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In Asia**



# What our READERS SAY

## Unfinished Revolution

"Thank you ever so much for the article about Communism. I did not know about their purpose and goal, or their Communistic methods and tactics. I knew nothing about their philosophies and teachings. I found out that I was wrong when I thought that Communism was the answer to today's African troubles. You have opened my eyes wide, and I have put aside that thought. I have started towards a new goal. Now I have found that Africa and myself may be saved if we put our troubles to the Great Creator our God."

Mr. Latiel M.,  
Bulawayo, Rhodesia

"I wrote to you five or six months ago, and I said in my letter that I HAD been a confirmed and outspoken atheist. I went on to say that, at the time of the letter, I was now more or less an agnostic. I said that because of your magazine *The PLAIN TRUTH*, I had learned much which changed my mind on a lot of old (and false) beliefs and religious concepts. I would now like to tell you that *I am positive there is a God*. This new belief is because of your magazine — *The PLAIN TRUTH*."

J. Charles G., Missouri

"I am writing to thank you for continuing to send *The PLAIN TRUTH*. As a student of modern languages and European affairs, the accuracy of the articles on political movements in Europe continues to fascinate. But much more I would most sincerely ask you to put me in touch with an Ambassador-trained man in the Coventry region, for your whole work has the ring of truth which, although I am a member of a Christian Church, did not really hit me until I heard your broadcasts last summer.

"I would now like the chance to talk over several aspects of the Christian faith and also my own position."

J. M. B., Warwickshire,  
England

## Teen-Age

"I have heard Ted Armstrong many times over KPHO. The other night we sat in the car, my sixteen-year-old daughter and I, and listened to his message on marriage and chastity, etc. It was right on target. It did us both a lot of good to sit there together and get the message of God in such a way that it made common sense. It was very effective, because Ted did the job for me much better than I could have done. Please thank him for us."

Dr. R. E. A.,  
Phoenix, Arizona

"I am a teen-ager myself — sixteen years old. When you were talking about going steady, it really made me stop and think about it. I've been going steady for over two years. I've wanted to break up, and we have four times already. But he keeps coming back, and it seems like I am soft-hearted. I don't know what to do.

"I'd love for you to send those pamphlets you were advertising on the radio, 'Teen-age Happy Marriage' and the one about 'Parents.' I'd love to read everything I can on teen-agers. You see, I have no parents that I can ask, or get advice from."

Connie C., Parkersburg,  
West Virginia

## Hippies

"I would dearly like to know the grounds on which you so harshly condemn 'hippies.' You seem to think that any man who has long hair, or slightly flamboyant clothes is morally weaker than 'more civilized people.' By all means, condemn the 'junkies' and the immoral, but, in the name of justice, leave prejudice against the millions of good Christian teen-agers, who like beat music, innocent excitement, freedom of appearance and ideals, and 'untainted' love, well alone."

P. Healey,  
Liverpool, England

• *We don't condemn them — we pity*  
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# Personal from the Editor

LAST MONTH, I began answering the question, "Just what is back of *The PLAIN TRUTH*, *The WORLD TOMORROW* broadcast, and Ambassador College, with its three campuses in California, Texas, and England?"

All these operations, worldwide, we customarily speak of, among ourselves, as "the Work." So, just what do we mean — "the Work"?

WHY the worldwide broadcast? WHY a world-news magazine of more than 1,200,000 copies monthly? WHY do we have colleges? WHY do we operate worldwide? Just what are our objectives, our goals, our purposes? How is this great Work financed?

Last month I was able only to give you the background, without which neither today's world conditions, nor this Work, could be understood.

I explained that when we speak of this Work, we mean God's Work, which God purposes to accomplish *in the world*, by and through *human instruments*, whom He calls *and uses*. To really understand I felt our readers needed the background — even Biblically revealed facts of *prehistory* which are almost totally unknown. You need to understand the real background and CAUSES of world conditions as they are today — its civilization, its governments, its problems. These world conditions are the REASON for God's Work in the world.

In briefest summary, the *facts* of creation prove there is a Creator — the great almighty GOD, the supreme Personage, composed of Spirit (not matter or mortal flesh), of perfect all-knowing mind, and almighty power. God RULES His creation. It is He who designed and brought into being the vast universe, with its galaxies and heavenly bodies flung through limitless space — including our solar system — our sun, earth and its moon.

I explained (this will be reprinted as a booklet, titled, "*Just What Do We*

*Mean — This Work?*") there was a superarchangel, a cherub named Lucifer, created with great knowledge, wisdom, beauty, trained at the very seat of God's Throne of the Government of the Universe. Thoroughly trained in the administration of the GOVERNMENT OF GOD, Lucifer was placed on a throne in Eden, on this earth, to administer the Government of God over angels who then populated this earth.

Under GOD'S GOVERNMENT, the earth was filled with happiness, abundance, joy. But this Lucifer (whose name means "Shining Star of the Dawn" or "Bringer of Light and Knowledge") allowed himself to be filled with vanity, envy of God's supremacy as Ruler of the whole Universe, and a self-centered desire to *get, take, have*. He organized a rebellion. A third of the angels followed him. They swept on up to attack Almighty God on His Throne in heaven — to *seize* Power over the Universe.

But God's Power is supreme. Lucifer and his angels "FELL" back down to the earth. Lucifer was renamed Satan (meaning Adversary, Competitor), and his angels became demons — perverted in mind and reasoning.

Physical chaos to the earth resulted from this universal sin of rebellion. In six days God brought order out of physical chaos, renewing the surface of the earth, and then creating MANKIND upon it. Speaking of this, God inspired David to write: "Thou sendest forth thy Spirit, they are created: and thou renewest the face of the earth" (Psalm 104:30). Satan now was *disqualified* as Ruler and Administrator of GOD'S Government on earth. However, in God's plan, he could not be removed until a successor has qualified and been inducted into office.

Adam had his chance. But Adam also reached out to *take* (even from his wife) what God had forbidden him to have — rebelling against God's Gov-

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### OUR COVER

Eisaku Sato, Prime Minister of Japan, speaks before press conference in Canberra, on the occasion of the funeral of Australia's late Prime Minister Holt. Sato announced it is time for Japan to have a voice in international affairs commensurate with her status as one of the world's leading economic powers.







# JAPAN'S NEW ROLE IN ASIA

*Japan, the industrial supergiant of the Orient, is once again determined to build an empire. Japan's approach is far different from that which led to World War II. Read this surprising report on Japan's strategy and the prophesied outcome!*

by Richard F. Plache and Gary L. Alexander

**J**APAN is again on the march! The latest offensive has already driven further than Japan's military efforts did a quarter of a century ago!

Japanese weapons today are not military but *economic*. Japan has launched a three-pronged offensive of trade, aid, and investment. The very same *battle plan* Germany is now using to succeed in dominating Europe, where formerly the Blitzkrieg method failed.

## Japan's Lifeline

Japan's economic survival depends upon trade. Lacking almost all natural resources necessary to support a modern industrial economy, Japan is forced to import 100% of its cotton, wool, rubber, and bauxite; 98.5% of its crude oil; 95.3% of its iron ore; 85% of its copper; 81.6% of its wheat; 80% of its sugar, and 75% of its zinc.

Japan is hungry for raw materials. She is devouring an ever-increasing supply from nearly every nation on earth. Iron ore comes to Japan from Chile, Malaysia, India, Peru, and South Africa; steel scrap from the United States; non-ferrous metals from the Philippines; crude oil from the Middle East and Russia; lumber from Alaska; pulp from Canada; rubber from Malaysia; cotton from Mexico and the United States; wool from Australia; sugar

from China and Cuba. These are only a *few* of the many countries feeding Japan's burgeoning industry.

Japanese-owned businesses in foreign nations are on the increase. The vanguard of this economic offensive is composed of industrious and energetic young Japanese who operate everything from an iron mine in Siberia to a vinyl plant in Nicaragua and the largest fertilizer plant in the world in Korea — just to mention a few.

Japan trades with every continent on earth into the *billion dollar* bracket, with import-export values rising 15% every year!

## Assault on the United States

In Anchorage, Alaska, a local resident said wistfully, "If you really want to develop Alaska *fast*, you'll *cede it to Japan*. The Japanese would be swarming all over this place in no time, and getting stuff out at a mile a minute." This statement appeared in the *Wall Street Journal*, December 2, 1966, referring to Japan's "long term *peaceful assault* on the resource-rich 49th state."

In 1965 Japan took 80% of Alaska's exports — mainly lumber. Japanese purchasers have bought more than a billion board feet of lumber from Washington, Oregon, and California alone each year since 1965 — at a growth rate of 32.6% each year!

Japan is now the largest cash buyer of American agricultural products! According to Japanese Ambassador to the United States, Ryuji Takeuchi, these figures are expected to double between 1965 and 1970, and triple by 1975!

The United States now stands in the

position of the *number one source* supplying the needs of modern Japan.

## Australia — Number Two Supplier

The Crown Colony of *Australia* has also snubbed Britain in favor of Japan. "Japan has become *the world's leading importer of Australian products*, outranking the United Kingdom and pulling away swiftly month by month." (*Asia Scene*, October, 1967, p. 48.)

Japan imports more from Australia than any other Asian nation! Former Prime Minister Harold Holt credited the upsurge of Australian trade to, "The *marriage* of our own *raw material* primary production to *Japan's enormous industrial potential*."

In 1957, trade between the two countries was practically *nil*! From a situation of mutual independence, the two countries have reached a state of almost *total interdependence*. "It would be *impossible today* to reverse the course of *Japanese-Australian relations* without doing enormous damage to the economies of both countries." (*Sydney Morning Herald*, April 17, 1967.)

As an example of how new this trade alliance is, consider *iron ore*. Until 1966, Australia exported *NO* iron ore at all to Japan. In 1967 the Japanese took *half the entire output*, and have contracts for *two-thirds* of Australian production by 1972. Much the same is happening with coal.

Japanese mill operators know that there are billions of tons of iron ore in the Australian hills. And they mean to *get it out*! Japanese shipping interests have scheduled construction of 14 new 30,000 to 50,000-ton ore carriers and

Nihon Hasshoku Photo

**SOKA GAKKAI FESTIVAL** — Over 100,000 spectators filled massive Japanese stadium for Second Cultural Festival. All who attended were followers of this Japanese lay organization, in the native Nichiren Buddhist tradition.





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Nissan Motors sports cars waiting at Honmaki Pier in Japan. All will be exported to the United States. Notice, name "Datsun" on the far left of ship — a well-known Japanese car exporter.

12 new 50,000-ton-or-more carriers *just to transport ore from Australia.*

Japanese rush in where Britons fear to tread!

"Are the Japanese taking over Australia?" asks William Davis in *Asia Scene*. "The answer is NO, but they would like to." (*Asia Scene*, December 1967, p. 14.)

#### Asia — Primary Target

Most people have totally forgotten about Japan's so-called "Greater East Asia Co-prosperity Sphere" of the 1930's. It was Japan's attempt to mask its military conquests under the guise of economic unity.

In early 1967, Japan announced its modern version — the "Asian Pacific (Trade) Community." The ultimate objective is the same — a guaranteed source of supply for critical raw materials and eventually *political-military domination* of all Asia. However, the Japanese have wisely learned from the

mistakes of World War II and are not resorting to military methods to guarantee this supply of raw materials. It is presently being done through economic and diplomatic channels. Japan's present approach is to make friends, not enemies, of those nations in Asia that she *needs*. However, Japan hopes ultimately to exercise *political control* of these nations in the formation of an Asiatic alliance.

Japan today has largely achieved the prosperity and *range of influence which was the purpose of the "Greater East Asia Co-prosperity Sphere" which she sought to create a generation ago by force of arms.*

Japan is *wooing* more nations than she ever dreamed of thirty years ago. Tokyo has launched its own version of the *Peace Corps* to win the common people of Asia. Tokyo has raised its foreign aid budget to \$600,000,000 a year, formed the "Tokyo Club" of Asian creditors, spearheaded the Asian

Development Bank, and launched ASPAC — the political union called Asian and Pacific Council.

Osaka, Japan's second largest city, is busily preparing for *Expo '70*, a greater Asian world's fair. Workers are building housing, electrical, and sewer systems to accommodate a city of 300,000 people. Advertisements for the fair *saturate* the Asian continent, even appearing on backs of cigarette packs!

The Japanese Industrial Exposition in the Philippines just finished its two-week stay in Manila (March 2-17, 1968). It featured 180 elaborate booths displaying the finest of Japanese wares to these islands of "Greater Asia."

Trade with the Philippines has grown 92% since 1960, and is soon to pass the \$600,000,000 mark. Twenty-seven percent of all Philippines' imports are Japanese, and a four-year pact signed by the two nations (1967-

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# PRESIDENT WON'T RUN — WHY?

*WHY did President Johnson announce an about-face, REVERSING the Government's War Policy in Vietnam? Here is the real MEANING behind this news bombshell.*

by Herbert W. Armstrong

THE WORLD WAS STUNNED by President Johnson's announcement he would not be a candidate for re-election, and would refuse to run if nominated.

Just as shocking was his reversal of government policy on the war in Vietnam, announcing he had ordered all nonstrategic bombing of North Vietnam stopped, and was asking North Vietnam to negotiate.

## WHY Didn't President TELL?

WHY has the nation been *divided* about the Vietnam war? WHY did not President Johnson reveal to the people the REASON for U. S. involvement?

His real reason for his policy of being in, staying in and yet *not winning* — actually *not aiming to win* — was this: The Communist strategy for conquering and dominating and ruling the whole world — including the U. S. — is dual: to advance militarily by way of Asia, then southeast Asia, Australia, Africa, and *then* Europe and Britain and the U. S.; and to advance by propaganda and sabotage by dividing our people, racially, politically — any way they could; and weakening us from within by instigating riots, strife and division of whatever kind they can.

The government policy was based on the contention it is better to stop the Communist military spearhead right where it is — at the border of South Vietnam, rather than wait until it gains more and more momentum, as the Communists plan, so we eventually would be fighting on our own soil, and utterly overwhelmed by their multiplied strength.

But if that were the whole story,

perhaps Mr. Johnson could have made it plain, and "sold" the American people on the war — and going in to WIN!

But that was *not* the whole story. And the other part of the story he could not publicize without turning the South Vietnamese rulers against us. That other part of the story is simply the fact there is no stable government in South Vietnam, and no prospect of any, because there is no strong and stable *leadership* there! If the U. S. should totally *knock out* the North Vietnamese, and the Viet Cong, the government policy-makers were afraid either Communist China would come in with all-out total war against us — or Russia — and with a NUCLEAR war that might erase all humanity from the earth before it would be over. Or, at the least, the Chinese or Russian Communists would then run right over the weak and unstable South Vietnam government, and continue on their way. Therefore the policy was a war of merely containing the Communist drive, escalating only as made necessary to hold our own.

Actually, this suited the Communists just fine! They have manpower in great abundance to feed as fodder — to keep escalating the war, at TREMENDOUS COST to the U. S., but at slight cost to them. With them it was a war of attrition, wearing us down, weakening us economically under the terrific financial burden.

## Bobby and McCarthy

But the whole thing became a red-hot political issue. Of course Bobby Kennedy has planned all along to run

for President — and this year if he could manage the strategy. The Kennedy multimillions have for years been dedicated to gaining control of the government. The Kennedys planned to discredit Mr. Johnson, and get the nomination this year if possible.

So Bobby came out against the President's policy. He came out for de-escala-



Wide World Photo

LYNDON B. JOHNSON  
U. S. President 1963-1969(?)

tion, and negotiation — with the North Vietnamese and the NLF — (National Liberation Front) or Viet Cong. He came out for compromise. How he would do it didn't appear very clear, but he proposed bringing about a coalition between the South Vietnamese and the Cong, and then GET OUT!

And then what would happen to



South Vietnam? He didn't say, nor appear concerned.

Senator McCarthy went to the opposite extreme from the government policy—he was for withdrawing—getting out.

And the Republicans? Mr. Nixon basically supported the President's program, but objected to the *way* it was being handled. The basic issue with him appeared to be the domestic problems.

So the President, by his speech withdrawing from the race, and de-escalating the war, at one stroke knocked out from under their feet the campaign issues of Bobby Kennedy and Senator McCarthy.

And now the politicians are speculating—is Mr. Johnson hoping to establish a place in history as the Viet PEACEMAKER? Or, is he shrewdly figuring to knock out his Democratic opponents' campaign issues, regain his popularity, hoping to be drafted at the Democratic convention, and then, even though saying he would not accept, gracefully acquiesce?

Well, personally I'm not concerned with politics.

### Emphasis Clue to Real Meaning

But those who listened to the President's speech might have detected that his main emphasis was not, after all, on Vietnam of itself.

His first emphasis appeared to be the fact that the nation is *divided* in its feelings about the Vietnam war. And a nation divided cannot stand! Not only is the nation unable to make up its mind about supporting the war, but the Democratic Party has been divided on the issue.

Second in importance appeared to be the money crisis—the worst economic situation to face the nation since the 1929-1936 Depression—the desperate need to save the nation's economy. By reversing the government war policy of escalation—resulting in ever-increasing the government's number one expenditure, he plugs up the biggest leak in dollars.

These considerations appeared more important in the President's mind than continuing or winning the war.

And this detectable emphasis in Mr. Johnson's speech is the clue to the real meaning behind the entire situation in which the United States and British nations find themselves today.

Actually, as pointed out in our new enlarged book published last year, *The U.S. and British Commonwealth in Prophecy*, the people of the Western world would be STUNNED!—DUMB-FOUNDED!—if they *knew* the real MEANING of today's unprecedented world conditions. The governments of the U.S., Britain, Canada, Australia and South Africa would immediately institute drastic changes in their foreign policies—would set in motion gigantic crash programs—if *they knew!*

But they don't know! And WHY?

I explained it in the book. There are two reasons, primarily:

1) World leaders—politicians, scientists, educators, industrialists, have been deceived by false education, appealing to the vanity of intellect, into prejudicial and disdainful rejection of the one source of that very vital knowledge—revelation, which alone can explain and reveal. One whole third of the Bible is devoted to prophecies—ADVANCE NEWS of WORLD CONDITIONS. And approximately 90% of all these prophecies pertain to OUR WORLD and OUR TIME, *TODAY*—the latter half of this 20th Century!

2) The vital KEY necessary to unlock closed doors of Biblical prophecy had been lost! These prophecies were never given to, understood by, and did not pertain to ancient Israel, believe it or not! Most of them were written after the Jews had gone into captivity—a slave people removed from their own land, scattered as slaves among the Chaldeans!

Furthermore, they were closed and sealed *until* our time, NOW! And, astounding though it be, most of them pertain *directly* to the United States and British nations!

### What Prophecy Says About It

What, then, is the real MEANING back of all this?

The prophecies are revealed in detail in the book—sent free of charge

on request to all subscribers to *The PLAIN TRUTH*.

And you will get the necessary details in brief on the MONEY CRISIS in the article on page 7 of this issue.

McCarthy wants to just pull out—lose face or not—peace at any cost. Senator Kennedy wants to compromise, even at loss of face. And now the President has reversed his policy, aboutfacing into de-escalation of the war—and there are indications he may find a way to manage a "peace" which will not BE a peace, but a defeat, acclaimed as a great "VICTORY" in the interests of "PEACE"—while *there is no peace!*

In other words, as God Himself has prophesied in the ADVANCE NEWS, "I will break the pride of your power: . . . and your strength shall be spent in vain . . ." (Lev. 26:19-20).

This nation has, indeed, lost all PRIDE in its power!

Meanwhile, ten nations—the U.S., Britain, Canada, Sweden, Japan, France, Germany, Italy, Belgium, and the Netherlands, drafted a change in the International monetary system, creating a new "paper gold," called the "S.D.R." (Special Drawing Rights). France refused to sign the agreement. President de Gaulle is doing all he can to weaken the U.S. and Britain.

Because this nation has ignored, disobeyed and rebelled against its God, it is now going to be PUNISHED, as no nation ever was punished—at the awesome supernatural hands of Almighty God! But God's punishment is *not* revenge, but CORRECTION—to the end that we shall be CORRECTED for our GOOD, turned from our wrong ways that are bringing destruction upon us.

Drought and famine and massive epidemics of disease are foretold for us! Then INVASION of a foreign foe, and DEFEAT—but *not* from Russia or China! Our cities shall be DESTROYED—laid WASTE—as only H-bombs can do! We are about to learn some serious and vital lessons—the HARD WAY! But ultimately, when we have learned them, we shall be restored as the TOP nations in the WORLD TOMORROW—in a world of REAL PEACE, of justice, happiness, and great abundance for all!

You may read the whole prophecy in the book mentioned above.



# WORST MONEY CRISIS IN THREE DECADES!

*The U. S. dollar is bailed out again. The British government introduces a drastic budget. The gold rush subsides. What will happen now? And what about YOUR future. Is there a way you can be assured of financial security?*

by Gene H. Hogberg

ONCE AGAIN the Central Bankers of Europe have rescued the dollar. In so doing, the world's fragile monetary structure, based upon the dollar and its relationship to gold, has been saved from collapse.

The most volatile international financial flare-up since the dark days of the Depression 1930's has subsided — at least for the time being.

## Only Way Out

Meeting in Washington D. C. on March 16 and 17 in a crisis atmosphere, the West's leading central bank chiefs (excluding France) took the only available avenue open to them to halt the rush from paper money into gold.

The new stop-gap scheme — the so-called "two-price" or "two-tier" system for gold — is aimed at keeping private hoarders and speculators away from official gold stocks.

The jarring alternative the bankers sought desperately to avoid was a hike in the price of gold. Such a step would have led to a global chain of currency devaluations.

## U. S. Gold Loss — 2½ Billion Dollars

Before the U. S. and its monetary allies — Belgium, Netherlands, West Germany, Italy, Switzerland and Britain — initiated their rescue operation in the global game of "fiscal brinkmanship" their official stocks had taken a severe pounding.

The U. S. was especially hard hit, having provided nearly three-fifths of the gold funneled out through the London gold pool. Since November,

1967, U. S. gold reserves have plunged over two and one-half billion dollars!

The U. S. gold stock now stands officially at \$10.48 billion, down from \$13.36 billion approximately four months ago. All of this is now "free gold" having been emancipated from behind the nation's currency. President Johnson removed the 25 percent gold cover provision on March 19. And barely in time! For on the same day the President signed the bill, the Treasury Department announced the transfer of \$750 million in gold, bringing the offi-



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"This country today is overextended and overcommitted," says America's Federal Reserve Board Chairman William McChesney Martin, above. In recent very blunt speeches, Martin has been warning U. S. leaders to put the country's economic affairs in order — to stop the balance of payments deficit and move toward a balanced budget at home.

cial gold reserves backing the dollar down perilously close to the 25 percent minimum level.

## Will New Arrangement Work?

All bankers, all government officials, all economists of every persuasion agree on one thing — the gold crisis is not over. With one accord they admit the latest stop-gap measure to be just that — stopping the gap, plugging the holes, taping up the torn and tattered dollar.

Confidence in the dollar and its sister currency, the British pound, is very weak.

It's all up to the U. S. now.

"Our European partners have given us time to put our own house in order," said Rudolph A. Peterson, President of the Bank of America. "It is vital that the United States use this time to restore confidence in the dollar by immediate slashes in government spending and increases in taxes. We must have fiscal action now."

Federal Reserve Board chairman William McChesney Martin also admits the Washington meeting *only bought time* for the dollar. Said Martin, "If we do nothing about our budgetary and balance-of-payments deficits, I don't think we have too long."

In a speech in Detroit, Martin called the new two-price gold arrangement "a form of monetary gadgetry." By this Mr. Martin implied that the new plan only gets the United States temporarily "off the hook." But it DOES NOT ATTACK THE CAUSE of America's (as well as Britain's) monetary ills — overspending, habitual red-ink federal budgets and negative balance of pay-



ments records—plus another virtually unrecognized, yet *most important cause of all!*

The U. S. seemingly ignores the facts of life and instead continuously implores its chief financial partners to help *treat the effect*. Out of pure *self-interest*, the Continentals have shown willingness to assist again and again. Collapse of the dollar *now* would mean collapse of their economies as well, since many European countries hold large amounts of dollars as part of their reserves.

*New York Times* columnist Albert L. Kraus reported on March 20: "Europe has the power to keep the monetary structure glued together a bit longer. But unless the United States demonstrates its will to keep the house intact, destruction is inevitable."

#### What Britain Is Forced to Do

It's politically unpopular in Washington, but higher taxes, plus significant cuts in government spending are inevitable. And they must be severe enough to impress the Europeans, who now call the shots on monetary measures.

The British government has already announced a drastic new budget in return for yet another loan from the International Monetary Fund (IMF). Britain is now \$4 billion in hock to the IMF.

The new British budget is calculated to pinch the pockets of both poor and rich alike. Taxes on gasoline (petrol), alcoholic beverages (except ale), tobacco, autos, appliances, luxuries, all will rise.

The greatest hike is to be levied upon investment income. Here the rich take a soaking. Above certain levels the tax is *over 100%*. A British millionaire earning \$120,000 a year in investment income will be taxed 136%. He will pay all of it to the government, *plus* \$43,000 from his savings.

Now *that's* a tax!

America is heading down *this same road*, unless there is firm action by government and individual citizens alike—namely labor union members—to hold the line on spending and requests for higher wages.

Are the American people willing to take action? Do they understand the peril they are in?

#### Another Favor Extended

And now consider what has happened at the international monetary conference in Stockholm, Sweden. At this high-level confab a "Special Drawing Rights" (SDR) project has been tentatively approved.

This so-called "paper gold" plan has been pushed by the world's two chief deficiiteer nations, Britain and the United States. And once again the Continentals have displayed reserved willingness to go along with the latest "monetary medicine." The sole excep-

financial rescues were effected is not a good one.

How long will patience by the Continentals be extended to the U. S. and Britain?

#### Still Time

Total collapse of the global monetary network will not occur this year—or the next—or possibly even the next after that.

There will, however, be more "gold bubbles"—each one successively worse.

After each "bubble"—another patchwork, stop-gap scheme will be worked



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All is quiet before the Bank of England during the "bank holiday" of March 15. Bank closed its doors at the request of the U. S. government, in order to take the heat out of the recent international monetary flare-up.

tion is France which believes—and can she be blamed for doing so?—that the "paper gold" scheme will only extend new sources of credit to London and Washington.

Even U. S. Treasury Secretary Henry Fowler was forced to admit in Stockholm: "Unless we [the U. S.] take the course of financial responsibility, all other efforts [meaning the SDR plan] may be in vain."

America and Britain are being given every chance to reform their ways. But their record for the past decade when similar chances, respites, and outright

out. Additional time will be bought. The whole process will probably end when the U. S. has lost all of its gold—or places an embargo on its remaining shriveled reserve.

But why the continuous series of last-ditch rescues of the dollar and the pound?

For ONE reason!

This Work of God proclaiming the *truth* of God's Word to the entire world is not yet finished! The message of God's soon-coming intervention in world affairs has to go to ALL NATIONS for a witness (Mat. 24:14) "...and then

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# WHO KILLED JESUS CHRIST?

*Historians are divided on who killed Christ. The Jews argue their innocence. Pilate washed his hands of the affair! No one will admit killing Jesus Christ! Do you know who killed your Savior?*

by Paul S. Royer

**B**ETWEEN thirty and forty Mongolian pack animals, under the control of no less than twenty Burmese, labored to cover the last hundred rugged miles between Tengchung and Mandalay.

The sun pushed lazily over the horizon, that morning in 1943, casting eerie shadows in the mountain foliage. The pack train disappeared in the heavy thicket, then reappeared in an open stretch of continuous sunlight.

It was a beautiful, clear, sunlit day — *a day worth living!*

Mountain birds in search of grubs, insects and the delicacies of sustenance permeated the air with cheerful, spontaneous song. The air was clear and crisp. A blue sky, a wisp of white cloud framed the rugged mountain peaks of the Himalayas, accenting the mighty Irrawaddy River.

Life had meaning and purpose. Here was a place of peace in a war-torn world!

The elderly, greying packmaster casually spoke to his weary companions about home, their wives and children. Home was a small village of thatched-roofed huts near Tengchung, China, on the Burmese border. Not much in Western terms, but to these happy Burmese it was home, a place to work, love and rest from their labor.

The pack train moved southward. Thoughts turned to the strange war that had brought them food and money — it was a war they little understood. The Japanese needed rice for their troops stationed in Mandalay. They paid fantastic prices for delivery of the rice. Two previous trips to Mandalay by the pack train had provided more wealth for their families than any living villager had dreamed possible. The supply job meant

full stomachs and prosperity. It meant happiness for the families left behind in the little village near Tengchung.

## Order of the Day

Hundreds of miles to the east — but only a few minutes by air — quite a different scene was taking place. A group of young, spirited fighter pilots were engaged in conversation awaiting orders from Kunming — the mission assignment of the day!

Their job was to protect the "hump" route. They were to search out and prevent all movement of supplies to the Japanese.

Outside the pilot ready room stood an array of shark-nosed fighters glistening in the bright sun. Deadly fifty-caliber machine guns protruded from their wing tips, ready to inflict a volley of death and ruin on the triggered command of the pilot.

As they waited for orders, the pilots talked about home. It sure would be great to see a traffic light, to drive down Main Street — eat a thick, juicy steak and sleep in a bed that had a mattress. A year and a half was a long time away from home!

Discussions drifted to Dad and Mom, to the girl back home, to the wives and children who were waiting for Dad to return from war.

Theirs was a fast-moving life — a life that all too often ended in violent death! Privately, each wondered if he would ever see home again!

## Sudden Destruction

Several hours passed. The sun rose higher in the sky. The early morning chill changed to warmth and then it became very hot. Beads of perspiration trickled down the foreheads of the

Burmese. The shaggy coats of the pack animals turned a dark, sweaty brown and black from prolonged exertion and heat. The sacks of rice grew heavier as the day wore on.

Rounding a bend in the trail the elderly packmaster noticed four specks on the horizon. The pack train moved on, gradually descending into an open stretch of twisting mountain trail.

Glancing again over his right shoulder the packmaster watched the four specks grow. There was no doubt now, they were some type of aircraft that seemed to be headed north. Then all of a sudden they veered right, heading toward the pack train!

The clatter of the horses' hooves dimmed and finally was lost in the heavy sound of powerful engines. No doubt now — they were coming his way — in fact, they were going to pass directly overhead.

He smiled, thought again of how good life really was and of home and his wife. He waved — then in an instant of horror he knew something was desperately wrong!

The high-flying fighters were in a dive. They were diving directly into the pack train as if to split it wide open. The drone of their engines was now a thunderous roar, an angry whine! Six bright red flames of fire flashed before his eyes — then silence!!

## Behind the Guns

The lead pilot peered down the electric gun sight of his deadly weapon of destruction. The pack train moved into position "center." The range was right — he instantly squeezed the trigger. The fighter shuddered in response to guns and bullets. A lethal barrage of lead was on its way — ! Then horrified,



the pilot pressed the throttle mike button crying out to his wingmen — "My God, don't shoot, don't shoot!" — But it was too late! The ground was already red, streams of blood flowed from man and beast alike — DEATH WAS EVERYWHERE!

At the last instant, *after* squeezing the trigger, the lead pilot had seen a little, old, white-haired man wearing a smile, waving — all perfectly framed in his gun sight! But it was too late to prevent the reality of war, the slaughter of helpless victims.

*I was that lead pilot!*

I was the pilot of the lead plane — I killed the little old Burmese with the greying hair along with his companions and a good part of the pack train.

Just as surely as I killed that little old Burmese — the men and horses of that pack train — I KILLED JESUS CHRIST — AND JUST AS SURELY, *SO DID YOU!*

A startling experience and a startling statement! Yet it is easily proven that *you* killed Christ as surely as if *your* hands were on the spear that pierced His side. This article gives the proof — proving beyond a shadow of a doubt that *each one of us* and YOU in particular killed your Savior! You need to understand this truth and comprehend what kind of a Savior you killed. *You need to know what He sacrificed for you and for me!*

### Proof Positive

Notice in Acts the second chapter, verses five through thirty-six.

Jews and devout men out of *every nation* on earth were gathered in Jerusalem. There were Parthians, Medes, Elamites, Judaeans, Turks, Egyptians, Libyans, Cyrenians, Arabians, strangers and Jews alike gathered in Jerusalem (verses 9-11).

The men from every nation dwelling in Jerusalem were there to witness a great event. Yet none had been told that such an event was about to occur. Even so there was a feeling that something big was about to happen.

Everyone was talking about that man called Jesus of Nazareth. The events surrounding His death and crucifixion were strange indeed. Evidence of the

great earthquake which had split huge rocks wide open were everywhere to be seen. The quake happened at the precise moment of His death! Then there was the rent in the great veil of the Temple — strange signs indeed! Some even said they had seen dead men, risen from their graves, walking the streets of Jerusalem.

Rumors were that the eleven, who had been with Him, were hiding out in the city. They had been heard to say that Jesus of Nazareth had instructed them to wait for some sort of power from on high.

Some said this was to be "the Day of the Lord," the day that Joel the prophet had written about! Others laughed and said the men were fanatics and that nothing would be altered, that all things would continue as from the beginning of the creation!

Then on Monday morning, June 18, 31 A.D., it happened! It shook the city with its power. There was a great rushing of wind that caused the populace to shrink in fear. Everyone living in Jerusalem heard it. As they regained their composure, their courage, they began to walk, then run toward the spot from which this sound seemed to emanate.

A crowd began forming around a house that had an upper room. The multitude stood outside bewildered, not knowing what to make of this strange phenomenon. Then the door opened and the eleven plus one stepped forth — and others with them. There was a hush as they began to speak.

Then an amazing thing happened — every person, regardless of his nation or language, heard them speak in his native tongue.

They were amazed and dumbfounded. What did all this mean? In an attempt to explain, some began to accuse the apostles of drinking too much wine — of being drunk!

The man called Peter held up his hands, stilling the crowd. He began to speak in a powerful voice, delivering the first recorded sermon of the New Testament. He denied their mockings. He preached the Word of God, *especially inspired*, by Divine Power for this SPECIAL OCCASION!

He brought an electrifying message that *you* and *I* are to UNDERSTAND!

Peter addressed the men of Israel, *and* the men of *every nation on earth* and said, "Jesus of Nazareth, a man approved of God among you by miracles and wonders and signs, which God did by Him in the midst of you, as ye yourselves also know: Him, being delivered by the determinate counsel and foreknowledge of God, *ye have taken, and by wicked hands have crucified and slain*" (verses 22 and 23).

How could Peter say such a thing? How could he accuse such a large group of crucifying Jesus Christ? These men, the men from *all over the earth* had not participated *physically* in the crucifixion! Yet Peter said under inspiration, "YOU have taken, and [YOU] by [your] wicked hands have crucified and slain."

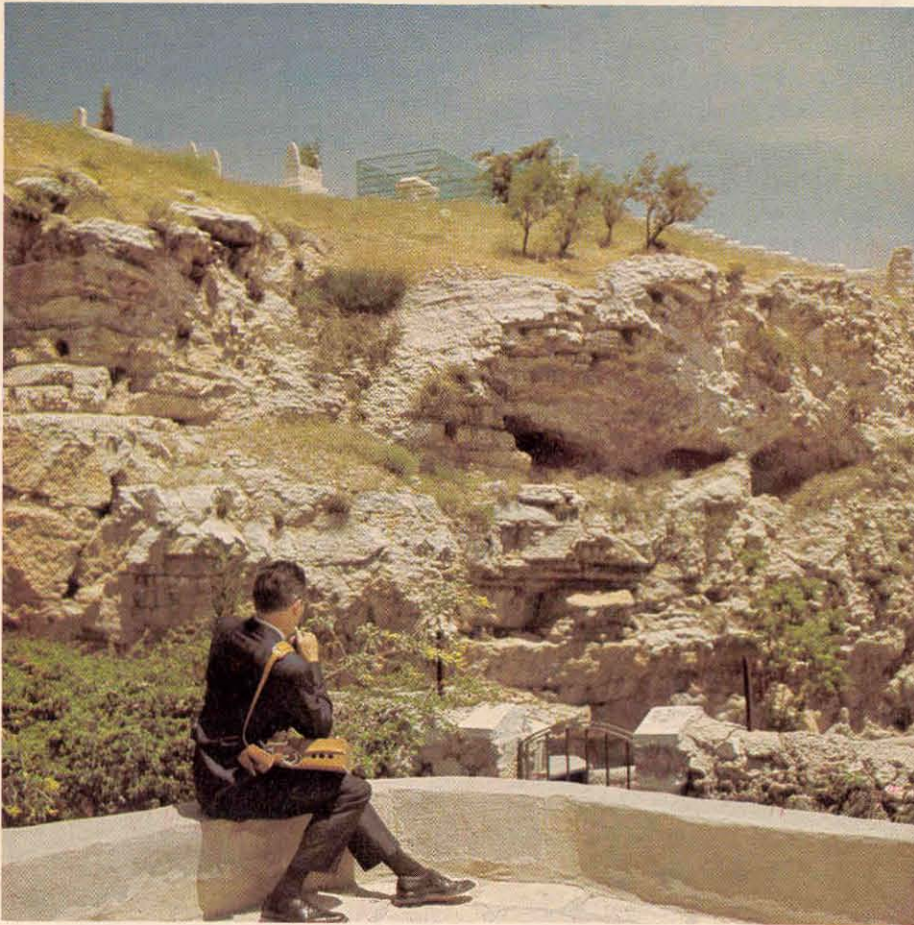
To make doubly sure they got it, to make doubly sure *YOU get it*, Peter said in verse 36, "Therefore let ALL THE HOUSE OF ISRAEL *know assuredly*, that God hath made that same Jesus, whom *ye have crucified*, both Lord and Christ."

Nationally speaking, the United States and Great Britain are the descendants of two of the ten tribes of the House of Israel. (Write immediately for the proof of this amazing historical fact — it's made plain in our free book *The United States and British Commonwealth in Prophecy*.) Therefore, I repeat, by the authority of Jesus Christ — YOU KILLED JESUS CHRIST! *Your wicked hands crucified the Savior just as surely as if you had been* there thrusting the spear in His side!! You killed Christ just as surely as I killed that old, white-haired Burmese so many years ago!

We have all read Mark 14:63-65 and been horrified at the conduct of the High Priest who blasphemed and condemned Jesus Christ to death. We have been appalled that they "spit on Him," and that they struck Him with rods, sticks and their fists!

Many of us have read and never understood that *we*, that YOU and I are *personally* guilty of condemning Christ to death, of spitting in His face, of striking Him with our fists until we bludgeoned His face, turning it purple





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Golgotha, the site where Jesus was crucified. In lower left Garner Ted Armstrong does a broadcast. Golgotha is now a Moslem cemetery.

and red. You haven't realized that you didn't stop until His face was raw and swollen, until His skin parted, ruptured and bled!

Most of us have never understood that we literally cursed Jesus Christ every day of the year that we wiped our dirty feet on God's Holy Days. Truly *you* spit in your Savior's face every day that you mocked Jesus Christ by keeping another day than the true Sabbath! Jesus Christ created and made the seventh day of the week HOLY!! He said to sanctify the seventh day and to *keep it Holy!* We have despised Jesus Christ in our disobedience to this command.

"...They cried out again, crucify Him" (Mark 15:13).

*You* are part of those from every nation on the earth! Most of you reading this article are the direct descendants of the House of Israel! *You* — with those that stood before Peter and those who stood with the Roman mobs — cried out, "Crucify Him," just as surely

as if you had been there in person! *Your actions, your words* have crucified Jesus Christ in a THOUSAND DIFFERENT WAYS!! "For when we were yet without strength," Jesus Christ died for us, the ungodly sinners of the earth!

While we were still cursing God, crucifying and condemning God our Savior by our evil behavior and deeds, Jesus Christ was commending His love toward us. He died for us (Rom. 5:8).

Jesus Christ was beaten more than any man. He was punched, jabbed, kicked and then beaten with a cat-o'-nine-tails until he was marred beyond recognition. In the scourging of Matthew 27:26, Jesus Christ was delivered *just short of death!* The beating tore open the flesh on his body until his bones were exposed (Ps. 22:17).

The scourging was preparatory to the most vicious crucifixion yet devised by man. It was a crucifixion in which Christ was nailed face up to a pole.

You were there when a grizzled, uncouth Roman soldier knelt — one knee

on the ground, another in Christ's chest! Then slowly, methodically, you began the hammer blows that drove the square-cut nails deep into the red, raw flesh of your Savior and mine, pinning His hands and feet to that stake.

The blood that spurted out of those nail holes at Golgotha did not all run down the stake onto the ground — some of it spurted in your face, on your clothing and on your hands!

You were there — driving the nails just as surely as I killed the little old Burmese twenty some years ago in a place called Indo China!

When they raised the pole and dropped it in the hole, when his flesh tore on the nails as the pole hit bottom, you were there cheering. YOU WERE THERE PUTTING TO DEATH THE ONLY SAVIOR THIS WORLD HAS EVER KNOWN!

You despised and rejected your Savior, "...a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief: and WE [you] hid as it were OUR [your] faces from Him; He was despised, and WE [you] esteemed Him not. Surely he hath borne OUR [your] griefs and carried OUR [your] sorrows yet WE [you] did esteem him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted. But he was wounded for OUR [your] transgressions, He was bruised for OUR [your] iniquities: the chastisement of OUR [your] peace was upon Him: and with His stripes WE [you] are healed. All WE [of us] like sheep have gone astray; WE [you] have turned every one to his own way; and the Lord hath laid on Him the iniquity of US ALL" (Isa. 53:3-6).

That's what YOU did to Christ, however innocent you feel your rebellion has been to His laws and His commandments. *Your disobedience* to God's laws caused His death — every last agonizing minute of it!!

#### Are You Concerned?

How concerned are you over this terrible death *you* inflicted upon Jesus Christ? Do you feel and know your responsibility? Do you take it lightly or seriously? DO YOU TAKE IT LITERALLY?

God the Father and our Savior have forgiven us if we have repented. Their forgiveness has been according to our



realization of the seriousness of the crime committed.

Everyone is naturally, selfishly, carnally concerned over his own life, his own health. Most of us have even imagined accidents where our wives or children were concerned. We have found ourselves deeply involved and worried over danger for self and family.

Are you concerned over Jesus Christ's sacrifice?

Not if you sin! Not if you just drift along!! Not if you are filled with pride and vanity!!! Not if you are glorifying the self, the number one—the big you!

We all need to be concerned over our gigantic sin and part in crucifying Jesus Christ. We need to be genuinely humble, "... for God resisteth the proud, and giveth grace to the humble. Humble yourself therefore under the mighty hand of God..." (I Pet. 5:5-6). In so doing we show our concern and exercise true repentance of our past misdeeds.

When we come to this attitude, when we come to true repentance and are properly baptized and, by God's Spirit, put into the true Church of God, the living body of Christ—then we have God's complete forgiveness, His love and His deep concern. God—the God we crucified abounds in loving-kindness. Through a multitude of tender mercies He is able to blot out our sins, our transgressions—no matter how wicked we have been (Ps. 51:1).

#### What Kind of God Was It That You Killed?

The God that you killed *made the world!* He was appointed heir of all things by His Father. He was the very express image, brightness and character of the Father and His power. This God, Jesus Christ, purged our sins and then sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on High, God the Father (Heb. 1:2-3).

He is made perfect, the One who works to bring us, the first begotten, into perfection. He is worthy of angels' worship!! (Heb. 1:6.)

"Behold your God"—THE GOD YOU KILLED!! He, in His magnificence, is fully capable of measuring all the oceans

in the hollow or palms of His hands. He can weigh all the mountains of this earth as easily as we would weigh a few pounds of salt on a scale!

We have not counseled this great God in His wisdom or instructed Him. In reality, we are in comparison as a fraction of a speck of dust. All "nations [on earth] are as a drop in a bucket and are counted as the small dust of the balance..." (Isa. 40:9-15).

No, we never counseled this great God—but we did kill Him—just as surely as I killed that little old Burmese twenty some years ago!

Have you ever contemplated how great you are by comparison—or contemplated the net worth of you, your value to God—your worth in terms of Christ's sacrifice?? When all nations in totality are only a *drop in a bucket*—how large are you?

That drop of water in Isaiah 40 represents the billions of mankind! We as men would be totally incapable to separate a drop of water to the fraction that would represent *one of us!!*

Yes, this great God we now worship is not likened to anyone or anything. No one, no thing is equal to the Holy One—OUR GOD! He is merciful, kind and full of compassion!

YET FOR ALL HIS GOODNESS—WE  
—YOU KILLED JESUS CHRIST!

#### He Gave All—For Your Life

This God, the One who suffered and died, laid down His life for His friends—friends that spit in His face and cursed Him in wicked disobedience (John 15:13). And He commanded that all men repent and bring forth the fruit which leads to eternal life in His soon-coming kingdom—the Kingdom of God!

He was made a man, just a little lower than the angels to suffer death for you and for me! He tasted death for *every man*. He humbled Himself to be flesh and blood that He might destroy death, pain, sickness, disease and misery (Heb. 2:9, 14).

Jesus Christ, the God that you killed was tempted just like you are tempted—yet He resisted without sin (Heb. 4:15).

Our Savior fought the downward pull of the flesh just as you and I fight the battle. He was wearied by the flesh that cries out, "Oh wretched man that I am!" (Rom. 7:24.) But He conquered this pull of death and sin perfectly to qualify to die for *you!*

He resisted the carnal pull of flesh even unto blood. In agony He prayed earnestly for you and for me. "... and His sweat was as it were great drops of blood falling down to the ground" (Luke 22:44).

None of us is worthy of so great a sacrifice, yet it took this Great One to pay for *your sins!* His life as Creator of all mankind, of all matter of the earth and the universe is greater than all our lives rolled into one!

He sat down with the Father and made the plans to come to this earth and suffer that we might live! He did this with joy. He took the job willingly. He predetermined to endure the cross that we might live (Heb. 12:2).

Yes, this is the God in the flesh that you killed!! Just as surely as I killed that old Burmese man—you killed Jesus Christ! All of us individually are responsible for His death.

His sacrifice, the thousands of years of *positive, unfailing* prophecy from Exodus 12 to Matthew 27:50 that predicted His death should inspire you to work harder—to resist evil with greater determination, to put sin out of your lives so that you can qualify to sit with Jesus Christ and rule from His throne.

Christ's sacrifice, His love, inspires me to write of this great God who has given His all!!

One day I'll be there with Jesus Christ when that old white-haired Burmese headmaster of the pack train is raised from the dead! I'll have one hundred years to teach him God's way! I'll be able to tell him, with tears in my eyes how sorry I am—and how his death twenty-five years ago helped clarify the fact that each one of YOU KILLED JESUS CHRIST!

Meanwhile, write for our free booklets on *Easter, The Crucifixion, Twelve Reasons Why Jesus' Trial Was Illegal, and When and How Often Should We Observe "the Lord's Supper"?* They will make the truth plain.



## THE BIBLE ANSWERS

*Short Questions*

## FROM OUR READERS

HERE are the *Bible* answers to questions which can be answered briefly in a short space. *Send in your questions.* While we cannot promise that all questions will find space for answer in this department, we shall try to answer all that are vital and in the general interest of our readers.

- There are so many denominations, how does one recognize the Church Jesus founded?

B. E., Canada

Jesus Christ did not found *many different churches*—each teaching a *different "gospel,"* each practicing *different doctrines.*

It may be hard to believe, but it's TRUE!

Christ said, "I will build MY CHURCH." And He *did build it!* ONE CHURCH—commissioned to preach and to publish His Gospel—to carry God's GOOD NEWS to all the world.

But what do we find today? Hundreds of *different and disagreeing churches,* every one founded by MEN, each *professing* to teach the truth, yet contradicting and disagreeing with all the others—a modern religious Babylon!

Most people today suppose that the true Church was rapidly to grow BIG, to become a *powerful influence* on the world, making this a better world, becoming a "stabilizing influence" on this world's tempestuous international politics.

But Jesus Christ founded His true Church for no such purpose!

Christ's instruction to His Church through the New Testament was NOT to participate in this world's politics and affairs in order to make *this world* a "better place in which to live." Instead, His command to His Church is, "*Come out from among them, and be ye separate!*"

In His final prayer for His ONE

CHURCH, Jesus prayed: "I pray for them: I pray NOT for THE WORLD... Holy Father, keep through Thine own name those whom Thou hast given Me, that they may be one as We are... I have given them Thy word, and the world hath hated them, because THEY ARE NOT OF THE WORLD, even as I am not OF THE WORLD" (John 17:9-14).

Notice! Jesus was not of this world! Jesus did command His followers—TRUE CHRISTIANS—to go *into* all the world and preach and publish His Gospel—the Good News of God's Kingdom—a divine government which is to have power and authority! But those of His Church are described as being strangers and foreigners in this world—AMBASSADORS for Christ—AMBASSADORS representing His Kingdom which is *foreign* to this world!

Nowhere is there any prophecy that Christ's ONE TRUE CHURCH should become great and powerful, exerting influence in this world. Rather, Jesus called it the "LITTLE FLOCK," despised, persecuted, scattered *by the world*—totally separate from the world—yet living in the world.

A scattered few—BUT NEVER DIVIDED!

Always ONE CHURCH—speaking the SAME things—*never* many different, squabbling sects!

The religious sects of Jesus' day were the Pharisees, the Sadducees, the Essenes and the Samaritans. Jesus JOINED NONE OF THEM. On the contrary, He called His disciples OUT OF THEM—

*out of the organizations of men.*

The Greek word *ecclesia* translated "Church" in English means "the called-out ones"!

On the other hand, in the WORLD the very first great event Jesus foretold would be a deceptive COUNTERFEIT Christianity.

"Take heed," said Jesus, "that no man deceive you. For many shall come in My name, saying I am Christ; and shall deceive many!" (Mat. 24:4-5.)

Notice carefully! These deceivers would come in Christ's name, saying Jesus is the Christ. They would be calling themselves "Christian," but would in fact be the devil's representatives. It was *not the few* who were to be deceived by them—but *the many!* It was the FEW who were to become TRUE Christians! (Mat. 7:13-14.)

That isn't what the world believes, is it? Probably that isn't what *you* have always heard, and come to assume.

But it is *what Jesus Christ said!* How deceived this world has become!

Yes, *many* would come in Jesus' name, proclaiming that Jesus *is* the Christ—preaching about Christ to the world—yet, actually DECEIVING THE WORLD! (Mat. 24:5.)

Simply by preaching ABOUT the *person* of Christ—extolling His virtues, worshipping Him, yet *denying His message*—the GOSPEL OF HIS KINGDOM!

What a *clever* counterfeit! And most of those preaching in Christ's name are *sincere*—sincerely WRONG, themselves DECEIVED!

It is SATAN who has deceived them! Satan has deceived the WHOLE WORLD!! (Rev. 12:9.) He is the author of this confusion (I Cor. 14:33).

It is SATAN who has made himself the god of this world (II Cor. 4:4)—and is thus worshipped as though he were God! This world *doesn't know the true God,* strange as that may seem. This world believes that if one just "accepts Christ"—just "makes a decision for Christ"—just "worships Christ"—that is all that is necessary for salvation!

That's what MANY preach today! But what did JESUS CHRIST teach? Did He say it was possible to WORSHIP Him, and *still be unsaved?*

Listen to His words: "In VAIN do



they *worship Me,*" said Christ, "teaching for doctrines the commandments of men... making the word of God of none effect through your tradition" (Mark 7:7, 13).

Hard to believe, isn't it? You've probably been so drugged, so poisoned, so deceived, by this world's deceptions — SATAN'S COUNTERFEITS — that even the words of Christ are difficult to believe! Well, GOD HELP YOU TO BELIEVE CHRIST! It is one thing to believe *on* Christ — that is, on His person. It is something altogether different to BELIEVE CHRIST — to *believe what He says!*

Astounding? Of course it is! BUT IT IS TRUE!

Instead of competing denominations coming nearer to the FAITH of the Bible, each new "reformation" has brought additional error into the world under the guise of "restored" truth. Today the Christian world is in hopeless confusion, not even two of the sects and churches being able to agree on exactly what constitutes the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Each may have a slight portion of a truth in its doctrine, but each has a great deal of error that is deceiving the MANY!

Jesus said He would be *with* His Church till the end of time — that He would build His Church and the "gates of hell" would not prevail against it. His Church — the TRUE CHURCH OF GOD — is commissioned to preach and publish the Gospel to all the world IN THESE LAST DAYS. Therefore God's Church MUST EXIST TODAY! It must be doing God's Work or it would not continue to be God's Church! It must be preaching the "Gospel of the Kingdom... in all the world for a witness" — not to convert the world, but only as a witness — "unto all nations, then shall the end come" (Mat. 24:14).

There is ONLY ONE WORK that is preaching the true Gospel — the good news of the Kingdom of God — the rule and the reign of God — to bring peace and salvation to the nations.

THIS IS THAT WORK.

Every other work *rejects* the message of Jesus Christ — *rejects* His RULE through His LAWS. There is no exception!

Then only those who have their part

in *this Work* and are *converted* MUST CONSTITUTE THE ONLY TRUE CHURCH JESUS FOUNDED.

You are challenged to PROVE that ANY OTHER work on earth is preaching the same Gospel of the Kingdom of God which Jesus preached!

When this Work is completed, you will know that the message which you have been hearing over *The World Tomorrow* broadcast and which you have been reading in *The Plain Truth* — that you have studied in the AMBASSADOR COLLEGE BIBLE CORRESPONDENCE COURSE — is the very Work of God which He is doing through His people — His Church — scattered throughout the world!

Very few really understand what the true Church is.

The Church is called the "body" of Christ because it is a *spiritual organism* whose LIVING, ACTIVE HEAD is Jesus Christ, in the same sense that the husband is head of the wife (Eph. 5:23, 31).

How does one enter this *true Church of God?* — this *spiritual union?* Notice:

When God's spiritual New Testament Church was first founded on the Day of Pentecost, Peter gave the answer to this question. "Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit" (Acts 2:38).

The true Church is the collective body of individuals, called out from the ways of this present world, who have totally surrendered themselves to the rule of God, and who, through the Holy Spirit, become the begotten sons of God (Rom. 8:9).

Write for the free booklet, *A True History of the True Church*, and the article "Where Did the Twelve Apostles go?" They conclusively prove where that Church has been all these centuries.

Jesus purchased *the true Church* by shedding His blood for it (Acts 20:28). The *true Church* is not some politically organized denomination which one JOINS or becomes a member of in order to be "saved." Jesus did not die for some one religious denomination or another — called a church.

Joining a local church congregation does not put you into God's true Church! Any church you can "join" is *not* God's Church!

You CAN'T JOIN the true Church; only God can *put you into it by His Spirit* (I Cor. 12:13). God alone can make you a member of His Church — if you surrender your life to Him.

God will give that Spirit only to those who are willing to "OBEY HIM!" (Acts 5:32.)

When YOU receive God's Spirit — which is the spirit of a sound, sane mind (II Tim. 1:6-7), you become at that moment a newly begotten member of the body of Christ — which is the true Church of God!

The receiving of God's Spirit and the MIND OF CHRIST (Phil. 2:5) upon *repentance* and *baptism* PUTS YOU INTO, baptizes you into God's *true Church!*

"For by ONE SPIRIT are we all baptized into ONE BODY" (I Cor. 12:13).

You can be part of God's true Church by earnestly repenting of your sins — disobedience to GOD'S LAWS — by asking God to cover your sins through the blood of Jesus Christ, by calling on God's true servants to baptize you, and by claiming God's promise of the gift of His Holy Spirit. In that way, and that way ONLY, does anyone enter into the true Church.

Church attendance is not the most important thing! Church attendance does not, by itself, mean CHURCH MEMBERSHIP in God's sight! Some people view "church going" as an end in itself. But it most definitely *is not*.

God expressly forbids His people ever to join in with the worship of counterfeit church bodies — no matter how "close" to the truth they might seem! Only the genuine worship of God with His TRUE Church is acceptable to Him!

You need to thoroughly EXAMINE YOURSELF. YOU NEED TO BE SURE!

If you have TRULY REPENTED of your sins and now realize the VITAL NECESSITY of personal contact with and guidance by JESUS CHRIST and His TRUE SERVANTS, write regarding baptism to Mr. Herbert W. Armstrong.

Your eternal salvation is at stake! May God help you to heed this warning!



# RADIO LOG

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## MAJOR STATIONS

### East

WOR — New York — 710 kc., 11:30 p.m. Sun.  
 WHN — New York — 1050 kc., 9 a.m. Sun.  
 WHAM — Rochester — 1180 kc., 10:30 a.m. Sun.  
 WWVA — Wheeling, W. Va. — 1170 kc., 98.7 FM, 10:30 a.m., 8:30 p.m. Sun., 5 a.m. and 8:30 p.m. Mon.-Fri.  
 WRKO — Boston — 680 kc., 98.5 FM, 6:30 a.m. Sun.  
 WIBG — Philadelphia — 990 kc., 94.1 FM, 12:30 p.m. Sun.  
 WBAL — Baltimore — 1090 kc., 8:30 a.m. Sun.  
 WRVA — Richmond — 1140 kc., 10:00 p.m. daily.  
 WPTF — Raleigh, N. C. — 680 kc., 94.7 FM, 9:30 a.m. Sun., 1:30 & 10:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 WBT — Charlotte, N. C. — 1110 kc., 11:05 p.m. Sun., 8 p.m. Mon.-Fri.

### Central States

WLAC — Nashville — 1510 kc., 6:30 a.m. Sun., 5 a.m. Mon.-Sat., 7 p.m. daily.  
 WSM — Nashville — 650 kc., 9 p.m. Sun.  
 WCKY — Cincinnati — 1530 kc., 7, 9:30 p.m. Sun., 5 a.m. Mon.-Sat., 12 midnight Tues.-Sun.  
 \*WLW — Cincinnati — 700 kc., 7 a.m. and 11:05 p.m. Sun.  
 WJJD — Chicago — 1160 kc., 11 a.m. Sun.  
 WISN — Milwaukee, Wis. — 1130 kc., 9 a.m. Sun.  
 KSTP — Minneapolis-St. Paul — 1500 kc., 8 a.m. Sun., 5 a.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 KXEL — Waterloo — 1540 kc., 8 p.m. Sun., 9:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 KXEN — St. Louis — 1010 kc., 10:30 a.m. & 4 p.m. Sun., 7:15 a.m. & 12 noon Mon.-Sat.

### South

KRLD — Dallas — 1080 kc., 8:10 p.m. daily.  
 WFAA — Dallas — 820 kc., 10:45 p.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 KTRH — Houston — 740 kc., 7:30 p.m. Sun.-Fri.  
 WOAI — San Antonio, Tex. — 1200 kc., 10:15 p.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 KWKH — Shreveport — 1130 kc., 94.5 FM, 10:30 a.m. & 9:30 p.m. Sun., 1 p.m. & 9:30 p.m. Mon.-Fri., 11:30 a.m. & 11:30 p.m. Sat.  
 WNOE — New Orleans — 1060 kc., 9:30 a.m. Sun.  
 KAAY — Little Rock — 1090 kc., 9:30 a.m., 7:30 p.m. Sun., 5:15 a.m., 7:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 WGUN — Atlanta — 1010 kc., 4 p.m. Sun., 11 a.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 WAPI — Birmingham — 1070 kc., 10 a.m. Sun.  
 WMOO — Mobile — 1550 kc., 10:30 a.m. Sun., 7 a.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 WINQ — Tampa — 1010 kc., 12 noon Mon.-Fri., 12:10 p.m. Sat., Sun.  
 KRMG — Tulsa — 740 kc., 10 a.m. Sun.  
 XEG — 1050 kc., 8:30 p.m. daily. (CST)

\*Asterisk indicates new station or time change.

### Mountain States

KOA — Denver — 850 kc., 9:30 a.m. Sun.  
 KSWs — Roswell, N. Mex. — 1020 kc., 6:30 a.m. daily.  
 XELO — 800 kc., 8 p.m. daily. (MST)

### West Coast

KIRO — Seattle — 710 kc., 10:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat., 5:30 a.m. Tues.-Sat.  
 KRAK — Sacramento — 1140 kc., 9 p.m. daily.  
 XERB — Lower Calif. — 1090 kc., 7 p.m. daily.

## LEADING LOCAL-AREA STATIONS

### East

WBMD — Baltimore — 750 kc., 12:30 p.m. daily.  
 WPEN — Philadelphia — 950 kc., 7 a.m. Sun., 5:30 a.m. & 6:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 WPIT — Pittsburgh — 730 kc., 101.5 FM, 11 a.m. Sun., 12 noon Mon.-Fri., 1:30 p.m. Sat.  
 WMCK — Pittsburgh — 1360 kc., 12:30 p.m. daily.  
 WHP — Harrisburg, Pa. — 580 kc., 7:30 p.m. daily.  
 WJAC — Johnstown, Pa. — 850 kc., 7:30 p.m. daily.  
 WSAN — Allentown, Pa. — 1470 kc., 8:30 p.m. Sun., 7:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 WSCR — Scranton, Pa. — 1320 kc., 12:30 p.m., 7 p.m. daily.  
 WBRE — Wilkes-Barre, Pa. — 1340 kc., 98.5 FM, 10:30 a.m. Sun., 11:30 a.m. Mon.-Fri., 1 p.m. Sat.  
 WCHS — Charleston, W. Va. — 580 kc., 7:30 p.m. daily.  
 \*WCIR — Beckley, W. Va. — 1060 kc., 10:30 a.m. Sun., 12:30 p.m. Sun.-Fri., 5 p.m. Sat.  
 WTVR — Richmond, Va. — 1380 kc., 7 p.m. daily.  
 WCYB — Bristol, Va. — 690 kc., 12:30 p.m. daily.  
 WLOS — Asheville, N. C. — 1380 kc., 99.9 FM, 12:30 p.m. Sun., 6:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 WPAQ — Mount Airy, N. C. — 740 kc., 9:30 a.m. Sun., 1:05 p.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 WFNC — Fayetteville, N. C. — 940 kc., 98.1 FM, 1 p.m. daily.  
 WAAT — Trenton, N. J. — 1300 kc., 9:30 a.m. Sun., 12 noon Mon.-Sat.  
 WEVD — New York — 1330 kc., 97.9 FM, 10 p.m. daily.  
 WVOX — New Rochelle, N. Y. — 1460 kc., 93.5 FM, 8 a.m. Sun., 6:30 a.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 WGLI — Babylon, L. I. — 1290 kc., 7 p.m. Sun., 6:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 WBNX — New York — 1380 kc., 9:15 a.m. Sun. (in Spanish).  
 WWOL — Buffalo, N. Y. — 1120 kc., 10 a.m. Sun., 4 p.m. Sat.  
 WHLD — Niagara Falls, N. Y. — 1270 kc., 12:30 p.m. Mon.-Fri.  
 WWNH — Rochester, N. H. — 930 kc., 9:05 a.m. Sun., 7:05 p.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 WDEV — Waterbury, Vt. — 550 kc., 8 p.m. Sun., 6:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 WPOR — Portland, Me. — 1490 kc., 9 a.m. Sun.  
 WCOU — Lewiston, Me. — 1240 kc., 9:30 p.m. Sun.

WRYT — Boston — 950 kc., 12 noon Sun., 6 a.m. Mon.-Fri., 12:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 WBET — Brockton, Mass. — 1460 kc., 7:05 p.m. daily.  
 WMAS — Springfield, Mass. — 1450 kc., 94.7 FM, 8:30 p.m. Sun.  
 WACE — Chicopee, Mass. — 730 kc., 12:30 p.m. Sun., 7:15 a.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 WEIM — Fitchburg, Mass. — 1280 kc., 8:30 p.m. Sun.  
 WHMP — Northampton, Mass. — 1400 kc., 8:30 p.m. Sun.  
 WARE — Ware, Mass. — 1250 kc., 8:30 p.m. Sun.  
 WJAR — Providence, R. I. — 920 kc., 6:30 p.m. Sat. & Sun., 8:30 p.m. Mon.-Fri.  
 WNLC — New London, Conn. — 1510 kc., 8:30 p.m. Sun.

### Central

WSPD — Toledo, Ohio — 1370 kc., 9 p.m. Sun., 9:05 p.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 WSLR — Akron, Ohio — 1350 kc., 7 p.m. daily.  
 WFMJ — Youngstown, Ohio — 1390 kc., 10:30 p.m. Sun., 7 p.m. Mon.-Fri., 7:05 p.m. Sat.  
 WBNS — Columbus, Ohio — 1460 kc., 8:30 p.m. daily.  
 WBRJ — Marietta, Ohio — 910 kc., 12:30 p.m. daily.  
 WJBK — Detroit — 1500 kc., 5:30 a.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 WBCK — Battle Creek, Mich. — 930 kc., 12:30 p.m. Sat., Sun., 7 p.m. Mon.-Fri.  
 WKMF — Flint, Mich. — 1470 kc., 6 p.m. daily.  
 WIDG — St. Ignace, Mich. — 940 kc., 12:10 p.m. daily.  
 WJPD — Ishpeming, Mich. — 1240 kc., 6:30 p.m. daily.  
 KWKY — Des Moines, Iowa — 1150 kc., 12:30 p.m., 9:30 p.m. daily.  
 KOZN — Omaha, Nebr. — 660 kc., 12 noon Sun., 6:10 a.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 KRVN — Lexington, Nebr. — 1010 kc., 10:30 a.m. Sun., 3 p.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 KMMJ — Grand Island, Nebr. — 750 kc., 4 p.m. daily.  
 WNAX — Yankton, S. Dak. — 570 kc., 7:30 p.m. daily.  
 KFGO — Fargo, N. Dak. — 790 kc., 7:05 p.m. daily.  
 WEAW — Chicago — 1330 kc., 9:30 a.m. Sun., 8 a.m. Mon.-Fri., 7:30 a.m. Sat., 12 noon Mon.-Sat. (105.1 FM, 8 p.m. Sun., 7 a.m. Mon.-Sat.).  
 WJOL — Joliet, Ill. — 1340 kc., 9:30 p.m. daily.  
 WITY — Danville, Ill. — 980 kc., 7 p.m. daily.  
 WWCA — Gary, Ind. — 1270 kc., 4 p.m. Sun., 6:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 WJOB — Hammond, Ind. — 1230 kc., 8 p.m. Sun., 9 p.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 WXCL — Peoria — 1350 kc., 6:30 p.m. daily.  
 WIBC — Indianapolis — 1070 kc., 10:30 p.m. Sun.  
 KBHS — Hot Springs, Ark. — 590 kc., 12:30 p.m. daily.  
 KLIK — Jefferson City, Mo. — 950 kc., 1 p.m. daily.

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KFVS — Cape Girardeau, Mo. — 960 kc., 9:15 a.m. & 7:30 p.m. Sun., 7 a.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 KWTO — Springfield, Mo. — 560 kc., 6:30 p.m. daily.  
 KFEQ — St. Joseph, Mo. — 680 kc., 7 p.m. daily.  
 KUDL — Kansas City, Mo. — 1380 kc., 9 a.m. & 11 p.m. Sun., 5:50 a.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 KFSB — Joplin, Mo. — 1310 kc., 12:30 p.m. daily.  
 WIBW — Topeka, Kans. — 580 kc., 9 a.m. Sun., 9:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 KFDD — Wichita, Kans. — 1070 kc., 12:30 p.m. Sun., 10 p.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 KFH — Wichita, Kans. — 1330 kc., 100.3 FM, 9:30 a.m. Sun., 6:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 KBEA — Mission, Kans. — 1480 kc., 7 p.m. daily.  
 KGGF — Coffeyville, Kans. — 690 kc., 6 p.m. daily.  
 KUPK — Garden City, Kans. — 1050 kc., 97.3 FM, 12:15 p.m. Sun., 12:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 KXXX — Colby, Kans. — 790 kc., 11:30 a.m. Sun., 8:30 a.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 WMT — Cedar Rapids — 600 kc., 11:30 a.m. Sun.  
 KMA — Shenandoah, Ia. — 960 kc., 8:30 p.m. daily.  
 WOC — Davenport, Ia. — 1420 kc., 9 p.m. Sun., 10 p.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 KGLO — Mason City, Ia. — 1300 kc., 7:30 p.m. Sun., 6:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 KQRS — Minneapolis — 1440 kc., 92.5 FM, 10 a.m. Sun., 6:30 a.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 \*KRSI — Minneapolis — 950 kc., 6:30 p.m. daily.  
 WEBC — Duluth, Minn. — 560 kc., 6:30 p.m. daily.  
 WMIL — Milwaukee, Wis. — 1290 kc., 8 a.m. Sun., 7 a.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 WNFL — Green Bay — 1440 kc., 5 p.m. Sun., 6:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 WSAU — Wausau, Wis. — 550 kc., 7 p.m. Sun., 7:05 p.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 WCOW — Sparta, Wis. — 1290 kc., 10 a.m. Sun., 6:30 a.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 KFYR — Bismarck, N. Dak. — 550 kc., 7 p.m. daily.

## South

KCTA — Corpus Christi, Tex. — 1030 kc., 2 p.m. Sun., 12:30 p.m. Mon.-Fri., 4:30 p.m. Sat.  
 KEES — Gladewater, Tex. — 1430 kc., 12 noon daily.  
 KTBB — Tyler, Tex. — 600 kc., 12 noon daily.  
 KMAC — San Antonio — 630 kc., 9 a.m. Sun., 7:15 a.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 KTBC — Austin — 590 kc., 9:30 a.m. Sun., 5:30 a.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 XEWG — El Paso — 1240 kc., 9 a.m. Sun. (in Spanish).  
 KTLU — Rusk, Tex. — 1580 kc., 1 p.m. Sun.  
 KGNC — Amarillo — 710 kc., 9 p.m. daily.  
 KCTX — Childress, Tex. — 1500 kc., 2 p.m. Sun., 11:30 a.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 KWFT — Wichita Falls — 620 kc., 4:30 p.m. Sun., 8:30 a.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 KFMJ — Tulsa — 1050 kc., 12:30 p.m. daily.

KOME — Tulsa — 1300 kc., 12:30 p.m., 10 p.m. daily.  
 KBYE — Oklahoma City — 890 kc., 10:30 a.m. Sun., 12:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 KXLR — Little Rock — 1150 kc., 12:30 p.m. daily.  
 KWAM — Memphis — 990 kc., 10 a.m. Sun., 11 a.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 WMQM — Memphis — 1480 kc., 1 p.m. Sun., 12:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 WHBQ — Memphis — 560 kc., 9 a.m. Sun.  
 WFWL — Camden, Tenn. — 1220 kc., 2 p.m. Sun.  
 WSHO — New Orleans — 800 kc., 12 noon Sun., 12:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 WDEF — Chattanooga — 1370 kc., 92.3 FM, 7:30 p.m. daily.  
 WBRC — Birmingham — 960 kc., 106.9 FM, 6:30 p.m. daily.  
 \*WYDE — Birmingham — 850 kc., 9:30 a.m. Sun., 7:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 WAAX — Gadsden, Ala. — 570 kc., 12 noon Sun., 12:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 WCOV — Montgomery — 1170 kc., 6:30 p.m. daily.  
 WMEN — Tallahassee — 1330 kc., 10:30 a.m. Sun., 8:30 a.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 WFLA — Tampa — 970 kc., 7:05 p.m. daily.  
 WINZ — Miami — 940 kc., 9:30 p.m. daily.  
 WGBS — Miami — 710 kc., 9 a.m. Sun.  
 WFBF — Miami — 990 kc., 9 a.m. Sun. (in Spanish).  
 WFIV — Kissimmee, Fla. — 1080 kc., 12:30 p.m. Sun., 7:30 a.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 WZOK — Jacksonville, Fla. — 1320 kc., 12:30 & 11:30 p.m. daily.  
 WEAS — Savannah, Ga. — 900 kc., 12 noon daily.  
 WKYX — Paducah, Ky. — 570 kc., 12:30 p.m. daily.

## Mountain States

KPHO — Phoenix — 910 kc., 6:35 p.m. daily.  
 KOY — Phoenix — 550 kc., 7:30 p.m. Sun., 8 p.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 KCUB — Tucson — 1290 kc., 9:30 a.m. Sun., 6 a.m. Mon.-Fri., 7 a.m. Sat.  
 KTUC — Tucson — 1400 kc., 8 p.m. daily.  
 KYUM — Yuma, Ariz. — 560 kc., 2 p.m. Sun., 6:30 a.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 KCLS — Flagstaff, Ariz. — 600 kc., 12:30 p.m. daily.  
 KGGM — Albuquerque — 610 kc., 6:30 p.m. daily.  
 \*KLZ — Denver — 560 kc., 106.7 FM, 7:15 p.m. daily.  
 KMOR — Salt Lake City — 1230 kc., 9 a.m. Sun., 6:35 a.m. Mon.-Fri., 6:30 a.m. Sat.  
 KPTL — Carson City — 1300 kc., 2 p.m. Sun., 12:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 KBET — Reno — 1340 kc., 7 p.m. Sun., 6:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 KIDO — Boise, Idaho — 630 kc., 7:05 p.m. daily.  
 KBOI — Boise — 670 kc., 6:30 p.m. daily.  
 KTFI — Twin Falls, Idaho — 1270 kc., 7:05 p.m. daily.  
 KSEI — Pocatello, Idaho — 930 kc., 8 p.m. daily.  
 KMOM — Great Falls, Mont. — 560 kc., 8 p.m. Sun., 6:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat.

## West Coast

KHQ — Spokane — 590 kc., 8:05 p.m. daily.  
 KEPR — Pasco, Wash. — 610 kc., 7 p.m. daily.  
 KVI — Seattle — 570 kc., 8 a.m. Sun.  
 KBLE — Seattle — 1050 kc., 12 noon daily.  
 KMO — Tacoma, Wash. — 1360 kc., 8:30 p.m. daily.  
 KARI — Bellingham — 550 kc., 6:30 p.m. daily.  
 KWJJ — Portland — 1080 kc., 10 p.m. Sun., 9 p.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 KLIQ — Portland — 1290 kc., 92.3 FM, 12 noon Sun., 7:30 a.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 KEX — Portland — 1190 kc., 9 a.m. Sun.  
 KGAY — Salem — 1430 kc., 9 a.m. Sun., 6:30 a.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 KUGN — Eugene — 590 kc., 7 p.m. daily.  
 KUMA — Pendleton, Ore. — 1290 kc., 6:30 p.m. daily.  
 KYJC — Medford, Ore. — 1230 kc., 6:30 p.m. daily.  
 KWIN — Ashland, Ore. — 580 kc., 9 p.m. Sun., 7:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 KAGO — Klamath Falls, Ore. — 1150 kc., 6:30 p.m. daily.  
 KSAY — San Francisco — 1010 kc., 8:35 a.m. Sun., 6:35 a.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 KFRC — San Francisco — 610 kc., 106.1 FM, 7 a.m. Sun.  
 KFAX — San Francisco — 1100 kc., 10 a.m. Sun., 10:30 p.m. Sun.-Fri., 4:15 p.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 KFIV — Modesto — 1360 kc., 9 a.m. Sun., 6 a.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 KSBW — Salinas — 1380 kc., 7 p.m. daily.  
 KMAK — Fresno — 1340 kc., 9 a.m. Sun., 5:45 a.m., 11:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 KNGS — Hanford, Calif. — 620 kc., 10 a.m. Sun., 6 p.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 \*KCHJ — Delano, Calif. — 1010 kc., 8 a.m. Sun., 7:30 a.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 KGEE — Bakersfield — 1230 kc., 5 p.m. daily.  
 KDB — Santa Barbara — 1490 kc., 93.7 FM, 7 p.m. daily.  
 KRKD — Los Angeles — 1150 kc., 96.3 FM 9:30 a.m., 6:30 p.m. Sun., 7 p.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 KTYM — Inglewood — 1460 kc., 12 noon Mon.-Fri.  
 KFOX — Long Beach — 1280 kc., 100.3 FM, 9:30 p.m. Sun., 9 p.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 KBIG — Los Angeles — 740 kc., 11:30 a.m. Sun.  
 KACE — San Bernardino-Riverside — 1570 kc., 9:30 a.m. Sun., 7:05 a.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 KCKC — San Bernardino — 1350 kc., 9 p.m. daily.  
 KMEN — San Bernardino — 1290 kc., 6 p.m. Sun.  
 KCHV — Palm Springs — 970 kc., 5 p.m. Sun., 7:05 a.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 KOGO — San Diego — 600 kc., 8:30 p.m. Sun.  
 XEMO — Tijuana — 860 kc., 6 p.m. daily.  
 KALI — Los Angeles — 1430 kc., 4:45 p.m. Sun. (in Spanish).

## Alaska & Hawaii

KFQD — Anchorage, Alaska — 750 kc., 7:30 p.m. daily.

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KNDI — Honolulu, Hawaii — 1270 kc., 6 a.m., 6 p.m. daily.  
 KTRG — Honolulu, Hawaii — 990 kc., 12 noon Sun., 5:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 KPOI — Honolulu, Hawaii — 1380 kc., 5:30 a.m. Sun.

**CANADA**

VOCM — St. John's, Nfld. — 590 kc., 6:30 p.m. Sun., 7 p.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 CJCH — Halifax, N. S. — 920 kc., 10 p.m. Sun., 9:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 CFBC — St. John, N.B. — 930 kc., 7 p.m. daily.  
 CKCW — Moncton, N. B. — 1220 kc., 6 a.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 CFMB — Montreal, Que. — 1410 kc., 1:30 p.m. Sun., 6:30 a.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 CKOY — Ottawa, Ont. — 1310 kc., 5:30 a.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 CJET — Smiths Falls, Ont. — 630 kc., 10:30 a.m. Sun., 7:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 CKFH — Toronto, Ont. — 1430 kc., 10 a.m. Sun., 6 a.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 CHIN — Toronto, Ont. — 1540 kc., 12 noon Sun., 4:15 p.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 CKLB — Oshawa, Ont. — 1350 kc., 10:30 p.m. Sun., 9:05 p.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 CHLO — St. Thomas, Ont. — 680 kc., 2:30 p.m. Sun., 6 a.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 CHYR — Leamington, Ont. — 5:30 a.m. daily at 730 kc., 6:30 p.m. daily at 710 kc.  
 CKSO — Sudbury, Ont. — 790 kc., 5:30 p.m. Sun., 6 a.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 CKCY — Sault Ste. Marie, Ont. — 920 kc., 6:30 p.m. daily.  
 CJNR — Elliott Lake, Ont. — 730 kc., 6:30 p.m. daily.  
 CJNR — Blind River, Ont. — 730 kc., 6:30 p.m. daily.  
 CJLX — Fort William, Ont. — 800 kc., 6:25 p.m. Sun., 7:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 CKY — Winnipeg, Man. — 580 kc., 7 a.m. Sun., 5:30 a.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 CKDM — Dauphin, Man. — 730 kc., 6:30 p.m. daily.  
 CKRM — Regina, Sask. — 980 kc., 8:30 p.m. daily.  
 CJGX — Yorkton, Sask. — 940 kc., 6:30 p.m. daily.  
 CFQC — Saskatoon, Sask. — 600 kc., 8:30 p.m. daily.  
 CJNB — North Battleford, Sask. — 1050 kc., 2:30 p.m. & 7:30 p.m. daily.  
 CKBI — Prince Albert, Sask. — 900 kc., 2 p.m. Sun., 7:30 p.m. Mon.-Fri., 8 p.m. Sat.  
 CKSA — Lloydminster, Sask.-Alta. — 1080 kc., 7 p.m. daily.  
 CHED — Edmonton, Alta. — 630 kc., 9:30 a.m. Sun., 5:30 a.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 CFCW — Camrose, Alta. — 790 kc., 2:30 p.m. Sun., 8:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 CJDV — Drumheller, Alta. — 910 kc., 10:30 a.m. Sun., 6 a.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 CKYL — Peace River, Alta. — 610 kc., 5 p.m. Sun., 6 a.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 CJVI — Victoria, B. C. — 900 kc., 10:30 p.m. Sun.-Fri.  
 CKLG — Vancouver, B. C. — 730 kc., 99.3 FM, 7:30 a.m. Sun., 6 a.m. Mon.-Sat. AM, 6:30 a.m. Mon.-Fri. FM.

*In French —*  
 CFMB — Montreal — 1410 kc., 5 p.m. Sat., Sun.  
 CKJL — St. Jerome, Que. — 900 kc., 10:30 a.m. Sun.  
 CKBL — Matane, Que. — 1250 kc., 10:45 a.m. Sat., Sun.

**EUROPE**

*In English —*  
 MANX RADIO — 188 m. (1594 kc.) medium wave, 2:45, 7:45 p.m. Sun., 10:30 a.m., 7:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat.; 89 mc. VHF 7:45 p.m. Sun., 7:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat.

*In French —*  
 RADIO LUXEMBOURG — 1293 m., 5:30 a.m. Mon., 5:15 a.m. Tues., Fri., 5:10 a.m. Thurs.

EUROPE No. ONE — Felsberg en Sarre, Germany — 182 kc. (1647 m.), 1 a.m., 6 a.m. Sun., 5:45 a.m. Wed., Sat.

*In German —*  
 RADIO LUXEMBOURG — 49 m. (6090 kc.) shortwave, 208 m. (1439 kc.) medium wave, 6:05 a.m. Sun., 5:00 am. Mon., Tues., Fri.

**MIDDLE EAST**

*In English —*  
 HASHEMITE Broadcasting Service, Amman, Jordan — 42 m. (7160 kc.) shortwave, 2 p.m., 31.48 m. (9530 kc.), 351 m. (855 kc.) medium wave, 8 p.m. daily.

**ASIA**

*Formosa*

RADIO TAIWAN "The 3rd Network, B.C.C." —  
 BED23 Taichung 1380 kc.;  
 BED55 Taipei 960 kc.;  
 BED78 Tainan City 1540 kc.;  
 BED79 Kaohsiung 1220 kc.;  
 BED82 Chiayi 1460 kc.;  
 — 18:00 T.S.T. Wed., Fri.

*Guam*

RADIO GUAM — KUAM — 610 kc., 6 p.m. Sun.

*Okinawa*

RADIO OKINAWA — KSBK — 880 kc., 12:06 p.m. Sun.

*Bangkok*

HSAAA — Bangkok, Thailand — 600 kc., 9:30 a.m. Sun., 10:05 p.m. Mon.-Sat.

*India and Ceylon*

MALDIVES ISLANDS — 90 m. (3329 kc.), also 61 m. band. 10 p.m. Sun., 9:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat.

*Philippine Islands*

DZQA — Manila — 620 kc., 8:30 p.m. daily.  
 DZAL — Legaspi City — 1230 kc., 8 p.m. daily.  
 DZGH — Sorsogon — 1480 kc., 8 p.m. daily.  
 DZRB — Naga City — 750 kc., 9 p.m. Sun.  
 DZRI — Dagupan City — 1040 kc., 9 p.m. Sun.

\*DZTR — Makati, Rizal — 1250 kc., 6 a.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 DZYA — Angeles City — 1400 kc., 8:30 p.m. daily.  
 DZYB — Baguio City — 670 kc., 8:30 p.m. daily.  
 DYBC — Cebu City — 660 kc., 8:30 p.m. daily.  
 DYCB — Cebu City — 570 kc., 9:30 p.m. Fri.  
 DYHF — Iloilo City — 910 kc., 8:30 p.m. daily.  
 DYKR — Kalibo — 1480 kc., 8 p.m. daily except Tues. 7 p.m.  
 DXAW — Davao City — 640 kc., 9 p.m. Sun.  
 DXMB — Malaybalay — 610 kc., 7 p.m. daily.

**LATIN AMERICA**

*In English —*  
 ZBM 1 — Hamilton, Bermuda — 1235 kc., 8 p.m. Sun.  
 ZBM 2 — Hamilton, Bermuda — 1340 kc., 2:30 p.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 ZFB 1 — RADIO BERMUDA — 950 kc., 1:30 p.m. daily.  
 RADIO ANTILLES — Montserrat, W. I. — 930 kc., 6:30 p.m. daily.  
 RADIO BARBADOS — Pine Hill, Barbados — 780 kc., 10:30 a.m. Sun., 9:30 a.m. Mon.-Fri., 11 a.m. Sat.  
 RADIO SURINAM — Paramaribo — 620 kc., Between 7 and 8:30 p.m. or Noon and 1:00 p.m. daily.  
 RADIO REDIFFUSION — Bridgetown, Barbados — 9:30 a.m. Sat. & Sun., 10:20 a.m. Mon.-Fri.  
 RADIO GUARDIAN, Trinidad — 6:15 p.m. Sun., 10 p.m. Mon.-Sat.  
 HOC21 — Panama City — 1115 kc.;  
 HP5A — Panama City — 1170 kc.;  
 HOK — Colon, Panama — 640 kc.;  
 HP5K — Colon, Panama — 6005 kc. — 7 p.m. Sun.  
 RADIO BELIZE (British Honduras) — 834 kc., 3:30 p.m. Mon.-Fri.

*In French —*  
 4VBM — Port au Prince, Haiti — 1430 kc., 7:45 p.m. Wed.  
 4VGM — Port au Prince, Haiti — 6165 kc., 7:45 p.m. Wed.  
 RADIO CARAIBES — St. Lucia, W. I. — 840 kc., 6:30 a.m. Mon.-Fri.

*In Spanish —*  
 XESM — México 12, D.F. — 1470 kc., 9 a.m. Sun.  
 WIAC — San Juan, Puerto Rico — 740 kc., 102.5 FM, 9:30 a.m. Sun.  
 RADIO ANTILLES — Montserrat, W. I. — 930 kc., 9 p.m. Wed.  
 RADIO LA CRONICA — Lima, Peru — 1320 kc., 7 p.m. Sun.  
 RADIO COMUNEROS — Asuncion, Paraguay — 970 kc., 8:30 p.m. Thurs.  
 RADIO ESPECTADOR CX-14 — Montevideo, Uruguay — 810 kc., 2 p.m. Wed.  
 RADIO CARVE — CX16, 850 kc., CXA-13, 6156 kc. — Montevideo, Uruguay — 3:30 p.m. Sat.

For Australian and African Radio Log, write to the Editor.



## What our READERS SAY

(Continued from inside front cover)

them. It's their parents, teachers, and other examples of futility that spawned their uniforms of rebellion. But—"good Christian," and "untainted love" we sincerely doubt.

### Autobiography

"You have probably received many letters about Mr. Armstrong's Autobiography, but we did want to tell you how inspiring and how full of encouragement it was for us. We had read part of it in *The PLAIN TRUTH*, but not from the beginning. There is so much to be learned there! It is like 'The Seven Laws of Success' and numerous other booklets rolled into one, and wrapped up in a wonderful, scintillating story. We could not rest until we had read it through. Thank you again for it."

Mr. and Mrs. G. E. M.,  
Downey, California

"We have received Volume I of your Autobiography. Thank you for it. It really makes the work we have a part in come alive. Being a woman, I find the section about finding your wife, and the birth of your children very interesting."

Mrs. R. S.,  
Pitman, New Jersey

"I have read Volume I of your Autobiography straight through without stopping. It has answered a lot of questions in my mind about you and your Work. It has also helped me understand myself a lot better. I am looking forward to Volumes II and III."

W. E. R.,  
Kirkland, Texas

### It Pays

"I've been tithing for some time now and have found the more I give the more I receive. My wages were well below the average for Britain... However, I put the problem into God's hands and, as I've found He never fails, I've had quite a bit of overtime at my work,

which was not available before. My wife now has some of the things she always wanted, a sewing machine, etc. I've now found a way out of most of my problems thanks to your booklets, etc. . . . I find a purpose in life now."

J. G.,  
Glasgow, Scotland

### Broadcast

"The more we read and study what you and Mr. Garner Ted Armstrong have to say on the air and write about, the more interesting and exciting we find it all is. Both of us agree that there is no other current news broadcast, or written, to even match in detail the information you give to the world, together with such clear written interpretation of the Bible in your leaflets and Bible Correspondence Course. We do both of us thank you indeed for your very kind, and expert help in these matters, concerning the Bible and its prophecies."

Mr. and Mrs. C. D.,  
Isle of Man

"*'The WORLD TOMORROW'* has become our favorite program on the air. We tune in to this program every evening at 8 p.m. (Jordan local time) from the English Section in the Broadcasting Service of the H. K. of Jordan. Though the themes you have been through were of great benefit to us and to all who listen to your program, we are keen for more subjects and sermons."

I. B. K.,  
Amman, Jordan

### Correspondence Course

"Although I am only ten years old I enjoy reading *The PLAIN TRUTH* magazine especially *The Bible Story*. I would like to thank you for sending me your Bible Correspondence Course, it is helping me to understand the Bible and God's plan for the future of the world. I was born in 1957 and on looking through a 1957 *PLAIN TRUTH* I see that the radio log was only one column and now, in 1967 it has grown to three full pages. I find this amazing."

Carolyn J., Kalgoorlie,  
Western Australia.

## TELEVISION

"*The WORLD TOMORROW*"

\*KWHY — Los Angeles — Channel 22,  
8:30 p.m. Sun.  
KNTV — San Jose, Calif. — Channel  
11, 1 p.m. Sun.  
KLTV — Tyler, Texas — Channel 7,  
5 p.m. Mon., 10:30 p.m. Thurs.  
ZFB-TV — Hamilton, Bermuda — Chan-  
nel 8, 5:30 p.m. Sun.

\* Asterisk indicates new station or time change.

### New Readers

"I shall be highly obligated if you would kindly enroll me as a subscriber for your esteemed publication *The PLAIN TRUTH* in your free mailing list. I was a journalist in India and I recently came to Canada as an immigrant. In India I was the News Editor of the *Kerala Times Daily*. I happened to see this magazine *The PLAIN TRUTH*, and I enjoyed reading it."

A. P., Montreal,  
Quebec

### Japan

"Dear Sirs:

"I found your article on Japan in the January issue most informative, as well as accurate, for the most part. I should point out one inaccuracy however; Japan is not the fifth most populous nation in the world — it ranks sixth, after Indonesia with its estimated 160 million (poorly fed) people."

Michael J., Cambridge,  
Massachusetts

• *Our reader is both right and wrong. True, Indonesia is fifth — but with only about 110 million population. Pakistan is sixth and Japan is seventh. Thanks for correction of copy error.*

### It's Still Free

"I would like to take this opportunity to express my appreciation for receiving *The PLAIN TRUTH* for a number of years. It has changed in appearance and quality, but the price and contents are still the same. It's still free, and the contents are still the plain truth. Thank you again!"

Mrs. Richard S.,  
Dalton, Georgia



# WHY Ministers say:

## "You don't need to understand the Bible!"

by Roderick C. Meredith

**I**N THIS AGE of the "Cosmos" and "Surveyor" satellites — in this age of TREMENDOUS change in all life and thought, caused by the fantastic scientific inventions of man — *where* is the voice of God's **PROPHET?**

What does Almighty GOD have to say about the awesome time in which we live?

IS THERE REALLY A GOD? Has God forsaken His creatures? Why do we behold the deafening SILENCE from the professing ministers of God about the real *meaning* of the age in which we live?

Or, if we hear anything at all, why is the message couched in generalities, in uncertainties, in empty platitudes, in the mumbo-jumbo double-talk so familiar to theologians?

Yes, WHY — if God is speaking through the ministers today?

### The Shocking Truth

Part of the answer is revealed in recent surveys of American churchgoers.

Notice! One recent survey found that more than half of those interviewed were unable to name even *one* of the four Gospels!

Another survey asked people whether they felt that religion was "very important." A vast majority of Americans said that it *was*. But then they were asked: "Would you say that your religious beliefs have any effect on your ideas on politics and business?"

Fifty-four percent said, "No."

Pollsters found that eighty percent of Americans believe Christ is God. But when thirty outstanding Americans were recently asked to name the hundred most important events in history, the birth of Christ came *fourteenth* — tied with the discovery of X ray and the Wright brothers' first plane flight!

A Gallup Poll in Britain recently disclosed similar findings.

Is it any wonder that the modern churchgoer is IGNORANT of any possible relationship between the Bible and the *momentous times* in which we live?

God revealed to the apostle Paul the spiritual degeneracy that would dominate in these last days. Under inspiration, Paul warned Timothy: "Preach the WORD; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine." How FEW are the ministers who preach this way *today!*

Paul continued: "For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears; and *they shall turn away their ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables*" (II Timothy 4:2-4).

Paul's prophetic warning has become a sad REALITY!

In increasing number, the new leaders of this professed Christianity consist of modernists, psychologists and "do-gooder" sociologists — all of whom have practically *no knowledge whatever* of the Bible, and very little interest in acquiring any. Is it any wonder that church members themselves exhibit an *abysmal ignorance* of what is supposedly the very *source* of their beliefs?

### Why No Prophets Today?

Did you know that fully ONE THIRD of the Bible is *prophecy*? How many sermons on Bible PROPHECY have you heard in church during the past year? Does this number represent about *one third of the total*? If not, WHY not?

Many people have wondered why God Almighty has not inspired the lips of church leaders with prophetic messages on the *meaning* of the awe-

some events occurring before our eyes. WHY are the pulpits so silent or so vague in the face of some of the most dramatic events in earth's history?

The real *reason* is that the ministers are not *studying* and *preaching* the BIBLE as the solid foundation of all their ministry. Remember that Jesus said we are to live by EVERY word of God.

### How the Bible is Regarded

Perhaps many of you have not fully realized the extent to which our modern-day organized church denominations have departed *completely* and *absolutely* from the Bible in their faith and practice — and in many cases without any apologies whatever.

The following newspaper headline illustrates this heathenish trend: "*Biblical Law Ignored; Ladies Will Preach.*"

The newspaper article continues: "Two of the nation's largest Protestant denominations are making a clean break with St. Paul's classic advice to early Christians: 'Let your women keep silent in the churches.' Henceforth, women will be able to speak — with the full authority of ordained ministers. . . ."

Ask yourself candidly, how do you think Jesus Christ feels about that headline — "Biblical Law Ignored"?

Did you notice the careful way in which this newspaper writer worded his announcement of *rank heresy*? He said the denominations were making a break with Paul's "classic" advice to "early" Christians.

*Let us correct that misleading statement!* These two large denominations are making a clean break with Paul's inspired COMMAND to ALL Christians of EVERY generation!

God's Word tells us: "ALL scripture is given by *inspiration* of God, and is profitable for *doctrine*, for *reproof*, for



correction, for instruction in righteousness" (II Tim. 3:16).

No matter how well organized, how deeply entrenched within our social structure, how highly regarded by this world's society any group of ministers may be, they CANNOT be the true ministers of God if they *reject* His Word and *refuse* obedience to His inspired commands!

When men openly substitute *human reason* and the *customs* of worldly society for the divine revelation of God, then we have "respectable" PAGANISM! Such worship is a *vain thing* in the eyes of God. Jesus said: "Howbeit in *vain* do they worship me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men" (Mark 7:7). Then He added: "Full well ye reject the commandment of God, that ye may keep your own tradition" (verse 9).

How often do the dignified clergymen of today announce that such and such a custom has been "hallowed" by "traditional" observance in their particular denomination? Since when does *human reason* or *human tradition* hallow — or make *holy* — anything?

No, it is GOD who sets the standards. It is Almighty GOD who determines what is right and what is wrong — not a divided and confused "churchianity."

### What Is Sin?

Another example of how church leaders have cast aside the Bible's authority was given to me the other day in the form of a newspaper advertisement. It was a religious advertisement by a major Protestant denomination, and the heading read "What is SIN?"

In the key paragraph which answers the question, this Church publicly states: "The way we look at it — that is, the way it's interpreted to us — sin is defined as the error of imposing our own wills over God's will."

To anyone who does not know his Bible, this might not seem like such a bad definition. But if you think about it, this "definition" of sin is not a definition of sin at all!

It leaves completely open for interpretation *what God's will really is*. And only the answer to THAT defines *what sin is!*

Moreover, this man-made definition

completely *overlooks and evades* the plain, clear, divinely inspired definition of sin given in the Bible. In I John 3:4, God says: "*Sin is the transgression of the law.*"

What is wrong with GOD's definition of sin?

The truth of the matter is that churchmen *don't like* God's definition and they *don't like* God's law as summarized in the Ten Commandments. Taken for what it says, that law strips bare all the *rottenness* and *perversity* that has crept into modern churchianity!

Instead of admitting this — and *correcting* it — men prefer to reason: "The way WE look at it — that is, the way it's *interpreted* [by whom?] to us . . ."

It's time to WAKE UP!

Do you begin to realize how FAR modern "Christendom" has departed from the Christianity of the New Testament?

Do you now see WHY God has not raised up any inspired *prophets* as a part of modern churchianity? Why such little *understanding* of these times is voiced from the pulpits? Why the inspired voice of Divine AUTHORITY is lacking among today's prominent religious leaders?

### Can We UNDERSTAND?

Just the other day, on a radio broadcast, I was surprised to hear one such well-known evangelist say in effect: "You say you can't understand all the complexities of God's plan as revealed in the Gospels? Well, *you don't need to understand it. Don't TRY to understand it now.* Just come to God through simple faith in Jesus Christ."

Without being sarcastic, I would like to ask — how "simple" can your faith be when you don't even attempt to understand the truth on which God's Plan is founded?

The apostle Paul was inspired to write: "Wherefore be ye not unwise, but UNDERSTANDING what the will of the Lord is" (Eph. 5:17).

The instruction he gave Timothy is recorded for Christians of all ages: "*Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth*" (II Tim. 2:15).

We can understand the Bible if we will *study* it, and if we will OBEY it. *The lack of willingness to obey God has caused many a minister and many a church to close their eyes for all time to basic scriptural truth.*

All too often, ministers hire themselves out to the people and preach *only* what the people want to hear. As a warning to ministers of every age, God says: "My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge: because thou hast rejected knowledge, I will also reject thee, that thou shalt be no priest to me: seeing thou hast forgotten the law of thy God, I will also forget thy children" (Hosea 4:6).

If any church or any individual is willing to OBEY God's law, and to *walk* in the light as God reveals that light, God's *plan* and *purpose* WILL be undestroyed.

But the Holy Spirit is given *only* to those who OBEY God (Acts 5:32). "A *good understanding* have all they that DO his commandments" (Psalm 111:10).

And an *inspired understanding* of Bible prophecy is available to those who will *obey God's law!* You can KNOW what lies just ahead, and understand the real *meaning* of the dramatic age in which we live!

### God's Prophetic Warning Is Being Preached

God has NOT left this confused, divided, war-torn world without an *inspired* PROPHETIC MESSAGE revealing the *exact course* of future events — and the vital *meaning* of these times in God's great Plan.

There is *one* Work — ONE Church — which alone is preaching to the nations the *same message* of repentance and obedience which Jesus preached, and which is being *used* and *empowered* by Almighty God in preaching His prophetic WARNING to the entire world.

It is not a big, popular denomination organized by men — because God NEVER used such an organization to carry His prophetic warnings. You will search the Bible *in vain* for an example of this.

God's Church today is not "accepted" by the ecclesiastical organi-



zations of men. *And it should not be!*  
Why?

Jesus said: "WOE unto you, when all men shall speak well of you! for so did their fathers to the *false prophets*" (Luke 6:26).

Christ called His Church the "little flock" (Luke 12:32). He said it would be *scattered* and *persecuted* (John 15:20). But God always describes His Church as an *obedient* Church — *keeping ALL of His commandments*. "Here is the patience of the saints: here are they that keep the commandments of God, and the faith of Jesus" (Rev. 14:12).

Because of their willingness to *obey*, God has opened wide an understanding of Bible prophecies to His true servants.

His Church is now preaching with Divine AUTHORITY the *exact, specific* and DEFINITE prophesied events that lie just ahead in world affairs. His Church is the *only* one that is warning America and Britain of the imminent DANGER that looms just ahead for our peoples — of *where* that danger lies, *when* it will manifest itself, *how* it will come about, and WHY God is permitting it.

No, *God's inspired prophets have NOT vanished from the earth!* In specific terms, His servants are now beginning to THUNDER His warning message to a misguided, heedless world!

You are NOW reading part of that message! *Within this present living generation, men and nations will come to realize that the message you hear over "The WORLD TOMORROW" broadcast and read in The PLAIN TRUTH magazine is directly from Almighty God, the Creator-Ruler of the universe!*

### "Responsible" Ministers?

Regardless of the PROOF of *fulfilled prophecy* and the evidence of an *inspired understanding* of God's Word, carnal human church leaders will always seek to justify themselves. They will viciously attack, slander, and label as "irresponsible" anyone who disagrees with their basic doctrines and who will not join or "cooperate" with their ecclesiastical-political machine.

The charge of "irresponsible" is the one most frequently leveled against those who refuse to conform. In actual fact, by "irresponsible" ministers they mean

those who are not *appointed* or *elected* by some board or human organization of men which, in turn, is *elected* by the lay church members.

Also, to be considered "responsible" the minister and church must be an active part of the ecclesiastical organizations and councils of the land. They must show an attitude of going along with and cooperating with the various church agencies established and controlled by the major church denominations. In order to have a "clean bill of health," their doctrine must not be considered "offensive" to any of the major denominations.

The "responsible" minister must also take an active part in the political and social life of his community. He should be a member of the local service organizations. In all things, he should demonstrate his *approval* by *participation* in the community's civic and social organizations.

In plain language, to be considered "responsible" a minister must be PART AND PARCEL WITH THIS HELL-BENT WORLD!

In the final analysis, he must be "responsible" to the people and *preach what THEY want to hear*, take part in their PAGAN traditions, and approve of their SINFUL ways!

*Now let's get this straight once and for all!*

God's *true* ministers are NOT called by men. They are called and inspired by Him.

They are NOT responsible to men — but to GOD!

They are to *serve* the people by preaching *God's* message whether the people like it or not!

God's minister must come OUT of this world — its human organizations and societies (James 4:4). They must preach the TRUTH — regardless of whom it offends.

A true minister must be *totally* SURRENDERED to the *rule* and *will* of Almighty God. He must STUDY the Bible humbly as a little child to drink God's will *out* of it — *not* to read his denomination's doctrine *into* it. He must let God's Word CORRECT and REPROVE him where he is wrong.

He must *obey* ALL of God's com-

mandments through Christ in him. Not trying to argue or reason around it, he must strive to LIVE by EVERY word of God. He must *surrender* to let God *guide* him, *use* him, *speak through* him.

Is such a man a "responsible" minister?

*Yes, he is totally "responsible" to Almighty GOD!*

*Now do you understand?*

As proof, turn and read some of the other fascinating articles in this magazine!

Some of them in each issue are *prophetic* — and they will tell you EXACTLY and SPECIFICALLY what is soon going to occur. The doctrinal articles will reveal a depth of *understanding* of God's Word, plan and purpose that is unsurpassed. This is the ONLY work on earth where this *spiritual* and *prophetic understanding* is available. There is NO OTHER source!

Many of you have realized this and have wondered *why*. That is because the ministers in this Work of God are *truly* "responsible." They are *God's* ministers — and this is the work of *God's true Church!*

"He that hath ears to hear, *let him hear.*"

## HOW YOUR PLAIN TRUTH SUBSCRIPTION HAS BEEN PAID

So many ask: "HOW does it happen that I find my subscription price for *The PLAIN TRUTH* has already been paid? How can you publish such a high-class magazine without advertising revenue?"

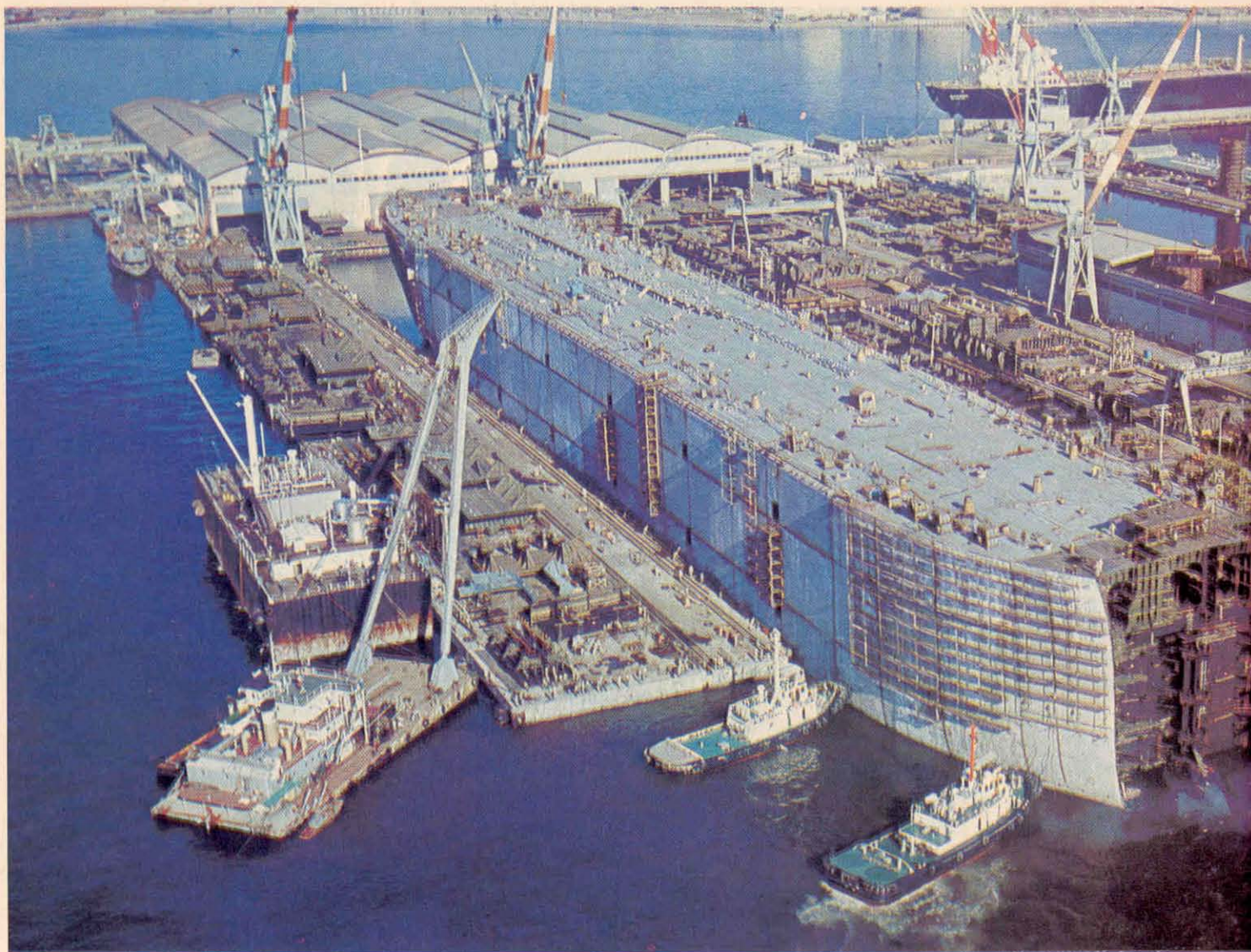
The answer is as simple as it is astonishing! It is a paradox. Christ's Gospel cannot be sold like merchandise. You cannot buy salvation. Yet it does cost money to publish Christ's TRUTH and mail it to all continents on earth. It does have to be *paid for!* This is Christ's work. We solve this problem Christ's WAY!

Jesus said, "This Gospel of the Kingdom shall be preached (and published — Mark 13:10) in all the world for a witness unto all nations" (Mat. 24:14) *at this time*, just before the end of this age. A PRICE *must be paid* for the magazine, the broadcast, the Correspondence Course, or other literature. But HOW? Christ forbids us to *sell* it to those who receive it: "Freely ye have received," said Jesus to His disciples whom He was sending to proclaim His Gospel, "freely GIVE!" "It is *more blessed,*" He said, "to GIVE than to receive."

God's WAY is the way of LOVE — and that is the way of *giving*. God expects every child of His to *give free-will* offerings and to *tithe*, as His means of paying the costs of carrying His Gospel to *others*. We, therefore, simply trust our Lord Jesus Christ to lay it on the minds and hearts of His followers to give generously, thus paying the cost of putting the precious Gospel TRUTH in the hands of *others*. Yet it must go *only* to those who themselves wish to receive it. Each must, for himself, *subscribe* — and his subscription has thus already been paid.

Thus the living, dynamic Christ Himself enables us to broadcast, worldwide, without ever asking for contributions over the air: to enroll many thousands in the Ambassador College Bible Correspondence Course with full tuition cost *already paid*; to send your PLAIN TRUTH on an *already paid* basis. God's way is GOOD!





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**MAMMOTH SUPERTANKER** — Another multi-hundred-thousand-ton tanker under construction in Japanese shipyard.

## JAPAN

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1970) promises to increase that rate steadily. Thirty Japanese Peace Corps members operate there, in addition to hundreds of Japanese government workers.

Japan secured a foothold in Asia as early as 1947, when Japanese war reparations were paid to Asian nations in terms of Japanese materials, manpower, and construction work. In the process, the Japanese gained firsthand knowledge of the trade needs of every nation in Asia.

Now, twenty-three years after the war, Japan is angling for formation of an Asian-Pacific economic bloc. *This bloc would encompass 30 to 40 percent of the world's trade!*

Japan desperately needs Asia, but Asia also needs Japan!

The underdeveloped nations of Asia look more and more to the industrial power of Japan for help. Japan has promised to grant \$1,089,000,000 of long-term credit to Asia — that is 87% of all Japanese foreign credit.

Percentage of trade with Asia has constantly grown each year, while percentage of trade with other continents has remained the same or diminished. Total trade in Asia topped \$5,564,000,000 in 1966, \$6.4 billion in 1967, and an expected \$7.5 billion in 1968.

Slowly but surely the Asian sphere is rallying around Japanese progress, projects, and production. For example, Japan has now consolidated her lead as Formosa's Number 1 buyer and seller, with the United States well back in second place.

A Tokyo newspaper reported, "Indonesia has asked Japan to provide about one-third of its \$320,000,000 aid requirements for 1968." Indonesia has long wanted to say "Yankee Go Home," but they coveted U.S. aid. Now Asia can have its financial support *without* the U.S. — from Japan.

Asian shopping centers are aglow with signs advertising Japanese products. Asians commute on Japanese buses, cars and motorcycles. They wear Japanese-made clothing. They tell time by Japanese watches. They drink Japanese beer. They shop in Japanese department stores featuring Japanese-made goods.

On a larger scale, Japanese govern-





ment officials and private businessmen spend hundreds of millions annually in foreign aid *development programs*. Aggressive Japanese businessmen operate steel mills and tire plants in Malaysia, automobile plants in Thailand, fertilizer plants in Korea, lumber industries in the Philippines, oil fields in Indonesia, and electronics industries in Taiwan.

#### Britain Out — Japan IN

In Singapore, where Japanese firms now control *one quarter of all investments*, Prime Minister Lee Kuan Yew gives this advice to visiting *British businessmen*, "*Be aggressive! Be like the Japanese!*"

But the British *aren't* aggressive like the Japanese. In January 1968, Britain made her historic abandonment of the Empire east of Suez.

Japan was quick to fill the void.

A press correspondent wrote from Tokyo, shortly after Britain's withdrawal, "When Britain beats her retreat from the East, Japan will emerge as *the only logical contender to fill the power vacuum* — and she is unlikely to miss such a matchless opportunity to expand her political and economic influence.

"Within five, or at the most, ten years," continues the report, "Japan will dominate the Orient's trade *absolutely* and be the *East's unquestioned political leader* . . . Britain's calendar of retreat is *most fortuitously timed for Japan.*"

China's internal problems have also contributed to the political vacuum in Asia. The Japanese Foreign Ministry has announced, "There is not time to lose in launching the new mission, because the Red Guard has unexpectedly weakened China's power in Asia, with Indonesia's link to Peking shattered, *a large opening for fresh enterprise suddenly appears.*"

#### Even Red China Dependent on Japan

Up until the end of 1967, Communist China's leading trade partner was Japan! More than 623 million dollars of trade was annually commerced between these two nations. Next to the United States and Australia, Japan traded most with Red China.

However, during the autumn of 1967 the Chinese Communists turned a cold shoulder to Japan with the intention of *punishing* Premier Sato for his pro-western tour of Asia and the United States. They switched their markets to Europe in an attempt to economically boycott Japan.

This move proved financially disastrous to China instead of hurting Japan. It took the Chinese only three short months to run up a \$326.6 million trade deficit. China quickly learned that she had little to sell that the Europeans wanted.

The Chinese were *forced* to realize that **THEY NEEDED JAPAN MORE THAN JAPAN NEEDED THEM!** In mid-January, 1968, Chou En-Lai of Red China humbly expressed the hope that the China-Japan Trade Agreement which expired in 1967 could be renewed.

Japan is rapidly becoming the real **POWERHOUSE** of Asia — to which even Red China *must* look!

#### Japanese-Soviet Trade

Last November 10th, the Soviet Union and Japan concluded a major agreement for a joint natural gas refining project in Siberia and on the island of Sakhalin. Under the new agreement, Japan would develop the natural gas resources with plants both in Siberia and Japan. The Japanese would provide the managerial personnel and sales distribution to the eastern European countries by means of the Russian-owned Trans-Siberian Railways.

Trade between Japan and the Communist east European satellite nations has grown 33 percent over the past year. Presently, Japan is planning to build a direct rail line between the Sea of Japan and eastern Europe!

In February, 1968, Nikolai Baibakov, Soviet Deputy Premier, visited Japan in hopes of persuading the Japanese to develop the timber and mineral resources of Siberia.

#### Nuclear Blackmail

Now look at Japanese-U. S. relations.

Strong pressure was recently brought on Prime Minister Sato by the Japanese people as well as the Okinawans themselves for the return of Okinawa to Japanese control. When Prime Minister Sato visited President Johnson in Washington last November, he was denied his request. He was told that as long as the Vietnam war continues, Okinawa and the nearby Bonins are too vital to the United States because of the U.S. military bases on them.

Later, the United States set in motion the diplomatic machinery to return the Bonins to Japan and also promised to set a date for the return of Okinawa within three years, pending the course of the Vietnamese war.

The Japanese people do not want to wait! Consistent pressure, frequent demonstrations and repeated petitions forced Premier Sato to make a *very significant compromise deal* with the Japanese public last December.

Up until recently the Japanese people have shown a fanatical aversion and fear of nuclear weapons. The public



# Tokyo Tower—Symbol of New Japan!

*K. K. Okada Photo*







will protest and students will demonstrate every time Japan considers building a nuclear plant, storing nuclear weapons, expanding a nuclear defense fleet, or even harboring a nuclear-powered ship such as the *U. S. S. Enterprise*. A recent poll by the *Tokyo Observer* revealed that only 8.9 percent of the populace wanted Japan to have nuclear arms.

While Sato knows the power of the public, he also knows Japan must possess a nuclear defense system—ostensibly for protection from Communist China and Russia.

Premier Sato's compromise of mid-December, 1967 was stated as follows: "People of Japan, I will go to work to return the island of Okinawa to Japan, if you will accept the idea of nuclear arms expansion in Japan."

One of the inferences drawn from Premier Sato's statement is that Japan expects the return of Okinawa when U. S. nuclear defenses there become unnecessary, or *when Japan is ready to supply them*. His specific aim is to meet public opinion head on regarding the issue of nuclear weapons. He is striving to create a change in political opinion in Japan sufficient to permit the impossible—the return of Okinawa to Japan *with the United States' nuclear bases intact*.

Pakeo-Fukuda, leader of the opposition Liberal-Democratic Party, and *most likely successor to Sato*, has said: "Japan must get away from the nuclear allergy." The statements of both Sato and Fukuda were published under big headlines in Tokyo. Significantly there were *no public demonstrations* and *no opposition in Parliament*. A major change in public opinion in Japan toward the ultimate possession of nuclear weapons is under way.

Okinawa has thus become the political lever by which the Japanese people are being forced into accepting Japan's future role as a self-sufficient nuclear power.

#### U. S. Pushing Japan to Become Nuclear Power

Though it is against Japan's constitution to maintain any land, sea, or air forces, yet Japan maintains a standing army of more than 250,000 men (each



one is considered to be *officer material*), 30,000 reserves, dozens of powerful Nike-Hercules and Hawk missiles, 7 nuclear power plants and a full-fledged Department of Defense. An annual Self-Defense Forces Day is held every November 1st.

Washington officials frankly admit that they *expect* Japan to develop a big military establishment to assist the U. S. in Asian power politics. One Tokyo observer stated that the United States has no other alternative but to *push* Japan toward eventually becoming a THERMO-NUCLEAR POWER.

Japan's uranium trade with Australia has been increasing.

Robert A. Scalapino, an authority on Japan at the University of California, wrote recently, "For the next five or six years, Japan will develop her space and nuclear programs in such a fashion as to make convertibility for defense purposes possible on the quickest, easiest, and cheapest basis should the *necessity* arise." Significantly enough, this is the same method used to convert seemingly peacefully oriented heavy industry into full-scale production of war equipment *practically overnight* prior to World War II!

### Japan, a Friend?

Why should the U. S. worry? Isn't Japan an ally and friend of the West? Wouldn't Japanese nuclear power stand as a bulwark against Communism? Wouldn't the emergence of Japan as a nuclear power actually help the United States and Australia by assuming the role of peace-keeper in Asia?

Despite popular belief, Japan is not *permanently* committed to a pro-Western position.

America has foolishly followed the policy of assuming that the peoples of Germany and Japan can be converted to the virtues of Democracy in less than a generation. Though both nations are *ostensibly* utilizing the Democratic form of government — *enforced upon them by the United States* — neither has been "converted" to Democracy. Both the Japanese and Germans are willing, for the present, to *put up with* their so-called Democratic form of government — until some serious internal crisis is precipitated.

"The Japanese people do not know the meaning of the word Democracy" said Yukio Ozaki, former mayor of Tokyo and one of Japan's greatest parliamentarians. Most people have forgotten that Democracy was rejected by the people of Japan in the 1930's.

Japan *tolerates* her present form of government as long as it is *economically* expedient. If the time were ever to come — and it *will come* — that the Japanese could not *feed off* of American aid, we would witness a remarkable change in attitude toward the United States. Friendship would quickly evaporate.

### Trade War Ahead?

The gathering storm clouds of trade war are already on the horizon. There are growing grumblings against U. S. trade restrictions. *Retaliation* is being hinted at.

Kokoro Uemura, vice-president of the Federation of Economic Organizations, warned that Japan "would not buy farm products from the United States" if U. S. trade protection bills were enacted into law.

Kazupaka Kikawada, president of Toyko Electric Power Company, added, "The U. S. will face *retaliatory* measures from Japan and many of its other friends."

Ryokichi Minobe, mayor of Tokyo, warned, "Japan's present monopoly-dominated economic and political system contains the *seed of Fascism*... I was in Berlin when Hitler emerged. When small enterprises here face similar situations *they will support Fascism*."

"All that is needed to start pressure building to a similar explosion [as was seen in the nationalism of World War II] is a new issue that can engender enough anger to enable those with the political know-how to step in and manipulate it to suit their purposes" (James Cary, *Japan Today; Reluctant Ally*).

Despite their high literacy rate, the Japanese are stirred more through an emotional, rather than intellectual, appeal. Cary estimates that 90 percent of the student demonstrations have no political reasons but are motivated by sheer emotion.

There is no greater proof of this fact

than Japan's newest radical religious movement — Soka Gakkai.

### Soka Gakkai

Despite the fact that the vast majority of Japanese claim to belong to some form of organized religion, there is in reality a definite *religious vacuum* in Japan today. Japanese historian Kazuo Kasahara of Tokyo University estimates that 70 percent of the Japanese are *totally indifferent to religion*.

Buddhism is a *dead religion*, tainted with vice and corruption, totally out of touch with the modern world. Competition and religious in-fighting have shattered the confused Buddhists in the more than 3,000 different sects!

Buddhism's *powerlessness* is widely known to most people in Japan. As a result, many people have become disillusioned and are abandoning the mainstream of Buddhism and joining a dynamic new "lay organization" at a record rate.

This new organization is called Soka Gakkai (value-creation society), which was founded in 1930 and now claims approximately 20 million members and a fantastic growth rate of 200,000 new converts per month. While these estimates may be somewhat exaggerated, no one can deny the fact that this new movement is saturating Japan and growing astronomically.

Though it claims to be Buddhist, Soka Gakkai is more than just another Buddhist sect. It combines both religion and *politics*. Its political arm is called Komeito, which presently holds 20 seats in the 250-seat House of Counsellors and 25 seats in the 486-seat Lower House. Despite the small representation, it is presently the *third largest party* in Japan, and the fastest-growing of all. Don't forget — Nazism had an identical beginning in prewar Germany.

Militant organization and rabid participation characterize the Soka Gakkai crusade. Thousands of meetings are held throughout Japan every night. Rallies, torchlight parades, concerts, athletic tournaments, and religious classroom studies are commonly sponsored by and heavily attended by Soka Gakkai followers.

Rabid proselytizing is the keynote of the phenomenal growth of Soka Gakkai.



It is reported that every new initiate must be responsible for personally adding two new converts each month or forfeit his membership in the organization. Soka Gakkai members are "persuading" fellow Japanese to join their glorious movement by Shakuburu, the Japanese term for a never-say-die method of religious intimidation and persuasion. Financial failure, mental upset, and constant harassment by Shakuburu are just a few of the curses that are threatened to come upon those who do not bend the knee.

The Shinshuren, the Japanese equivalent of the National Council of Churches, is strongly opposing Soka Gakkai, publicly warning: "It is possible that Soka Gakkai may take the dangerous steps *which the Nazis took in the past.*" Definitely this is a movement that bears close watching.

### Japanese Counterfeit "Kingdom of God"

The confessed ambition of Soka Gakkai is *to convert Japan and then the world.* It "would like to be the *one* religion in Japan," says historian Kazuo Kasahara.

This daring new movement is promising the world an AGE OF PEACE — a pseudo-millennium — Japanese style. This new age is called Kosen-Rufu or the Third Civilization. This new civilization spoken of in such glowing terms at Soka Gakkai rallies will be replete with material luxuries and *international prosperity* as well as the spiritual blessings of Buddhism.

The President of Soka Gakkai stated in a youth rally on November 19th, 1967, "Our *sacred cause* must never be defeated. We cannot retreat even a single step. If our great mission of world peace and individual happiness is defeated, this will no doubt mean disaster. The happiness, prosperity, and harmony so desired by all mankind will be destroyed."

He continued, "Soka Gakkai has stood alone and has challenged all forces of evil. All that we have done is for the sake of saving Japan and the *people of the world* from falling into the pit of Hell."

Once again we are strangely reminded of the Nazi promise of German peace

during a "Thousand Year Reich." Soka Gakkai is also intent on *enforcing* world peace — Soka Gakkai style. It claims to be the one true religion, the only hope of bringing world peace.

There is now reaching maturity in Japan, as in West Germany, a new generation which is less willing than its parents to wear the sackcloth of the 1945 defeat. Those Japanese who were in their infancy or yet unborn in 1945 have no war guilt. They do not know the bitter fruits of Japanese nationalism. They are unwilling to listen to the voice of experience.

These are the people, mainly young adults *under thirty*, who are being converted to Soka Gakkai.

In the final analysis, Soka Gakkai is nothing more than a subtle form of *religious nationalism* — or, in other words, Fascism.

### United Asia in Prophecy

"The prime desire for most Asians . . . is to write 'Yankee Go Home' on every wall . . . we are trying to build a substitute for the United States — a UNITED STATES OF ASIA — that's our dream now," wrote a leading Thai journalist.

Many of the nations of Asia are looking for a substitute for the U. S. and the most logical candidate is Asia's industrial supergiant — Japan.

Japan has been identified in Bible prophecy! Prophecy shows that Japan is destined to play a vital role in the future of Asia.

Japan is the *Tarshish* of Asia in Bible prophecy. As the number one ship-builder in the world, the modern "Ships of Tarshish" figure prominently in today's prophesied world trade. A full explanation of Japan's identity was presented in the "Question Box" section of the December, 1967, issue of *The PLAIN TRUTH* magazine. If you did not receive that issue, you may write and request this information in reprint form.

Despite its many national, religious and political differences, Asia will ultimately be welded together into a *common power bloc*. It will ultimately send its military muscle into the Middle East at the return of Jesus Christ. This prophecy is recorded in Revelation 16:12 and 16. Japan will play a vital role in this battle.

A great military crisis between the Western and Eastern power blocs will precipitate the return of Jesus Christ to this earth to prevent total annihilation of human life as a result of this insane power struggle. Jesus Christ *must return* to stop man from destroying himself (Matthew 24:22).

This battle does not, however, totally crush the Asian power bloc. Even after Jesus Christ has returned and the Kingdom of God has been established, and modern Israel has been brought out of captivity and placed in the land of Palestine, there is yet another attempt on the part of the Asiatics to achieve their dream of world conquest. We read of this in Ezekiel 38 and 39.

God inspired Ezekiel to write, "And the word of the Eternal came unto me, saying, Son of Man, set thy face against *Gog*, the land of *Magog*, the chief prince of Meshech and Tubal, and prophesy against him . . ." (Ezekiel 38:1-2).

The marginal reference gives the words "chief prince" as "chief of Rosh." This is RUSSIA. Joined with Rosh is Meshech (who settled the area of Moskva or Moscow) and Tubal (modern Tobolsk) — the Great Russians. Allied together are "Gomer and all his bands [of Central Asia]; the house of Togarmah of the north quarters [Siberia], and all his bands; and *many people with thee*" (verse 6).

These verses refer to the Soviet Union and every major Oriental and Asian race in existence. The minor nations of Southeast Asia are included in verse 6: "all his bands *and many people.*"

Notice another name added in verse 13: *TARSHISH!*

*Japan will be allied with this Soviet-dominated power bloc.*

In their attempt to arrogate to themselves world rule, five sixths of the Asian horde will be annihilated, and burial troops work seven months (Ezekiel 39:12) to bury the millions of dead.

From the ruins of this crushing defeat will emerge a truly NEW JAPAN — a NEW ASIA — and a NEW WORLD. The wonderful *WORLD TOMORROW!*







# THE UNFINISHED REVOLUTION

*This fifth in a series of firsthand reports on the Soviet Union reveals the shocking contrast between Soviet and Western youth. Here are facts most magazines have not dared to publish.*

by Herman L. Hoeh

Moscow, USSR

**I**T IS time we opened our eyes to the facts. Why is it that in the prosperous West there is skyrocketing crime, juvenile delinquency, a constantly rising divorce rate, so little happiness?

Yet, in the Soviet Union, which rejects God and His revelation, individual crime is NOT skyrocketing, juvenile delinquency is almost nonexistent, crime in the streets doesn't exist, and for children to murder parents is unthinkable!

Why this paradox?

## In the Western World

Consider for a moment. The Western world today is reaping the fruits of an educational philosophy which says there are "no absolutes." Educators announce "everything is relative." Youth in the West live in a PERMISSIVE society where virtually *anything goes!*

In the West schools train only the intellect — and have left character training supposedly to the home and religion.

But the discipline of character training is generally missing from the home. And the churches? Most of them

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After the 1917 revolution, Communists quickly learned the need for stable family life — illustrated in these photos. Top, a Jewish family in Bukhara, Central Asia. Below, left to right, children in Volgograd spend vacation in Red summer camp, a propaganda billboard emphasizing the family on Lenin's 100th birthday, and a Soviet family on vacation in Yalta checks weight of son.

openly reject the Ten Commandments of God!

The result of this tragedy is that Western society has become so wicked that virtue and integrity are nearly blotted out by immorality and degradation. People have become so morally bankrupt that they haven't the sense to see something is dreadfully WRONG!

*Most people don't realize* that the Soviets tried and rejected today's Western philosophy after the Communist Revolution in 1917. They experimented with a permissive type society, with no absolutes. Their experiments led to divorce, to delinquency and sex problems. Crime skyrocketed. The Soviets learned from their foolish experiments. They quickly saw that no system of government, right or wrong, could long survive when it allows the home to break up, neglects child rearing, and does away with parental responsibility and authority.

Of course Communists in the West are quite willing to teach permissiveness. They encourage the West's headlong plunge into moral depravity. "Any form of accomplishing socialist revolution is justifiable and lawful," declares the author of *World Revolutionary Movement of the Working Class*, page 230. Communists will stoop to any trick to seduce the West to wallow in moral bankruptcy, knowing that such a policy leads to national suicide!

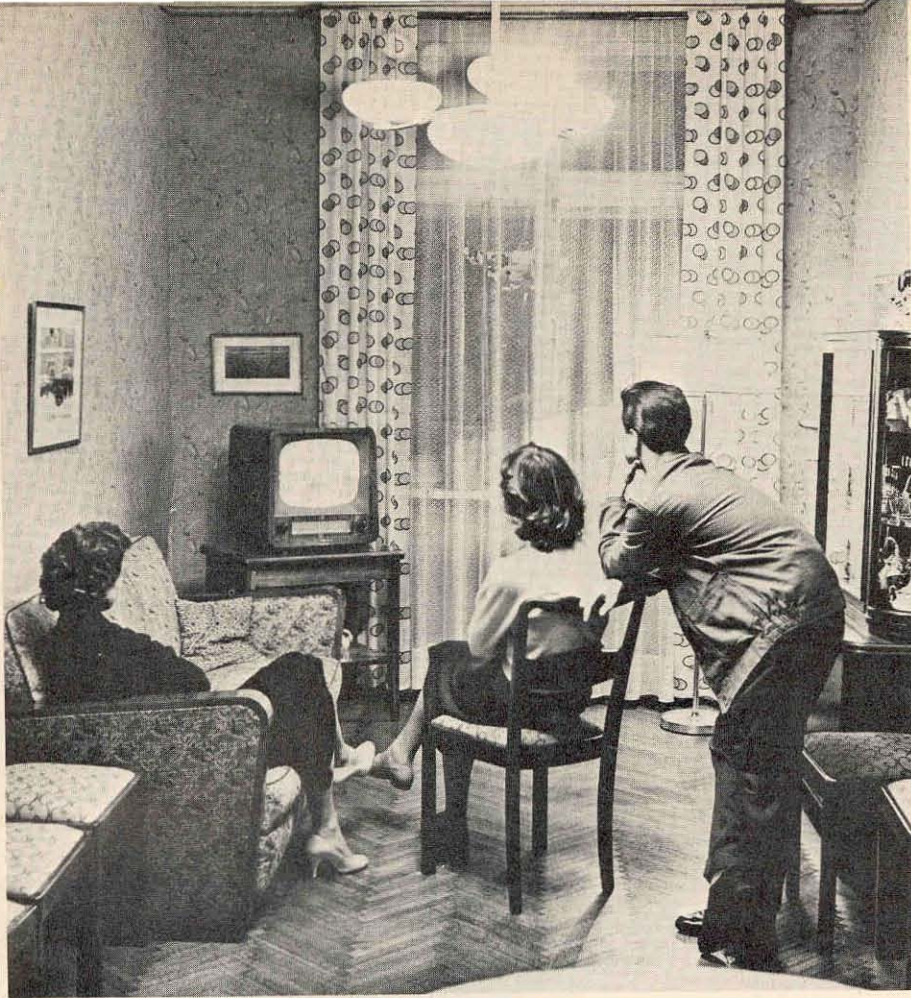
But they teach their own youth a different morality.

## Education in Soviet Russia

Few understand it, but there is a VAST DIFFERENCE between education in the Soviet Union and most Western







Life in Moscow emphasizes family unity, concern for children. Above, left, family watches Party message on Moscow television in tiny living room of a three-room apartment. Below, a kitchen scene, unbelievably crowded. Despite limited housing, juvenile delinquency is not a problem in USSR — because of emphasis on need for child training.

I. Vinogradov, D. Sholomovich  
— *Novosti Photos*



countries. Strangely enough, Soviet educators — who *deny* God and His Truth — have at least learned that children need to be taught moral responsibility.

M. I. Kalinin, author of *Communist Education*, has written: "To educate means to influence the psychological and moral development of a youngster, namely, to make a man out of him." Soviet educators don't want their young people to become hippies though they deceitfully encourage it in Western schools. They understand that rearing children is the responsibility of ALL SOCIETY — no one excepted.

Said S. A. Shmakov, "To educate an individual, to develop his *character* and formulate his convictions is much more important than building cities, developing new machinery, and sending rockets into the cosmos" (*To Inspire Children*, page 46).

Communist leaders realize that self-discipline is at the heart of education. The basic responsibilities of every Soviet citizen are, first of all, *to obey the law*, to be honest in all dealings, and to respect the regulations of society. Children are taught to obey all rules at school and at home. Prankish behavior, foolishness and classroom disorderliness are not tolerated.

Young Soviet citizens are taught and trained to be *responsible!* Crime, juvenile delinquency, and immoral behavior consequently are NOT skyrocketing in the Soviet Union.

This fact is underlined by the conduct of Russian seamen in ports throughout the Mediterranean region. Soviet sailors, when they have opportunity to go ashore, conduct themselves with strict morality. They often visit



sites of cultural interest, art galleries, museums, and historical monuments. They are not allowed to drink alcoholic beverages. They do *not* frequent the brothels and houses of prostitution. According to reports, prostitutes are very unhappy when the Russian sailors come to town!

This is in striking contrast to most Western nations!

During our visit to the Soviet Union, we had the opportunity to see Soviet kindergartens and schools and watch the training of school children who were on vacation.

They were friendly, very orderly, and well behaved. Except for Central Asia, where the number of teachers is limited, there were no signs of rowdiness or unruly behavior. We were at first surprised by this example of conduct.

### Sex Education in USSR

What about sex education of young people in the USSR? In most of Western Europe and the English-speaking world, sex is used to sell everything from monkey wrenches to new automobiles, from men's colognes to toothpaste!

The constant bombardment of sex, sex, sex, in the movies, on television, in magazines and on billboards, contributes significantly to the breakdown in morality in Western nations. Young minds are deluged with sex, nourished on sex, virtually brought up and reared by sexual stimuli! No wonder so many broken homes, divorces, illegitimate babies, so much fornication, adultery and widespread promiscuousness!

What a contrast to the Soviet Union, today. Surprising to many, there are few broken homes in the USSR. Divorces, though allowed, are discouraged. Fornication, adultery and promiscuity are treated as social crimes.

Many men in the West believe they have the "right" to free sex — extramarital or premarital sex. Communists know that this sort of promiscuity leads to tragic lives and has a detrimental effect on society. Prostitution has almost completely disappeared from the Soviet Union. Communist leaders realize, now, that the family and marriage — the HOME — constitute the FOUNDATION of a strong society!

After their foolish experiments following the October Revolution in 1917, they have come to see that the home must be safeguarded at all costs!

In order to protect the family, the Soviet government begins moral education at a very early age. In the formative, pre-school years children are exposed to moral and ethical instruction and discipline.

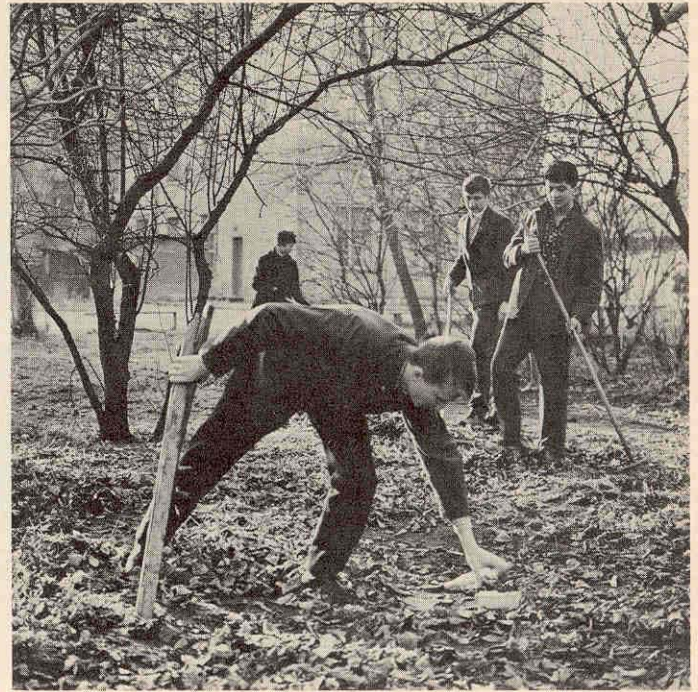
Close attention is given to the sexual development of children. Although sex education is not singled out by the Soviet school, it is included indirectly in the curriculum. This instruction includes the moral and ethical implications of sex, as well as basic biological factors.

However, even Soviet parents sometimes have difficulties explaining to children where babies come from!

Dirty "gutter talk" and foul language is discouraged by leaders in the Soviet Union. They see that such language contributes to antisocial behavior in children and leads to a distorted view of sex. Communists teach that everyone must participate in the fight to keep language clean and decent.

When it comes to sex and morals, Soviet youngsters are taught to develop will power to control and rule over their natural impulses. From early childhood they are taught that not all desires can be or should be immediately fulfilled. Unlike many western psychologists and doctors, who claim that masturbation is all right and does not harm children, educators in the Soviet Union realize that the opposite is true.

To help Soviet children overcome any preoccupation with sex, they are encouraged by authorities to engage actively in stimulating sports activities. They are



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Cleaning up a schoolyard at Moscow's English-speaking School No. 1. Students, though indoctrinated with atheistic Communism, at least learn the meaning of responsibility and self-discipline.

encouraged to lead active, vigorous lives, with a complete daily schedule so no time is left to "fool around." Children are not permitted to lie on their stomachs in bed or to keep their hands under the blanket.

Masturbation, Soviet educators realize, contributes to chronic apathy, tiredness, and mental and physical indifference.

Naturally, there are those in the USSR who do weakly give in to their impulses and lusts!

Soviet authorities are aware that abuse of alcohol results in many undesirable situations in family life — abuse of sex, extramarital affairs — and that it has a pernicious effect on society as a whole. Alcoholism is a problem in the USSR — but it is just as big a problem among foreign tourists traveling in the USSR!

### The Ideal of Marriage

Generally speaking, the Soviet considers the best age for marriage to be the twenty to twenty-four age group, if the couple are socially ready and able to accept the responsibility of family life. Marriage of adolescents eighteen and younger is strongly discouraged.

Finding a mate in the USSR is





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Soviet youth in Central Asia — No delinquents in this mixed slum. Children are supervised by an adult. Below, friendly Uzbek family on vacation teach child about their cultural heritage.



recognized as a vitally important step in life. A genuine depth of mutual respect, common interests, educational and personality compatibility are strongly recommended for young would-be marrieds. Parents are encouraged to render wise and helpful guidance to their children in selecting a mate. Constructive, positive, tactful and wise counseling is urged.

Divorce is permitted in the Soviet Union, but Soviet educators teach young people that children suffer most if the family breaks up. Even in the USSR, however, some few seek divorce for such trivial reasons as character incompatibility, alienation of affection, dissatisfaction, mental cruelty, etc.

### The Stark Contrast

Seeing firsthand the emphasis which the Soviet Union places on the discipline and character of young people, it becomes very apparent *why* Almighty God is especially angry with His people, modern-day Israel.

The peoples of the USSR have learned that dissolution of moral standards does not pay.

In spite of the fact the United States, Britain, and the nations of northwest Europe have the Bible, are filled with churches, and supposedly are "Christian" in morals, our peoples have become MORALLY WORSE THAN THE ATHEISTIC GENTILES OF THE USSR!

Our people have cast off all restraint. We have ejected the Bible from the classroom and repudiated God's principles of morality while claiming to be a Christian society. We have proclaimed the name of God but ignored and rejected His authority over our lives! WE HAVE FORGOTTEN THE GOD WHO MADE US!

Paradoxically, the atheist leaders of the USSR who spit in God's face have had at least the sense to see the need for self-discipline, character training, honesty, and morality among their followers.

All nations have sinned. All, in one way or another, are in rebellion against God and His Law. Is it any wonder, then, that all nations are headed for a fast-approaching CRISIS?

(To be continued)



# The Bible Story

by Basil Wolverton

## CHAPTER ONE HUNDRED FOURTEEN

### ISRAEL'S TURNING POINT

**F**ROM JUDAH had come a prophet who troubled King Jeroboam of Israel at Bethel. He predicted that one day the bones of the false priests would be burned on the altar there. (I Kings 13:1-6.)

On his way back to his home in the nation of Judah, he stopped to rest in the shade of an oak tree. There he was approached by an older prophet whose sons had witnessed what had occurred at the temple at Bethel. The old prophet slid down from his donkey and eagerly went up to the resting man.

#### Hearsay Evidence

"Are you the one from Judah who prayed that King Jeroboam's withered arm would be healed?" the older man asked.

"I am the one," was the answer. (I Kings 13:7-14.)

The older man was pleased. He wanted to become acquainted and find out more about the interesting prophecy he had made about what would happen to the altar at Bethel.

"You look weary and hungry," he said to the resting man. "Come with me to my home and have something to eat and drink."

"I have been told by God that while I am here I must neither eat nor drink," the prophet explained. "I am not to accept help from anyone in this idolatrous area. I am not to retrace my steps. Neither am I to associate with people here. Thank you, but I can't accept your hospitality. I must go now."

The fellow struggled to his feet and started away without another word. The older man hurried after him and put a restraining hand on his shoulder.



"But I, too, am a prophet," he pointed out. "And I, too," he lied, "have received instructions from God. I was told by an angel that I should find you and bring you to my home for nourishment."

The prophet from Judah turned to give the other man a searching look. It seemed only reasonable that God wouldn't allow him to continue being too weak and thirsty during his mission, even though he had been warned not to consume anything.

"Because God has spoken to you, I no longer have reason to refuse your kind offer," the prophet said, yielding to temptation. "I would be very happy to return to your house with you."

His eagerness for refreshment caused him to make a terrible decision. He was hungry and thirsty. He wanted to believe that God had spoken to the older man. The painful fact was that the older prophet masqueraded as one of God's prophets, but was in reality a follower of Jeroboam's perverted religion. The older man had made up the story in order to get the other to come home with him. He wanted to question him about the Bethel prophecy. God was allowing the older man, even in his shameful dishonesty, to severely test the obedience of the man from Judah. (I Kings 13:15-19.) The prophet from Judah should not have listened to hearsay.

Later, at the older prophet's home, the meal had just been finished when God again spoke to the man from Judah by a voice from heaven.

"You have disobeyed by retracing your steps at Bethel and by eating and drinking here. Because you have done this, you will never return home. You will not be buried in the tomb where your relatives are buried."

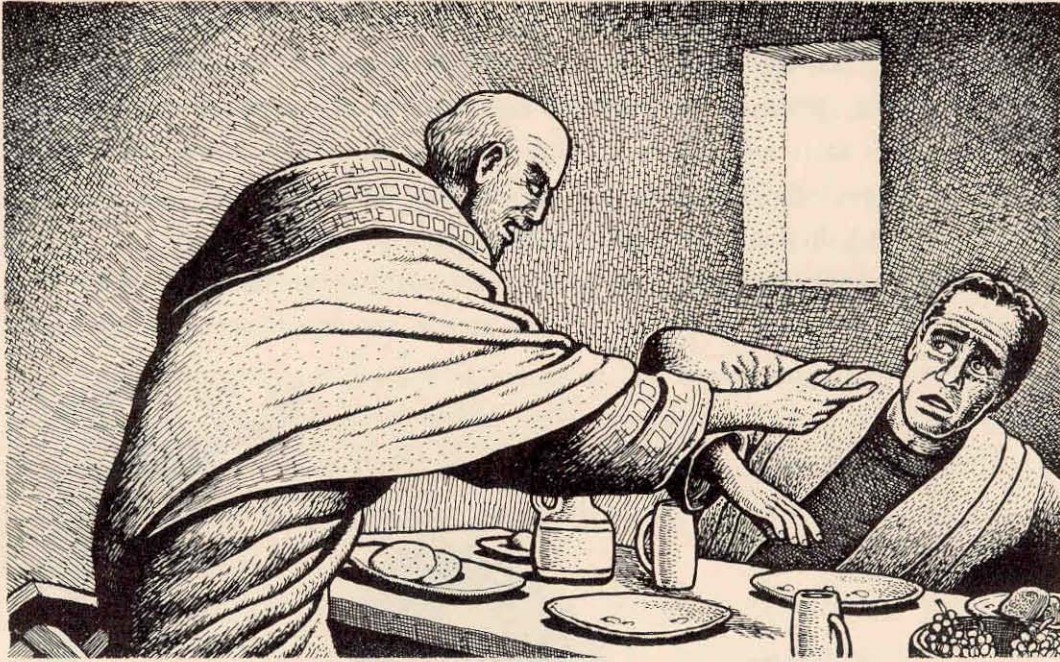
The man from Judah was miserably stunned by the realization that he had been so careless and weak willed as to disobey God and believe the older man's claim that God had contradicted Himself. (I Kings 13:20-22.) Suddenly the prophet from Judah was very afraid of the older man. He wanted to get out of the house and start running back toward Judah. His host, who was as surprised as his guest was at God's sentence of death, was aware of the man's abrupt discomfort and impatience.

### The Penalty of Disobedience

"I know that you're anxious to leave," the older man said. "The donkey is saddled."

The guest didn't need a second invitation. He left at once on the donkey. On passing through a desolate area, he was terrified to see a lion standing in the road. The animal rushed toward him and sprang. Those were the prophet's last conscious moments. His punishment was swift for not following God's instructions.





The elderly prophet of Bethel noticed his guest's sudden fear when God spoke to the prophet from Judah.

Some men who were traveling on the same road were startled a little later to see a lion standing over a man's body. They hid behind boulders to watch, puzzled because the lion kept on standing over its victim, meanwhile ignoring a donkey grazing only a few yards away. The men wondered why the donkey didn't seem to fear the lion. They couldn't know that both animals were being used by God for a purpose.

At Bethel they told several people what they had seen. (I Kings 13:23-25.)

It wasn't long before the old prophet heard about it. Using another donkey, he left at once to look for the slain prophet, whom he found a short distance away. The lion was still standing there, but when it saw him it sauntered away, leaving him free to go to the dead man, whom he managed to hoist on the waiting donkey and take back to Bethel and bury in his own sepulchre.

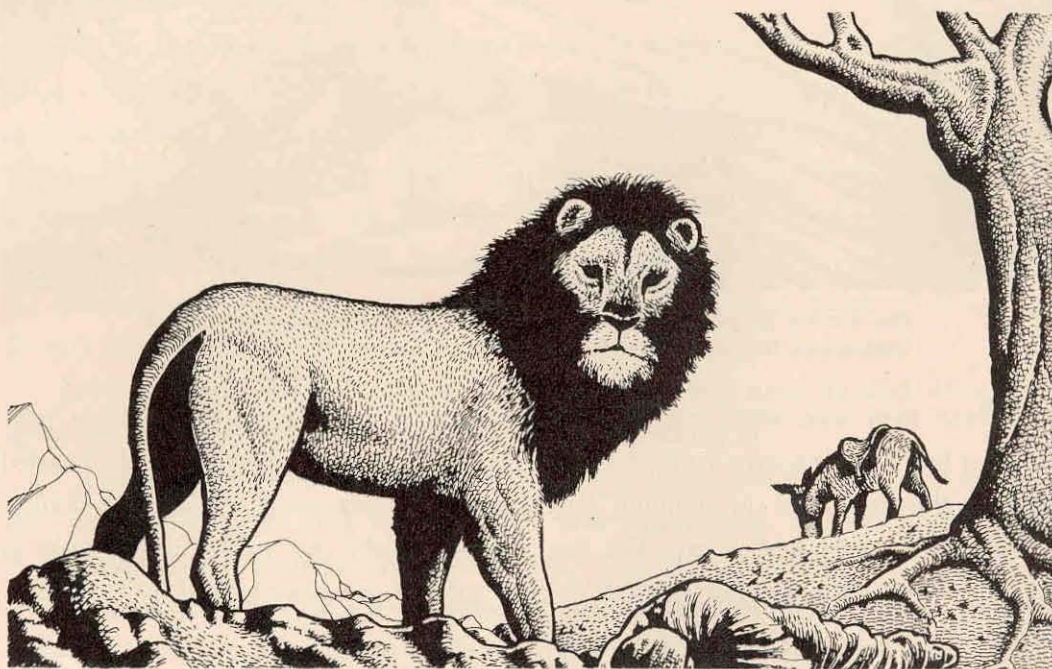
"After I die," he told his sons, "bury me in my tomb with this man of God. When his prophecy comes to pass about the bones of some of the men of Bethel being burned on the altar, I have cleverly planned that mine won't be burned there if they are beside those of this prophet from Judah." (I Kings 13:26-32.)

In spite of the supernatural breaking of the altar and the damaging and healing of his arm, Jeroboam didn't split away from the wrong ways he had established. The old false prophet convinced him that since God allowed the prophet from



Judah to be killed by a lion, he didn't represent God and his words need not be feared. Even in the face of the warning from God about what would happen to the false priests, Jeroboam continued to hire men for those offices who had little ability and low character. This was going to mean the difference between his staying on as king of the ten tribes and the sudden end of his rule over them. (I Kings 13:33-34.) It was Israel's great turning point.

To warn Jeroboam one more time of his evil ways, God allowed his son, Abijah, to become very ill. Jeroboam was greatly concerned when the boy didn't



The lion that had killed the prophet from Judah didn't even start to devour its victim. Instead, it stood guard over the body so intently that it gave no attention to the prophet's strangely unconcerned donkey.

recover. No one could tell what caused the sickness or how long it would last. But it was obvious that Abijah couldn't live very many more days if he stayed in his weakened condition.

### Outwit God?

"Perhaps Ahijah the prophet would know what's wrong with Abijah and what should be done for him," Jeroboam said to his wife. "He was the one who told me that I would become king. Possibly he has other supernatural knowledge."

"Would it be wise for you to be seen with him?" Jeroboam's wife asked. "He has made some strong statements about the golden calves."



"I don't intend to see him," the king explained. "I want you to go do that. You'll have to disguise yourself so that you won't be recognized as my wife by anyone who sees you, including Ahijah. Possibly we can outwit God's prophet" (I Kings 14:1-3.)

Jeroboam's wife didn't relish the mission, but she set out with servants and donkeys to travel to Ahijah's home at Shiloh, about eighteen miles to the south. As gifts for the prophet, she took ten loaves of bread, some small cakes and a bottle of honey. (I Kings 14:3.)

Dressing in drably plain clothes prevented her from being recognized on the trip. Deluding Ahijah obviously would be easy, inasmuch as he had become blind! He had servants, but he preferred to open the door after Jeroboam's wife knocked.

"Come in!" he exclaimed. "Come in! I am honored to be visited by the wife of king Jeroboam!"

The woman was so startled that she lost her composure and temporarily couldn't think what to say. It was unnerving to be instantly recognized by a blind man with whom she had no acquaintance. What she didn't know was that God had told Ahijah only a little while before that she was coming, the reason for her visit and what he should say to her.

"Why have you tried to conceal who you are?" Ahijah asked. (I Kings 14:5-6.)

"My husband thought it was necessary," she replied uneasily. "How did you know who I am?"

"God told me," the prophet answered. "He also gave me a message for you to take to your husband. You are to convey to him all that I'm about to tell you."

Jeroboam's wife was suddenly filled with fear by the feeling that she was about to hear something terribly unpleasant.

"Tell Jeroboam," Ahijah began, "that God wants to remind him that he was given a high honor and a very special opportunity when most of the kingdom of Israel was taken away from the house of David and given to your husband to rule. He could have become a great man by following David's example of obedience. Instead, he foolishly chose to mislead the people by causing them to turn to worshipping metal images — an evil pursuit in which he has outdone any ruler of Israel before him." (I Kings 14:7-9.)

Jeroboam's wife became more uncomfortable by the second because she knew that the accusations were true. But the most shocking part of the prophet's utterance was yet to come.



### Prophecy Fulfilled

"Inasmuch as Jeroboam has acted so wickedly," Ahijah continued, "God will bring evil times to him. He will lose his rulership. God has already chosen another man to reign in his stead. Any of Jeroboam's family who try to rule Israel shall be destroyed by this man. Then God is going to shake this nation as a strong stream shakes a reed. The people shall be driven out of the land and scattered in other countries because they have worshipped the idols their king has set before them.

"As for your son Abijah, whom you came to ask about, he shall die as soon as you return home. None of your husband's family shall receive a proper burial except him. That he shall have because he didn't want his father to set up idols for Israel to worship." (I Kings 14:10-16.)

Jeroboam's wife was pale and trembling as she left Ahijah's house. She couldn't wait to get back to the town of Tirzah, where Jeroboam had moved his palace after deciding to leave Shechem. At the same time she feared to go home because of Ahijah's prophecy that her son would die as soon as she returned. She hoped desperately that the prophet would be wrong, but when she reached the room where Abijah had been confined to his bed for many days, she was told that he had just died. (I Kings 14:17-18.)

Matters weren't going much better in Jerusalem. The true priests and many other faithful Israelites had swarmed into Judah from the other ten tribes to escape idol worship, (II Chronicles 11:13-17.) But after three years a large part of Judah and Benjamin had turned to the abominable practices and customs of pagan religions. Rehoboam didn't set out to promote idolatry as Jeroboam did, but he was so absorbed in his own interests, including his eighteen wives and sixty concubines, that he failed to give proper attention to the welfare of his subjects. (I Kings 14:21-24; II Chronicles 11:18-23.)

In the fifth year of his reign Rehoboam received a shocking surprise. A messenger came from the desert of Shur between the Sinai peninsula and Judah to report that a large army was moving northeastward toward Jerusalem. Reports disclosed that at least sixty thousand horsemen, twelve hundred chariots and uncountable thousands of footmen were moving steadily toward Jerusalem.

The Egyptian army and their allies were about to attack Israel!

Rehoboam was nearly overcome with panic. His dwindling army was somewhere off to the north, involved as usual in skirmishes with Jeroboam's troops. With Israel divided, there wasn't enough military strength to even defend Jerusalem's walls.



Days passed, during which many defenseless towns in southern Judah were attacked and easily taken over by the Egyptians. In that time Rehoboam managed to muster enough troops for defense of the city, but there weren't enough to send out to meet the invaders. (II Chronicles 12:1-4.)

### Another Warning

There was great turmoil in Jerusalem when the Egyptian army came in sight of the capital of Judah. The vast force was led by Shishak, the Egyptian king who had harbored Jeroboam after Jeroboam had escaped a death sentence by Solomon. (I Kings 11:37-40.) Also known in historical records as Thutmose III (he was the nephew of the Queen of Sheba, Hatshepsut), king Shishak brought many Africans who weren't Egyptians. There were Ethiopians, Libyans and even men from a tribe that lived in caves in the mountains along the Red Sea. There were enough horsemen and foot soldiers to surround Jerusalem several ranks deep. The Israelites' only hope was in the city's strong walls, which Solomon had built for such a situation.

The tension grew by the hour. Waiting for an attack that might never come didn't improve the morale of the caged-up Jews. It was possible that the Egyptians planned to besiege Jerusalem until the occupants would surrender because of lack of food. The city was crowded with people, including most of the leaders and officials of Judah and Benjamin. Traffic stopped when the gates were closed and barred.

One man who came into the city just before the gates were shut was Shemaiah the prophet. He was the one who had warned Rehoboam five years before not to start a full-scale war with the ten tribes over which Jeroboam had become king. Shemaiah asked to speak at once to Rehoboam and the leaders of Judah. Rehoboam had a special respect for the prophet. He immediately called the men of high rank together to listen to what Shemaiah had to say.

"I have a message from God for all of you," the prophet began. "He wants you to know that He has sent the Egyptian army against Judah because you and many of the people of Judah have turned away from God and have taken up idol worship and other ways of perversion. The Egyptians will overrun Jerusalem just as they have overrun your towns that have been taken! You will be completely at their mercy!" (II Chronicles 12:5.)

Rehoboam and the others in the room stared at each other in fear. They knew that the only mercy they could expect from their attackers would be sudden death. After Shemaiah had gone out of the room to leave them to their terrifying thoughts, some of them dropped to their knees and called out to God to forgive them for



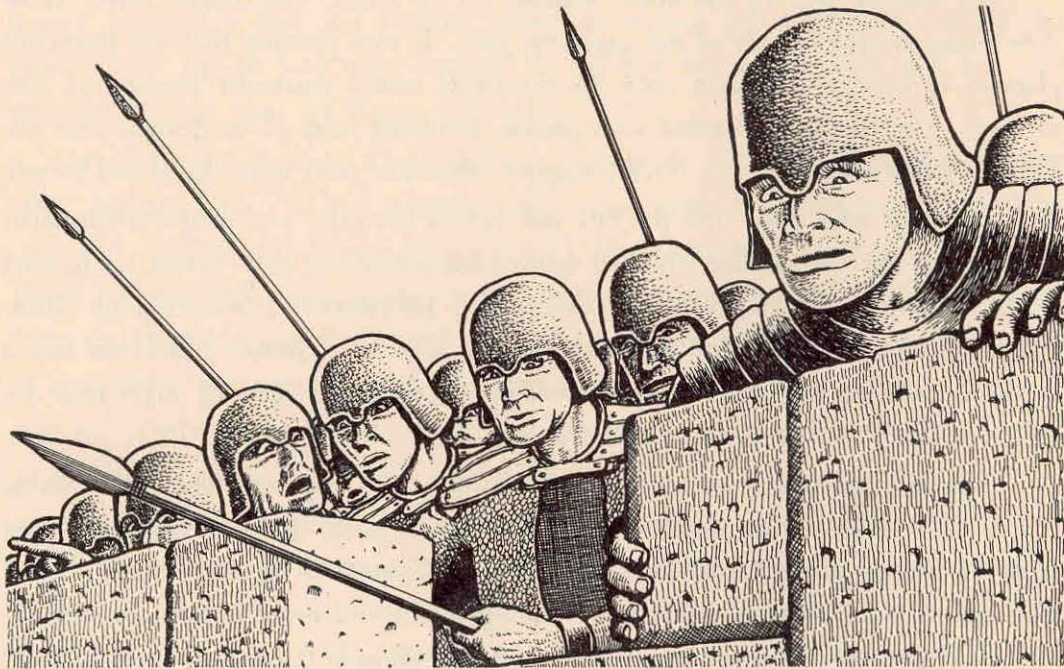
what they had done. Others followed the example, but only because they were so desperate that they yearned to cry out for forgiveness and help. Facing death as they did, they were truly remorseful because of their foolish and corrupt ways.

Later, as some of the men with Rehoboam were still sprawled in humility and dejection, Shemaiah returned to state that he had some news they would welcome.

"God has heard your prayers," the prophet told them. "He knows that you are deeply regretful of leading your people wrongly. Because you have humbled yourselves, God has decided not to allow the Egyptians to destroy you. But they will take this city and you will become their servants and pay tribute. Then you will learn how much better it is to be servants of God than of man."

Rehoboam and the others were on their feet and eagerly crowding around Shemaiah to shower him with questions. At that moment there were frenzied shouts from outside. Through a window Israelite soldiers could be seen milling excitedly about on a part of the walls. (II Chronicles 12:6-8.)

"The Egyptians are attacking!" a breathless servant yelled.



When the guards on the walls of Jerusalem saw the huge size of the Egyptian army, they underwent a sudden feeling of deep insecurity.

The wall guards nervously fingered their spears and bows as they looked down to watch Shishak's many thousands approach and surround Jerusalem.

*(To be continued next issue)*



# AMERICA'S SCHOOLS— A VACUUM IN VALUES

The TRUE TEST of a great civilization is not the size of its population, the magnificence of its cities — the vastness of its agricultural and industrial productivity, nor its military might. IT IS THE QUALITY OF MANHOOD THE COUNTRY TURNS OUT! America has FAILED THE TEST! Why?

by Vern L. Farrow

**D**EMONSTRATORS in American streets defile the flag and curse the President! Teen-agers riot in high schools! Racists openly advocate murder to achieve their ends! Rioters burn and loot. Youth turns to drugs, sex, and violence for kicks. A *disillusioned, infantile, irresponsible* generation has *turned on* and *dropped out* of society.

Why?

What's wrong with America? What has happened to the American dream — the idealism — the lofty values? What has happened to the *character* of the American people?

## Danger Signals Are Clear

You need to wake up! You need to recognize the danger signals! These are not merely passing unpleasantries — minor aches and pains. These are cancerous malignancies devouring the very vitals of our society! This is a *terminal* sickness!! A death sickness!

Listen to these warnings of the danger signals now! Listen to former Chief of Staff of the U. S. Army, General Harold K. Johnson. He warns that: "Our nation today is troubled and uneasy . . . We have those who believe that the laws of the land can be flouted and that they can choose the laws they will obey and the laws they will ignore."

"But," you might argue, "This is to be expected, aren't military men always conservative — defenders of the status quo — yearning for the good old days?" Perhaps — but then maybe you would listen to an educator? Here is the concern of Franklin D. Murphy, chancellor of UCLA. "The American society," he

said, "is *confused, insecure*, and, from time to time, *destructively irrational!* We wonder if we have lost the *capacity to manage ourselves . . . !*" (*Saturday Review*, Jan. 13, 1968, p. 117.)

Do you honestly believe these men have some personal ax to grind — or something to gain from such ominous public statements?

Do you really believe they are merely alarmists crying "wolf"? No! No! These men represent widely divergent walks of life. Yet each senses the same *deeply disturbing national conditions!* These conditions are real! But, how did it all come about? How did it get this way?

## A Cause for Every Effect

Understand this first. Nothing just happens! There is a cause for every effect! Every individual and national problem is an effect of *wrong goals, wrong choices, wrong actions!* Every problem is rooted in *false* or *mistaken values*. And, since values form the basis of character, our problems testify of our *defective character!*

What then is responsible for this tragic breakdown in sound values? The blame must be laid to those institutions charged with teaching values and developing character — the family — the church — and the schools! But, in the final analysis the schools must bear the greatest burden of guilt!

"Why?" you may ask.

The answer is twofold: First, as Earl C. Kelley, Professor of Education at Wayne State University has said, "Much of the blame must be charged to the public schools. It is true that a young man or a young woman is a

product of many influences of which the school is only one, but the great public school system, 'the backbone of our civilization,' 'the foundation of the republic,' had and has as one of its primary tasks that of building citizens" (Gibson, *Social Foundations of Education*, 1967, p. 142).

And second, because each succeeding generation of parents as well as clergymen are *products of the schools!* Each succeeding generation passes on those values learned in school — parents to their children — the clergymen to his congregation. And, each new crop of teachers perpetuates the system! It is a *vicious circle!*

The growing confusion, especially among children and youth, is the result of nearly two generations of experimentation and abdication in the teaching of values on the part of America's schools.

But let's be specific! Let's consider some of the ways in which the schools have defaulted in their responsibility to foster sound values and moral character!

## Champions of Permissiveness

America is being called the "anything-goes society" — the "permissive society." If there is any single characteristic that epitomizes our attitude and conduct today it is *permissiveness!* We have become a nation which permits (and increasingly encourages) *anything* and is *shocked by nothing!*

How did this condition come about? Did it just suddenly pop up out of nowhere? No! It is the heritage of nearly forty years of permissive education and permissive psychology! It is



the end result of educators having championed *non-discipline* and *incidental* teaching of values! It is the logical conclusion of a deliberate policy of *nondirection* in every phase of school experience!

"The advent of progressive education," says John S. Gibson of Tufts University, "launched a trend toward letting students come to their own conclusions about societal values; and many educators feel today that this trend should continue" (*Readings on Social Studies in Secondary Education*, Macmillan, 1966, p. 33).

*Nondirection* became and remains the byword! Guidance is *nondirective* — learning activities are *nondirective*! Discipline has been diluted to conform to the permissive philosophy of *non-interference* with so-called "natural" behavioral stages identified by "psychologists."

Education literature is full of "authoritative" statements in continued support of this wishy-washy, deceitful practice.

The permissiveness of our educational system has leavened the whole of society by sanctifying *undisciplined individualism* — living by whim and impulse rather than living by principle.

### Apostles of Relativism

But if permissiveness has sown the seeds of decadence, its handmaiden *relativism* has borne the bitter fruit. The belief that there are no absolutes — no reliable standards of value and morality has produced a generation of despair. It has spawned a generation of youth alienated and adrift — a generation of festering bodies and minds — burned out emotionally and *dead spiritually*!

"I'm interested in anything about *revolt, disorder, chaos, especially activity that has no meaning*," said Jim Morrison, a leading "rock-and-roll" idol and product of our schools.

But, why doesn't life have meaning for so many young people today? Because the apostles of *relativism* in our schools have undermined the foundation of meaning — *the certainty, reliability, and immutability of TRUTH!*

Listen to one such apostle, Raymond G. Taylor, writing in a prominent edu-

cation journal: "Good can *only* be measured by its results, since *no one can determine what is absolutely true or right*." In other words, YOU'VE *got to try it out personally* and see if it feels good, or tastes or smells good before you can know for sure! But, there is more! He continued, "In teaching ethical behavior, *relativism* has greater educational value than absolutism *and is far more consistent with modern democratic principles and philosophy of education*." How is that for a fantastic indictment of the whole educational system? Does that leave any doubt that the schools subscribe to a relativistic philosophy?

But let him finish — "Rather than beginning with moral laws [the Ten Commandments], as the absolutists would have us do, *we are charged* with the teaching of *relativistic principles*" ("Teaching Ethical Behavior," *Education*, Nov., 1967, pp. 136, 138). Understand clearly what he means! He is saying that the schools are *charged, obligated, have a commission* to teach *relativism!*

There you have it. The *moral law* is out the window in favor of some *vague, totally undefined* set of *relativistic principles!*

### Schools Avoid Controversy

But what has been the result of this hodgepodge of value alternatives? What effect has it had on the curriculum?

As you might imagine, school administrators, being economically dependent upon public funds, avoid issues which might antagonize various factions in the community. But it is impossible to maintain *integrity* in the area of moral instruction without creating controversy! The unfortunate and all too frequent solution has been an abdication of both integrity and responsibility! As Louis E. Rath noted: "To avoid controversy, *many schools began to stand for nothing*. Teachers turned toward 'teaching the facts.' Administrators tended to prefer teachers who did not raise issues . . . It became easier to have schools which represented *no moral consensus*" (*NEA Journal*, Oct., 1967, p. 12).

As a consequence, moral instruction is given lip service, but never im-

plemented effectually! "NO PUBLIC SCHOOL," said Joseph Schwab, University of Chicago, "and few private schools expend any substantial part of their resources on character development. We pretend that the home and the church are still the appropriate institutions for this purpose; or," he concludes, "we postpone efforts indefinitely on the pretense that a *consensus* about goods [values] is a necessary prerequisite to character education . . ." (*Phi Delta Kappan*, Oct., 1964, p. 71).

Yes! America's schools are a VACUUM IN VALUES!

### But You Can't Live in a Vacuum!

Scientists tell us there is *no light* and *no life* in a physical vacuum. By analogy, ALMIGHTY GOD tells us there is *no light* and *no life* in a spiritual vacuum. Man was not created to be empty. Man was created to be filled with the *light and life and mind and character* of GOD. So says your BIBLE.

Yes, you can choose to be empty as our schools have chosen to be empty. You can choose to be ignorant of TRUE VALUES as our schools have chosen to be ignorant! And, you can choose to DIE in the *spiritual vacuum!* BUT YOU NEEDN'T!

You students who find life and education meaningless and empty — who are sincerely and desperately searching for TRUE VALUES — God has decreed a *certain and thrilling solution!* You can discover that solution in the pages of our *free* booklet, *The Wonderful World Tomorrow, What It Will be Like*.

Education for *peace, joy, happiness, and right character* will soon be restored throughout the entire world! (Isa. 11:9.) It's just around the corner! THE PIONEERING HAS BEGUN! Students at the three campuses of Ambassador College in America and Britain are already leading the way to an *indescribably complete and fulfilling future* (I Cor. 2:9) — RECAPTURING TRUE VALUES — NOW! If you are a prospective student and concerned about education, write for the College Bulletin — or Prospectus in Britain — and find out what genuine education is like.



# AMERICA'S NEWEST AIR WEAPON—THE C-5A

Read this eyewitness report about the startling meaning behind  
America's newest air weapon — and the world's largest air  
plane — the C-5A.

Marietta, Georgia

THE U. S. does it again!  
American ingenuity has built  
the world's largest airplane, the  
C-5A Galaxy.

Far wider than a football field,  
America's gleaming metal giant spans  
222.7 feet, and stretches 245.9 feet  
from nose to tail. It's *longer* than  
twelve Cadillacs bumper to bumper.  
The tail juts six stories high.

Hard to believe that 728,000 pounds  
can fly! But fly it shall!

The C-5A "will . . . make its first  
flight in June, 1968," according to the  
*Lockheed Southern Star* of December 6,  
1967.

## Why the Galaxy?

But is there a real need for such a  
"supercolossus"?

America's urgent military need for the  
Galaxy is not the only reason for its con-  
struction. You will be surprised to learn  
that the Galaxy plays a role in fulfilling  
Bible prophecy.

First, here are the military reasons.

Believe it or not, both enemies and  
allies are forcing the U. S. to build the  
C-5A.

How?

The Communists are threatening to  
start brush-fire wars similar to the Viet-  
nam conflict. When such wars break out,  
America may need speedily to send  
troops halfway around the world.

The C-5A will be *the fastest available  
means of transporting* large numbers  
of troops and their equipment to a bat-  
tle area. A fleet of C-5A's can fly a  
whole army of men, their support tanks,  
artillery, ammunition and supplies to the  
battlefield, and quickly.

Mere military threat from Communist  
enemies is reason enough to build the

by C. V. Dorothy and L. E. Torrance

C-5A. But European allies of the U. S.  
are also making the C-5A imperative.

One-time friends of the U. S. in  
France, Spain, Turkey, in fact all over  
the world, are pressuring the U. S. into  
closing many overseas bases.

Foreseeing the loss of these bases,  
U. S. military leaders searched for a  
plane which could carry an army from  
American soil to any possible foreign  
field of battle.

The C-5A is their answer.

The *Lockheed Southern Star* says,  
"It will be a *complete combat system*,  
able to deploy forces into the very center  
of a developing conflict" (June 1, 1967,  
emphasis ours throughout).

With a few hundred of these flying  
monsters, the Pentagon could move an  
entire army to a far-distant conflict —  
in *hours*.

The battlefield general can then use  
the C-5A as a *command post* from which  
he and his staff can direct the battle  
going on below!

But even more startling is the role  
the C-5A plays in prophecy!

## The C-5A and Prophecy

The huge C-5A can be used as a  
flying platform for launching both the  
polaris and the anti-ballistic atomic  
missile.

But this possibility of using the C-5A  
as a flying launching pad for atomic  
weapons frightens other nations. Poten-  
tial U. S. enemies feel themselves forced  
to search for new weapons to counter  
the C-5A.

As America's enemies invent new  
weapons, the U. S. will be forced to  
counter with new and more destructive  
weapons. America's enemies will re-

counter with new weapons of their own.

This competition in military weapons  
is called an arms race — a race which,  
if not stopped, will lead to World War  
III.

How do we know?

History reports, "Since 650 B.C. there  
have been 1,656 arms races of which  
only sixteen have not ended in war.  
The rest have ended in the economic  
collapse of the countries concerned"  
(from *Peace News Wire*).

History repeats itself. This arms race  
will, if not stopped, result in war and  
the economic collapse of all nations  
concerned.

How this present, terrifying arms  
race will end was prophesied almost  
2,000 years ago.

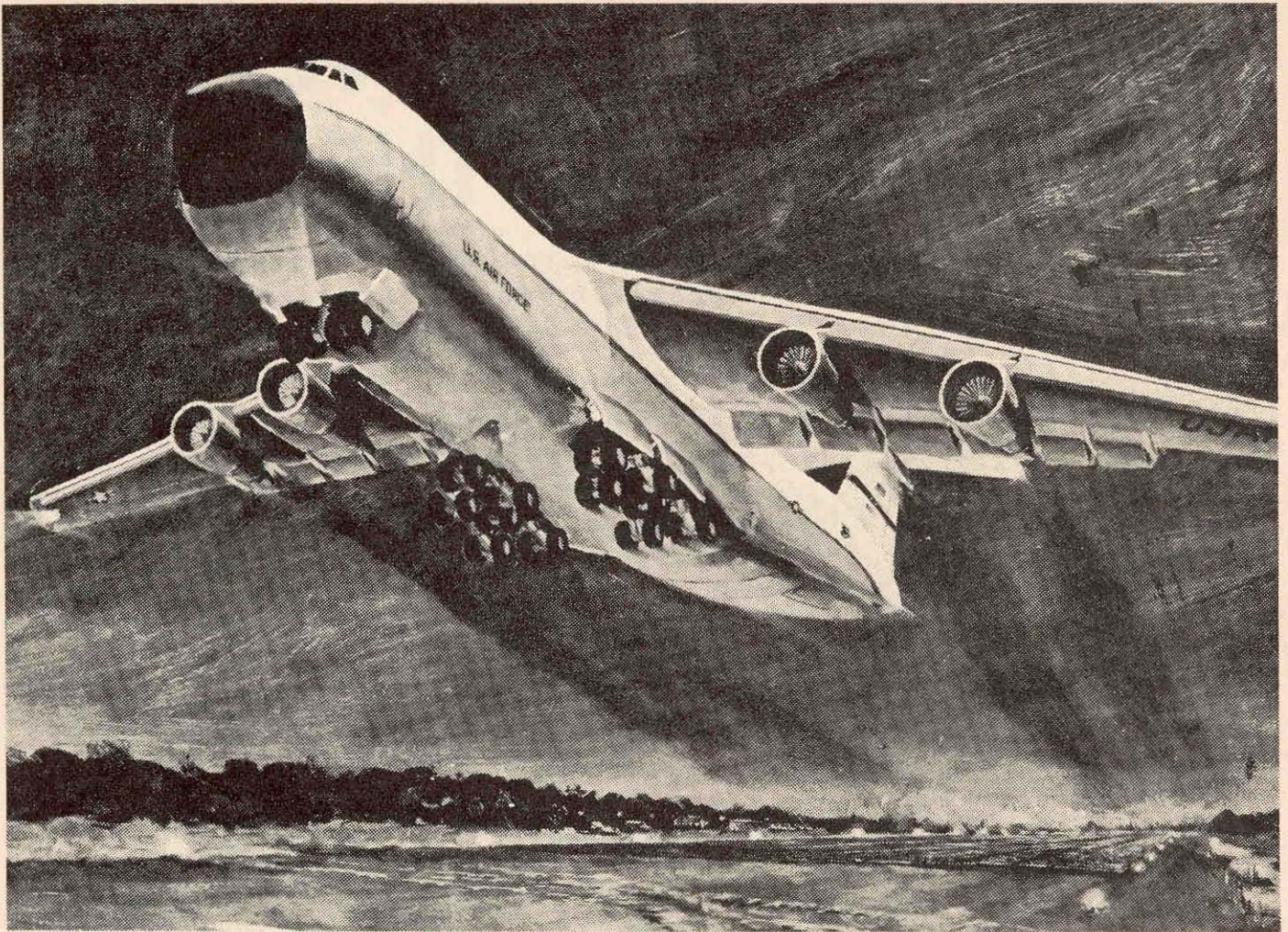
The greatest Newscaster of all times  
— Jesus Christ — said: "And you shall  
hear of wars and rumors of wars: see  
that you be not troubled: for all these  
things must come to pass, but the end  
is not yet. For nation shall rise against  
nation, and kingdom against kingdom"  
(Mat. 24:6-7).

Jesus Christ was not talking about  
small-scale wars, or the limited battles  
of the Roman era. He was not limiting  
Himself to feudal battles of the Middle  
Ages. He wasn't even describing the  
*violent* warfare of World War II. Jesus  
Christ was referring to the time just  
ahead of us — *our day, our age*.

Christ said: "For *then* shall be great  
tribulation, such as was not since the  
beginning of the world to this time, no  
nor ever shall be" (Mat. 24:21).

For proof that He referred to the  
coming nuclear holocaust, He added:  
"And except those days should be  
shortened, there should no flesh be  
saved [alive]." Never before has it





**GALAXY ON THE WAY**— Depicted during a night takeoff, U. S. Air Force C-5A Galaxy transport lifts from semi-improved strip in this Lockheed-Georgia Company conceptual view. Twenty-eight identically-sized wheels, 12 on each side and four at the nose, spread 728,000-pound airlifter's weight evenly to permit operation from support air fields. Main landing gear — in four six-wheel bogies — rotates 90 degrees and folds underneath for retraction. Concept shows wing leading edge slats and trailing flaps that contribute to transport's 4,000-foot runway

airport performance. Built under direction of Air Force Systems Command for Military Airlift Command service, Galaxy will make first flight in June, 1968. Lockheed-Georgia has contract to build 58 C-5As, designed to deliver 220,000-pound payloads 4,575 statute miles. A cargo compartment 121 feet long, 19 feet wide and 13½ feet high will accommodate trucks, tanks, tractors, and other vehicles or outsized cargo that now must use surface transport. The Department of Defense holds an option for 57 more Galaxies.

been possible to *destroy all flesh!* Atomic and hydrogen bombs now make this possible!

Jesus Christ was giving you advance warning. Today's arms race *will* erupt into world destruction—unless the hearts and minds of world leaders are changed!

Shocking? Yes! But this is precisely what's happening!

Western leaders are trusting for security in advanced weaponry such as the C-5A. But weapons alone will not save a nation. Science cannot save us.

Scientists and statesmen alike fear they can't stop the fast-approaching world crisis from erupting into a

nuclear war which would annihilate all human life—precisely as Christ prophesied.

#### God's Answer to the Arms Race

Either there exists a living GOD who *very soon* will intervene in this world's affairs, and by supernatural power will save humanity *from itself*, or man will blast all human life off this earth.

The same Christ who so accurately predicted today's wars and arms race also promised God would intervene. There is a way of escape.

But you won't find this way of escape on the battlefield. You won't find it in

the C-5A. You won't find it in human government.

You can find this way of escape only in the pages of your Bible.

Your Savior, Jesus Christ, said, "Watch ye therefore, and pray always, *that ye may be accounted worthy to escape all these things that shall come to pass, and to stand before the Son of man*" (Luke 21:36).

Right now you—wherever you are—face two alternatives.

You can heed Christ's warning and begin to obey your Maker who can save your life, or you can *scoff—and suffer the consequences!* The choice is up to you.



# MONEY CRISIS

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shall the end come" — the end of man's 6,000 years of rebellion against the government of God.

## What Can You Do?

You need to be deeply concerned over the economic picture!

Is now the time, as some have asked us, to invest heavily in gold mining shares, silver bullion—or such like?

What is the **WISEST INVESTMENT** you could possibly make for the future?

It's simple! **INVEST IN GOD!**

That sounds strange to many people in this "modern" age. But it's true, nevertheless.

The Almighty God who **EXISTS**, and who **CONTROLS** the destinies of nations, has laid down specific rules of finance in His revelation of essential knowledge to man—the Bible.

Ignorance of these financial laws is the *single greatest reason* for all of the fiscal misery that individuals—yes, even **WHOLE NATIONS**—are experiencing today!

Notice the book of Malachi, the last book in the Old Testament, chapter 3, verse 8:

"Will a man *rob God*? Yet ye have robbed me. But ye say"—as many of you may ask—"Wherein have we robbed thee?"

God Almighty answers: "**IN TITHES AND OFFERINGS.**"

It's not pleasant for people to discover they have *robbed God*, of all persons. But the plain truth remains. Verse 9 says: "*Ye are cursed with a curse.*" Doesn't this acutely describe our financial plight today? "For ye have robbed me, *even this whole nation.*"

Whom is God addressing? The modern-day descendants of the ancient ten-tribed House of Israel, at a time just before the return of Jesus Christ to set up His world government on earth (Mal. 1:1, 4:5). These peoples are primarily the nations of the United States and the British Commonwealth of nations!

What our nations need to do is far more than just to return to "con-

servative monetary policies." That *such* is needed should be obvious by now.

But what we as a people need to do **MOST OF ALL** is to repent of this **THIEVERY** against God and to pay Him what is rightfully His. Then these terrible financial curses upon our nations would be lifted.

Should we as individuals or indeed our entire nations wholeheartedly turn to God to straighten out our personal and national financial messes, God has already promised what He would do. Notice verses 10 and 12 of Malachi 3:

"Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house and *prove me now herewith*, saith the Lord of hosts"—here God challenges mankind to prove His very existence by these financial laws—"if I will not open you the windows of heaven, and *pour you out a blessing*,

that there shall not be room enough to receive it..."

"And all nations shall call you [our nations] blessed, for ye shall be a delightful land, saith the Lord of hosts."

God stands willing to confer this blessing upon all who will start obeying His financial laws. He inspired John to write in the New Testament, "Beloved, *I wish above all things* that thou mayest prosper and be in health..." (III John 2).

Why don't *you* take up the challenge from your Creator, given in Malachi?—to "prove Me now herewith." Even if our nations as a whole refuse to heed God's warning, *you individually* can know the laws of financial success. Write for our free booklets, *Ending Your Financial Worries* and *The Seven Laws of Success*. They give the keys you have been looking for.

## Personal from the Editor

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ERNMENT, obeying Satan. Mankind, filled with human nature—the nature of vanity, self-centeredness, greed, lust, envy and hostility against God's authority—has rebelled against God's Government and authority, blindly following Satan's way, ever since.

Few, indeed, realize why Jesus Christ came to earth—begotten by God, yet born **HUMAN** of the virgin Mary. He came to be the Saviour of the world, yes! Many recognize that. But there is much more to it than that. He came to *start* **GOD'S WORK** in a rebellious world.

Few realize just **WHAT** that Work is!

By His total *obedience* to God's Laws—the Laws of **GOD'S GOVERNMENT**—and by overcoming Satan in the Great Temptation—Jesus Christ *qualified* to replace Satan as King and Administrator of **GOD'S GOVERNMENT** over the earth. But He did not, then, take over that world rule. He was not, then, inducted into office.

First, God had a very important

**WORK** to be accomplished. When the living Jesus Christ takes over world rule with the **GOVERNMENT OF GOD**, He will do it with a qualified, prepared and trained **ORGANIZATION**. During His ministry, Jesus explained to His disciples (Luke 19:11-27) that He (the young nobleman of the parable) must first ascend to the Father's Throne in heaven, there to be *given* officially this rule; and there to supervise **THE WORK** of preparing and training *His organization*, to be rulers, under Christ, in **GOD'S GOVERNMENT**.

After Jesus *qualified*, by resisting Satan's temptation, obeying God, commanding Satan to leave Him, He was then ready to *begin* **GOD'S WORK**. Religious people call that Work "preaching the Gospel." It is that—and *more!*

You'll read the *beginning* of it in Mark 1:1: "The beginning of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, the Son of God." But before explaining that beginning, Mark's account first records the work of John the Baptist, preparing the way for Jesus' *personal* "ministry"—or mission which God had given Him *personally* to perform. This account of John the Baptist fills verses 2 to 13 inclusive. Then follows the *beginning* of Jesus' *personal* mission:

"Now after that John was put in pris-



on, Jesus came into Galilee, preaching the gospel of the KINGDOM OF GOD, and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the KINGDOM OF GOD is at hand: *repent ye, and believe the Gospel*" (emphasis mine—Mark 1:14-15). Repent of *what?* Repent of SIN — and sin is transgression of God's Law (I John 3:4) — God's GOVERNMENT.

Notice, Jesus said it was necessary to REPENT. He said also it was necessary to BELIEVE! And believe *what?* Not only to believe on Him — but He said plainly, here, it was necessary to *believe the Gospel*. But WHICH Gospel?

Today you hear preached many different gospels. Some call what they preach the gospel of salvation — some the gospel of grace. Some the gospel of going to heaven. Some preach a message *about* Christ — about His *Person* — but although they may *call* it the gospel of Christ, it is *not* the Gospel Christ TAUGHT and preached.

Note it! The Gospel Jesus said it is necessary to believe is "the Gospel of the KINGDOM OF GOD." A kingdom is a GOVERNMENT. So Jesus preached the Gospel — or GOOD NEWS — of the coming GOVERNMENT OF GOD being restored to the earth!

It is VITAL that you establish, clearly once for all, WHAT Gospel Jesus brought from God — WHAT Gospel God also sent to the Gentiles. For "traditional Christianity" *has preached a different Gospel!* And your Bible says THE WHOLE WORLD — ALL NATIONS — have been DECEIVED!

Have YOU? Better make SURE!

Now I want you to notice TWO important points.

1) The Message Jesus taught was SENT BY GOD.

2) Jesus was powerless, *of Himself*. The WORK OF GOD, which He started, was carried on BY THE POWER OF GOD'S HOLY SPIRIT. It was that Spirit, IN His *Personal* HUMAN BODY, which carried on GOD'S WORK.

Jesus Himself said: "Verily, verily, I say unto you, the Son can do nothing *of Himself*" (John 5:19); and "I can *of mine own self* do nothing" (John 5:30); and "... the words that I speak unto you I speak not of myself: but the Father *that dwelleth in me*, He

doeth the works" (John 14:10); and, "Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me, THE WORKS that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father... and I will pray the Father, and He shall give you... the Spirit of truth... for he dwelleth with you, and shall be IN YOU" (John 14:12-17).

At the beginning of His *personal* starting of THE WORK of God, Jesus called His 12 disciples, and for 3½ years taught them THIS MESSAGE HE HAD BROUGHT FROM GOD — about the GOVERNMENT (Kingdom) of GOD.

Finally, Jesus had *finished* that phase of the WORK OF GOD which the Father had given Him to do *personally* in the HUMAN flesh. In His final prayer to God, on the very night He was seized to be crucified, Jesus said: "I have finished THE WORK which thou gavest ME to do" (John 17:4).

Just prior to this Jesus had said to His disciples, "It is expedient for you that I go away [to heaven]: for if I go not away, the Comforter [Holy Spirit] will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you" (John 16:7).

After Jesus ascended to the THRONE OF GOD, seat of GOVERNMENT of the entire UNIVERSE, He did send the Holy Spirit, on the next day of "Pentecost," to ENTER INTO THE DISCIPLES, who then became God's APOSTLES (Acts 2:1-4).

On them, together with the prophets (Old as well as New Testament), with Jesus Christ the Chief Corner Stone, Jesus founded His Church. His Church is composed of all those begotten children of God who receive, and in whom is dwelling, God's Holy Spirit. Being begotten *children* of God, they compose the CHURCH OF GOD. The HEAD of God's Church was not — AND IS NOT any man, but the living Lord Jesus Christ, now resurrected, and at God's right hand on God's THRONE OF THE UNIVERSE in heaven.

But WHY the CHURCH?

It is called "the BODY of Jesus Christ" (Eph. 1:23; 4:12; 5:30; Col. 1:24; I Cor. 10:17; 12:27; Rom. 12:5).

WHY is the Church called "the Body

of Christ"? Because, the WORK OF GOD was *started* in the world through the one Personal human BODY of Jesus of Nazareth. It was THE POWER of God's Spirit IN HIM which really did the WORK. But He was crucified, and resurrected immortal, very God, no longer human. The SAME POWER that had worked mightily in Jesus' Personal human Body then entered the *collective body* of His Church. NOW the CHURCH, headed by Jesus Christ from heaven, humanly led by the Apostles who had been taught and trained by Jesus in Person, BECAME THE COLLECTIVE BODY empowered by God's Holy Spirit, FOR THE VERY PURPOSE OF CARRYING ON GOD'S WORK!

That WORK, first of all, was the divine Commission, "Go ye into all the world, and preach the Gospel to every creature" (Mark 16:15). And, "Go ye, therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them into the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit: *teaching them to observe* all things whatsoever I have *commanded you*: and lo, I am with you always, even unto the END OF THE WORLD" (Mat. 28:19-20). Some seem to think Jesus bowed out, turning HEADSHIP of the Church over to Peter and human successors as voted by men, and that Jesus is no longer WITH His Church. But He distinctly said He would be WITH IT, as its HEAD (Eph. 5:23; 4:15; Col. 1:18).

What is the PURPOSE of God's Church, now, just before the END of this world, or age? The disciples had asked Jesus what would be the sign of the end of this age, and of His coming again to earth as KING of kings, to set up the world rule of GOD'S GOVERNMENT (Mat. 24:4). In Jesus' answer He said that all through the age MANY would come, professing to be His ministers, preaching "in His name," saying that He, Jesus, is the CHRIST, yet DECEIVING THE MANY. But the only sign He gave by which they would know that His coming was near was in verse 14 of Matthew 24:

"And *this Gospel of the Kingdom* shall be preached [and published — Mark 13:10] in all the world for a witness unto all nations, *and then* shall the END come."

What Gospel did the Apostles pro-



claim as the New Testament Gospel? It was THE KINGDOM OF GOD (Acts 8:12; Mat. 10:5-7; Luke 9:1-2; 10:9; Acts 1:3; 19:8; 20:25; 28:23; 28:30-31; Rom. 14:17; I Cor. 4:20; 6:9; 6:10; I Cor. 15:50; Gal. 5:21; Eph. 5:5; Col. 4:11; II Thess. 1:5; Rev. 12:10). The Apostle Paul pronounced a DOUBLE CURSE on any who preached any other gospel (Gal. 1:8-9). And the Apostle Paul warned the Corinthians that *false apostles* (II Cor. 11:13), pretending to be the ministers of Christ, yet actually the ministers of Satan (verses 14-15), would be proclaiming *another gospel*, with a different spirit, preaching *another Jesus* (verse 4).

But the original and true apostles not only preached THE KINGDOM OF GOD — which is the GOVERNMENT OF GOD — but this very proclaiming of GOD'S GOVERNMENT is called the *WORK* of God!

When the apostles were brought before the Council and the high priest, threatened for preaching Jesus' Gospel (of God's Government), a learned and respected Pharisee named Gamaliel stood up and counselled: "... And now I say unto you, Refrain from these men, and let them alone: for if this counsel or *THIS WORK* be of men, it will come to nought: but *if it be of God*, ye cannot overthrow it..." (Acts 5:34, 38-39). Gamaliel recognized it as "*THIS WORK... OF GOD.*"

Paul and Barnabas were ordained for, and sent out in THE WORK of God. There was a meeting of the Church at Antioch. "And as they ministered to the Lord, and fasted, the Holy Spirit said, 'Separate me Barnabas and Saul for *THE WORK* whereunto I have called them'" (Acts 13:2).

In THE WORK, they had come to Attalia, "...and thence sailed to Antioch, from whence they had been recommended to the grace of God for *THE WORK* which they fulfilled" (Acts 14:26).

That SAME *WORK*, proclaiming that same good news of the coming KINGDOM OF GOD — the very GOVERNMENT OF GOD to rule all nations, was to be proclaimed *now*, in our time, just before Christ's RETURN in all the POWER and GLORY of God to restore the GOV-

ERNMENT OF GOD over all nations. This *Work*, now, is PREPARING THE WAY before Christ's coming. Restoring GOD'S GOVERNMENT will mean the END of this age — of this world's present set-up — of this world's governments.

The disciples had asked Jesus what would be the sign of His coming, and the END of this world or age. Jesus said, "This GOSPEL OF THE KINGDOM [Government of God] shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come (Mat. 24:14). Mark says "published" — Mark 13:10.

That Gospel was not proclaimed after 69 A.D., until *The WORLD TOMORROW* went on the air in 1934. Persecutors scoff. But ask them whether *they* preach this same Gospel we do! They will answer emphatically *NO!!!* Then look into your Bible to see whether *this* is the *same Gospel* God sent by Jesus — the *same Gospel* Jesus preached and taught His disciples — the *SAME Gospel* Paul preached to the Gentiles! THAT Gospel *has not* been proclaimed to the world, until 1934!

THIS WORK is Christ's SIGN that we are NEAR the end of this world, and the restoring of the GOVERNMENT OF GOD on the earth!

When Jesus went to heaven to be given rulership of GOD'S KINGDOM (Luke 19:12), "the heaven must receive [Him] until the *times of restitution* of all things" (Acts 3:21). "Restitution" means the *restoring* of something taken away.

Once this earth was HAPPY — filled with JOY, when angels on earth were ruled by the GOVERNMENT OF GOD!

God's Government is ruled by God's LAWS — based on the overall inexorable, eternal SPIRITUAL LAW, summed up in the Ten Commandments. That LAW is the WAY OF LIFE which is the CAUSE of happiness, joy, abundance! It's a matter of cause and effect. The CAUSE of unhappiness, and all the world's ills, sufferings, wars, chaos, is living the OPPOSITE WAY — in transgression of God's Law.

Human nature is automatically and naturally *hostile* to God's Law, and the

authority of God. Human nature wants to BE "good" — that is, to think of itself as being GOOD, while it wants to DO what is *contrary* to good — for GOD'S LAW is THE WAY that is GOOD in the sight of God. But not in the sight of carnal MAN!

Human nature is VANITY. It is SELF-centered. It is lust, greed, envy, reacting in resentment and hatred.

God's Law is LOVE! And true LOVE is outgoing concern, with desire to GIVE, to SHARE, to HELP, to SERVE — as much concerned about others' welfare as its own. It follows the Law, "Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself." Its Golden Rule is, "Do unto others as you would that they should do unto YOU." But human nature's golden rule is, "Do it unto others *before* they do it to you."

God's LAW is the WAY to — the CAUSE of — PEACE, HAPPINESS, JUSTICE, ABUNDANCE — GOOD TO ALL. It's a matter of CAUSE and EFFECT.

For 6,000 years this world has practiced the opposite WAY — the WAY of selfishness, getting the best of a deal, taking, getting, competition, strife, vanity, lust, greed, jealousy, resentment, hatred, war and murder. The EFFECT of that cause has been unhappiness, crime, broken health, broken homes, violence, war, every kind of injustice, inequality, frustration, unsolvable problems, poverty, ignorance, squalor — and wretchedness and DEATH.

MAN has proven, through 6,000 years of experience, that he is not capable of governing himself — because man's governments are all based on HUMAN NATURE.


Now, VERY SOON, God will send again Jesus Christ to RESTORE the GOVERNMENT OF GOD, administering that government by enforcing the LAWS of GOD — which are the CAUSE that will produce the EFFECT of world PEACE, universal prosperity, equality, happiness, abundant well-being for ALL!

This WORK OF GOD proclaims that WAY. It *lives* that WAY. It teaches that WAY. And those who now follow it are HAPPY! They PROSPER! They find it PAYS OFF!



# PROPHECY *comes alive*

## IN TODAY'S WORLD NEWS



**B**IG changes are sweeping Communist East Europe. A surging wave of nationalism among the once tightly controlled satellite countries is showing how drastically things have changed since the grim days of Stalin.

A complete "changing of the guard" is taking place in Czechoslovakia. New liberal "national" Communist leaders have ousted the old pro-Moscow party boss Antonin Novotny.

The new Czech regime is holding out for a broader trade policy with Western Europe. It even talks about reinstating small-scale private enterprise as exists in Yugoslavia.

The Czech Communist Party will still be in power, but it is to be "national" in outlook, no longer completely subservient to Moscow.

In Poland, the Party has no intention of materially softening its reins of power. But it has had its troubles, too.

### **Romania's Pullout**

It was Romania however, that gave the Soviet Union its biggest jolt in 20 years!

In Budapest, Hungary, on February 29, Romanian delegates angrily walked out of a world Communist "solidarity" conference. The independent-minded Romanians, bristling under charges of "deviationism," accused the Soviets and other Communist hardliners of manipulating the whole meeting against them.

The Romanian walkout left the so-called Communist "unity meeting" in utter shambles! It was the worst setback for the Soviets since Yugoslavia declared its independence from the Kremlin orbit in 1948.

Newspapers and news magazines in the West reported maverick Romania's act as being another sure sign of weakness in the Communist world. That it is. But the revolt by Bucharest has far deeper implications.

### **Bonn — Romania's Newest Friend**

Romania's walkout came almost a year after Bucharest entered into diplomatic relations with West Germany. Romania — an Eastern European country with a Western-oriented culture — has long been trying to pry itself away from Russian domination and to improve its relations with the countries of Western Europe. The Bonn-Bucharest tie was a key link in Romania's westward-looking policy.

Since resumption of diplomatic relations, West Germany's trade with Romania has increased remarkably. Bonn is now Romania's second largest trading partner in terms of total trade. Last year alone, West Germany's exports to Communist Romania leaped 72% over 1966!

The Soviet Union — still Bucharest's largest single trade partner — is now hinting it will level *heavy economic pressures* upon the rebellious satellite to attempt to force it back into line.

Romanian officials, moreover, expect this to happen. Their drastic move at the Budapest conference was taken in full knowledge of its possible consequences. Clearly, Bucharest is banking on West Germany and other nations in the prosperous Common Market to help out if and when Russian economic pressure begins.

Past articles in *The PLAIN TRUTH*

have warned: Watch the direction Romania and other East European states take in their foreign policies. Bible prophecy reveals there will be an eventual economic *and political* union of ten nations in Europe (Rev. 17:12) some of whom will come from East Central Europe. It will be a powerful end-time resurrection of the Holy Roman Empire.

*Romania* — once a part of the old Roman Empire, as its very name indicates — is one of the most likely candidates!

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### **Earthquakes Strike Southern Europe**

All of a sudden, earthquakes are again in the news.

Early in January seismologists had been wondering why the lull in earthquake activity during the past calendar year. There were only six major quakes in 1967, against an average of 16 a year since scientists in this country began to keep detailed records in 1897. A "major" earthquake is 7-7.9 intensity on the Richter scale. A "great" quake has an intensity of 8 or above.

As of mid-January there had been no *great* earthquake anywhere on the planet since the Alaskan shock of March 27, 1964, when 131 persons were killed and millions of dollars worth of property was destroyed.

"This," says the U.S. Coast and Geodetic Survey, "is the longest period without the occurrence of a great earthquake since seismologists began recording the earth's tremors on their sensitive instruments 70 years ago."

Then, on January 15, a disastrous



quake struck three provinces in Sicily, levelling whole towns, killing over 300 people, causing \$320,000,000 in property damage.

By sheer energy released, the Sicilian shock was not classified a "major" quake. Its magnitude on the Richter scale was between 5.75 and 6. But this quake and its after-shocks struck in heavily populated areas.

A little over a month later, February 20, an obviously major temblor struck. On that date, a giant earthquake struck the island-studded Aegean Sea between Greece and Turkey, sending panic-filled villagers fleeing into the open countryside.

In terms of human life lost and property damage, the Aegean quake was less costly than the one in Sicily. But observatories in Rome and Uppsala, Sweden reported the quake measured *at least* 7.5 on the Richter scale — definitely "major

league." The Rome observatory said the shock was of "exceptional violence."

### More Killer Quakes Coming?

Professor Peter A. Franken, one of America's top physicists recently predicted that the next — and long overdue — devastating earthquake in California will probably be the biggest disaster in world history! (At least since the Flood which most modern historians scoff at!)

According to Franken, damage to San Francisco and Los Angeles could be on the scale of *Hiroshima-style devastation!* The reason being, of course, the far greater concentration of population, massive buildings and bridges today than existed when the state's last mighty quake hit in 1906. In addition, there has been much careless building on and in the vicinity of major fault lines in recent years.

"Every major sign that we know about points to the fact that a major earthquake in California is overdue," says Franken.

The lull before the storm is about over. Earthquake activity is picking up fast. Quakes will soon become BIG NEWS.

Bible prophecy is specific on this point. One major sign announcing the close of man's 6,000-year period of rebellion against the Government of God — and at the same time preceding the return of Jesus Christ to set up the Kingdom of God on earth — is "earthquakes in diverse [meaning various, widely scattered] places" (Mat. 24:7).

For the full significance of what is happening and what is prophesied yet to occur write for our fully-illustrated booklet "*Truth* about EARTHQUAKES!" It's factual, tremendously interesting — and absolutely free!



Massive earthquake which struck three provinces in Sicily, January 15, 1968 left the little town of Gibellina in total ruins. Soldiers shown in picture are looking for survivors.

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