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## The Chronology of the King James Bible

By Brian Donovan

In the study of world history, there is only one book in the world that gives an accurate and truthful chronological timeline of man's sojourn on this earth. That one book, of course, is the Lord's Holy Book, the King James Bible. The Bible-believing Christian has the only factual approach to the timeline of the history of mankind. There is no other academic foundation that can be trusted, including the religious books of the Hindus (Bhagavad-Gita), Muslims (Quran), Buddhists (Tripitaka), Confucianism (The Four Books), or the pagans (Book of the Dead). Modern historians are in a game of complete guesswork as to the timeline of the origin of man, and the reader can find guesses ranging from twelve thousand to three million years for man, and from three to fourteen billion years for the origins of the Earth.

Modern science has attempted

to back up their guesses through phony methods of dating that include erosion rates, varve deposits, coral reef buildup, peat bog accumulation, dendrochronology, and radiometric dating. Each of these "scientific" methods begins with the assumption that **"all things continue as they were from the beginning of the creation"** (2 Pet. 3:4).

In other words, we are supposed to believe that a rock sat in the same position, in the same present environment, without changes of excessive heat or water contamination, and in the same present atmosphere, for one and one half billion years, to arrive at the decay rate presented in their calculations. These ridiculous figures are the results of rejecting the Lord God and His revelation in the Bible.

Without a Bible, historians must accept the evolutionary theory and write from the standpoint that there are no absolutes, and man is the result of chance over eons of time. This approach ridicules the scripture as a fairy tale that is not to be taken as an authority for establishing a chronology. Genesis is completely

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# Hinderances To Prayer

By Dr. Peter S. Ruckman

**“Behold, the LORD’S hand is not shortened, that it cannot save; neither his ear heavy, that it cannot hear: But your iniquities have separated between you and your God”** (Isa. 59:1-2).

The Lord is talking to Israel, and what He says could be applied to almost everybody. We are going to look at why Christians don’t get prayers answered, and there is a great deal in the Bible about this.

The Bible is God’s prayer book. If you have the Bible, you don’t need an Episcopal prayer book. Before I was saved, I went to a church that had a prayer book. If you wanted to find out which prayer to pray, you turn to a page and pray the prayer for that occasion. The problem was, what if you got into a situation that there wasn’t a prayer?

Simon Peter was out on the water, and the waves were tempestuous, the wind began to blow, the surf was coming up, and he was about to drown. Wouldn’t it have been something if he had to reach into his pocket, get out his prayer book, and find a prayer on page 275 for a drowning fisherman? When Simon Peter got into trouble, he said, “Lord, save me!”. That’s a good prayer.

I like the story of an old black preacher out west who was an Episcopalian. He was called up into the mountains to deal with a fellow who had been bitten by a rattlesnake and was dying. He sat by his bedside and

talked to him a while, and the fellow wanted a prayer. The rector thumbed through his Episcopal prayer book and said, “I find all kinds of prayers here, but I can’t find a prayer for a man who has been bit by a rattlesnake, so I guess you’ll just have to die.”

Now there are only two or three kinds of people who don’t pray: the self-important, the self-satisfied, and the self-occupied.

After Paul got saved on the road to Damascus, the Lord appeared to Ananias in a vision.

**“And the Lord said unto him, Arise, and go into the street which is called Straight, and enquire in the house of Judas for one called Saul, of Tarsus: for, behold, he prayeth”** (Acts 9:11).

Now, why does He say that? Why Paul said prayers all his life! He was a Pharisee. I’m sure he prayed all the time, but he just *said prayers*. Now he’s sure enough praying. When a man gets saved, that is the most natural thing for him to do. He begins to call upon the name of the Lord.

Sam Jones sat down at a fellow’s table one time, and there happened to be an atheist there. Right after they finished asking the blessing, the atheist was kind of red-faced. He said, “I don’t ever say grace over a meal before I eat it.” Sam said, “Neither does my dog.” Animals don’t ask the blessing either.

The most natural thing for you to do

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is to pray. As one fellow said, "There are more things wrought by prayer than this world dreams of."

All these fellows who don't believe in prayer, when push comes to shove, they'll be praying. Jackie Kennedy may have been taught, "Our Father which art in heaven", and "hail Mary full of grace", but when those bullets started flying toward that car, she said, "Oh my God!"

You throw an atheist out of an airplane without a parachute, and I'll guarantee he'll do some praying on the way down!

**"And he spake a parable unto them to this end, that men ought always to pray, and not to faint"** (Luke 18:1).

Paul says, **"Pray without ceasing"** (1 Thess. 5:17). You ought to have a prayer life. That's one of the marks of the new birth. Now you get praying, and the answers don't come.

The most obvious reason that prayers don't get answered is that you don't ask.

**"Ye lust, and have not: ye kill, and desire to have, and cannot obtain: ye fight and war, yet ye have not, because ye ask not"** (James 4:2).

Wouldn't it be terrible to get to Heaven and find out of all the things you could've had but you didn't ask for them? You were so hung up on one particular thing you didn't ask for anything else that God had for you. It's bad enough to have your prayers not answered because of hinderances, but boy, to have them not answered because you didn't ask!

I remember one time we were trying to think of a place to put PBI in. We only had one building then, and

we needed two. We were driving by Holiday Inn, where Mr. and Mrs. Bonam stayed when they were with us for a meeting. I remarked, "Boy, that would make a great school." I mean, it had a cafeteria, a swimming pool, the rooms, the conference rooms for classrooms, and a parking lot! Mrs. Bonam said, "Well, have you asked for it yet?". I said, "No, He wouldn't do that!". She said, "Well, how do you know He wouldn't?".

That bothered me, so I went ahead and asked. You say, "Yeah, but He didn't." No, but you can't miss by asking. I mean, play it safe—ask for everything! He said, **"Ye have not because ye ask not."**

Did you ever read those prayers of David in the book of Psalms? David is always saying, **"but I am poor and needy"**. Did you ever stop and think about what a strange thing that was for a king to say?

You say, "I don't have time to pray." Did Daniel have time to pray? He was put over 120 princes. He had to take care of over 120 provinces in the world kingdom of his time. The Bible says, **"he kneeled upon his knees three times a day, and prayed, and gave thanks before his God, as he did aforetime"** (Dan 6:10).

Now the second hindrance to prayer is asking for the wrong reason.

**"Ye lust, and have not: ye kill, and desire to have, and cannot obtain: ye fight and war, yet ye have not, because ye ask not. Ye ask, and receive not, because ye ask amiss, that ye may consume it upon your lusts"** (James 4:1-2).

That's selfishness. "Lord give me this, Lord give me that, Lord I need

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 this, Lord I need that.” Why? I always admired what the old black preacher used to say. He said, “The Lord don’t care about the ‘what’; he cares about the ‘why’.” I’m not trying to give you license to do anything, but if you could figure out why you do the things you do, you’d quit doing the things that aren’t right.

He said, **“Ye ask, and receive not, because ye ask amiss, that ye may consume it upon your lusts.”** Do you want a new car? Why do you want one? You say, “Oh, my neighbor has one.” Nothing makes you poorer than for your neighbor to drive up in a new car! If a fellow could just figure out a way to make an old car smell like a new car, he could make plenty of money!

You say, “Lord, I need a new car.” You do, huh? Well, maybe you do. What are you going to do with it if you get it? Are you going to put some scripture signs on it and ruin the way it looks? Are you going to pick up some folks and bring them to church in it? Are you going to keep tracts up in the front pocket so you can give one to the guy at the gas station? What do you want it for?

There are many women down south praying for their husbands to get saved. The average Southern Baptist church is about 80% women. Those women pray and pray, “God save my husband.” I don’t know why God doesn’t answer those prayers, but sometimes I think I know. Do you want your husband saved? What do you want him saved for? You say, “Well, he’d take me to church, and then I could be seen in church with my husband like these other women.”

You know, I think a lot of women would see better results if they would get down on their knees and say, “Lord, my husband is a reproach to Your name and to the glory of Jesus Christ. I’m married to him, and I love him, but I’m ashamed of him as far as You’re concerned. I want You to save him. Whatever You have to do to him is alright with me just as long as You save him.” You say, what if He does something drastic and then he couldn’t take care of me? It’s the “why”, isn’t it?

If the prayer you are praying is just to get you out of the mess and the tension you’re in and keep you feeling good, don’t be surprised if it doesn’t get answered.

**“Whoso stoppeth his ears at the cry of the poor, he also shall cry himself, but shall not be heard”** (Prov. 21:13).

Are you just selfishly praying for more money yourself and not praying for someone else’s needs? Maybe the money is going to be slow coming in.

There’s another reason why prayers don’t get answered, and it is double-mindedness.

**“But let him ask in faith, nothing wavering. For he that wavereth is like a wave of the sea driven with the wind and tossed. For let not that man think that he shall receive any thing of the Lord. A double minded man is unstable in all his ways”** (James 1:6-8).

A double-minded man blows hot today and cold tomorrow. I mean, some people change directions as fast as windshield wipers. You pray and pray, “God, fill me with the Holy Spirit—give me the power of the Holy Spirit in my life.” About the time the Holy

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Spirit comes into your life, something starts giving you a fit. Then you say, "Well, maybe I don't want the power of the Holy Spirit after all."

You pray, "God give me some souls." Then about the time He gives, 2 or 3 of them don't pan out or turn on you later. You think, "Well, if that's the way it's going to be...", and you back out.

God's people are wishy-washy. They're double-minded. Get fixed, get set, get rooted and grounded. I realize being stubborn is bad, and I know rebellion is as witchcraft and idolatry. But when it comes to "stick-to-itiveness", staying on track, keeping your eyes on Jesus Christ, and keeping your eyes on the job, it'll help you. Stick to it!

Some of you are like the carpenter that fell off the building while nailing down shingles. He yelled all the way down, "Oh God, help me!". About that time, his overalls caught on a nail and stopped his plunge. He said, "That's alright Lord, the nail's got me."

The business is going, the money is coming in, and everything is just fine. Then the baby gets sick, you get laid off from work, and you can't pay the bills. Now you're at prayer meeting on your knees asking for help. Then the kids get well, you get your job back up, and things start going pretty well. Then you're not at prayer meeting anymore. That's what we're like! Double mindedness!

George Muller went to Bristol, England to deal with the Jews and wound up with a children's orphanage. He prayed in over \$7,000,000. He never asked anyone for it—just prayed it in.

George Muller had a prayer list with a bunch of men on it that he would pray

for, and when he died, five of those fellows were still lost. God still hadn't answered his prayer for five of them. Two of them were saved at his funeral, and five years later, the three other fellows got saved. That guy prayed for those fellows for something like fifty years! He stuck with it!

Sometimes a pastor will write or telephone me and ask if I can recommend someone. Believe it or not, some people have confidence in my evaluation of men! Now, if I think you are wishy-washy and unstable, I'll tell them. I'll slam the door in your face if I can! You say, "Why?". For the glory of God—that's why! There is nothing personal to it at all.

Stay with it! Children can give you a lesson on importune prayer. A little boy says, "Daddy can I get a drink of water?" His dad says, "Shut up and go to sleep." The boy says, "Daddy, can you get me a drink of water?" His dad says, "Pipe down! If you drink at this time, you'll have to get up to go to the bathroom halfway through the night. If you ask one more time, I'm going to spank you." It's quiet for about five minutes, and then you hear, "Daddy, when you get up to spank me, would you bring me a glass of water?" You might as well get him a glass of water!

I've told you before that when you have a son, you learn things about God you can't learn any other way. That's importunity in prayer. That's staying with it and staying with it in prayer.

Another reason for unanswered prayer is an unforgiving spirit.

Christ said, "**But if ye forgive not men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses**" (Matt. 6:1).

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Somebody says, "Well, they're all forgiven at Calvary." Yes, but that's judicial. That's not practical. This passage is not talking about forgiveness of sins and blood atonement. This passage is talking about your relationship to God in the sense of fellowship. If the time comes to get a prayer answered and you don't forgive men, then God is going to hold it against you, and you're not going to get an answer.

Paul said, **"And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you"** (Eph. 4:32).

You've got to forgive. Unforgiveness is a hindrance to prayer.

**"Be ye angry, and sin not: let not the sun go down upon your wrath"** (Eph. 4:16).

**"Husbands, love your wives, and be not bitter against them"** (Col. 3:19).

A fellow gets mad at his wife, and that can cause his prayers to go unanswered. You say, "I know she's wrong." Then you'll have to pray for God to get her right. And you say, "What if God doesn't get her right?". Well, then you'll have to pray for God to change your attitude toward her. It's easy to get bitter at your wife.

Do you know what upsets a fellow? His wife's complaining. A man doesn't pay attention—at least he doesn't let you know that he does. To men, that's a principle! A lady says, "Everything I say just goes in one ear out the other." The man says, "Well, everything I say goes in your ear out your mouth!"

Now, ladies, he hears what you say. As a matter of fact, he could probably quote it back better than you could,

but he won't give you the benefit of knowing it! Then after a while, he gets off by himself, and the Lord deals with him. He says, "You know she's right about that." He knows it, but he isn't going to tell you. He goes about fixing it up, then about the time he gets two of them fixed up, he begins to look for some sign of recognition. By then, you've forgotten what it was and are complaining about something else. After he's done that about ten times, he says, "That crazy woman doesn't know what she wants!"

Now, if some of you men are in that situation, you have to get that thing fixed up. You say why?

**"Likewise, ye husbands, dwell with them according to knowledge, giving honour unto the wife, as unto the weaker vessel, and as being heirs together of the grace of life; that your prayers be not hindered"** (1 Pet. 3:7).

Couples have their problems, but if you want your prayers answered, then you have to have the right spirit about it no matter what.

**"Grudge not one against another, brethren, lest ye be condemned: behold, the judge standeth before the door"** (James 5:9).

There are some Christians that, if a dog bit them, they would follow him fifteen years to bite him back! You know Christians are about that. Many unsaved people get over their differences pretty quickly. They just fight it out, make up, and be friends. Many Christians never do. They get mad at each other and stay angry for twenty-five years. I have known them.

I've been in churches where one bunch sat on one side of the church,

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and the other bunch sat on the other side. They sing, "Send great revival to my soul, let the Holy Spirit take control."

I've been in a meeting where I say something funny, and everybody in the balcony laughs, and down below is just as quiet as the Yankee Stadium at three in the morning. Then, a minute later, I say something funny again, and everybody downstairs laughs, and everybody upstairs is just as quiet as a turkey farm on Thanksgiving afternoon.

God's not going to bless you if you hold a grudge. Some of you are like the little boy praying by his bedside with his momma. His little brother kept picking on him while he was praying, and in the middle of the prayer, he said, "Lord, excuse me a minute, I've got to kick Jimmy." God isn't going to bless you if you take time out to "kick Jimmy". Just let it go!

I met a guy at Bob Jones from LA. Can anything good come from California? From the very first day, I didn't like him, and he didn't like me. I said some pretty bad things about him, and he said some pretty bad things about me. We would be out doing evangelist work together, and I had no use for him, and he had no use for me. The Lord would deal with me at times. One time, I was trying to get a very important prayer answered. As a matter of fact, it was a matter of life and death. Every time I would pray about it, the Lord would say, "Now look here. If you want to get that prayer answered, then you go see that brother and make things right with him."

I would go to the same meetings with him, and while he was preaching, I would look through the song and

look at my watch. You know, all the things you do when you're not right. When the meeting was over, four people got saved! You couldn't throw me out of the building fast enough! I stepped outside in the dark, and the Lord said to me, "You see there? I do it!". I'll never forget that. It isn't the guy; it's the Lord.

Every time after that, when I saw that guy, I would get under conviction. The Lord would say, "Go talk to him." I would say, "Alright, next time I see him, I'll go talk to him." I would pass him on the campus four times a day and never said "boo" to him. Then it got right down to the time where I had to get an answer quick. I said, "Lord, I promise if I ever see him again, I'll talk to him."

I was parked up at the radio station, and about that time, a big truck pulled alongside me. Two guys got out, and the Lord said, "There he is." And I reached over for the door handle, and my hand was clammy with sweat. I fumbled with the door handle, and he walked into the radio station. I thought, "Well, he's in the radio station. I can't talk to him now. The Lord said, "Go into the radio station." So, I got out of the car and went into the radio station. I got cold feet, so I got a drink of water and went back outside to my car.

I just felt as mean as the devil. And I said, "Well, let's face it, Lord; I'm just a liar and a hypocrite. I tell you, if I ever see him again, I will talk with him." He came out of the building, and they both sat down in the car. As I fumbled with the handle, they came right down by me. I got down in that seat as I saw him going by.

Then I really felt like the devil. I

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sat in that car and said, "Well Lord, let's just face it, I am just a liar, and I ought to go to Hell for the way I am behaving." I said, "Now Lord, if I ever see him, I will talk to him."

Then I saw the car in the rear-view mirror. He backed up next to me and said, "Hi Ruckman!". He had me, boy! Do you know something? We got on our hands and knees and had a camp meeting right out there in front of that radio station. Within forty-eight hours, that prayer got answered!

Now there's one more hindrance to prayer, and you don't hear about it very much.

**"And whatsoever we ask, we receive of him, because we keep his commandments, and do those things that are pleasing in his sight"** (1 John 3:22).

Many prayers don't get answered because God's people do stuff that doesn't please God, and what pleases God, they don't do.

Do you know what pleases God? I go up and down the country in all these Bible forums, and God's people ask me all kinds of questions. There are certain questions that they never ask. I have never been in a Bible forum yet where they said, "Bro. Ruckman, something is bothering me. Is it right to tithe?". They never ask that! I've never had a fellow raise his hand and ask, "Bro. Ruckman, I have a question from the Bible. Should a person try to win people to Christ"? You KNOW what pleases God. If you don't know, get alone in a room on your hands and knees. Say, "God, what do you want me to get rid of that doesn't please you in my life"? Don't tell me you wouldn't find out in less than thirty seconds!

Sometimes it's just a little thing. It's the **"little foxes, that spoil the vines"**. God's people have things in their lives. They're not big things or horrible things, but they don't please the Lord.

Did you know God will put up with things in my life that He won't put up with in your life? And God will put up with things in your life that He won't put up with in my life. I'm not going to give you a bunch of rules and regulations. There are things that you do that don't please God, and you know what they are.

I like the story about the little boy that was at breakfast. His daddy had gone to work, and his mommy was trying to get him to eat his breakfast. It was a bowl of prunes, and he didn't like the prunes. He got three of them down but would not eat the last two. He'd act like he's gagging and puking. You know how they are when they don't want to eat something! She said, "You eat those prunes or go up and stay in your room till I call for you." Well, about ten in the morning, a thunderstorm began, and the thunder was just roaring. The little boy was only about six years old, and she got kind of a bad conscience about leaving him up there during the storm. So, she went up there the stairway to look and see what he was doing. That little boy was standing on the bed and staring out the window, and he said, "Well, I don't see why you have to make such a fuss about two prunes."

I don't know why God raises such a fuss about certain things that I do that, to me, look perfectly harmless. But, if they're not pleasing to Him—then they have to go.

Those are some reasons why Christians don't get prayers answered.



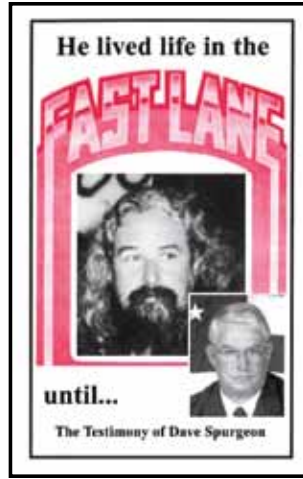
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ignored as a literal source of information, and therefore, those calling themselves scientists, physicists, geologists, anthropologists and biologists, contradict and disagree with each other to the tune of thousands, and even millions of years.

Once the Bible is accepted as the final authority, the historian must be reduced from many billions of years of history, to only six thousand years of history. No one can seriously be considered a scholar by the **“wisdom of this world”** if they speak in terms of only a few thousand years, yet that is what every Bible-believing preacher is called to stand by, and have absolutely no concern for what any self-professed scholar thinks. The truth remains that the only true chronology of both world and human history is found in the King James Bible. There may be some minor differences between those who believe the scripture chronology literally, but those differences only amount to a few score years at the most.

Since the late 1800s, Christian “scholarship” has bowed and succumbed to both the criticisms of German rationalism, and the textual criticism of higher Christian education. The perfect example is Haley’s *Alleged Discrepancies of the Bible* that runs over four hundred pages of pointing out scriptural errors in numbers, times, places, and names, while claiming to defend the inerrancy of the Bible. In pointing out these “errors”, Haley says that “no candid and intelligent student of the

Bible will deny that it contains numerous discrepancies...” and that “it’s statements, taken primarily facie, not infrequently conflict with or contradict one another.”

His conclusion is that “should it be discovered that falsehoods or actual contradictions exist in the Bible, our conclusion must be, that, at any rate, these things do not come from God; that so far the Bible is not divinely inspired.” He goes on to say that “a very large number of discrepancies take their rise from errors in the manuscripts” (as if it is okay to say that a copyist is at fault, not God). Haley’s answer to Ahaziah’s age of twenty-two years old in II Kings 8, versus forty-two years old in 2 Chronicles 22, is “that the copyist mistook one numeral letter for another”. In other words, there are parts of the scripture that are not **“given by inspiration”**, but we can safely trust the other parts.

For the Bible believer, there are no “allowances” for scribal errors and “mistranslations” when it comes to the King James Bible, for **“every word of God is pure”** (Prov. 30:5). Though they sometimes mean well, Christian scholars attempt to help the Lord God out of supposed numerical and chronological errors by claiming that they are simply scribal errors. Yet once that can is opened, the Bible is relegated to becoming a book made not by God, but by man, and the soul of man is left with no authority except what he thinks that the scriptures should say. This approach to the holy

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 scriptures makes them completely unreliable in matters of chronology, when in fact, they are the ONLY reliable record of human history and the ONLY judge of all other chronological records, including Egyptian, Assyrian, Babylonian, Greek and Roman. Where those secular chronologies line up with the scriptures, that part of them can be accepted, not the other way around.

Since he is well aware of the power and truth of the scriptures, Satan is very interested in getting man to question its accuracy. His attack is not limited to translation and manuscript problems, although his first attack is questioning what God said (Gen. 3:1), but he is subtle enough to attack the scripture in other areas, if he cannot get the believer to question the very words of scripture. Long before he attacked the biology of the Bible through the false science of evolution, Satan got believers to question the cosmology of the Bible through the false science of Copernicus.

Within one hundred years of the lie proposed by Copernicus (that the Sun is the center and it is the earth that revolves and rotates), almost every Christian had swallowed his false science, to the point that, now, it is hard to find one who will stand on the scripture on this point. Once that lie was foisted on the body of believers, it was followed up 250 years later with the lie of evolution. From there, the attacks continued until the chronology of the Bible

is very easily questioned and ridiculed as fable. Since it is "obvious" that the scripture was wrong in its cosmology and biology, it can easily be dismissed as an authority for chronology.

But it is the Bible chronology and history that proves, once again, that it is written by God and not man. The accuracy of the scriptural chronology is as much a proven indicator of its inspiration of God as the accuracy of its prophecy. The Bible gives the student chronological benchmarks that can be studied and found to be correct by comparing scripture with scripture, as well as using them to judge secular chronologies. There are a few major benchmarks in scripture that cover 4000 years of human history from Adam to Christ, but the reader must believe the scriptural chronology, no matter what the scholars publish to the contrary, whether they be Hebrew and Greek "Christian" scholars, or atheistic, evolutionary scholars.

First, we will give these important benchmarks of Bible chronology and then follow up with some more detail. The first arc of true history covers from Adam to the worldwide flood in the 600th year of Noah's life. By adding up the years of the patriarchs given in Genesis 5, this amounts to a 1656 year period.

The next arc covers from the flood to Abraham's sojourn down into Egypt, and thanks to an exact chronology given in Genesis 11 and 12, this is a 427 year period. From

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Another arc of history is given that covers 480 years from the exodus to the fourth year of Solomon's reign, when he lays the foundation of the temple in 1 Kings 6:1. We are then able to add the years of the kings of Judah from the death of Solomon to the Babylonian destruction of Jerusalem as another 389 years. This means that the Bible believer has a true chronology of the history of man from the fall of Adam to the fall of Jerusalem as 3382 years. At this point, both the scriptural (Jer. 52:12) and the secular Babylonian chronologies point to 586 B.C. as the year of Jerusalem's final destruction.

The next major chronological benchmark in scripture is the thirtieth year in the life of Christ (Luke 3:23), coinciding with the fifteenth year of the reign of Tiberius Caesar (Luke 3:1). Another very important arc of history is given in the prophecy of Daniel 9:25, which goes from the commandment to restore and to build Jerusalem unto Messiah the Prince, as 483 years (of weeks). This brings the chronology to the year that Luke took great care to record as Christ's thirtieth year as God manifest in the flesh. The Holy Spirit's special attention given to the baptism of Christ in His thirtieth year (Luke 3:21-23) is followed up with Christ's human genealogy going clear back to Adam

(Luke 3:23-38).

The importance of this event seems to be missed by most all chronologers, given that it is a fulfillment of Daniel's prophecy, as well as heralded by both the Holy Ghost and the Father from heaven (Luke 3:22). This means that the Bible believer has a true four thousand year history of mankind from Adam to Christ, and no secular facts of history can refute this claim. Secular histories from Christ to the present agree that we are coming up on the close of another two thousand years of human history since the death of Christ, so there is no room for tens of thousands of years, let alone any three million years of human history paraded by false science.

Satan knows the importance of the authoritative chronology of the scripture, so he uses both lost geologists, anthropologists, and evolutionists, as well as "Christian" scholarship to refute its accuracy. It is interesting to take note that the important benchmarks pointed out in the previous chapter, are questioned and changed by corrupt manuscripts and versions attacking the King James Bible. Beginning with the genealogy given in Genesis 5, Dummelow's commentary states that "the Hebrews, like all other ancient nations, had a tradition that the forefathers of the race were vastly longer-lived than their descendants." So it is implied that it is tradition that accounts for the ages of the patriarchs, not necessarily actual years. The Hebrew scholar

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Delitzsch, spends about ten pages of his commentary informing the reader that the Samaritan text reduces the total years given by 349 years, while the Septuagint increases the overall total of years by 586 years. But why introduce this information, except to cause doubt on the truth of the chronology?

The next scripture arc of chronology from the flood to Abraham's sojourn down into Egypt (Genesis 11 and 12) is again attacked, this time by the Septuagint through Origen (a special tool of the devil), by adding Cainan into the genealogy (from Luke 3), as well as adding 100 years to each of the lives of seven men, making a total of 1245 years, instead of the KJV's 427 years.

The next benchmark of the 430 years from the beginning of Abraham's sojourn to the exodus is corrected by the corrupt NIV, RSV, Living, etc., changing the perfect wording of the KJV in Exodus 12:40, which reads, "**Now the sojourning of the children of Israel, who dwelt in Egypt, was four hundred and thirty years.**"

Notice it does not say that the Israelites sojourned in Egypt for that whole time, nor does it say that they lived there that whole time, only that their "**sojourn**" was that long. Yet the corrupt NIV reads, "Now the length of time that the Israelite people lived in Egypt was 430 years", while other corrupt English versions say, "The time that the people of Israel dwelt in Egypt was four hundred and

thirty years." All of these corruptions destroy the correct Bible chronology.

Moving on to the very important benchmark given in I Kings 6:1, the corrupt Septuagint changes the time from the exodus to Solomon's fourth year and the building of the temple, from 480 years, to 440 years. These are not indiscriminate copyist errors, but planned attacks by Satan to bring doubt into the KJV chronology and the final authority of the believer. After a forty-year reign, Solomon's death marks the split of the kingdom and the kings of Judah reign for another 389 years, down to the Babylonian destruction of Jerusalem, which was in the nineteenth year of Nebuchadnezzar, or 586 B.C., backed by secular chronology as well.

When we go backwards in time from 586 to Adam, we add the 389 years of Judah's kings and arrive at 975 B.C. for the kingdom split. To this, we add 480 years to the fourth year of Solomon (1011 B.C.) to arrive at an exodus of 1491 B.C. This makes Abraham's sojourn into Egypt when he was seventy-five years old (Genesis 12:4,10) take place in 1921 B.C. When we add the 427 years of the genealogy of Genesis 11, we have a date for Noah's flood when he was 600 years old at 2348 B.C. By believing the genealogical record of the KJV, we add the 1656 years of the patriarchs given in Genesis 5, and arrive at Adam in 4004 B.C.

The last two benchmarks of scriptural chronology that remain are the

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seventy weeks of prophecy of Daniel 9, and the thirtieth year of Christ's earthly life, which is in Tiberius' fifteenth year of rule, found in Luke 3. With secular chronologies agreeing with scripture, the command to restore and build Jerusalem is given by Artaxerxes in his twentieth year (Neh. 2:1), which is found to begin in 473 B.C. as a co-rule with his father, this making his twentieth year when he gives the commandment as 453 B.C. This begins the seventy-weeks prophecy of Daniel 9:25, and the seven, plus sixty-two weeks of years to Messiah the Prince equals 483 years, or 30 A.D. for Christ's anointing at his baptism, which was

also the fifteenth year of Tiberius Caesar in Rome.

The Bible believer has an accurate record of human history that no physicist, biologist, geologist, anthropologist (or any other "ist") can refute. Arguments among readers of the scripture who believe it means what it says literally, will have some disagreements, but those variations will only amount to a few years.

The Bible believer can trust the scripture in its chronology, but also in its cosmology (Psa. 148:3-11), biology (Lev. 11), geology (Job 9:6), zoology (Gen. 1:21), botany (Gen. 1:11), astronomy (Psa. 19:1-4), anthropology (Gen. 2:7), physics

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(Heb. 1:10-12), genetics (Gen. 10, Acts 17:26-27), economics (Luke 6:38, 1 Tim. 6:10), meteorology (Job 37:10-13), linguistics (Gen. 11:7), psychology (John 2:25), geometry (1 Kings 7:23), political science (Dan. 4:32), organic chemistry (Col. 1:17), mathematics (Lev. 26:34, 2 Chron. 36:21), and epidemiology (Lev. 13 and 14).

In other words, for the Bible believer, the phrase “our final authority in all matters of faith and practice” is not a

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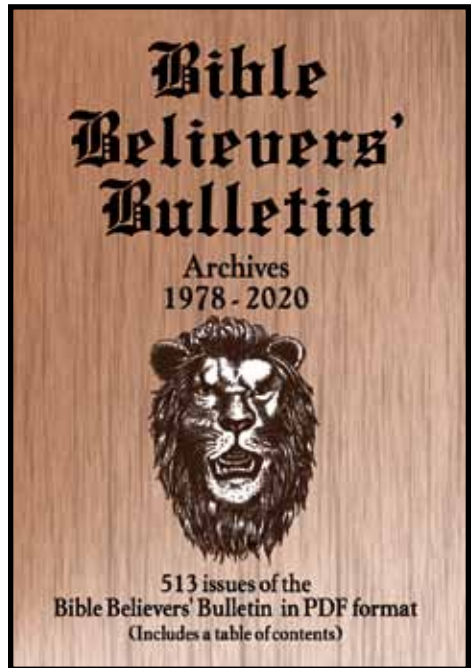
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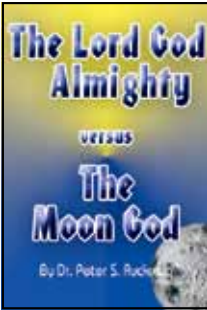
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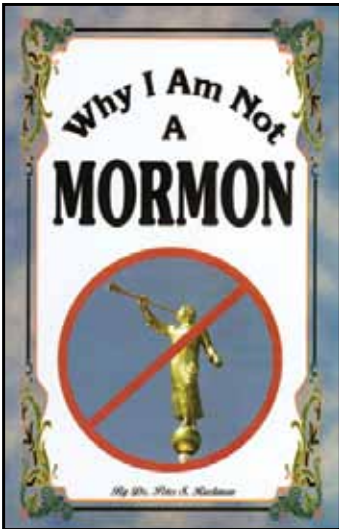
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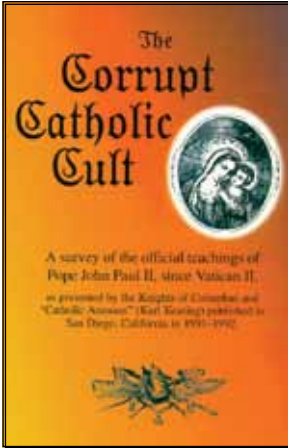
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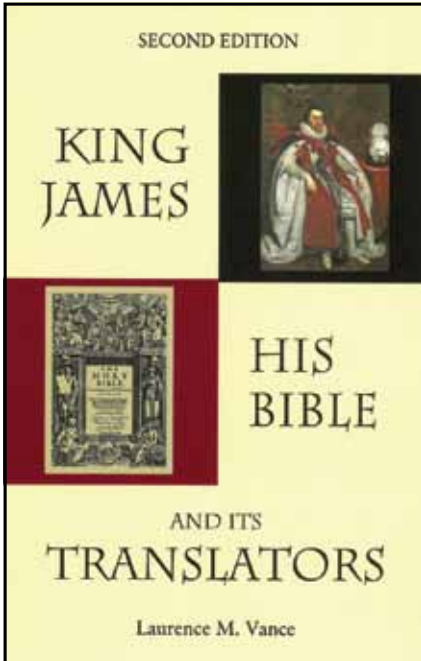
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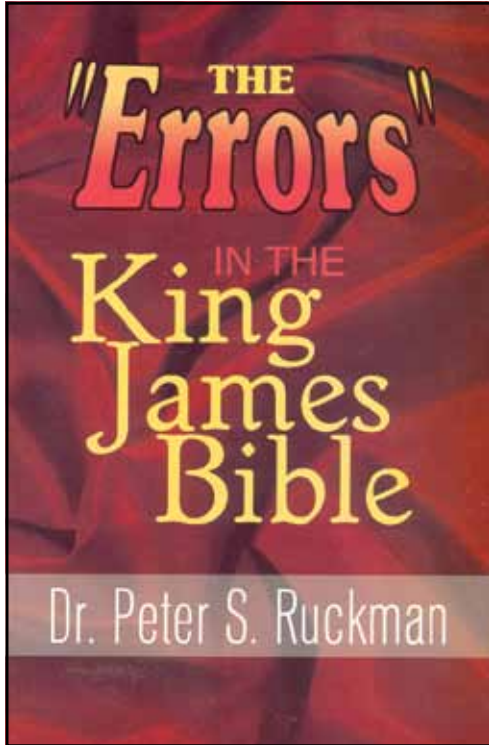
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# A Magnificent Delusion

By Robert Militello

**“And he shall judge among the nations, and shall rebuke many people: and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruninghooks: nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more” (Isa. 2:4).**

In a small municipal park in front of the United Nations headquarters on Second Avenue in Manhattan, there is a concrete wall with this verse of scripture upon it. What is omitted, however, is the first part of the scripture. Those who dream of and labor for world peace thought best to leave out Jesus Christ. **“And he shall judge among the nations and shall rebuke many people . . .”** Well, who could that be?

The Isaiah Wall and the UN were often targets of sarcasm by that notorious preacher of hate, Dr. Peter S. Ruckman. I took him to see that monument to man’s insanity when he visited and preached at my small church on the Labor Day weekend of 1995. That visit was significant because it served as a powerful reminder of how hopeless the efforts of men are at counterfeiting what only God can accomplish.

Creating an institution to settle disputes and bring peace among the nations began in earnest after World War I. That disaster was labeled the “War to end all wars.” It ended in 1918, and the League of Nations came into being in January 1920 with 48 member states. Soon after it began its work, the League showed itself to be an ineffectual debating society and a modern-day

Tower of Babel built on sand.

Less than twenty years after the League began to act as a referee among nations, World War II broke out. World peace is a dream that refuses to die. So, it found its legs again with the signing of the United Nations Charter in June of 1945. This new body of gasbag, international diplomats, tried to correct all the weaknesses of the League of Nations.

With the advent of the Korean War in 1950, it became apparent that the UN would pass resolutions that would have no real means of enforcement. Chairman Mao Tse-tung of Red China said, “Power grows out of the barrel of a gun.” Dreamers and positive thinkers are really dangerous people. Giving them power is the same as throwing a lit match into a gas tank.

There will soon be a third attempt at building a structure that will bring world peace. Nations will submit to a world governing authority headed up by a man of extraordinary diplomatic persuasiveness. He will be a man of great charm and adept at using flattery to disarm those who harbor suspicion about him.

Every Bible believer knows, or should know, who this man is. Scripture is replete with references to him, but who spends time today studying God’s eternal word? All the pride, vanity, and hubris a man, a sinner at that, can possess will be found in this man. Right now, he is Mr. X, but he will be known to the church before the Lord comes for us—see 2 Thessalonians 2:3.

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He will be seen as the savior of a confused and fearful world.

Preparations for his coming are being made now by the rich and haughty of this world. As a king over all the children of pride (Job 41:34), the nations will submit and receive a man whom most Jews will believe is the long-awaited Messiah. What a tragedy must soon befall the nation that rejected their own prophets to trust in religious elders who coveted power over God's flock—Israel.

**“And the loftiness of man shall be bowed down, and the haughtiness of men shall be made low...”** (Isa. 2:17).

Would the UN ambassadors agree to this excerpt from Isaiah to complement the one now standing? What about “. . . and the LORD alone shall be exalted in that day.” That's the second part of verse seventeen, telling man there is only One who deserves glory and praise and that One is called the Prince of Peace in Isaiah 9:6.

The Prince of Peace vs. the Prince of Darkness, that's the choice before all nations. Whom do you suppose our beloved nation will choose? Does the word of God matter to our Supreme Court and leaders in Congress today? The choice has already been made. What will come will be the fruit of that choice. Thank God for the Blessed Hope of Titus 2:13. What else really is there worth looking forward to in the “land of the free and the home of the brave”?

In baseball, it's three strikes, and you're out. Men will try one more time to unite all nations and claim

to be the children of God because they are peacemakers (see Matt. 5:9). This last attempt will appear at first successful. Wicked men will kill God's two servants—prophets of doom. Note in Revelation 11:8, the bodies of Moses and Elijah lying in the street in Jerusalem. These faithful witnesses tormented the positive thinkers and dreamers of the world. Their death brought about a short season of joy like Christmas when gifts get exchanged, and many make merry (see Rev. 11:10).

Those who desire no one but Jesus Christ to run this world are told to wait for the culmination of God's great geopolitical plan to become reality. That plan was written by Zephaniah around 630 B.C.

**“Therefore wait ye upon me, saith the LORD, until the day that I rise up to the prey: for my determination is to gather the nations, that I may assemble the kingdoms to pour upon them mine indignation, even all my fierce anger: for all the earth shall be devoured with the fire of my jealousy”** (Zeph. 3:8).

Few hear verses like this preached on today because God loves everyone—right? The kingdoms of this world will change hands. They were offered by Satan to Jesus Christ (Matt. 4:8-9). Was the devil aware that he would lose them? Revelation 11:15 is something that sets the teeth of the peacemakers on edge. All the kingdoms of this world pass over to the rightful heir.

**“Of the increase of his government and peace there**

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**shall be no end”** (Isa. 9:7).

A woman will help get world government established because she has prayed for world peace for centuries. This woman, the great whore of Revelation 17, has no use for the word of God, although she professes to believe it. For a while, the devil's christ will make use of her charms (seduction by flattery). Then, the ten kings who will have an hour of power (remember Rev. Schuller and the Crystal Cathedral and his Hour of Power TV show) with the beast (Rev. 17:12-18) will burn the whore.

Rome, which calls itself the “Eternal City,” will finally become the garbage dump it really always was. Her end will cause the rich and powerful of this earth to cry like babies (see Rev.18:9-19). God's saints will rejoice over her destruction, for she was nothing but a sadistic killer of the faithful witnesses of God.

**“For true and righteous are his judgments: for he hath judged the great whore, which did corrupt the earth with her fornication, and hath avenged the blood of his servants at her hand”** (Rev. 19:2).

On April 11th, 1963, while a Catholic president sat in the White House, Pope John XXIII published a document entitled “Pacem In Terris”, Peace On Earth. Here the Church of Rome undresses itself. The Great Whore shows how her principal aim is to help bring in peace on earth. Nothing is said in the pope's encyclical on saving

souls. The Vatican harlot wants the kings of this world to help increase her wealth and power. She is a political animal posing as a moral guide for mankind—what a joke! Her religious costume is a satanic disguise necessary to fool those who ignore the word of God and grope about in darkness.

Pope John's letter has 172 points showing how the world must now be regulated by a moral authority committed to truth, justice, charity, and liberty. Reading this document was worse than swallowing the castor oil my mom gave me as a child. It gags you. Point number seven tells you why you must pay attention to what the “Holy Father” has to say. “Men's common interests make it imperative that at long last, A WORLDWIDE COMMUNITY OF NATIONS MUST BE ESTABLISHED.”

Was that an implied admission that the United Nations would fail to bring in world peace? Yes, it was. Would a harlot tell her lovers, “You need me!”? Think about it. The ugly aspects of human behavior can sometimes come out of the closet at the most inopportune times. Dr. Ruckman liked to say, “You know what I mean, jellybean?”. Rome has poison in her lipstick. The last thing the nations need is her kiss.

**“And why wilt thou, my son, be ravished with a strange woman and embrace the bosom of a stranger?”** (Prov. 5:20).

What happens in the mind of a positive thinking simpleton when he or she reads Matthew 10:34?

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**“Think not that I am come to send peace on earth: I CAME NOT TO SEND PEACE, BUT A SWORD.”**

What if that scripture was embossed on every Christmas card sent this December? God's word must cut away at all the vain imaginations of men; nothing men write is up to the job. If the Vatican says world peace must be built upon truth, then where does one go to find that truth—to Rome? If not for the new birth, I would have thought so. Catholics don't read the Bible much, so for most, John 17:17 goes right past them. **“Sanctify them through thy truth: THY WORD IS TRUTH.”**

Peace, absent the word of God, is fiction. It doesn't exist. Still, millions believe it is out there somewhere, so they search for it in psychiatry, drugs, and God knows what else. Death ends that search, and for those who leave this world without Christ, Hell tells you God was true, and every man was a liar. There are no delusions in Hell. The rich man in Luke 16:19-31 left a family of positive thinkers who had no idea where their brother's soul was. He was in a place of torment (vs. 28), but who would know that apart from reading and believing God's word (vs. 31). Rome told me there was a Hell. Then it deluded me with the hope that living a life of strict religious observance would keep me from going to that place of torment.

**“There is a way which seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death”** (Prov. 14:12).

All delusions are born in the mind that refuses to accept what God says is true. The perverseness and utter depravity of men's hearts are plainly declared in scripture. This truth is such a blow to man's pride that the delusion of the goodness of man must be sounded forth continually in our colleges and universities. One hears over and over again about the dignity of man and the need to mature one's self-esteem. One sitting in a college classroom knows nothing compared to Solomon.

**“...yea also the heart of the sons of men is full of evil, and madness is in their heart while they live, and after that they go to the dead”** (Eccl. 9:3).

Nations declare their desire to live alongside one another in peace, but it is vanity to think so. Men associate themselves in nation states to feel secure and to pursue prosperity. They forget or don't know what God has written concerning them.

**“Put them in fear, O LORD that the nations may know themselves to be but men”** (Psa. 9:20).

Peace, as understood by a nation, is the absence of war with other nations. How can men who are evil know anything of real peace when the Prince of Peace is a stranger to them?

The times we now live in are more dangerous than ever. Narcissism has spread like an aggressive, unstoppable cancer in our society, and anyone my age is blind not to notice it. Self-love is what Paul said would characterize the last days of Christ's body on earth (2 Tim. 3:1-2).

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# A Magnificent Delusion

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Those who say, "Look on the bright side of things" cling to the practice of positive thinking, pretending not to notice the growing decay all about them.

All is being made ready by the media to receive the Great Architect (Masonic god) of delusions. This will be a man to whom all the world will wonder after because he will

survive a deadly head wound and amaze all those who doubted him (Rev. 13). Forty-two months of hell on earth will be this man's gift of peace.

**"For when they shall say, Peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape"**

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## THE CREED OF THE ALEXANDRIAN CULT

1. There is **no final authority** but God.
2. Since God is a Spirit, there is **no final authority** that can be seen, heard, read, felt, or handled.
3. Since all books are material, there is **no book on this earth that is the final and absolute authority** on what is right and what is wrong, what constitutes truth and what constitutes error.
4. There **WAS** a series of writings one time which, **IF** they had all been put into a **BOOK** as soon as they were written the first time, **WOULD HAVE** constituted an infallible and final authority by which to judge truth and error.
5. However, this series of writings was lost, and the God who inspired them was **unable to preserve their content** through Bible-believing Christians at Antioch (Syria), where the first Bible teachers were (Acts 13:1), and where the first missionary trip originated (Acts 13:1-52), and where the word "*Christian*" originated (Acts 11:26).
6. So God chose to **ALMOST** preserve them through Gnostics and philosophers from Alexandria, Egypt, even though God called His Son **OUT** of Egypt (Matthew 2), Jacob **OUT** of Egypt (Genesis 49), Israel **OUT** of Egypt (Exodus 15), and Joseph's bones **OUT** of Egypt (Exodus 13).
7. So there are two streams of Bibles. The most accurate—though, of course, there is **no final, absolute authority** for determining truth and error; it is a matter of "preference"—are the Egyptian translations from Alexandria, Egypt, which are "almost the originals," although not quite.
8. The most **inaccurate translations** were those that brought about the German Reformation (Luther, Zwingli, Boehler, Zinzendorf, Spener, et al.) and the worldwide missionary movement of the English-speaking people: the Bible that Sunday, Torrey, Moody, Finney, Spurgeon, Whitefield, Wesley, and Chapman used.
9. But we can "tolerate" these if those who believe in them will "tolerate" US. After all, since there is **NO ABSOLUTE AND FINAL AUTHORITY** that anyone can read, teach, preach, or handle, the whole thing is a matter of "PREFERENCE." You may prefer what you prefer, and we will prefer what we prefer. Let us live in peace, and if we cannot agree on anything or everything, let us all agree on one thing: **THERE IS NO FINAL, ABSOLUTE, WRITTEN AUTHORITY OF GOD ANYWHERE ON THIS EARTH.**

This is the Creed of the Alexandrian Cult.

# A Magnificent Delusion

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(1 Thess. 5:3). It's a glorious thing to be saved, Amen?

Fear and anxiety over man's future survival will make it easier for a world government to be established. We already hear the phrase "citizen of the world" appearing regularly in multinational media outlets as part of the globalization effort of those who worship the god of prosperity. Now the media is a key player in fostering a growing sense of fear among all nations. Properly regulated fear can bring enemies together.

Mankind must be subjected to a "worry about this" menu every night on the news and internet. Nuclear weapons, earth warming, future covid-like plagues, violent crime, corruption in government, paper money losing value, and whatever else can frighten you. This is the proper diet for the lovers of this world to see how much they need a miracle worker to fix things. Fear will help bring about a one-world religion.

All must agree that no one has a monopoly on truth. Men of goodwill may find different paths to God, so teaching there is one way only is religious bigotry. Peace among men can come when approval of one system of belief is enjoined upon all by a dictator. So a dictator will come, and the world be rescued because positive thinking creates positive outcomes—isn't that so?

On September 14th, 2021, the UN General Assembly will convene in New York. For the last seventy-five years, this august body of pious liars and hypocrites has pretended

to be man's best hope for peace on earth. The devil's christ will replace that group of incompetents with himself and with those sold out to do his will only. Just like Adolf Hitler replaced the Second Reich under the Kaiser with his own Third Reich, the Antichrist will replace the League of Nations and the United Nations with his own setup. Hitler, after taking power on January 30th, 1933, thought his Reich (empire) would last a thousand years. It lasted until May 7th, 1945. Antichrist won't do as well; we have a Book that tells us that—Amen? Someone is coming, however, who can and will make His kingdom on this earth last a thousand years.

No one going in or out of the UN building on Second Avenue today worries about reading anything on a wall that will shatter their delusion and forever damage their precious self-esteem. The Bible is no respecter of persons whether they have dreams or not. Thank God for such a Book.

Before the idea of a world united without Christ goes back to Hell from where it was spawned, I wish to dream a little, if I may. I would like to see all the UN diplomats forced to listen to a vast choral group singing Handel's Messiah. Imagine the range of facial expressions when hearing, "**And he shall reign forever and forever.**"

Proud men don't like to be humbled, but the lofty looks of man must and will be wiped away. There is only one Man that can do that. He is my Savior and He is worth serving.



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