely opposite natures. You **must** be born of the Spirit to bear the fruit of the Spirit.

“It is the spirit that quickeneth (makes alive); the flesh profits nothing: the words that I speak unto you, they are spirit, and they are life,” John 6:63 plainly states. Our flesh cannot produce any good fruit whatsoever. If there is any good, it must come from the indwelling presence of the Spirit of Christ.

What this couple did not understand is that for anyone to be able to produce good fruit and walk by the Spirit, you **must** have Christ in you. You must be born-again.

How Do You Walk by the Spirit?

I was at a friend’s house and talking to his wife. One of the things I noticed was that over the kitchen sink are taped four tremendous promises of God written on little pieces of paper. She puts them there to meditate on while she works. Meditating on God’s Word — that’s how you walk by the Spirit.

I keep a little scrap paper by my desk, and whenever I read a promise that can lure me away from my guilt and fear and greed, I write it down. Then in dry spells, I have a pile of promises to soak my soul in. The fight of faith is fought with the promises of God. And the fight of faith is the same as the fight to walk by the Spirit. He works when we are resting in his promises.

George Müller wrote in his autobiography (pages 152-124):

*I saw more clearly than ever that the first great and primary business to which I ought to attend every day was to have my soul happy in the Lord. The first thing to be concerned about was not how much I might serve the Lord, or how I might glorify the Lord; but how I might get my soul into a happy state, and how my inner man might be nourished. . . . Now, what is the food for the inner man? Not **prayer** but, the **word of God**.*

George Müller learned the secret of walking by the Spirit: meditate on the precious truths of the word of God until your heart is happy in God, resting in his promises.

Hudson Taylor had learned it too. He received word one day of rioting near one of the inland mission stations. In a few moments, George Nichol, one of

his evangelists, overheard Taylor whistling his favorite hymn, “*Jesus, I Am Resting, Resting in the Joy of What Thou Art.*” Hudson Taylor “had learned that for him, only one life was possible — just that blessed life of resting and rejoicing in the Lord under all circumstances, while he dealt with the difficulties inward and outward, great and small” (Spiritual Secret, 209).

When you walk by the Spirit, you will not gratify the desires of the flesh. You will produce good fruit: love, joy, peace, patience, etc. You will have victory over temptation and know the guidance of the Lord if you keep your heart happy in God by resting in his promises and meditating on His Word.

Globalists Reveal The 'Great Economic Reset' Coming In 2021

The truth is, the Fed is not a bumbling maintenance man, the Fed is a saboteur, a suicide bomber that is willing to destroy even itself as an institution in order to explode the US economy and clear the path for a new globally centralized one world system. Hence, the "Global Reset".

The global reset is not a "response" to the process of collapse we are trapped in today. No, the global reset as implemented by central banks and the BIS/IMF is the cause of the collapse. The collapse is a tool, a flamethrower burning a great hole in the forest to make way for the foundations of the globalist Ziggurat to be built....economic disaster serves the interests of elitists. But God is orchestrating behind the scenes. Unknown to them, they are merely doing what the hand and counsel of God determined before to be done.

The reset, according to discussions by the IMF, is basically the next stage in the formation of a one-world economic system and potential global government. This seems to fall in line with the solutions offered during the Event 201 pandemic simulation; a simulation of a coronavirus pandemic that was held by the Bill And Melinda Gates Foundation and the World Economic Forum only two months before the REAL THING happened at the beginning of 2020.

Is it not convenient that the events of the real coronavirus pandemic fall exactly in line with the Event 201 simulation, as well as directly in line with the global reset plans of the IMF and the World Economic Forum? As they say, let no crisis go to waste, or, as is the motto of the globalists "Order Out Of Chaos".

It was back in 2014 when Christine Lagarde first began talking about the reset. That same year she also made a very strange speech to the National Press Club in which she started rambling gleefully about numerology and the "magic number 7". Many within the club laughed, as there was apparently an inside joke to which the rest of us were not privy. Turns out, that the World Economic Forum meeting on the global reset in 2021 will be held exactly 7 years after Lagarde gave that speech. Just another coincidence?

No, what the elites want is for the public to **ask**, even **BEG** for global governance. If the public is tricked into demanding it as a way to save them from the horrors of global chaos, then they are far less likely to rebel against it later. Problem - reaction - solution. With 40 million people losing their jobs during the last lockdowns, many states only partially reopened, and only 13% to 18% of small businesses receiving bailout loans to survive, the next two months are going to be a devastating wake-up call.

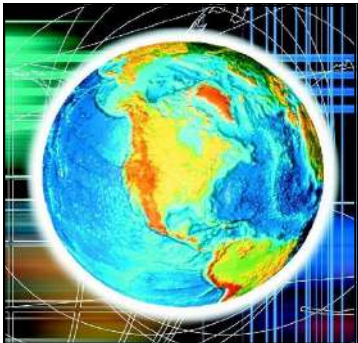
Ladies and gentlemen, we are living in the end of the last days – the time just before the tribulation. The signs are all there. But remember, God tells us in Revelation that **HE** is in total control.

Revelation 17:17, “*For God hath put in their hearts to fulfil his will, and to agree, and give their kingdom unto the beast, until the words of God shall be fulfilled.*”

God is still in control and our prayers have tremendous power to change things.

Your Fellow Servant in Christ,

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WORLD WATCH NEWS SCAN

Chinese virologist accuses Beijing of coronavirus cover-up, flees Hong Kong: 'I know how they treat whistleblowers'

Li-Meng Yan told Fox News that she believes China knew about the coronavirus well before it claimed it did. She says her supervisors also ignored research she was doing that she believes could have saved lives.



■By Barnini Chakraborty, Alex Diaz | Fox News | 07-10-20 — Hours before she boarded the Cathay Pacific flight on April 28 to the United States, the respected doctor who specialized in virology and immunology at the Hong Kong School of Public Health had plotted her escape, packing her bag and sneaking past the censors and video cameras on campus.

She had her passport and her purse and was about to leave all of her loved ones behind. If she was caught, she knew she could be thrown in jail -- or, worse, rendered one of the "disappeared."

Yan told Fox News in an exclusive interview that she believes the Chinese government knew about the *novel coronavirus* well before it claimed it did. She says her supervisors, renowned as some of the top experts in the field, also ignored research she was doing at the onset of the pandemic that she believes could have saved lives. She adds that they likely had an obligation to tell the world, given their status as a World Health Organization reference laboratory specializing in influenza viruses and pandemics, especially as the virus began spreading in the early days of 2020.

Yan, now in hiding, claims the government in the country where she was born is trying to shred her reputation and accuses government goons of choreographing a cyber-attack against her in hopes of keeping her quiet. Yan believes her life is still in danger. She fears she can never go back to her home and lives with the hard truth that she'll likely never see her friends or family there again.

Evangelical Lutheran Church Becomes Branch Of The Radical Left

by Pastor Tom Brock, 07/06/2020) — I spent many years as a pastor in the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America until I led my congregation out for a more Biblical branch of Lutheranism. "Liberal" is no longer the word for the ELCA, it has become radical. Here is what I mean.

The ELCA pays for abortion for any reason in the denomination's healthcare plan which is funded by offering dollars. *That's right*, "your offering dollars at work" can go to kill unborn children. The ELCA ordains practicing homosexuals and now also transgender pastors.

Two summers ago, 31,000 ELCA teenagers attended the ELCA's youth gathering. Popular ELCA pastor Nadia Bolz-Webber led the students to say after her "I renounce the lie that queerness is anything other than beauty". At the youth gathering an 11-year-old boy who thinks he is a girl was put on stage to promote transgenderism.

This past summer the ELCA in convention passed an interfaith resolution stating that we do not know what God thinks of non-Christian religions. A delegate got to the microphone to offer an amendment, saying that we do know because John 14:6 says that Jesus is the only way of salvation. His amendment was voted down by 97 percent.

A Chicago newspaper asked ELCA head bishop Elizabeth Eaton if Hell

exists. Her response: "It may, but I think it is empty."

Recently the *Christian Post* reported on the ELCA promoting a prayer to "Mother God." If you go to Herchurch.org, you will find an ELCA congregation in California which worships "Our Mother who is within us..."

The church's pastor led the women on a retreat in which she gave each a lump of clay to fashion their own Asheroth goddess statue so they could worship the "forbidden divine feminine."

My alma mater, the ELCA's Luther Seminary in St. Paul, Minnesota, held a commemoration service for the Transgender Day of Remembrance in which the transgender preacher led the students in the Lord's Prayer, saying "Our Mother in heaven."

I am on a Facebook page that includes pastors of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, some of whom believe it is sexist to pray exclusively to God as Father. I responded that Jesus taught us to pray "Our Father" and we are in no position to correct Him. A music minister at an ELCA church in Virginia didn't like my comment and responded: "The Lord's Prayer is a pattern for prayer. Do you still say it in Arabic? Hebrew? Then shut up. I'll call God Father, Mother, Sister, Brother, anything I want. Doesn't change my salvation."

Notice what is going on in this comment. Lutherans believe we are saved by grace alone and not by our good works--which is gloriously true (Ephesians 2:8-9). But some Lutherans practice "grace abuse" and say "Because I'm saved by grace, I can live like the devil and do whatever I want".

Or, as the Apostle Paul put it: "*Shall we continue in sin that grace might increase? May it never be!*" (Romans 6:1). Yes, we are saved by grace alone, but grace never is alone, it always changes our lives. Good works do not save us, but they are the evidence that we have been saved by Christ.

So, no, we are not free to worship God as "Mother, Sister, Brother, anything I want". The grace of Christ moves us to want to obey God, not to treat Him with contempt and remold Him into "anything I want."

Sadly, the ELCA has become the denomination of "anything I want." Martin Luther believed that "*the Bible alone*" is the highest authority for

the Church and he would grieve if he could see what the ELCA has become. In fact, some of us think ELCA really stands for "Everything Luther Cautioned Against."

Why are so many states violating religious liberty?

John Stonestreet/David Carlson, 05/14/2020) — Whoever said, "*Eternal vigilance is the price of liberty*," was certainly correct. Especially in times of crisis. For instance, it took a lawsuit to convince Illinois Gov. J. B. Pritzker to allow religious people to leave their homes to exercise their freedom of religion.

Under his original executive order, the governor would permit "Essential Businesses and Operations" to have gatherings of 10 or more people, but not religious gatherings. Even stay-in-your-car drive-in services, as Pastor Steve Cassell of the Beloved Church found out when he was issued a cease and desist order, threats of arrest and prosecution.

Cassell and the Thomas More Society responded by filing a lawsuit. As Thomas More senior council Peter Breen said, "Keeping liquor stores open but indefinitely shutting down churches and religious ministries violates our constitution and our most basic liberties. If liquor stores are 'essential,' so are churches." The governor quickly issued a replacement executive order explicitly allowing the free exercise of religion, as well as permitting gatherings that comply with social distancing.

Governor Pritzker is particularly easy to pick on here, but he's certainly not alone. Kansas Gov. Laura Kelly issued an order that exempted "26 types of secular activities from its gathering ban" but specifically prohibited "churches and other religious services or activities" with 10 or more people, even if they obeyed social distancing requirements. That order only lasted until the Alliance Defending Freedom filed a federal lawsuit. The governor has since issued a new order that didn't single out churches.

Still, as ADF Senior Counsel Tyson Langhofer said, "*It's a shame that it took a federal lawsuit ... in order to finally prompt the governor to issue an order that she could easily have issued in the first place: one that doesn't ... unconstitutionally target churches.*"

It is more than a shame, actually. It's

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Enoch is also mentioned in **Hebrews 11:5**, "By faith Enoch was translated [*caught up / taken to heaven*] that he should not see death; and was not found, because God had translated [*taken*] him: for before his translation he had this testimony, that he pleased God." This is an example of a believer being raptured away suddenly - so as to be seen no more. The same Greek word for rapture in Scripture, "harpazo," is also found in **Acts 8:39**, "And when they were come up out of the water, *the Spirit of the Lord caught away Philip*, that the eunuch saw him no more: and he went on his way rejoicing."

SECOND ADVENT--slow enough for people to realize and see what is happening (Matthew 24:27; Rev. 1:7; Psalm 2:2; Rev. 19:19). The second coming of Christ to the earth will be visible and obvious to all. No one will miss it.

3. THE DATE AND TIME

A. **RAPTURE**: God does not tell us the time or day this will occur, but he does promise that he will come **FOR** us. God tells us in **Mark 13:32-33**, "But of that *day and that hour knows no man, no, not the angels which are in heaven, neither the Son, but the Father. Take ye heed, watch and pray: for ye know not when the time is.*" The Lord Jesus will surely come for His Church—**John 14:1-3**, "Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, *I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also.*"



God's Word is sure. He promises again **1 John 3:2**, "Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, *when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is.*"

B. **SECOND ADVENT**--KNOWN DAY — The date of the second coming can be calculated to the very day. It will occur 2520 days (7 years, or 84 months, each month made up of 30 days) from the time that Antichrist makes a treaty with Israel (Daniel 9:27) and it will occur 1260 days (3½ years) from the time of the abomination of desolation (Matt. 24:15). See Revelation 11:2,3; 12:6,14; 13:5; 2 Thess. 2:8 (Antichrist destroyed at 2nd coming). Of course, this "known day" cannot be known or calculated by anyone until the treaty is signed (Dan. 9:27).

4. PRECEDING SIGNS

A. **RAPTURE**--NONE (Tit. 2:13; Rev. 22:20; etc.). He may come for His Church at any time

and nothing needs to be fulfilled before He comes. The only thing we are waiting for is the completion of the church (Matt. 16:18; Rom. 11:25), and only God knows when this will be.

B. **SECOND ADVENT**--MANY (Matthew 24:3-28). There is much that must be fulfilled before Christ returns to the earth (such as all the events in Revelation 6-18).

ILLUSTRATION: The rapture can be likened to Thanksgiving (a holiday without signs) and the second advent can be likened to Christmas (which is preceded by all kinds of signs). When you see the signs of Christmas (decorations, lights, trees, etc.) then you can be sure that Thanksgiving will take place at any time. If Christmas is near then Thanksgiving must be even nearer!

5. VISIBILITY

A. **RAPTURE**--Christ seen only by the church (1 Thess. 4:17; 1 John 3:2).

B. **SECOND ADVENT**--Christ seen by every eye (Rev. 1:7; Matthew 24:24-27).

6. LOCATION

A. **RAPTURE**--in the air (1 Thess. 4:17).

B. **SECOND ADVENT**--on the earth (Zech. 14:4; Acts 1:11).

7. ASSOCIATED JUDGEMENT

A. **RAPTURE**--the judgment seat of Christ (2 Tim. 4:1,8; 1 Pet. 1:7).

B. **SECOND ADVENT**--destruction of the wicked armies (Rev. 19:17-19) and the judgment of living nations (Matt. 25:31-46).

8. IDENTITY OF THOSE REMOVED FROM THE EARTH AND THOSE REMAINING ON THE EARTH

A. **RAPTURE**--Believers are removed; unbelievers remain (1 Thess. 4:13-18; 1 Cor. 15:51-53; John 14:3).

B. **SECOND ADVENT**--Unbelievers are removed; believers remain (Matthew 24:37-41 and Luke 17:34-37). See Matthew 24:38 where the unbelieving world in Noah's day was taken away in judgment.

9. PURPOSE OF CHRIST'S COMING

A. **RAPTURE**--to receive His bride (John 14:3; 1 Thess. 4:17).

B. **SECOND ADVENT**--to receive His kingdom (Luke 19:22; Rev. chapters 19-20)

10. THE BODIES OF LIVING BELIEVERS

A. **RAPTURE**--church age believers are raised (those who have died) and are translated and "changed" (those who are living) with the result that they have immortal, resurrection bodies (1 Cor. 15:52-53; 1 Thess. 4:17).

B. **SECOND ADVENT**--believers who survive the tribulation enter the kingdom in natural bodies (Matthew 25:23), and these believers will eventually bear children and repopulate the earth. ■

QUESTION: When should believers look for the coming of the Lord Jesus? Why is there so much confusion as to when the long-predicted coming of Christ will be?

ANSWER: There are two distinct phases of the 2nd Coming of our Lord Jesus. There is a simple distinction important to note in Scripture. First, our Lord Jesus comes **FOR** the believers to meet them in the **AIR/CLOUDS** to *take them to Heaven* before he returns to the earth. This takes place just before the Tribulation. This is the Rapture

Second, Jesus will return **WITH** his Saints/Believers to the **EARTH** to *establish his Kingdom on earth*. This will take place at the End of the Tribulation. This is the Second Coming or Return of Christ.

1. When does Scripture say these will take place?

A. **RAPTURE**--before the tribulation (Revelation 3:10). The church will be kept out of that hour or time of testing which will come upon the whole world.

B. **SECOND ADVENT**--after the tribulation (Matthew 24:29-30; Revelation 19:11-16).

2. The Rapture will happen suddenly - in a moment.

A. **RAPTURE**: **1 Corinthians 15:52**, "In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed."

The Greek word used for "moment" is "atom," a split-second, literally "uncut, indivisible," we divide and cut time into years and months and days and hours and minutes and seconds, but the smallest measure of time is an "atom" of time which we might call a split-second. What a wonderful book God has left for us. We are also told it will be in "the *twinkling/blink of an eye*. It will happen before people will realize it is happening.

Even as it was with Enoch. We read in **Genesis 5:22-24**, "And Enoch walked with God after he begat Methuselah three hundred years, and begat sons and daughters: And all the days of Enoch were three hundred sixty and five years: And Enoch walked with God: and he was not; for God took him." That seems to imply that he slipped out of sight - he suddenly disappeared. **Psalms 37:36** tells us almost the same thing: "I looked, and lo! he was not."

Pope Francis' Dangerous Call For Interfaith Prayer - Each To His Own God

Do you think the Almighty God of Scripture would agree with this appeal, much less share His glory with anyone?

Isaiah 42:8, “I am the LORD: that is my name: and my glory will I not give to another, neither my praise to graven images.”

Isaiah 48:11, “For mine own sake, even for mine own sake, will I do it: for how should my name be polluted? And I will not give my glory unto another.”

by Leonardo de Chirico, Evangelical Focus, July 7, 2020

Anyone with even a small amount of Biblical knowledge will recognize how preposterous this call for an inter-religious call for prayer is. Moreover, to suggest that each religious system would be allowed to call upon their own God is the worst blasphemy a believer in the Lord Jesus could ever do. This violates the first two of the Ten Commandments.

Exodus 20:1-5, “And God spake all these words, saying, I am the LORD thy God, which have brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage. Thou shalt have no other gods before me. Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image, or any likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. Thou shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them: for I the Lord thy God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me.”

The only God of creation not only tells us that He would never begin to condone such a call for prayer, but would condemn any that would enter into such a inter-religious affair. Nowhere throughout Scripture can you find where the God of Heaven would accept such a practice. On the contrary, all of Scripture condemns such a practice. Note what God reveals to us in 2 Corinthians 6:15-17, “*And what concord hath Christ with Belial? Or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel? And what agreement has the temple of God with idols? For ye are the temple of the living God; as God has said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. Wherefore come out from among them, and be you separate, says the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you.*”

For those who have a basic grasp of biblical faith, this is pretty absurd. Not for Rome, though. Indeed, the Roman Catholic religion organized a "Day of Prayer and Fasting addressed to believers of all religions" under the auspices of the Higher Committee for Human Fraternity to pray together. Catholics, Muslims and people of other religions or of no religion were all encouraged to pray to

her/his own god or personal ideal for the pandemic to cease.

This call for inter-religious prayer by the Roman Catholic religion was headed by the Higher Committee for Human Fraternity that was established in 2019, a few months after the meeting in Abu Dhabi between Pope Francis and Ahmed al-Tayyeb, Grand Imam of al-Azhar, the Muslim University in Cairo (Egypt).

That meeting was centered on the signing of the controversial "Document on Human Fraternity for World Peace and Living Together". In spite of the praise gathered in inter-faith circles, it is a controversial document for a simple reason: it joins the commendable attempt to build a peaceful society (especially in areas where the relationship between the Muslim majority and the Christian minority is tense) with the idea that Muslims and Christians are "brothers and sisters" praying to the same God.

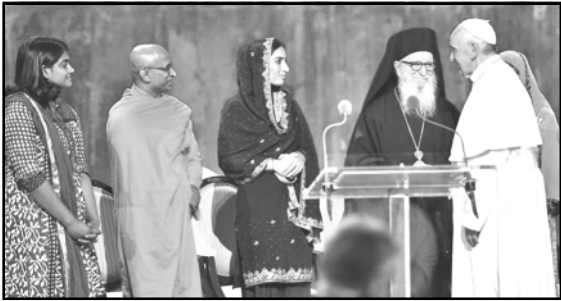
In so doing, it wrongly exchanges proximity with the fraternity of our being neighbors with all men and women, without being brothers and sisters with those who belong to the family of God in Jesus Christ. While proximity connects people of different religions and backgrounds and calls them to live in peace, fraternity is a spiritual bond that unites believers in Jesus Christ as believers.

The "Document on Human Fraternity" blurs the distinction and changes the meaning of fraternity, extending it to the relationships between peoples of different religions, as if Muslims and Christians are "brothers and sisters" praying to the same God.

This day of prayer witnessed the participation of believers of all religions, but also of those who do not believe, united "spiritually" to pray to their divinity or ideal, all pleading for the end of the pandemic. What spirituality would a person who does not believe have? Each participant was called to address his god/ideal in a spirit of fraternity that embraced everyone. What is at stake theologically is enormous.

Moving beyond the perimeter of the biblical faith, Roman Catholicism legitimizes prayers to other deities or religious ideals, silencing the prophetic message of Scripture that we either serve the biblical God or idols. It fails to bear witness to the claims of Jesus Christ as the God-man who came to redeem those who believe in him, and instead changes the meaning of fraternity by stretching it indiscriminately to all humanity, rather than believers in Christ Jesus alone. In so doing, the tenets of the biblical faith are trampled on.

This is a further move away from historical biblical Christianity. Not being anchored in Scripture alone, not being committed to Christ alone, Roman Catholicism is anxious to extend its ever-expanding catholicity in all directions, even those clearly contrary to the basics of the Christian faith.



This is not even something new that was introduced by the current Jesuit Pope with his "uncertain" magisterium. It is rather a confirmation of the slippery slope of the "development" of what is already contained in Vatican II (Lumen Gentium n. 16), with its universalistic bent, which was visually represented at the inter-religious prayer of Assisi (1986, convened by John Paul II) and then confirmed by Francis' apostolic exhortation of 2013 (Evangelii Gaudiumnn. 244-254), eventually culminating in the "Document on Human Fraternity" in 2019.

Present-day Roman Catholicism, while open to ecumenism with liberal Protestants, Eastern Orthodox and Evangelicals, does the same with Muslims, Buddhists, and men of good will. For Rome, unity is not only among Christians, but among all women and men as human beings.

This "unity" is based on the "gospel" of our common humanity, to which everyone belongs regardless of faith in Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord. The question remains, though: *Is this the biblical gospel?*

Biblical proximity does not require common prayer and does not entail fraternity. At the Areopagus, while respectfully engaging various people in various contexts, the Apostle Paul preached the gospel by calling all to repent and believe in the Man appointed by the Father who was raised from the dead, the Lord Jesus Christ (Acts 17:31). He was a good neighbor, but he did not call the Athenians "brothers and sisters", nor did he ask them to pray with him.

To the Christians scattered all over the world, Peter did not give the advice of uniting in prayer with the peoples around them, but he did teach them to always be prepared to make a defense of the gospel (1 Peter 4:15). Peter wanted them to be good neighbors, but always ready to proclaim the excellencies of him who had called them out of darkness into his marvelous light. If Paul and Peter were informed of the "Day of Prayer and Fasting addressed to believers of all religions", they would immediately declare this passage of Scripture with them. 2 Corinthians 6:15-17, “*And what concord hath Christ with Belial? Or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel? And what agreement has the temple of God with idols? For ye are the temple of the living God; as God has said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. Wherefore come out from among them, and be you separate, says the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you.*” ■

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of the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land unto a good land and a large, unto a land flowing with milk and honey; unto the place of the Canaanites, and the Hittites, and the Amorites, and the Perizzites, and the Hivites, and the Jebusites. Now therefore, **behold, the cry of the children of Israel is come unto me:** and I have also seen the oppression wherewith the Egyptians oppress them.

God's ears are open to the cries of his people throughout Scripture. We look at one example in the Book of Revelation at the cry of another group of people crying out to God to avenge them. We are told in Revelation 6:9-10:

"And when he had opened the fifth seal, **I saw under the altar the souls of them that were slain for the word of God,** and for the testimony which they held: And they cried with a loud voice, saying, **How long, O Lord, holy and true, dost thou not judge and avenge our blood on them that dwell on the earth?**"

The entire world will someday witness the forgotten or ignored wrongs of generations who will come forth from oblivion, who have been crying for vengeance. It is not fiction. When the shedding of righteous blood falls to the ground, the laws of God will avenge their blood, and the victims will be alive to witness the reward of the ungodly.

The Lord alone is the comforter of the innocent blood of abortion and His afflicted servants, whose blood is precious in his sight. Of all the grievous sins that are committed, none is said to find its voice reaching the ear of God more than the shedding of innocent blood.

The shedding of innocent blood is a grievous sin, but so is the sin of Sodom & Gomorrah, both of which are recorded as 'crying sins' unto God (Gen 4:10; 18: 20-21).

We are told of another account in Genesis that acutely gets God's attention. Three angels visit Abraham in Genesis 18. One of those angels is the Angel of Jehovah, the Lord Jesus Himself who comes in some visible form and appearance. Abraham worships this angel. He speaks in the first person in the name of Jehovah. We read in Genesis 18:20-21:

"And the Lord said, **Because the cry of Sodom and Gomorrah is great, and because their sin is very grievous; I will go down now, and see whether they have done altogether according to the cry of it, which is come unto me; and if not, I will know.**"

God informs Abraham that a cry from the earth has once more reached his ear. It is this cry that brings God down from heaven in the person of the Angel of the LORD to see if the cry is as grievous as it sounds. Of course, all of this is

figurative language. God does not need to come down to see what is taking place. God fills the universe, he fills heaven and earth with his being. This is one of God's great attributes, he is Omnipresent - he is present everywhere. God is also Omniscient, he knows all there is to know even before the foundation of the world.

Then we read in Genesis 19 the assessment of what He saw:

"And **there came two angels** to Sodom at even, and Lot sat in the gate of Sodom: and Lot seeing them rose up to meet them, and he bowed himself with his face toward the ground; And he said, Behold now, my lords, turn in, I pray you, into your servant's house, and tarry all night, and wash your feet, and ye shall rise up early, and go on your ways. And they said, Nay; but we will abide in the street all night. And he pressed upon them greatly, and they turned in unto him and entered into his house, and he made them a feast and did bake unleavened bread, and they did eat. But before they lay down, the men of the city, even the men of Sodom, compassed the house round, both old and young, all the people from every quarter: And they called unto Lot, and said unto him, Where are the men which came into thee this night? bring them out unto us, that we may know them. And Lot went out at the door unto them, and shut the door after him, And said, I pray you, brethren, **do not so wickedly.** Behold now, I have two daughters which have not known man; let me, I pray you, bring them out unto you, and do ye to them as is good in your eyes: only unto these men do nothing; for therefore came they under the shadow of my roof. And they said, Stand back. And they said again, This one fellow came into sojourn, and he will needs be a judge: now will we deal worse with thee, than with them. And they pressed sore upon the man, even Lot, and came near to break the door. [These men of Sodom were absolute perverted beasts - totally reprobate] But the men put forth their hand, and pulled Lot into the house to them, and shut to the door. And they smote the men that were at the door of the house with blindness, both small and great: so that they wearied themselves to find the door."

Then God forcefully removed Lot and his household from that city before the angels destroyed it.

Verse 12, "*And the men said unto Lot, Hast thou here any besides? son in law, and thy sons, and thy daughters, and whatsoever thou hast in the city, bring them out of this place: For we will destroy this place **because the cry of them is waxen great before the face of the Lord;** and the Lord hath sent us to destroy it.*"

Then God did something He had never done before in human history. God rains FIRE and BRIMSTONE down upon these wicked people and destroyed the cities of the plains. I have been to the location where these cities were. To

this day. you can see brimstone on top surface of the land. There is no brimstone underneath the ground, only on top.

What was the most grievous/crowning sin of Sodom and Gomorrah? We are given its New Testament counterpart in answer to this question.

Jude 7, "*Even as Sodom and Gomorrah, and the cities about them in like manner, giving themselves over to **fornication, and going after strange flesh,** are set forth for an example, suffering the vengeance of eternal fire.*"

These cities had abandoned themselves to sin. Their sins came out of the closet and they unashamedly, paraded their debauchery open for all to see. God left us with the Scriptures as our spiritual food, and for another special purpose. God wants us to know this is not an acceptable form of behavior.



2 Peter 2:6, "*And turning the cities of **Sodom and Gomorrah** into ashes condemned them with an overthrow, **making them an ensample unto those that after should live ungodly.**"*

The entire country had accepted their perverted lifestyle. This is where we find ourselves as a nation today. Corporations are giving millions upon millions of dollars to every perverted group you can think of. The Boy Scouts of America have succumbed by changing their rules to accept anything.

Friend, there is a point in the life of an individual, a city, and a nation - when God will say ENOUGH! It goes back to the **Doctrine of the Image of God**. The human race has rebelled and gone outside of God's design and intent.

Genesis 1:26-28, "*And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth. So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; **male and female created he them.** And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over*

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What does it mean to be made in the image of God?

The Importance of Understanding the Doctrine of the "The Imago Dei" — The Image of God

You are valuable to God. You are unique and fashioned in the image of God. You are created for a particular purpose. Have you ever wondered what it means to be a human being? To be part of the greatest species in all of God's creation? Greater than all of the awesome angelic creatures who attended the altar of God in the Heavenlies? It means you are created in *the imago Dei* -- the image of God.

Imago Dei is the Latin translation of "Image of God" as found in Genesis in the creation story that comes from the Latin version of the Bible, translated to English as "*image of God*." It's is imperative to discover the meaning and significance of why humans were created in the "image of God" to experience the abundant life for which God created us.

"Image of God" is defined as the metaphysical expression, associated uniquely to humans, which signifies the symbolical connection between God and humanity. The phrase has its origins in Genesis 1:27, wherein "*God created man in his own image...*"

The term *imago Dei* refers fundamentally to two things: *first*, God's own self-actualization through humankind; and *second*, God's care for humanity. To say that humans are created in the image of God is to recognize the special qualities of human nature which allows God to manifest Himself through humans. For humans to have the conscious recognition of their being in the image of God means that they are the creature through whom God's plans and purposes can be made known and actualized. The moral implications of the doctrine of *imago Dei* are apparent in the fact that if humans are to love God, then humans must love other humans, which can only be accomplished by God's original design in creating the human being. Since we are told in 1 John 4:8 that God is love, then it is God himself who must love through us. We were designed by God to live by the Spirit of God who indwells us. As we die to self, then God is able to live His life through us. It is in this way that each of us becomes an expression of God.

As it is written in Romans 11:36, "*For of him, and through him, and to him, are all things: to whom be glory for ever. Amen.*"

The significance of humans being created "in the image of God" is our responsibility to recognize and understand rationality and ability to create difficult conceptions from the natural world. This gives us the capacity to create a glorious peaceful world or a fallen chaotic environment, depending upon our motives and understanding. Just as Satan fell from God, we are capable of falling from God and suffering the consequences. We must realize our dual potential (good vs evil) and act in accordance with God's will and law to create prosperous and benevolent communities and nations. This is contrasted in Roman 8:2, "*For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has made me free from the law of sin and death.*" It is these true worshippers God is looking for, as we read

in John 4:23-24, "*But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeks such to worship him. God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth.*"

Imago Dei (Image of God) in the Bible: God said, "*Let us make man in our image, after our likeness. And let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over the livestock and over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth. So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them.*" Gen. 1:26-27

"*And have put on the new man, which is renewed in knowledge after the image of him that created him:*" Colossians 3:10

"*Whoso sheddeth man's blood, by man shall his blood be shed: for in the image of God made he man.*" Genesis 9:6

"*In whom the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them.*" 2 Corinthians 4:4

"*Who being the brightness of his glory, and the express image of his person, and upholding all things by the word of his power, when he had by himself purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high:*" Hebrews 1:3

No word for *image* or *likeness* appears in the Greek text. The phrase "after the *image* / *likeness* of God" translates *ton kata theon*, which literally means, "*which is according to God.*"

To find one's destiny is to discover your Creator. An understanding of the Imago Dei, will answer the question of many, it is NOT WHO I AM, but rather WHOSE you are. We are told in 2 Corinthians 5:17, "*Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.*" It is to be in Christ Jesus that will provide us with that logical answer to all of our questions – it is in the incarnation that will help us identify our problem, and along with that, God provides us with the ability to overcome that sin problem by bringing us into an intimate personal relationship with Christ when we are born of the Spirit. He reveals to us that we are pilgrims here on earth, that everything here is temporal. He will teach us the vanity of driving our stakes in this world. He makes us to understand Matthew 6:19-20, "*Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal: But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal:*"

It is as it is written in James 4:14, "*Whereas you know not what shall be on the morrow. For what is your life? It is even a vapor, that appears for a little time, and then vanishes away.*"

Our Lord Jesus alone is able to make us see what eye has not seen, nor ear heard. We are told in Isaiah



64:4, "*For since the beginning of the world men have not heard, nor perceived by the ear, neither hath the eye seen, O God, beside thee, what he hath prepared for him that waiteth for him.*" God repeats this in the New Testament in 1 Corinthians 2:9, "*But as it is written, Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither has entered into the heart of man, the things which God has prepared for them that love him.*"

There is no other worldview that can provide you with answers to the issues of life with logical consistency - God is the all encompassing answer to life as a whole. John 14:6, "*Jesus says unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.*" Our Lord Jesus comforts us in our suffering and puts meaning in all the issues of life we face by his eternal Word. He has even conquered death through his glorious bodily resurrection from the grave that caused the apostle Paul to declare in Philippians 1:20-23, "*According to my earnest expectation and my hope, that in nothing I shall be ashamed, but that with all boldness, as always, so now also Christ shall be magnified in my body, whether it be by life, or by death. For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain. But if I live in the flesh, this is the fruit of my labor: yet what I shall choose I wot not. For I am in a strait betwixt two, having a desire to depart, and to be with Christ; which is far better:*"

God has much more waiting for us in the Heavenlies, when the Mysterious Books in Heaven are revealed

Did you know that there are books that exist in Heaven that contain everything from the smallest details about your life to even many of the tears you have shed on Earth? Here is some exciting information we want to share with you regarding books in Heaven's library that are mentioned in the Bible.

The Book of the Living: The first book we will look at is called the "Book of the Living" and many believe this book is the same as another book mentioned in the Word of God called the "Book of Life", which contains the names of the righteous. However, this Book of the Living appears to be a book revealing the destinies of all humans born on Earth. God revealed more details concerning this book to the prophet Jeremiah:

"*Before I formed thee in the belly I knew thee; before thou camest forth out of the womb I sanctified thee, and I ordained thee a prophet unto the nations.*" — Jeremiah 1:5

More about this book was revealed to David: "*Thine eyes did see my substance, yet being imperfect; and in thy book all my members were written which in*

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every living thing that moveth upon the earth."

Anything that attempts to destroy that image, God hates and will destroy. It happened when the fallen angels were about to destroy this image by procreating with the children of Adam and thus destroyed the seed through whom Messiah would come (Genesis 6:1-5). This perversion was so extensive and so bad, that God had to destroy the earth in the Great Flood saving 4 couples to replenish the earth.

If the innocent blood of Abel, caused God to cry out to Cain in Genesis 4:10, " . . . And he [GOD] said, What hast thou done? the voice of thy brother's blood crieth unto me from the ground. And now art thou cursed from the earth, which hath opened her mouth to receive thy brother's blood from thy hand;" . . . What must God be thinking now with the unrequited blood of millions upon millions of innocent victims of abortion being killed each year in the USA alone.

Worldometers [January 03/2020], the website notes that in the US approximately half of pregnancies are "unintended" with four in 10 ending in an abortion, amounting to over **3,000 abortions being performed every day - which adds up to 1,095,000 unborn babies murdered every year.** The most current available figures from the World Health Organization, 42.4 million babies were killed by abortion worldwide in 2019.

What does the word "unrequited" mean? To "requite" someone means "to pay them back." To pay them back in kind. To avenge. Blood that has not been requited refers to the innocent blood that has been shed, as it was with Able, that has not been paid back in kind. This sin, above all others, is the sin that cries out to heaven to the God of all comfort to avenge their innocent blood. Our Creator is the Advocate of all the millions of unborn babies whose innocent blood was taken from them.

Again we ask, if the innocent blood of Abel caused God to cry out to Cain in Genesis 4:10, "... And he [GOD] said, What have you done? the voice of thy brother's blood cries unto me from the ground. And now are you cursed from the earth, which hath opened her mouth to receive thy brother's blood from thy hand;"... what must God be thinking now with the unrequited blood of millions upon millions of innocent victims being killed each year?

We are living in a time when it is extremely important to understand that the choice you make today - may cause you to end up living with Cain and the rich man of Luke 16:19-32. May our Creator and Savior, the Lord Jesus, help you make the right choice.

“And if it seems evil unto you to serve the LORD, choose this day whom ye will serve ... but as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord.” — Joshua 24:15

“See, I have set before you this day life and good, and death and evil; In that I command thee this day to love the Lord thy God, to walk in his ways, and to keep his commandments and his statutes and his judgments, that you may live and multiply: and the Lord thy God shall bless thee in the land whither you go to possess it. But if thine heart turn away, so that you will not hear, but shall be drawn away, and worship other gods, and serve them; I denounce unto you this day, that you shall surely perish, and that you shall not prolong your days upon the land, whether you pass over Jordan to go to possess it. I call heaven and earth to record this day against you, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing: therefore choose life, that both you and your seed may live: That you may love the Lord thy God, and that you may obey his voice, and that you may cleave unto him: for he is your life, and the length of your days: that you may dwell in the land which the Lord swore unto thy fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give them.” — Deuteronomy 30:15-20

Friend, it is a sad thing to drive your stakes into what this life offers. For many, life has worked out beautifully. They have a good job, raised children, paid taxes, and kept the law. And all those years they voted responsibly and attended a church with its own welcoming atmosphere. Everything was fine then.



Now, we have awakened to a world of shadow governments, political coups, manufactured pandemics, and authoritarian social controls. There is much talk about vaccines being the "mark of the beast." And the communists and anarchists have bided their time until they sensed that society was unstable enough to take to the streets again.

When the presence of the Lord is pushed away, He willingly recedes into the background. When He's not called upon, His presence fades. Evil rises. As in the days of the prophet Samuel when the people rejected God's rule:

"But the thing displeased Samuel, when they said, Give us a king to judge us. And Samuel prayed unto the LORD. And the LORD said unto Samuel, Hearken unto the voice of the people in all that they say unto you: for they have not rejected thee, but they have rejected me, that I should not reign over them" (I Sam. 8:6,7).

In his old age, Samuel had turned his Godly rule

over to his two unworthy sons, who governed through graft and corruption. The people demanded a king to rule over them, just like the surrounding Gentile nations. Earlier, Israel had demanded that Moses allow them to have a king: *"And he gave them their request, but sent leanness into their soul"* (Ps. 106:15).

Friend, God's Word tells us in 2 Peter 3:9 that God is not slack concerning his promise, but is longsuffering - not willing that any should perish but that all should come unto repentance. One thing is sure, God has prepared a place for two types of people - those who receive pardon for their sins from our Lord Jesus ... And those who have rejected God's free pardon of sin.

Revelation 20:4-15, *"And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them: and I saw the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the word of God, and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received his mark upon their foreheads or in their hands; and they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years. But the rest of the dead lived not again until the thousand years were finished. This is the first resurrection. Blessed and holy is he that hath part in the first resurrection: on such the second death hath no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ and shall reign with him a thousand years. And when the thousand years are expired, Satan shall be loosed out of his prison, And shall go out to deceive the nations which are in the four quarters of the earth, Gog, and Magog, to gather them together to battle: the number of whom is as the sand of the sea. And they went up on the breadth of the earth, and compassed the camp of the saints about, and the beloved city: and fire came down from God out of heaven, and devoured them. And the devil that deceived them was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet are, and shall be tormented day and night for ever and ever. And I saw a great white throne, and him that sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away; and there was found no place for them. And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the book of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works. And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and hell delivered up the dead which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works. And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death. And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire."*

Is your name written in the Lamb's Book of Life? If not, this is your future! ■

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INDIA—Rejoice and Jenny Kamei

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Rejoice and Jenny Kamei with their children.

Hi Pastor John,

My family and I are doing fine by the grace of God. I hope you are well too.

The virus and the lockdown is really not helping specially for the school. It has been a big problem for me financially because the small amount of money I used to collect from the students has not been paid. Only around 45% of the student had cleared the fees for January and 15-20 % only for the month of March. I wasn't able to pay the teachers salary after paying for the month of March and 50% of April salary two weeks back.

The hardest hit are the private schools in India. No help are given in any form for the school and the teachers but are compelled to conduct online class which is very unfruitful because of no good network plus many of the family does not have a smart phone. Apart from that the school is doing well.

This year we had a good result for grade 10 students. Out of 56 students who appeared for the final exam 53 of them got through. Which is a great results for us. The school had been permitted to add grade 11 & 12 by the government which is a blessing for the people around the school. Last year we had around 960 students, but this year it's hard to say. Could have been more but due to this virus a lot of students are not sure whether they will continue their studies or not, cause they are not able to come up with the small amount . Many have not paid even a Rupees since we started the school by January. The school has 29 teaching staff and 6 non-teaching staff.

The school started construction of the new building (below) through the loans provided by a Bank about \$70,000 since 2018, but it is also on hold. Please continue to uphold the school and its needs in your prayers.

By God's grace, Rejoice and Jenny ■

PERU — Rose of Sharon Radio

Greetings My Brother John:

God Bless You.

With the favor of GOD, we are still here. Ready, and able...

These last 15 days have been and continue to be VERY, VERY CRUCIAL for this province where I live (San Martin) since the deaths began. Only last week, 13 died, that is, in just 7 days! IT MEANS that it began to get serious and THEN the idea arose — Picota people need to START time of prayer and more prayers. It is a very serious situation for the population.

It is my prayer, sincerely, that people really come to humble themselves before GOD for forgiveness of sins and mass deliveries and that they are for real, but in any case, I am here to direct them and help them take these steps.

Due to the massive deaths that have been occurring here within the province, I was called to start these times of prayer in the main square, to broadcast LIVE by radio and Facebook, and this is how it started. I share some photos with you. Through Facebook I could see that more than 9,000 people saw it. Of those 9,000 many really come to Jesus.

I am praying a lot for Picota, perhaps these are the moments when people come to meet Jesus. Some do, but many are only afraid and just want to be healthy.

The rest, well, we already know, I will continue



Children lining up for morning prayers before class. Last year we had 960 students but school is on hold for now.



Construction of new school building is on hold due to the lockdown in Nagaland.



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RUSSIA:

Reclaiming Lives -- Restoring Hope -- Sharing the Good News!



The bridge before repairs



GOOD WORKS OPEN DOORS FOR THE GOSPEL

Recently we told you about our Russian Mission Director, Alexey, who visited his wife's hometown in the remote region of Kirov to share Bible studies. Alexey and his family have been spending much of the summer there and have rebuilt an old rundown playground and then began to repair an important bridge.

The weather has been unusually hot in the Kirov Province of Russia. Temperatures have been around 40 celsius (104 fahrenheit) with very high humidity. This is accompanied with hordes of hungry mosquitoes and angry wasps.

While Alexey is in Kirov, he is staying with his wife's parents. They have no shower, as the people in this village only take a bath once a week at the "banya" (bathhouse).

As you can see in the photos, work is coming along on the bridge repairs. A local newspaper caught the story and sent a reporter out to interview Alexey. He was able to testify of the grace of God and the joy of being able to provide some greatly needed repairs on the bridge and restoring the playground for the community.

These two projects have been used mightily for the glory of God in this community. As the locals saw Alexey working they would stop to talk to him. They could not believe that a stranger who lived many miles away, would be interested in doing such a deed with nothing in return.

With no Christians or churches in this region, Alexey began sharing his faith in Christ and people began asking questions. Then a Bible study began. This was the very first time most of these people have ever been exposed to any

form of Bible knowledge. Moreover, they had someone who was able to explain the passages to them. This witness has been growing among the adults, and now children are coming and asking questions about God and the Bible

More and more of the towns people are becoming involved. They have proposed that Alexey make a soccer field and several locals volunteered to come and provide all the physical help he would need.

"Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven. " — Matthew 5:16

We praise God for Alexey and these projects which have been used to glorify God to the entire community.

There is still about \$1,500 needed to purchase supplies to finish the project.

Thank YOU!

It's because of YOU and your compassion and generosity that *Today, the Bible and You* is able to make such an impact in their lives. We appreciate EVERY donation and ask you to prayerfully consider lending your support by giving money or by praying for our staff and ministry. God bless!

We are on Russian Facebook!

We also have a couple of websites in Russian on the their version of Facebook where we have been sharing Bible verses and have produced some videos to explain the Bible. You can view them here:

<https://vk.com/club184729335>

And also on Facebook:

www.facebook.com/groups/449703548961884 ■



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Pray for Uganda



We thank God for using us to establish a beautiful school facility in rural Uganda, Africa. The school has been shut down only about two months after its opening because of the COVID19 virus. It continues in lockdown to the present time.

The entire country is in lockdown which has caused the stress and poverty to exacerbate. There is a limit on when people could go out and people face arrest or being beaten on the spot by the police if they breached that. A curfew was introduced (and is still in place) from 7pm to 6.30am, and those caught away from home are penalized. The reality is many breadwinners have lost their jobs and social distancing is stopping them working at their trades. Families are hungry.

We have been able to send funds through the generosity of God's people to help purchase food for the teachers and others in the community who have been out of work for all of this time (pictures above). The people were so grateful.

Uganda has enforced restrictions for almost three and a half months to arrest the virus outbreak, prohibiting movement by vehicles except for cargo and essential services. Supplies are delivered by boda boda (motorbike transport) drivers, who are allowed to carry packages but not passengers. The government closed schools and places of worship, and introduced a nighttime curfew.

As of July 14, 2020, Uganda has 1,013 confirmed COVID cases but no deaths.

Please continue to pray for Uganda and those suffering in the villages.

As school opens again, there are still children who need scholarships and the school desperately needs a van.

Perhaps you would be able to help make some scholarships available.

The school year in Uganda schools is 9 months. The cost of tuition is \$200 for 3 months – or \$600 for the entire school year. For this fee, each student will receive:

- 1. School uniforms
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\$600 for one school year

NO GIFT IS TOO SMALL:
Your \$5 - \$10 - \$25 - \$50 - \$100 - \$500 gift is greatly appreciated. There will also be many other expenses that will come up such as school supplies, materials, etc. ■

MISSIONS

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with the radio, with television and the sending of audios to people's cell phones, going to homes to pray, since there is much fear in the population.

Meanwhile we continue to carry hope **ONLY IN JESUS**, on the radio stations Sur FM and Fans, radio and TV and lately also Radio La Mega that started last Saturday. Thank God. He opens many doors.

Please, I ask for your prayers for the people of Picota and Peru. We will keep going.

from Picota,
Wildoro Mendoza



MYANMAR (BURMA)



Many people are hungry in Myanmar (Burma) They have had no work at all for the past 3-4 months because of the virus.

We were able to provide Brother Thangno with some money to buy bags of rice to sustain many families in their area. Here they are handing out the rice.



We cannot meet the needs of our missions projects without your prayers and support. Please pray about becoming a monthly donor for these projects and keep all of our missions projects and workers in your prayers. ■

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continuance were fashioned, when as yet there was none of them". - Psalm 139:16

Before the physical birth of every human, there appears to be information recorded in heaven concerning the details of each living person. This is referred to as the Book of the Living, and the details for each infant were written before the infant was formed in the womb. God not only knew you before you were born, but he knows the very number of days you will live! God Himself has a specific name that He has given to each person, and when we enter the heavenly kingdom, He will reveal the new name he has chosen for us.

"For whom He foreknew, He also predestined to be conformed to the image of His Son, that He might be the firstborn among many brethren. Moreover whom He predestined, these He also called; whom He called, these He also justified; and whom He justified, these He also glorified". - Romans 8:29-30

"For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them." - Ephesians 2:10

"Just as He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before Him in love, having predestined us to adoption as sons by Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the good pleasure of His will, to the praise of the glory of His grace, by which He made us accepted in the Beloved." - Ephesians 1:4-6

"He who overcomes, I will make him a pillar in the temple of My God, and he shall go out no more. I will write on him the name of My God and the name of the city of My God, the New Jerusalem, which comes down out of heaven from My God. And I will write on him My new name." - Revelation 3:12

The Book of Tears: This next book is referred to as the "Book of Tears" and can be found in the following passage of scripture:

"Thou tellest [number] my wanderings; **Put thou my tears into thy bottle: are they not in thy book?**" - Psalm 56:8

In the time of the prophets and of Christ, there were small tear bottles that people used to collect the tears of men and women at funerals. These tear bottles were sealed and collected. God's message to us through the book is that God wants us to know he watches over us and knows every tear that we shed. We also know that God is moved by broken hearts and contrite spirits according to (Psalm 34:18).

There is a familiar story in the Bible that gives credence to this. The story of Hezekiah found in 2 Kings 20:1-5, who was sick and near death: "In those days was Hezekiah sick unto death. And the prophet Isaiah the son of Amoz came to him, and said unto him, Thus saith the LORD, Set thine house in order; for thou shalt die, and not live. Then he turned his face to the wall, and prayed unto the LORD, saying, I beseech thee, O LORD, remember now how I have walked before thee in truth and with a perfect heart, and have done that which is good in

thy sight. And Hezekiah wept sore. And it came to pass, afore Isaiah was gone out into the middle court, that the word of the LORD came to him, saying, Turn again, and tell Hezekiah the captain of my people, Thus saith the LORD, the God of David thy father, I have heard thy prayer, I have seen thy tears: behold, I will heal thee: on the third day thou shalt go up unto the house of the LORD."

How wonderful to know that our Creator God not only knows the number of hairs on our heads but also knows the number of tears that fall from our eyes through every disappointment, every trial, pain, and heartbreak we will ever face in this life.



The Book of Remembrance: This is another of the majestic passages in all of Scripture, an amazing book referenced in the Old Testament in the Book of Malachi:

"Then they that feared the Lord spoke often one to another: and the Lord hearkened, and heard it, and a book of remembrance was written before him for them that feared the Lord, and that thought upon his name. And they shall be mine, saith the Lord of hosts, in that day when I make up my jewels; and I will spare them, as a man spares his own son that serves him. Then shall ye return, and discern between the righteous and the wicked, between him that serves God and him that serves him not." - Malachi 3:16-18

In the opening of Malachi 3 the prophet was dealing with Israel's disobedience in giving their tithes and offerings at the temple in Jerusalem and he informed them of this mysterious book in heaven that possessed the names of those who feared the Lord, gave their tithes and offerings and shared the ways of the Spirit to others about the Lord and His name. The Hebrew word for remembrance in this passage is "zikrown" and alludes to something done as a memorial. Another powerful example of this Book or Remembrance being referenced is found in the New Testament in the Book of Acts 10:1-4:

"There was a certain man in Caesarea called Cornelius, a centurion of the band called the Italian band, A devout man, and one that feared God with all his house, which gave much alms to the people, and prayed to God alway. He saw in a vision evidently about the ninth hour of the day an angel of God coming in to him, and saying unto him, Cornelius. And when he looked on him, he was afraid, and said, What is it, Lord? And he said unto him, Thy prayers and thine alms are come up for a memorial before God."

What was it about Cornelius that caused things he had done in his life that caught the attention of his Creator. So much so that our Lord Jesus had it be-

come a "memorial" before him. Cornelius was a devout man who had no doubt whatever about God's involvement in the affairs on earth, This included fasting as it is revealed in verse 30 of Acts chapter 10, Cornelius was one who feared God with all of his household, He gave alms generously to the people, In other-wards Cornelius was a persistent giver. Cornelius prayed to God always and had a consistent prayer and devotional life. Cornelius knew WHOSE he was.

The Book of Works and Deeds: The title of the Book is clearly reveals its purpose. Scripture tells us that there is a log book in heaven that registers the deeds and works we have done while we live on Earth. It is important to note that we are NOT redeemed from our sins by performing good pious works. Our salvation is the total work of God, and even the good deeds performed in our life does not come from us. The only good deeds that ever come out of us are those done by the indwelling presence of our Lord Jesus. It is written in Philippians 2:13, "For it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of his good pleasure". As it is written in John 6:63, the flesh cannot produce any good whatever. Only those deeds we allow the Spirit of Christ in us can be received by a righteous God. Why? Isaiah 64:6 explains it: "But we are all as an unclean thing, and all our righteousnesses are as filthy rags; and we all do fade as a leaf; and our iniquities, like the wind, have taken us away". Any good thing performed in the flesh, apart from the indwelling Spirit of Christ are viewed as filthy rags to God. Why? Because they come of an unclean thing, it is contaminated.

God's Word is filled with references to this book. "A fiery stream issued and came forth from before him: thousand thousands ministered unto him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him: the judgment was set, and the books were opened". - Daniel 7:10

"And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the book of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works". - Revelation 20:12

"Take heed that ye do not your alms before men, to be seen of them: otherwise ye have no reward of your Father which is in heaven. Therefore when thou do thine alms, do not sound a trumpet before thee, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, that they may have glory of men. Verily I say unto you, They have their reward. But when thou do alms, let not thy left hand know what thy right hand doeth: That thine alms may be in secret: and thy Father which sees in secret himself shall reward thee openly. And when thou pray, thou shalt not be as the hypocrites are: for they love to pray standing in the synagogues and in the corners of the streets, that they may be seen of men. Verily I say unto you, They have their reward. But thou, when thou pray, enter into thy closet, and when thou hast shut thy door, pray to thy Father which is in secret; and thy Father which sees in secret shall reward thee openly". - Matthew 6:1-6

The Book of Life (Lamb's Book of Life): The

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PERU:

In 2007, the Voice of the Rose of Sharon radio station began broadcasting gospel of the Lord Jesus to an area that was famine-stricken for the Word of God. Today, that single radio station has expanded to include TV programming on several channels and has produced over 200 congregations in different parts of Peru and various other ministries to children and adults but there is still a great need for Bibles and study materials. The Lord also opened many important doors with municipal leaders to our director in Peru, Wildoro Mendoza. The provincial governor asked Wildoro to be his spiritual counselor and they have organized days of prayer and fasting in local communities. *Would you consider supporting this important work?*

Bibles and study materials	\$ _____
Monthly support of radio/TV broadcast	\$300-500 \$ _____



INDIA—Rose of Sharon Christian Schools and Home — Rejoice Kamei

This is one of the top-ranked schools in NE India with an attendance of over 950 children. Many of the children are orphaned, or are too poor to even pay for the basic books and uniforms. The students come from various religious backgrounds such as Muslim, Hindu, Christian and Animist (spirit worshippers). They are all taught in the English language and have Bible classes, attending chapel services as well. The school also conducts an annual Bible camp for the students and needs Bibles, study materials, and food for the camp. Afterward, a program for the parents and families of the students which includes a plan of salvation is presented. They also reach out with the Gospel and hold church services for the local villagers. Attendance is growing every year and so is the need for more uniforms, textbooks, classrooms, housing, bunk beds and benches for the students. Right now, there are about 70 students per classroom and there are not enough seats for everyone. A basic building (15 classrooms) will cost approximately \$150,000. *Will you help?*



Teachers' Salary (year)	\$200/month	\$ _____
Sponsor a Student for a month	\$20/month	\$240/year \$ _____
Textbooks / School Uniforms	\$7,000.00	\$ _____
Building fund (30 classrooms)	\$300,000	\$ _____

INDIA—Dongza Thawng:

In Shillong, India, Dongza has opened the Door of Hope ministry where the Lord is working mightily in his community. His ministry is growing so fast that he is currently looking to buy a new property so that they can expand their mission. Dongza holds Bible studies with college students and families, youth camps, vacation Bible school and crusades, and has also begun Christian couples retreats to heal marriages and a follow-up program for the new believers who committed their lives for Christ during salvation camp (many of whom are recovering alcoholics). He travels to nearby villages and reaches out to anyone the Lord sends his way with food and the gospel of Jesus Christ and has seen the hand of the Lord moving in a mighty way. Dongza and a missionary friend, Junus Khan, (pictured) also witness to Muslims and Hindus in the area. They have had several converts and are helping them to build homes and a new life on some land which was donated by a local doctor. They are helping them grow in their faith while hiding them from persecution. *Please pray about supporting this mission.*

Monthly support	\$25-\$200	\$ _____
Bibles and study materials		\$ _____



BURMA — New Life Orphan Center and Grace Children’s Home

New Life Orphan Center founded by Pastor Khup Lam Thang (aka Thangno) and Grace Children's Home run by Zam Kap are two orphanages we support in Burma. All the children receive Bible training and basic education from kindergarten to university. They are taught Bible stories and Christian songs that will build their relationship with God. Two of the orphans have recently graduated from university. With their degrees, they could find good jobs, yet, they chose to serve the Lord by remaining in the orphanage to teach other orphans. Indeed, this is a testimony of how they want to repay the debt they owe to God.

Sponsor an orphan	\$50/month	\$ _____
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AFRICA –Uganda (Bob J. Perry Memorial School)

School building materials, desks, etc.	\$6,500	\$ _____
Sponsor a Student	\$200/3 months or \$600/year	\$ _____

RUSSIA — Restoration House

The government has provided a large building to assist the homeless, mostly families of inmates and former inmates who have trouble finding jobs. Restoration House needs a kitchen to provide at least one warm meal a day and also needs beds to provide a warm place out of the cold winter weather. The Gospel is shared with everyone who comes in. Restoration House is about showing Biblical hospitality, care, generosity, and above all, the love of Christ to all who enter.

Kitchen equipment	\$50—\$2000	\$ _____
Beds, tables, benches	\$25-\$1000	\$ _____
Bibles and study materials		\$ _____

Give where needed most for the work of native missionaries	\$ _____
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PHILIPPINES — SMO (Student Missionary Outreach):

SMO's vision is to “Reach the Filipino Youth for Christ with the Gospel of Jesus Christ”. In the past, the Bible was not allowed to be taught in most schools. However, in recent years the Lord has opened doors through the SMO-Moral Values Program. With this program, SMO is now welcome to conduct the Moral Values Seminar in schools throughout the 7,000 Philippine islands. The program teaches the dangers of smoking, drug-addiction, alcoholism, pre-marital sex, and much more — and even school officials and teachers have participated with the students. Many teachers have testified of God’s power in moving, convicting, delivering, and changing the lives of many young people. SMO has also established a Bible training school to train future youth workers to reach the youth of the Philippines.

Sponsor Bible camps and training	\$ _____
Bibles and study materials	\$ _____

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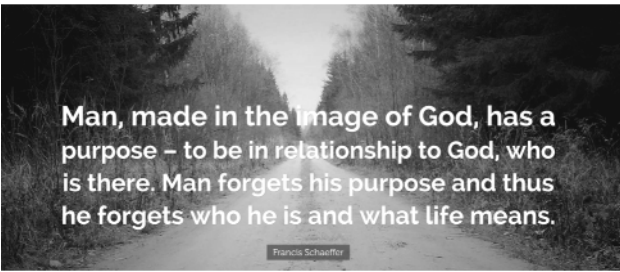
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most important book is the one that contains the names of those whose sins have been washed in the blood of the Lamb and have asked the Lord Jesus to forgive them, as we are instructed in 1 John 1:7-10. Moses had knowledge that names could be added to or blotted out of this book in Heaven. Our Lord Jesus instructed his disciples that having authority over demons is not as great as having their names written in the book of life. *“Notwithstanding in this rejoice not, that the spirits are subject unto you; but rather rejoice, because your names are written in heaven”*. -Luke 10:20

“And Moses returned unto the Lord, and said, Oh, this people have sinned a great sin, and have made them gods of gold. Yet now, if thou wilt forgive their sin--; and if not, blot me, I pray thee, out of thy book which thou hast written. And the Lord said unto Moses, Whosoever hath sinned against me, him will I blot out of my book.” - Exodus 32:31-33

"And at that time shall Michael stand up, the great prince which stands for the children of thy people: and there shall be a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation even to that same time:



and at that time thy people shall be delivered, every one that shall be found written in the book. And many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. And they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars for ever and ever. But thou, O Daniel, shut up the words, and seal the book, even to the time of the end: many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall be increased”. - Daniel 12:1-4

"And I intreat thee also, true yokefellow, help those women which labored with me in the gospel, with Clement also, and with other my fellow laborers, whose names are in the book of life". — Philippians 4:3

"He that overcomes, the same shall be clothed in

white raiment; and I will not blot out his name out of the book of life, but I will confess his name before my Father, and before his angels". - Revelation 3:5

"For I testify unto every man that hears the words of the prophecy of this book, If any man shall add unto these things, God shall add unto him the plagues that are written in this book: And if any man shall take away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part out of the book of life, and out of the holy city, and from the things which are written in this book. He which testifies these things says, Surely I come quickly. Amen. Even so, come, Lord Jesus”. - Revelation 22:18-20

"And I saw a great white throne, and him that sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away; and there was found no place for them. And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the book of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works. And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and hell delivered up the dead which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works. And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death. And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire." - Revelation 20:11-15 ■

Global Digital ID With Vaccines Now Being Promoted As Way To Combat The Virus

(Prophecynewswatch.com, 07/03/2020) —

First, it was former UK Prime Minister Gordon Brown who called on world leaders to form a "temporary" global government in response to the coronavirus pandemic. Then it was the United Nations Secretary-General asking nations to contribute at least ten percent of their annual income, essentially a global tax. Now we have Bill Gates and other influential leaders suggesting another global solution — Global Digital ID as part of a vaccination program.

Bill Gates has emerged as a global "authority" in the wake of COVID-19, funding vaccines and advising governments on how to respond to the pandemic. Gates was busily working to establish global digital ID infrastructure long before the outbreak, which is now being promoted as a way to combat the virus.

ID2020--a project initiated by Bill Gates Foundation, the Rockefeller Foundation, transnational pharmaceutical corporations, and technology firms--is pushing the concept that every human on the planet needs biometric verification because *"to prove who you are is a fundamental and universal human right,"* according to the ID2020 website.

Gates is not the only one in favor of such systems. Director of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, Dr. Anthony Fauci recently confirmed in an interview with CNN that the idea of Americans carrying "certificates of immunity" is a possibility being considered to identify people who have been infected with the COVID-19 virus and help jump-start America's economy in the coming weeks.

The certificate of immunity is the pathway that Gates sees for introducing his Global Digital ID certification. Last month Gates was asked about such a certificate on a Reddit forum and said the following: *"Obviously, some kind of recording and tracking mechanism that relies on technology to alert -- in context of discussing coronavirus -- "who has recovered," versus who has "been tested," versus who has been administered a vaccine, "when we have one."*

The similar thinking of Fauci and Gates should not come as a surprise. Both are well connected with one another. Fauci serves as a member of the Leadership Council for the Global Vaccine Action Plan. This organization was established in part by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, the World Health Organization and Fauci's own NIAID -- a plan that calls for a "Decade of Vaccines" to spread far and wide, all around the globe.

Bill Gates, one of the wealthiest men in the world, is already leading the charge to fund the construction of several factories that will be looking for a vaccine for this new virus and has suggested "larger public gatherings may not resume until broad vaccination has taken place."

A biometric ID system can keep a record of the infected and those getting the vaccine, said Larry Dohrs, Southeast Asia head at iRespond, a Seattle-based nonprofit that launched its technology last month. Under the "digital inclusion" initiative, Bill Gates has already been pushing for India's Aadhaar digital ID system to expand around the world prior to the outbreak. The World Bank is heavily invested in the project.

The GSMA - the industry organization for global mobile operators - recently published a report detailing the push for digital ID systems worldwide to respond to COVID-19. As reported:

State governments in India are adapting real-time digital identification mechanisms to monitor compliance with quarantines arising from the COVID-19 pandemic... Meanwhile, the Jamaican government is looking to fast track the rollout of its National Identification System to help it dispense aid in response to the COVID-19 outbreak...

GSMA technologies are supported by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation. As reported last year, the biometrics company Idemia joined the project:

Idemia has joined the newly launched GSMA Inclusive Tech Lab to support the development of innovations and future technologies that boost digital and financial inclusion... Idemia is a central company involved in supplying the infrastructure needs of most digital and biometric ID systems around the world. Idemia also makes drivers licenses in the United States.

Gates said in a 2018 CNBC interview that it was "too bad" if someone thought that this was a privacy issue and that those who refuse to be tagged by this system will eventually become outcasts and denied basic services.

If you believe this is dangerously close to China's "social credit" system, you're not far off the mark. Such a vaccine will eventually become mandatory and those who resist will be blacklisted as public health criminals. They will be locked out of society, similar to Chinese citizens suffering under China's totalitarian social credit system. Biometric data, ID technology, health ratings/vaccination records, and digital commerce are all merging and advancing to the next level.

While we don't ultimately know what final form the "Mark of the Beast" described in the Book of Revelation will take - these trends all appear to be a foreshadowing of what may be to come. ■

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2. STAY ACTIVE! What can exercise do for your wellness? According to Dr. Jeff Woods of the University of Illinois, as little as 20 minutes of cardiovascular exercise a day can significantly reduce your risk of getting sick from viruses.

3. BOOST YOUR IMMUNE SYSTEM WITH ORGANIC FOODS! Immune-boosting organic foods – including Ganoderma lucidum is a great way to boost your immune system and thus help prevent illness. Pop a Ganoderma supplement, or sip a cup of delicious Ganoderma coffee or SOD Tea regularly, and cold and flu season won’t seem quite so scary anymore!

Our bodies are amazingly complex machines, and their “defense system” – the immune system – is the most important thing in keeping that machine operating at 100% efficiency. Take positive steps to boost your immune system! By replacing your current coffee or tea with Ganoderma products, you’ll be making a “no hassle” decision. Boosting your immune system has never been easier than with Ganoderma!

Immune Power for kids

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Asthma, allergic rhinitis, chronic ear infections and sinusitis are increasing at frightening rates among children in the United States. There are several measures that parents can take to effectively reverse this trend. These measures are supported by scientific research and have been very effective in my own clinical practice.

The first step is a nutritious diet, which decreases consumption of foods made with added fat and sugar. The National Cancer Institute reports that only one per cent of U.S. children consume a well-balanced diet and only about a third meet the government's food-pyramid targets for fruits, vegetables, grains, meat and dairy. Most surveys over-estimate vegetable intake because they classify French fries and potato chips as vegetables, accounting for about a fourth of alleged vegetable consumption among children.

The second step is provision of a hygienic home environment. The three most important areas to control are smoke, dust and humidity. Children exposed to cigarette smoke, dust and mold at home have a higher frequency of asthma, respiratory infection and ear infections. Excess moisture in the home (a relative humidity of fifty-five per cent or more) encourages the growth of dust mites and of mold. Mites secrete an enzyme which damages the lining of the respiratory tract; children with a high mite exposure are at increased risk for developing asthma. Children who live in homes with visible mildew or moisture are at increased risk for developing respiratory illness.

The third area is regularity of rest and exercise. Exercise of moderate intensity, such as brisk walking or cycling, thirty minutes a day, improves

immune function and mood and prevents migraine headaches. Help your children plan schedules that permit eight to ten hours of sleep a night.

Nutritional supplements and herbs can make a substantial contribution to childhood health. Omega-three essential fatty acids, found in fish oils and flax oil, are essential for normal immune regulation and brain function. The past century has witnessed a dramatic decline in omega-three consumption due to changes in food processing, food choices and animal husbandry practices. I frequently recommend flax oil as a preventive supplement for children and adolescents at a dose to two to six grams per day.

Vitamin E levels in the blood of U.S. children are markedly lower than those of Japanese, German, Austrian or Canadian children. Healthy children with lower vitamin E levels have impaired immunity on laboratory testing.

Children with recurrent respiratory infections have lower blood levels of zinc, iron and vitamin A than do children without recurrent infection. Adequate intakes of zinc and iron can be difficult to obtain from food, even when the diet is better than average. For young children I recommend a preventive daily supplement supplying ten milligrams each of zinc and of iron and twenty-five hundred units of vitamin A; adolescents need twice the dose. Because zinc and iron interfere with each other's absorption and because iron causes oxidation of vitamin E, children who are not doing well with a multivitamin/mineral pill should take separate doses of zinc, iron and vitamin E at different times of the day. Zinc is best absorbed on an empty stomach, but may cause nausea. The second best time for giving zinc is with a high protein meal. Iron is best absorbed with a high protein meal and when given with vitamin C. Vitamin E is best absorbed with food; the optimal immune-boosting dose is a hundred milligrams per day for small children and two hundred milligrams a day for adolescents.

I recommend these supplements frequently to patients in my medical practice and have been impressed with their safety and efficacy for children and adolescents:

(1) **Vitamin C**, five hundred milligrams per day, increases the activity of white blood cells. Taking vitamin C with Ganoderma increases Ganoderma’s immune boosting power.

(3) **Granular lecithin**, one tablespoon a day, has also been shown to improved the activity of white blood cells.

(4) **The amino acid dimethylglycine (DMG)** has been shown to boost antibody responses to immunization in healthy human volunteers. The dose used was one hundred and twenty milligrams per day.

(5) **Immune stimulating herbs** may help overcome acute viral infection. The safest and best-studied immune boosting herbs are:

A.) Echinacea is primarily recommended for acute treatment (ten to fourteen days) of colds or the flu. The dose needed is at least 900 mg per day.

Some people with chronic or recurrent infections benefit from taking Echinacea for prolonged periods, especially, during the winter. It may be taken continuously for eight weeks at a time and should be stopped for a week or two between each eight-week period.

B.) Ganoderma is widely employed in traditional Chinese medicine. Ganoderma is used in contemporary Chinese medicine as Fu Zheng remedies, which means they "support the normal", stimulating health, rather than being used as medication to treat sickness. A dose which stimulates immune responses is 900 mg per day of each.

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Joni B. (Fort Smith, AR) I have been able to wean myself off of serious pain killers by drinking the Hot Chocolate with Ganoderma and taking the Spore Powder capsules. Now I have also been able to get off of 3 different anti-depressants! For the first time in over 25 years, it looks like I may one day be completely free of daily meds! This is nothing short of a miracle! ■

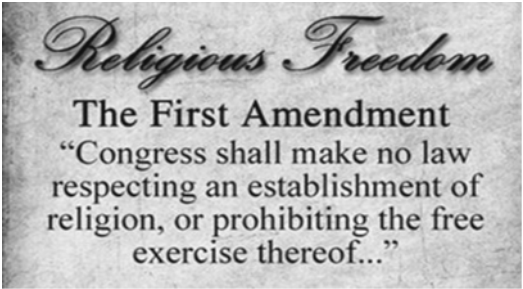
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WORLD WATCH

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revealing. Because from governors’ mansions to city halls across the country, from major metropolises like Bill de Blasio’s New York City to small cities and even smaller townships in the Bible Belt—like Chattanooga, Tennessee and Greenville, Mississippi—state and local officials are demonstrating just how badly they understand America’s First Freedom. It’s bad enough that, as another ADF official admitted, ADF and the Thomas More Society and other religious freedom groups “can’t possibly monitor every situation across the nation.”



“You don’t need help from above, it’s within us,” CNN Host Chris Cuomo affirms

■ July 1, 2020, Faithwire.com — CNN host Chris Cuomo is on fire due to controversial comments during Friday’s Cuomo Prime Time broadcast. When talking, Cuomo shared his point of view in relation to the crisis the nation is facing; and he believes they don’t need to trust God to help them, because Americans themselves have the answers to what they need. The CCN host affirmed that that instead of trusting God, they have to look within them to get help and answers.

“You don’t need help from above, it’s within us,” the CNN host asserted as he pointed toward the sky. “If you believe in one another and if you do the right thing for yourself and your community, things will get better in this country,” Cuomo said, according to the Daily Wire.

This isn’t the first time Cuomo has criticized petitioning the God of the universe for help here on earth. In November 2018, Cuomo responded to a string of deadly shootings in the US by mocking prayer:

“You mock those who lost loved ones, because if you gave it any thought at all, you would never walk away from any of these without figuring out a better way to deal with them.”

The liberal anchor then turned to God.

“And prayer? You think leaving it to God is the answer? We pray for strength, we pray for wisdom, for resolve, but we clearly don’t want to act on any of those here,” he said, adding, “So what are you praying for?”

This is just the latest incident in which prayer and God are mocked as solutions to issues. Cuomo’s advice to “do the right thing for yourself” actually runs counter to what the Gospel preaches, which is

to sacrifice your own wants and desires in order to help others. Followers of Christ are to be outward seeking, looking to offer assistance to the needy rather than serving our own selfishness.

China cuts Uighur births with IUDs, abortions, sterilization

(AP — June 28, 2020) The Chinese government is taking draconian measures to slash birth rates among Uighurs and other minorities as part of a sweeping campaign to curb its Muslim population, even as it encourages some of the country’s Han majority to have more children.

While individual women have spoken out before about forced birth control, the practice is far more widespread and systematic than previously known, according to an AP investigation based on government statistics, state documents and interviews with 30 ex-detainees, family members and a former detention camp instructor. The campaign over the past four years in the far west region of Xinjiang is leading to what some experts are calling a form of “demographic genocide.”

The state regularly subjects minority women to pregnancy checks, and forces intrauterine devices, sterilization and even abortion on hundreds of thousands, the interviews and data show. Even while the use of IUDs and sterilization has fallen nationwide, it is rising sharply in Xinjiang.

The population control measures are backed by mass detention both as a threat and as a punishment for failure to comply. Having too many children is a major reason people are sent to detention camps, the AP found, with the parents of three or more ripped away from their families unless they can pay huge fines. Police raid homes, terrifying parents as they search for hidden children.

After Gulnar Omirzakh, a Chinese-born Kazakh, had her third child, the government ordered her to get an IUD inserted. Two years later, in January 2018, four officials in military camouflage came knocking at her door anyway. They gave Omirzakh, the penniless wife of a detained vegetable trader, three days to pay a \$2,685 fine for having more than two children. If she didn’t, they warned, she would join her husband and a million other ethnic minorities locked up in internment camps — often for having too many children.

“God bequeaths children on you. To prevent people from having children is wrong,” said Omirzakh, who tears up even now thinking back to that day. “They want to destroy us as a people.”

Exciting Trends in Global Christianity

■ChristianHeadlines.com 6/30/20

CHRISTIANITY IS GROWING FASTER THAN THE POPULATION

Aaron Earls, the author, says, “Globally, Christianity is growing at a 1.27% rate. ... The world’s population, 7.7 billion, is growing at a 1.20% rate.”

A .07% difference may not seem substantial to

you. But remember, we’re talking about almost 8 billion people.

What this means: Many people believe Christianity has gone out of style and is in decline—that the only people who are Christians today are those raised by Christian parents. However, this statistic tells us new people are coming to faith every day.

PENTECOSTALS AND EVANGELICALS ARE FASTEST GROWING BRANCH

Earls points out that a subgroup of Christianity, Evangelicals, and a subgroup of Evangelicalism, Pentecostals, are the two fastest-growing groups within Christianity. Additionally, they are picking up speed as they are also growing faster than they were just a couple of years ago.

Evangelicalism is growing at a rate of 2.19% compared to 2.12% in 2017. Pentecostalism is growing at a rate of 2.26% compared to 2.22% in 2017.

What this means: Global trends give us a glimpse of what God is doing in the world. Evangelicals are generally known for their commitment to the Word of God. Pentecostals are often known for their emphasis on unique experiences with the Holy Spirit. Could this be a hint of what God wants His people to be focused on in this season of history?

ATHEISM IS IN DECLINE

Despite all the airtime atheism seems to get, the number of people who subscribe to this worldview is a very small number, and it’s getting smaller. Earls says, “There are fewer atheists in the world today (138 million) than there were in 1970 (165 million).”

What this means: People are more spiritual than you might think. Something inside us tells us there must be more to life than what we can see.

CHRISTIANITY IS GROWING IN POPULARITY

According to Earls, “In 1900, only 5.5% of non-Christians knew a Christian. Today, that has grown to 18.3%.” Both of these numbers may sound small to you, but remember these are global statistics, averaging numbers from Western countries to persecuted nations and everything in between.

What this means: This stat may suggest that Christians as a whole feel more freedom to openly discuss their beliefs in certain parts of the world than they have in the past.

MORE PEOPLE HAVE HEARD THE GOSPEL NOW THAN EVER BEFORE

Earls shares that, “More than half of the world’s population in 1900 (54.3%) were unevangelized. That percentage continues to shrink, dropping to 28.4% in 2019.”

What this means: Christians worldwide are obeying the Great Commission to “Go and preach the good news to everyone in the world.” (Mark 16:15) ■

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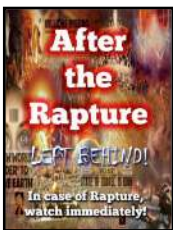
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AGENDA: Grinding America Down

This documentary is the work of former Idaho state representative Curtis Bowers. Narrated by Bowers and features interviews with such notables as M. Stanton Evans, Trevor Loudon, Edwin Meese III, Phyllis Schafly, as well as others.

Bowers believed that freedom and morality in America was slowly being "grinded down" by people with a very specific agenda. As he began to realize that what was happening was not accidental, he began to see the hidden agenda that's been hidden under our noses this entire time.

According to Bowers speaking about a Communist party USA meeting that he attended in 1992 while attending Berkley:

They have a three part agenda. They would use their manpower, influence and funds to back anything that would destroy our families, businesses and culture.

As Bowers explains in the film, a letter to the editor gave him a clue that what the Communists were saying in 1992 was part of a larger agenda that was planned decades earlier. From there, Bowers set about researching and documenting what has really happened to America and how the center has moved so far to the left, the history behind it, and the dangers to our families, churches, and economic way of life.

Bowers’ research is a good overview that traces the history of Marxism (in all its variants) in America from Karl Marx and the Fabian Socialists in England to their philosophical progeny today—from the radicals of the 1960s to those radicals who mentored Barack Obama. He shows in a simple and visual way how hard-core radicals have taken over our culture through many of the major institutions in our country—including unions, education and, finally, government—and the Agenda they have. *90 min.*

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Bowers shines a light on some of the horrible tragedies and agendas taking place in our country right at this very moment.

As Bowers shows, *the issue is never the issue*.

While it's easy for us to proclaim communism is dead and that America will be fine, Bowers creates a compelling case for why we need to do something about it **now**. This is a very real issue and if we don't act now, when will we be able to? *85 min.*

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